



A Visit with the Newest Selectboard Member, Erica Goleman

by Kathy Llamas

Recently, I had the pleasure of interviewing Erica Goleman, our newest member of the Conway Selectboard.

Erica came to the area from Portland, Oregon, by way of Alaska while pursuing an MA in Education from Smith College. Her husband, Govinddass's, family lives in Haydenville, MA, and so they were already familiar with Massachusetts. When Erica's course was completed in 1998, they began to look for a place to raise their family. They had hoped to locate within the city of Northampton; however, when they found a home in Conway – which initially seemed remote – they felt it was the perfect place for them!



In 1999 their first daughter was born. In the years that followed, they added two more daughters and a son. Their eldest daughters are attending Cornell and the University of New Mexico, and the two youngest children will be attending Four Rivers School in the fall. Erica works as the Manager of Web and New Media at Greenfield Community College. Her husband is an architectural

metalworker. When not welding new pieces of art for his clients, he enjoys the science of brewing.

I asked Erica what got her interested in politics. She credited her family, and especially her mother, with fostering in her the importance of politics and the political process as well as the value of being a politically active person. She mused that when she was a young child, her mother would take her out of the classroom, and they would go the polling place in the school gym where Erica could observe the voting process. Erica said, with a smile in her voice, that she could not recall an election when she had not joined her mother in the booth. She remembers those days even as a voter herself. She believes it is important to model an interest in local politics for her family.

As a long-time resident of Conway, Erica served as a member of the Fireman's Auxiliary for nearly twenty years, with fifteen of those as its treasurer.

Although this is her first foray into local politics, Erica is invigorated by the task of undertaking all there is to learn. "It is interesting and exciting! The selectboard is a great group of people! Tom, the town administrator, has been immensely helpful, and Bob is super-solid in his new role as chair of the selectboard.."

She is happy supporting and growing Conway's future in the decisions that lie ahead. "Being a part of the selectboard feels great – natural!"

Guidelines for Submission to *Conway Currents*

Since its inception *Conway Currents* has, as did its predecessor, *The Visitor*, given voice through written expression and visual arts to the residents of Conway, its employees, and those with familial ties to the place we call home.

The newsletter encourages submissions of all kinds. We will publish all authors who submit their work, provided that work does not fall within the guidelines for rejection.

Conway Currents will reject any submission that encourages violence. Any submission that makes a negative reference based on race, religion, gender, sexual identity, economic resources, or age will be rejected.

- All Conway residents or persons who work in the town or have familial ties to the town are eligible to submit items for *Conway Currents*. We encourage submissions of all kinds.
- The average word count is 200-300 words, although longer articles will be given consideration, space permitting.
- Articles should be submitted electronically as an attachment in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) preferably. Brief notices may be submitted within the body of an email. When this is not possible, please contact the chair to discuss a possible alternative.
- To submit, email your article to conwaycurrents@gmail.com
- Deadline for submissions is the 20th of the preceding month.
- All submissions will be reviewed and any article that needs revision will be returned to the author with feedback from the editor. The author is expected to respond to the feedback and resubmit the article in a timely manner.
- Questions regarding submissions may be sent to conwaycurrents@gmail.com or by calling Kathy Llamas at (413) 695-5626.

The deadline for articles and ads in the newsletter is the 20th of the preceding month. Please send your content, comments and suggestions by email to Kathy Llamas at conwaycurrents@gmail.com. Thank you!



Conway Council on Aging

The COA receives a grant from the state Executive Office of Elder Affairs and an appropriation from the town. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall. During the COVID-19 crisis, non-COA participants are invited to join by conference call. The number to join the meeting is 369-1541; the participant ID is 1541#. For more information, contact Patricia Ann Lynch, COA chair, at 369-4284.

