



The Lisbon Quarterly

A Newsletter for Lisbon Residents



Trails Day Weekend June 7 & 8

The Connecticut Forrest and Park Association is sponsoring the 15th annual Connecticut Trails Day Weekend. There are 258 events planned state wide this year with this being Lisbon's first year to participate in this event.

The first activity on Trails Day Weekend begins on **Saturday, June, 7 from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for Trail Maintenance.** Join students from Lisbon Central School and other members of the community to beautify the Lisbon Meadows Park trail system just in time for summer use. These narrow, rolling trails need some TLC. Please bring a rake, clippers, or shovel. Long pants and closed toed shoes recommended. Meet leader Chad Johnson at Lisbon Meadows Park parking lot (on Route 169) in front of the walking bridge.

On **Sunday, June 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon** get ready to have some fun! There will be a kids 1.7 mile cross-country fun run followed by a 3.1 mile adult cross-country fun run. Both runs will traverse the Lisbon Meadows Park trail system. The trails are narrow and rolling with some rocks and roots. (The path also travels through several meadows.) Leader Chad Johnson will be coordinating Day-of registration for this event under the pavilion at the park (on Route 169) beginning at 9:30 a.m.; follow the entrance to the trail system, cross the foot bridge, and bear to the left at the intersection to get to the pavilion.

Pre-registration is not necessary for the maintenance activity on the 7th but would be greatly appreciated for the

fun runs. There is a registration sheet on page three of this newsletter. Questions: **contact 860-617-1144, runingboy@comcast.net.** To view the CT Trails Day Weekend Booklet on line go to www.ctwoodlands.org then click on CT Trails Day.

Lisbon's Trails Day Weekend is sponsored by the Town of Lisbon Recreation Committee with member Chad Johnson coordinating the events.

Dog Licenses Renewed Annually

From Laurie Tirocchi, Town Clerk

In the State of Connecticut, dog licenses must be renewed annually in the month of June. A Connecticut dog license is valid from July 1st until June 30th of each year.

All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed or within 30 days of being acquired by a new owner. Fees for registering a dog are \$8.00 for a neutered or spayed dog and \$19.00 for an unaltered dog. If a dog is not registered in a timely fashion, a \$1.00 per month statutory fee is assessed.

If you have any questions about registering your dog, please contact the Town Clerk's office at 860-376-2708.

Farmers Market Opening Day

From Donna Harris, Chair.

The Lisbon Farmers Market will run on Thursday's from June 26th through October 3rd this year. The market will be open from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. weather permitting. The market takes place at Lisbon Meadows Park in the parking lot next to the community center barn.

There are many returning vendors from last year as well as some new ones. We look forward to seeing all of our loyal customers from last season as well as meeting new ones.!

The committee is looking for volunteers to help with various things. If you can help with one week or multiple weeks, please talk to any one of the Farmers Market Committee members (Sharon Gabiga, Christopher Harris, Donna Harris, Adeline Jernstrom, Elaine Joseph or Terry Joseph).

Lisbon Historical Society

Quarterly Notes

By Kim Sperry

Summer open house at the John Bishop House Museum commences Saturday, June 6. Hours are usually 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. but we invite you to stop by whenever the open flag is posted or staff is working in the gardens. In addition to taking in the design and architecture of the house, we also house the Town Historian's library of research material, and if you are lucky, we just might be cooking up a pot of soup over the open fire.

The Burnham Tavern's application has been submitted to The State Historic Preservation Office for review and potential nomination for designation as a historic structure and listing on the State Register of Historic Places. If successful, the next step is applying to join the Anshei Israel Synagogue, John Palmer House, Andrew Clark House and the Lathrop-Mathewson-Ross House on the National Register of Historic Places.

Listing on the Registers opens the door to funding opportunities, and complements the state's "Still Revolutionary" culture and tourism marketing program as well as adding another highlight to the Scenic-Byway.

The Historical Society recently appointed a Development Committee to map a strategic plan that includes preservation, funding, community development, artifact acquisition and exhibition. Development Committee Chair, Laurie Pasteryak Lamarre, will share the history of the Burnham Tavern, a unique and significant dwelling under the care of the Lisbon Historical Society. Take a trip through time with Laurie to discover this noteworthy piece of local and national history, July 9 at noon at the Lisbon Senior Center. Visit the senior center's newsletter for information and scheduling updates.

Once again, the three fifth grade classes from Lisbon Central School are learning to cook over the open hearth. Nearly 60 students and their teachers are participating. Many thanks go out to the parent field trip chaperones.

The can and bottle redemption efforts continue, donations in original packaging or cardboard boxes are extremely helpful. As always, the Lisbon Historical Society is grateful for your donations no matter how they come.

