

FEBRUARY 2026

MONROE MATTERS

A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SCHOOL & TOWN BUDGET HEARINGS

Tuesday, February 10th

School's starts at 6pm
Town will follow

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

Monday, February 16th at 5:30pm

Budget Hearing at the town hall Tuesday, February 10th at 6PM

Monroe School District proposed FY27 budget can be found on our website www.monroeschool77.com under the home tab, then under the finance section, labeled FY27 Proposed Budget.

SUPERBOWL PIZZAS



Sunday February 8th

The price for a plain pizza is \$12.00
Toppings are 50 cents each with a max
charge for a pizza being \$14.00.

You can order pizza cooked or
uncooked with pick up times between
11am-3pm.

If you haven't ordered, call Barbara Farr
at 603-638-8011 to check availability.

VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE and LANDOWNER APPRECIATION EVENT

MONROE BUMPER HUMBERS invites everyone to join us on
Sunday, February 22nd at 60 Fairfield Rd, Monroe NH

3rd Annual Vintage Ride-In featuring:
Two Guided Trips - 10:30am and 1:00pm

Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Crockpots, Pies & more
Campfire with S'mores
Food and Beverage by donation
Landowners eat free!

- Raffles (Super Raffle & 50/50)
- OPEN TO ALL – no snowmobile registration* (or snowmobile) required!
Only for this event

For more information contact: David Choate - 603-638-4903
Updates on the Monroe Bumpers Humbers Facebook page
Come enjoy the snow and meet your neighbors and fellow
riders!

Thank You to Landowners and Supporters!

MONROE COMMUNITY CHURCH



Sunday services
at 9:30
in the village

MONROE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Now's the time to safely burn brush while there is snow on the ground. You do not need a permit, but you do need to follow other fire laws. A pdf of those laws can be found on monroenh.org in the library's newsletter section. It's also a good idea to notify dispatch at their nonemergency number (603-787-2111) before you burn in case they receive reports of smoke/fire.



IT OUT AT THE LIBRARY (603)638-4736 monroepubliclibrary@gmail.com
TUESDAY 12pm-7pm; WEDNESDAY 9am-4pm; SATURDAY 9am-12pm
****THE LIBRARY WILL CLOSE AT 5:30 ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10th****

BRINGING PEOPLE AND IDEAS TOGETHER

Have you been in the library lately and noticed the new, comfy chairs that have taken the place of the old wooden ones? They've certainly been noticed by all the people who attend meetings and programs! There's one more thing on our wish list that will let us make better use of our space for programs and meetings: new tables. We have one 6 foot table that does not accommodate the groups that we have using the space. We'd like to replace it with 4 square wooden tables that could be reconfigured to fit all our needs. The tables we have chosen are made in St. Johnsbury of solid wood, so they'll last a lifetime. Rather than increase our budget to make this purchase, you'll see us doing some fundraising over the next few months.

Save the Date

Saturday March 14th Spaghetti Dinner

FREE BOOKS MONTHLY FROM BIRTH TO AGE 5 DOLLY PARTON'S IMAGINATION LIBRARY

We're happy to announce that this program will continue to be available in 2026 to children in Monroe. We owe a thank you to the Whitefield Library for working tirelessly to procure donations after the grant money that supported the program for Northern Grafton and Coos Counties was lost. Donations came from individuals, civic groups, businesses, and private foundations and ranged from \$30 to \$6500. Thank you to the townspeople who made donations to the fund when they heard about the potential loss of the program. If you would like to donate towards 2027 funding, reach out and we'll let you know how.

If you have a child aged 5 or younger that's not signed up yet, go to imaginationlibrary.com/check-availability. Sign up each of your children because different books are sent based on a child's age (i.e. newborns get board books and older children get picture books).