Senior Calendar for August

- **Healthy Bones & Balance Class** This free class, sponsored by RSVP, meets Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. Contact leader Gary Fentin at 369-0001 for a link to the Zoom class.
- **Monthly Foot Care** Foot clinics are held on the first Monday of the month in Town Hall by appointment only. The next dates are Sept. 8 (a Tuesday because of the holiday) and Oct. 5. Call Peg Tiley at 369-4010 for information or to make an appointment. Face masks are required. There is a \$20.00 fee.
- **Senior Meals** The COA hopes to resume senior brunches and lunches when the COVID-19 situation makes it possible to do so..
- **Walking Group** The group meets at 9:30 a.m. Monday mornings in front of the library, weather permitting. Social distancing is maintained during walks. Call Phylis Dacey at 369-4326 for information.
- **Yoga for Seniors** Led by Jody Fontaine on Wednesdays. Class times: mat yoga, 10:00-11:00 a.m.; chair yoga, 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Call Jody at 413-824-9435 for links to the Zoom classes.

Senior Services

Durable Medical Equipment Loans The COA has items of durable medical equipment available for loan, including wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes, tub and shower chairs, commodes, raised toilet seats, and a recently donated CPAP machine. Call Hank Horstmann at 369-4405 to borrow equipment or if you have equipment to donate.

Home-Delivered Meals Meals on Wheels are still being provided during the COVID-19 crisis by LifePath for Conway seniors up to seven days per week. Call LifePath at 773-5555 for further information and registration.

Van Transportation The Shelburne Falls Senior Center provides curb-to-curb van transportation within Franklin County for seniors 60 and over, for medical appointments and shopping. However, daily trips are no longer available. Call the center at 625-2502 to make an appointment at least 48 hours in advance or for information about reservations and fees. For rides to out-of-county medical appointments, call the FRTA at 774-2262 for information and reservations.

Get Your Flu Shot!

Flu vaccine is an important preventive in any year, and this is definitely not just another year! Preventing flu during the COVID pandemic is even more important. Member Towns of FRCOG's Cooperative Public Health Service are working together to provide residents in the region with several opportunities for flu vaccination this season. The Conway Board of Health is helping to plan these events:

Sunday, October 4, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
All-Ages Drive-Thru EDS/Flu Clinic
South Deerfield Highway Garage, 9 Merrigan Way, South Deerfield

Friday, November 6, 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Conway Town Hall – Senior High Dose Available

Please gather your insurance cards, plan form preparation before arrival, and mark your calendars to join us! Forms, details, and a full schedule of community clinics will be available on Conway (www.townofconway.com) and FRCOG (<https://frcog.org>) websites in early September.

NOTE: State public health officials have announced that influenza immunization will be required for all children six months of age or older who are attending Massachusetts child care, preschool, K-12, and colleges and universities. The new vaccine requirement is an important step to reduce flu-related illness and the overall impact of respiratory illness during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Students will be expected to have received a flu vaccine by December 31, 2020, for the 2020-2021 influenza season, unless either a medical or religious exemption is provided. Also exempted are K-12 students who are homeschooled and higher education students who are completely off-campus and engaged in remote learning only. This new flu immunization requirement to enter school in January is in addition to existing vaccine requirements for all those attending child care, preschool, K-12, and colleges and universities in Massachusetts. Elementary and secondary students in districts and schools that are using a remote education model are not exempt.

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About the Birds and the Bees at Natural Roots

David Fisher

Two graduate-student ornithologist friends from UMass have been conducting songbird research at Natural Roots for several years. In 2017 Isabel Brofsky began assessing the songbird populations living here and on other small, integrated farms in the area. Her work has identified the bird species that are most commonly found on these farms and what habitats are particularly good for specific species. Of the farms that she studied, Natural Roots is home to one of the most diverse and abundant songbird populations. Our flycatcher and swallow populations are especially diverse, with six species of flycatcher and the steeply declining bank swallow also present.

Since 2019, Sam Mayne has been working to assess the amount to which songbird populations benefit farms by reducing pest insects. He believes that, by eating pests, songbirds increase crop yield and decrease the need for pesticide use. So far he has collected samples from 99 birds on Natural Roots. Using DNA analysis, he will determine the diet of each bird, looking for crop pests. Preliminary analyses show that birds decrease pests in brassica and cucurbit crops.