Membership in the Historical Society is a rewarding opportunity to not only research, educate, mentor and preserve but to build long and strong relationships with your neighbors.

For information on Lisbon history and LHS events go to www.99main.com/~chill/Historic.html or our Facebook page by typing Lisbon Historical Society in the "find friends" bar. Monthly meetings take place on the second Friday in the Town Hall at 7 p.m.

Burnham Tavern Tidbits

By Marcia Shafer, Town Historian

This report will be called Burnham Tavern Tidbits. Did you know that Benjamin Burnham, born 1696 and died 1737, purchased seventy four and three quarter acres from Jabez Perkins on December 16, 1723. This purchase was witnessed by Richard Bushnell, Christopher Huntington, and Jabez Perkins. This purchase of land was "in Norwich lying in ye hill called Puppy Hill on the highway leading to Canterbury". His neighboring land owners were William Read and Obadiah Heth. (Volume 4, page 14 in the Grantor/Grantee records at Town Hall Norwich)

Benjamin Burnham born, 1729 and died 1799, was cared for by his mother when his father died eight years after he was born. When his mother, Mary Kinsman Burnham, remarried he was cared for by his uncle Robert Kinsman until he was of age to take over the land himself. When his mother remarried and moved to New Haven and became Mrs. Mary Little. In 1757 he was buying his 3 sisters shares of the family farm, this was 1/5 portion of 67 acres. His sister, Susannah, married John Bingham, his sister Joanna, married Dr. Josephine Perkins, and his sister Esther married a gentleman with the last name of Smith.

In 1757 Benjamin Burnham (#2) purchased fifteen acres of land from John Bishop. The land was "a little north John Bishop's dwelling house and beginning at a heap of stones, west side of a brook at a corner of my sister Temperance's land" and bounded by land belonging to the heirs of Joshua Bishop and abutting land of Samuel Starr. This contract was signed by John Bishop, Isaac Huntington, and Rebecca Huntington on May 9, 1757. (Vol. 14, Page 115, Town Hall Norwich)

In 1760 he purchased twenty five acres of land from John Bishop "and is part of the land belonged to my father's

estate and is bounded by a piece of land I previously sold the said Burnham" March 3, 1760, signed by John Bishop, and witnessed by Jacob Perkins and Judith Perkins. (Vol. 14, page 370. Town Hall Norwich)

The next parcel of land was twenty acres, which was land John Bishop lived on with a dwelling house and barn. This land was bounded by Moses Stevens and Joseph Park and said Burnhams land. It was dated August 18, 1762. It was signed by John Bishop and witnessed by Jacob Perkins and Daniel Comstock. (Vol. 14, page 371. Town Hall Norwich)

The lease contract entered March 27, 1812 between Hannah Burnham and her son Joshua Bishop describes how she is allowed the privilege to use the well of water near the house, a privilege in the stable to house her chaise in one forth part of the barn and a privilege in the Ell kitchen in said dwelling house. This is in the lease dated March 24, 1812. (Vol 3, page 11. Lisbon Town Hall)

I wonder when the ell kitchen was removed or torn down. Was the ell kitchen demolished or saved and rebuilt elsewhere? Was the wood reused in another portion of the house? Did the stagecoach passengers enter in the kitchen or did they enter through the front door of the house? Were the bricks from the cooking hearth of the kitchen reused somewhere else on the property or are they buried somewhere?

What other mysteries will be found in future research by records or the restoration of the house?

If you have any information regarding the Hoydila property or the old Burnham Tavern please consider sharing it with others and contact me by emailing me at lisboncthistorian@yahoo.com or call me at 860-376-8108.

CT TRAILS WEEKEND LISBON FUN RUN



When: Sunday, June 8th 2014
Where: Lisbon Meadows Park Pavilion
Time: Registration begins at 10:00am
Kids 1.7mile trail run - 10:30am start
Adults 3.1 mile trail run - 11:00 start
Awards: Participation ribbons to all finishers

THIS EVENT IS FREE AND PRE-REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED.

SPONSORED BY THE LISBON RECREATION COMMITTEE
IN CONJUNCTION WITH CT TRAILS WEEKEND.