THANK YOU FOR BEING A FRIEND GOLDEN GIRLS GALENTINES

Friday, February 13th from 6-9pm
come when you can & stay as long as you like

Have some laughs while watching a marathon of Golden Girls episodes

Cheesecake and mocktails provided

Feel free to bring a refreshment to share

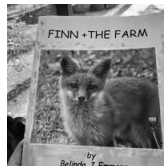
HELP US UPDATE OUR RECORDS

Remember how we said we'd be updating our library cards last year? Well, we have finalized the new forms. Next time you're in fill one out with your current contact info. Don't worry, you'll keep the same card number!

BOOK SIGNING

Saturday, February 28th from 10am-Noon

Belinda Emmons will be signing her two newest books Finn + the Farm and Luna & Leopold



TIME TO PLAY!

**February 17th and 24th
March 3rd, 17th, 24th and 31st**

Winter got you feeling cooped up? Want to play some cards or cribbage? Maybe work on a puzzle? Or just have a cup of coffee and chat? Stop in anytime between 1 and 3pm.

LOCAL HISTORY EVENT

March 7th from 10-1pm at the Monroe Public Library

The Monroe Public Library and the Monroe Historical Society are collaborating on a local history event to be held at the library. We have items from the collections of the library and the historical society but if you have something you'd like to share for the day, reach out.

- Take our historical trivia quiz & win prizes
- Record your story as part of our "Voices of Monroe" project
- Listen to stories from our panel of longtime residents
- View local historical objects, documents, & photographs
- Scan your own photos at the library's scanning station
- Learn about others in town with our "pinpoint" maps
- Watch a slideshow of town history
- Enjoy a "slice of history" from our themed cake
- Bring the kids to enjoy a story with Belinda Emmons of Rabbit Run Photography

GAME NIGHT FOR ADULTS

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, March 24th 6-8pm

Join us to play the popular board games *Ticket to Ride* and *Catan*. Don't know how to play? We'll teach you! Reach out to Erik Volk at erikvolk@outlook.com to let him know you'll be attending or with any questions. Snacks welcome!

FROM THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

2026 Dog Licenses are now available. Dogs should be licensed before April 30th to avoid any fines or penalties. Bring an up-to-date rabies vaccine to register. Renewals may also be done online at monroenh.org.

Mark your calendar, Town Election Day is March 10th. If you are not currently a registered voter, please stop by the office to complete your voter registration. We are happy to assist!

Just a reminder that you can renew your vehicle registrations online at monroenh.org.

OFFICE HOURS

Closed Monday, February 16th in observance of Presidents Day

Monday & Friday 8:30am -12 noon

Tuesday 4:30 - 7pm

Wednesday & Thursday 2-6pm

Last Saturday of each month 9am-12 Noon, **by appointment only**



Celebrate America's 250th

This year we are planning on holding multiple community events to recognize our nation's 250th anniversary.



Flag Holidays throughout 2026 - Special 250th Anniversary American Flags will be flown along Main Street.
Crocheted American Flag - The Library will be coordinating the creation of a crocheted American Flag.
April - Watch for the specific date for a "U.S. at 250 Big Watch" program featuring selected clips from the Ken Burns' *The American Revolution* film.
June 26th - Kick off the weekend with a Community Movie Night featuring Patriotic themed films.
June 27th - A Monroe Community Day in honor of the 250th! Come enjoy a parade, the reading of the Declaration of Independence, old fashioned games, Monroe historic pictures, Historical Hero costume contest, and more!
June 26th - July 4th - "Light to Unite" - Join in as we light up the town buildings in Red, White, and Blue for the week! Light up your house in honor of the 250th as our community comes together to celebrate.
September 18th - Community Street Dance and live music at the skating rink.



SPECIAL 250TH PLANNING MEETING
MARCH 4, 2026 - 6:00pm
at the Monroe Public Library



Come join us to plan these events and help make them happen! Volunteers are needed to bring these events, and us, together. Whether you can help for an entire event, or just for an hour, it makes a difference. The 250th is about community and coming together...we hope to see you there!

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