In a study of another important wild population, Alison Fowler, a Ph.D. candidate in the Department of Biology at UMass Amherst, is collecting bees at different area farms to understand how the landscape affects their health. Alison studies bee health by looking at the bacteria that live in the bee's gut. Gut microbes play a big role in our health; they help us digest food, and certain bacteria are correlated with certain diseases. Bees also have gut microbes that affect their health, but much more research is needed to fully understand these links. New England has lots of amazing wild bee species, and we know that many suffer from diseases. Alison is studying bee gut microbes in the Adler Lab, which has recently discovered that when bees eat pollen from sunflowers, they have fewer gut parasites.

She is curious to see if this link between food and disease is driven by changes in bees' gut microbes and hopes to visit farms in the Pioneer Valley that differ in the amount of sunflowers planted to see if bees foraging in a landscape with lots of sunflowers (and not much else) have different gut microbes from bees in landscapes with a variety of flowering species, including some sunflowers, or one with no sunflowers. Natural Roots has many flowering crops, including our lovely row of you-pick sunflowers, so our farm will serve as a site in the middle category.

Alison hopes to collect individuals of three different types of bees: bumble bees, sweat bees, and leafcutter bees. By looking at different species, she hopes to see if any patterns are general or species-specific. We look forward to sharing her findings!

Garden Club Notes

As Bob Dylan sang, "The times they are a'changin'." With only three weeks of summer left until the autumnal equinox arrives on the 22nd, this is a transitional time. The chirping of crickets is an almost constant buzz, and the changing light as the days grow shorter accentuates the passage of time. There's a lot to do in the garden before wintry weather begins to be felt.

- This is the time to improve the soil by spreading a layer of compost or rotted manure and spading or rototilling it into the soil. Planting a cover crop such as rye grass will help control erosion during the winter.
- Plant spring-flowering bulbs now, selecting a variety of bulbs that bloom at different times to ensure color from spring into early summer.
- Before the first frost, dig up and store tender bulbs such as dahlias and cannas.
- Harvest tender vegetables as soon as frost is predicted. You can leave winter squash until frost kills the leaves, when growth will stop.

The aims of the Conway Garden Club are to stimulate interest in gardening and related skills, to enhance the natural beauty of our area, and to educate and promote environmental improvement. The club welcomes suggestions for new projects that would benefit the town. Contact Pat Lynch at 369-4284 or email patricialynch@earthlink.net

Update from the Field Memorial Library

The Field Memorial Library (FML) remains closed to physical visits as major renovations to the library dome, heating and lighting systems, and other details are underway. This is in addition to our work developing a reopening plan that will ensure safety when we do reopen. We appreciate your patience while these major systems are updated to improve the experience of being in the library and we work out the pesky details to ensure the safety of all who visit. Please check our website for updates.

As reported elsewhere in *Conway Currents*, the Friends of the Field Memorial Library created a 1920 “period piece” march on Saturday, August 15, to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote and to award the Friends scholarship to Ms Pitittieri. We are grateful to all who created and participated in these events. At the event, women residents of Conway who qualify to vote in their first election this fall were given a copy of Elizabeth Cady Stanton’s 1882 appeal for women’s right to vote, *The Solitude of Self*. All residents who will vote for the first time this fall are invited to contact the library and arrange to receive a copy of this book as an expression of how “history matters.”

FML’s “steps-side” process for picking up materials and returning them to our outside book drop is continuing. In the weeks ahead our pickup schedules are subject to change due to the renovations, so please check our website for the most up-to-date schedule. To help you know what is in *some* of the FML collections, we have

added a “Collections” page to our website at <https://fieldmemoriallibrary.org>. This page has links to several online spreadsheets – to which we continue to add – showing portions of our collections that may be browsed or searched. You can also request any item and we will search our collection, and if we do not have it, we will try to obtain it for you. The Inter-Library Loan (ILL) process has restarted, and this helps us to obtain items from other libraries. To request an item or to arrange to pick up a copy of *The Solitude of Self*, send an email with your requested title(s) and author(s) or your request for the book to director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org.

We hope you are well and managing during this uncertain and stressful time. Please let us know if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns regarding how FML may be of service.