VISIT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE FOR MORE EXCITING EVENTS THAT WEEKEND:
<http://www.ctwoodlands.org/CT-TrailsDayWeekend2014>

For information or to register contact Chad Johnson at: (860) 617-1144 or email runninboy@comcast.net

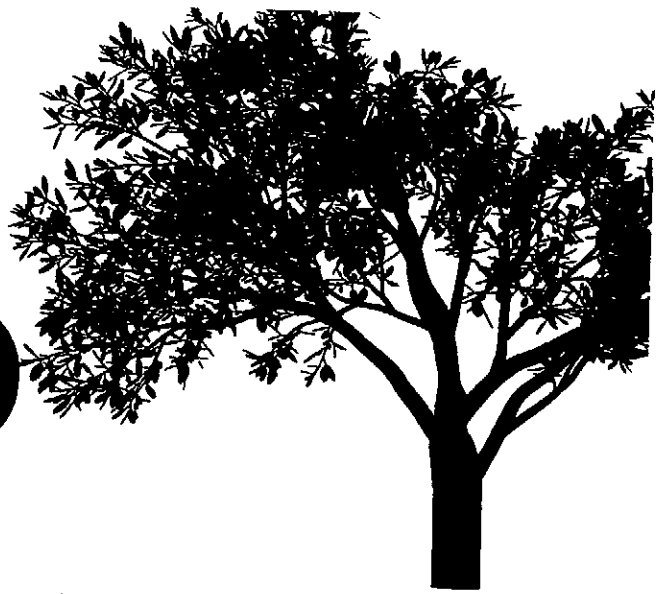
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Emergency Contact and Phone #: _____

WAIVER OF LIABILITY

I know that participating in a strenuous athletic event of this type is a hazardous activity. I certify that I have no physical, medical, nor mental condition which would interfere with my participation in the Lisbon Recreation Cross Country Trail Fun Run and that I have trained adequately for this off road trail race. I fully understand that I, or the person I am responsible for, will be subjected to harsh environmental conditions, including but not limited to, extreme temperatures, unpredictable weather conditions, hiking trails, unimproved trails, uneven terrain, rocks, cliffs, roots, trees, stream crossings, wild animals, limited access to immediate medical assistance, as well as any other conditions that man or mother nature may provide. I understand that there is a risk of sustaining serious bodily injury, permanent disability, or even death that might result not only from my own action, inaction, or negligence but the actions, inactions, or negligence of others, the rules of the race, or the conditions of the premises. Further, I acknowledge there may be other risks not known nor reasonably foreseeable at this time. I assume all the forgoing risks and accept personal responsibility for the damages following such injury, permanent disability, or death. Knowing these facts and in consideration of the acceptance of my Event entry, I or the person I am responsible for, and my/his/her assigns hereby waive, covenant not to sue, indemnify RELEASE AND DISCHARGE the Town of Lisbon, its race director(s), organizers, event staff, volunteers, sponsors, and property owners and their officers, directors, employees, agents, other participants, and any other persons or organizations involved in this event from and against any and all claims, liabilities, losses, damages, costs, and expenses arising from or in any way related to my participation in this event or the participation of the person I am responsible for. I certify that I, or the person that I am responsible for, is of sound body and mind and truly capable of participating in this event. I agree to comply with the rules concerning this Event and agree to go only in those areas authorized by the Event organizers. I understand that, in addition to the above, I, or the person I am responsible for, will be responsible for any cost of emergency service that is required during this event.

Date: _____ Print Name: _____ Signature: _____
If under 18, parent or legal guardian must sign here: Signature: _____

Town of Lisbon Spring Clean Up 2014



WHEN?

Collection Starts at 7 a.m. on June 2, 2014

WHERE?

Acceptable items will be picked up at curbside.
All items must be at the curb by 7 a.m. on June 2, 2014

WHAT?

Acceptable and Non-Acceptable items are listed below.

Acceptable Items

(keep different items separate at curb)

Furniture: Springs removed, especially from sleeper sofas

Appliances: (2 per household) Doors must be removed from refrigerators and freezers.

Brush Neatly

Stacked: Note Brush ends to the road or brush will not be picked - up. Brush Pile Limit: 4' high by 10' in length.

Leaves: in large 30 gallon brown paper leaf bags.
No plastic bags.

Old Wood & Pallets: (no longer than 3 feet in length)

Other Metal Items: (must be separated from wood and furniture)

Automobile Tires: (no truck or larger tires accepted)

Items NOT Accepted

(These items will not be picked-up)

NO: Refuse, Recyclables, Rubble
(stone, concrete, brick, construction debris)

NO: Household Hazardous Waste

NO: Car Parts, Auto Batteries, or Antifreeze:
(residents may take these items to the Willimantic W. Paper's Recycling Site on Roode Road in Plainfield).

NO: Propane Tanks, or 55 Gallon Drums

NO: Contractor, Business, or Industrial debris

NO: Electronics - TVs. Computers, etc.

Questions?

Please call the Lisbon Town Hall at:

860-376-3400