All Best,
David Whittier
Director, Field Memorial Library
director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org
<https://fieldmemoriallibrary.org>

Historical Society News

While the Conway Historical Society remains closed to the public, with no plans to hold programs anytime soon, our website is up and running: <http://conwaymasshistory.org/>. Take a look and explore our collection of family papers, artifacts, photographs, and other historical materials – over 1,000 items entered! Search a year, a name, a business, the Electric Street Railway, South River Station, Hall of Fame baseball pitcher Jack Chesbro, construction photographs of the Conway pool, one of Conway’s many one-room schoolhouses, Festival of the Hills memorabilia, 19th-century theater programs, examples of Conway cutlery, postcards of the Field Memorial Library. Anyone for a 1,500-year-old stone hoe or a 100-year-old bisque toy doll from Japan?

Field Memorial Library March and Scholarship

The Friends of the Field Memorial Library held a celebratory march in Conway on Saturday, August 15, for the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment. More than 30 people joined the procession up and down Conway's main street. The women were dressed in 1920s attire. Everyone wore purple/white/yellow sashes proclaiming "Votes for Women" and carried placards with phrases from the 1900s supporting a woman's right to vote. In addition, the Friends presented their \$500 2020 scholarship to



Mackenzie Pitittieri (shown above). Attendees heard part of Ms. Pitittieri's winning essay on "How does the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment (giving women the right to vote in the United States) make a difference to the Town of Conway?" She wrote: "I am lucky to live in a town that reflects ideals of equality and supports every woman. Therefore, it is important that we celebrate the 19th Amendment because it makes us who we are as a town. Conway is sincerely a town like no other in the sense that we have developed a community so open to progressive ideals while still being able to maintain tradition."

As part of the celebration, the Friends plan an exhibit of the materials used in the march as soon as the library is fully able to reopen. For information and to support your local library, go to <https://fieldmemoriallibrary.org/>, visit the library at 1 Elm Street in Conway, or mail to Friends of the Field Memorial Library, PO Box 189, Conway, MA 01341.

UCC Church Notes

by Eileen Schneider

Although not a lot has changed at the church site, the congregation has been active. We have been meeting for Sunday service every other week in August at the Boy Scout campsite on Main Poland Road. It is a wonderful spot in the woods to contemplate the beauty of our surroundings. We also have some meetings coming up in September that we would like to share with the community. On September 13 we plan a work bee at the church site. This will entail the removal of weeds and bushes and perhaps decoration of the fence around the old foundation. Rakes, hoes, weed whackers, and a chainsaw would be appreciated. We will gather at 10:00 a.m. The rain date for this event is September 20.

We have begun our search for a new pastor. The Pastoral Search Committee has prepared our church profile and has submitted it to the UCC governing body. This is a complex, thoughtful process and will take a while to complete.

And what about the church structure itself? The Building Committee has been busy with meetings with the architect and Thayer Street Builders to turn our vision into reality. Due to the pandemic and the cost of a new building, it has been hard to finalize our plans. We have had to rework our original building concept several times to come nearer our budget. We do, however, have a plan that is possible, and groundbreaking is set for March 2021. Pictures of the planned new building will be posted on the fence. As we know more, we will try to keep everyone in the loop,

since this building, like the old one, will be a community resource as well as a place of worship. We look forward to our renewal of spiritual and community service.

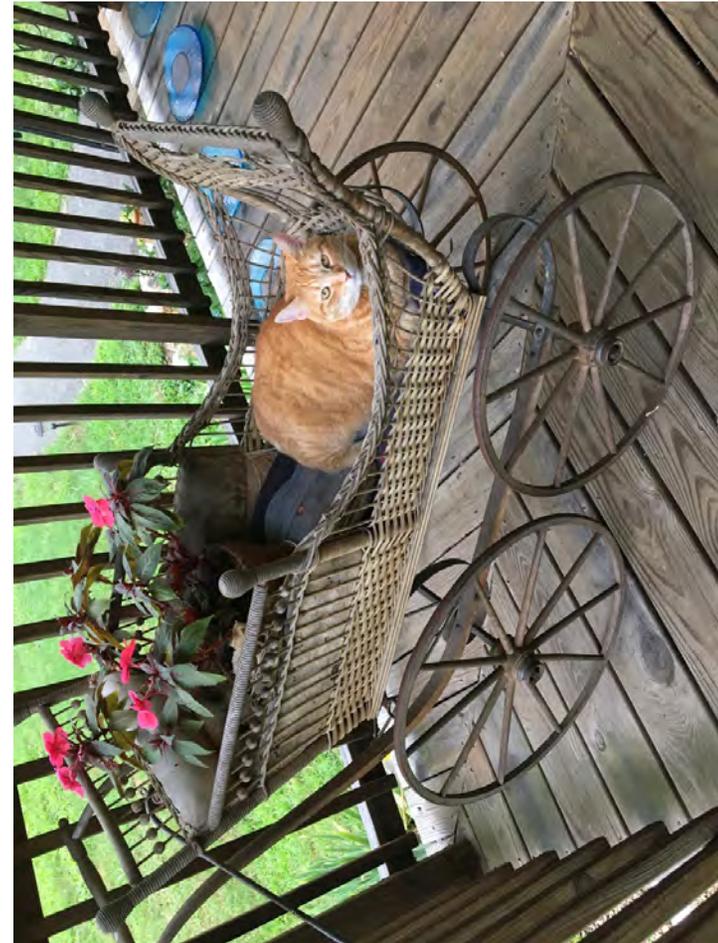
Fireman's Auxiliary Turkey Dinner and Rag Shag Parade Canceled

Because of the COVID-19 crisis, the Conway Fireman's Auxiliary reluctantly voted to cancel what would have been our 48th Annual Turkey Dinner and instead support other local organizations that are suffering from the pandemic. We ask people in the community to take the \$15.00 they would have spent on a take-out turkey dinner and use it to support the Hilltown Churches Food Pantry. In addition, members voted unanimously to donate \$1,000 to the food pantry. Send your own donations to:

Hilltown Churches Food Pantry
c/o First Congregational Church
PO Box 161
Ashfield, MA 01330

It was also decided not to hold the traditional Rag Shag Parade and Halloween party this year. With social distancing requirements, this would not be possible.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, November 2, at 6:00 p.m. in the firehouse. The November meeting is when we traditionally address holiday cards to Conway's senior citizens.



Ruby, 2020, submitted by Deb Hoyle. This is our cat Ruby in a favorite napping place on the porch. The carriage is from around 1890, the same year our house was built! But she doesn't know that.

My COVID Life

by Sir Reginald Buttwinker

1. **Days of the Week:** Sat. Sun. Fri. Tue. Wed. Fri. Fri.
2. **Summer Trips:** Domestic travel: dump, pond, Baker's, bank. (Repeat 30 times a month.) Foreign travel: Greenfield, Heath.
3. **Favorite Books:** *A Thousand and One Tales from the Bible*; *Children's Games*: Throw Grandma Down the Well, Nursery Darts, Are You Not Entertained?! (a gladiator game). An easy read was *Ventriloquism for Dummies*, written by Dummies (380 blank pages).
4. **TV Viewing:** *The Burning Yule Log*; *The Best of Cy Becker*; *America's Funniest Horrific Accidents*; HGTV: *Love It, List It, or Burn It*.
5. **Conversations with Neighbors:** "You OK?" "Yeah. You?" "OK." (Two awkward minutes of nothing.) "Stay safe." "You too."
6. **A Typical Day:** Still no morning shave or shower: "For what?" I say. Cold Conway Inn pizza breakfast. Try to squeeze the missing jigsaw puzzle piece out of the dog. Watch *The Burning Yule Log* for an hour. Nap #1. Finish the pizza. Try to kill that % @ * fly! The evening cocktail hour(s) begin at 1:30. At 6:00 p.m., I'm walking the dog, he delivers the missing puzzle piece. 8:00 p.m., time to get into my PJs; however, I never got out of them! In bed, I thank God that tomorrow's Friday. But wait, wasn't today ?



Conway Cultural Council Grant Funding



While we don't know what the future has in store, we are hoping that a sense of normalcy will be restored in 2021, and in that vein, applications open October 1 for proposals for community-oriented arts, humanities, and science programs. The deadline is November 16 for organizations, schools, and individuals to apply for grants that support cultural activities in the community.

These grants can support a variety of artistic projects benefiting the people of Conway, including exhibits, festivals, field trips, short-term artist residencies, or performances in schools, workshops, and lectures. Preference will be given to applicants from Conway and/or programs that take place in Conway.

The Conway Cultural Council is part of a network of 329 local cultural councils serving all 351 cities and towns in the Commonwealth. The LCC Program is the largest grassroots cultural funding network in the nation, supporting thousands of community-based projects in the arts, sciences, and humanities every year. The state legislature provides an annual appropriation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, which then allocates funds to each community.

Previously funded projects include nature walks, school programs, musical performances, and lectures. We prefer to fund events that will take place live between July 2020 and December 2021. Alternately, an online offering is an option if the project lends itself to this format. During the spring of 2020 when social gatherings were not possible, the Charlemont Forum went virtual in a dynamic event titled "Forging an Earth Ethic in a Time of Crisis." You can view this at <https://centerforearthethics.org/forging-an-earth-ethic-video>.

Local guidelines, information about applications, and complete information on the Conway Cultural Council can be found online at www.mass-culture.org The application process is straightforward, but if you need assistance or have any questions, please email conwayculturalcouncil@gmail.com.

Conway Currents is now offering advertising!

Rates for ads up to 150 words are: one month \$7.75, six months \$25.75, twelve months \$44.75. For cost of longer ads or to include images (limited), call or email Louise at 413-559-1180 or lmbeckett@crocker.com. We have set what we feel is a fair price based on our circulation, which is to the entire town.

Advertisements can be paid for by checking account or credit card through the town's website: <https://townofconway.com/> > [View or Pay a Bill](#) > [Pay Newsletter Advertising](#). You can even make a donation to *Conway Currents* using the website.

Please send the text of your advertisement to Louise by email at lmbeckett@crocker.com. If you want to discuss your ad or have any questions, you may call or email.

Thank you for your support of *Conway Currents*!

If you find any errors in this issue of *Conway Currents* please let us know by contacting Pat Lynch at patricialynch@earthlink.net. Our aim is to present clear and accurate information of interest to the community.

What Does Conway Mean to You?

This month's image (page 14) courtesy of Deb Hoyle. Send us your photo of that special place in Conway! We will publish an image each month as long as you want us to and as long as we have space. Images may be either in color or black and white and should be sent via email to conwaycurrents@gmail.com. Either a .tif image in 300 dpi or a high-resolution .jpg will be fine. Send a brief description of your photo and add a few words telling us why this place is special to you. We look forward to your submissions!

Welcome to the New Conway Giveaway!

Due to the current pandemic and the temporary closure of the "Conway Mall," *Conway Currents* will be hosting a local giveaway section. Although there are many other ways to repurpose and donate, we offer this service for those who would like to donate items they no longer need to others right here in town who could use them. Please provide a very short description together with your preferred method of contact. For instance:

- Used once, extra-large, heavy-duty rubber doggie boots (fit a golden retriever): veroniquecb28@gmail.com
- Mandoline with hand protector (for shredding vegetables): veroniquecb28@gmail.com
- 4 x 6 picture frames, hanging four in a row connected with twine rope (two are available): veroniquecb28@gmail.com
- If anyone wants one of these items, please email to set up a place and time for a contactless pickup.

Please note that this is for giveaways only, not items for sale.



Warning from Conway Police

The Conway Police Department is again advising residents to lock their doors both day and night. Another rash of illegal entry of vehicles resulting in stolen property has occurred over the past couple of weeks throughout Western Massachusetts and Connecticut. Thieves are targeting vehicles that are left unlocked and in certain cases have taken the vehicles when the keys were left in them. Please don't let yourself become a victim. We urge anyone with related information to contact us at 625-8200 or 369-4235 x7.

Town of Conway Volunteer Opportunities

Town committees are always in need of volunteer members. The committees below especially need volunteers:

- Finance Committee: contact Nick Filler at jnicholasfiller@gmail.com
- Parks, Recreation & Trails Committee: contact parksandrec@townofconway.com
- Energy Committee: contact Peter Martin at plm314@hotmail.com
- Council on Aging: contact Patricia Ann Lynch at patricialynch@earthlink.net

Unless otherwise noted, contact assistant@townofconway.com with questions or for more openings throughout the year.

Safe Kids Socialization During COVID-19

Keeping your young ones at home this fall? Is anyone else feeling nervous about it? Wondering how to help your kids stay grounded and socialized while keeping them safe? Wanting to find opportunities to teach them some social distancing skills in a relaxed atmosphere? Me, too! I am a former public school music teacher who has decided to stay home with my four-year-old this year. We are looking to find safe ways to meet outdoors and socialize with a small group of local folks. Hiking, music making, kite flying, etc. Hit me up! maki.matsui1@gmail.com.

Conway Board of Health Reminder

The Board of Health would like to remind everyone that any public events involving food will require a food permit issued by the Board. Please contact the Board of Health at boardofhealth@townofconway.com or 369-4235 x8 for a food permit application.

Thank you for your cooperation and stay safe and well!

Interested in Volunteering for the Newsletter?

Do you have a story to tell, a column we might publish regularly, or time to spare? Interested in serving as a volunteer on the newsletter committee? Let us know at conwaycurrents@gmail.com.

The Conway Inn

by Barbara Llamas

Due to some lifting of the COVID-19 restrictions, we are now able to offer limited seating indoors as well as outside in the back yard.

The inn will continue to be open Sunday through Thursday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. for pizza, chicken wings, and breadsticks. Take-out orders may be placed starting at 4:00 p.m. We are now able to serve alcoholic beverages for dining at the inn and to sell bottled beer and single-serve wine with to-go food orders. Call 369-4428 to place your order. Thanks again for the hometown spirit you've shown toward your local businesses!

Baker's Country Store and Luncheonette

The store is open seven days a week for take-out breakfast (served all day) and lunch. We now have limited seating outside and inside due to the partial lifting of the COVID-19 ban on dining-in restaurants. Current hours: Monday-Friday 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Saturday 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and Sunday 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Call 369-4936.

We now have locally made children's masks for \$5.00. They're bright and just right for those little faces!

Mums are in! Local blueberries and vegetables continue to arrive: tomatoes, corn, cukes, squash and beans, plus peaches and apples. Don't forget that we have a variety of homemade desserts and baked goods, as well as a large selection of last-minute items. We feature freshly baked cakes, muffins, pies, and cookies. Put in your order today for one of Helen's famous pies! Check us out on Facebook: [facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store](https://www.facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store) for today's specials. We look forward to seeing you again soon.

Using Conway's Transfer Station

The Transfer Station is located on Old Cricket Hill Road and is open to receive trash and recyclables on:

- Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Sundays, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Wednesdays, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Telephone: (413) 369-4727

Hazardous Waste Collection – first Saturday of the month, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Hazardous waste collection is provided for limited types of household hazardous waste, such as automotive products (used motor oil, oil filters, transmission fluid, anti-freeze); mercury-containing devices (fluorescent lamps, button batteries, fever thermometers and thermostats); oil-based paints, thinners, lacquers, and other paint-related items; rechargeable nickel-cadmium batteries; and fluorescent lamp ballasts.

A permit is required to use the Conway Transfer Station. Board of Health Regulations state that the use of the transfer station is limited to Conway residents who have purchased and display a special permit sticker on their vehicle. Payment for the permits is now done through the online payment option on the Town's website and is \$10. Print out your receipt and take it to the transfer station during normal working hours where the gate attendants will give you your sticker.

Stickers will be displayed on the upper portion of the windshield of the vehicle, behind the rear-view mirror. This placement is essential for attendants to quickly identify properly permitted vehicles.

Current Town Office Hours

Until further notice, ONE VISITOR AT A TIME may enter the town office. If you find that another visitor is already in the office, PLEASE WAIT OUTSIDE until that person leaves. MASKS MUST BE WORN

Town Clerk - Laurie Lucier - 369-4235 x4

Enter at rear of building.

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Treasurer/Tax Collector - Jan Warner - 369-4235 x2; Assistant Treasurer/Tax Collector Lynn Kane - 369-4235 x1

Mondays and Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Transfer Station stickers available.

Town Administrator - Tom Hutcheson - 369-4235, x3

Please call for appt. – may be out of office.

Mondays 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesdays 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesdays 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursdays 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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