

The Lisbon Quarterly

A Newsletter for Lisbon Residents



Lisbon Fall Festival September 20, 2014

(see flyer on page 2)

Cross Country Running Series

By Chad Johnson

The Recreation Committee is sponsoring a fall cross country running series each Sunday morning in October (5th, 12th, 19th 26th) at 10 a.m. at the Lisbon Meadows Park pavilion. The program is free of charge.

There will be ½ and 1 mile runs for kids and a 5 kilometer run for adults. No pre-registration is necessary. Please contact Chad Johnson at 860-617-1144 or email runninboy@comcast.net with any questions.

Volunteers Needed...

(1) Board of Finance- two-year vacancy (Republican) and (1) Alternate vacancy. The Board meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

(1) Planning and Zoning Commission Alternate - Republican. The Commission meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

(2) Recreation Committee - The committee meets on the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

If you are interested, fill out the form on page 5 and drop off in the Selectmen's office during normal business hours or email the form to tsparkman741@gmail.com

If you would like to volunteer for certain community events such as the Fall Festival, Farmers Market, Recreation Events, etc. Please fill out the form on page 6 and forward it to the First Selectman, Town Clerk or any member of the organization that you are interested in helping.

Lisbon Historical Society Quarterly Notes

By Kim Sperry

Summer is waning; the fall harvest is upon us. The John Bishop House will participate once again in the Lisbon Fall Festival, with open hearth cooking and a bake sale fundraiser. Save the date: Saturday, September 20.

On Saturday, October 25 at 7 p.m. at the Lisbon Community Center Barn, the Lisbon Historical Society is hosting a presentation by the Northeast Paranormal Investigations Society (NPIS) for a mysterious evening program and a history lesson you will not forget! NPIS entertains and shares ghostly results from the team's investigations, from Gettysburg, to Maine, including Lisbon's newly acquired historic Burnham Tavern and the John Bishop House. Admission is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, proceeds supports the Burnham Tavern restoration project.

The Historical Society received the good news in early June that the Burnham Tavern is now listed on the State of Connecticut's Register of Historic Places. We expect the National Park Service to take up our application for the National Register of Historic Places listing shortly. Among

the many benefits the listing affords is the opportunity and ability to apply for restoration grants. The Historical Society, through its Burnham Tavern Development Committee, has been working diligently to establish a restoration and development plan. Our first priority is to stabilize the structure, remove 21st century additions and protect the 18th century stenciling on interior walls.

Congratulations go out to Chris Arpin, this year's recipient of the Lisbon Historical Society's Excellence in History Award.

Cans and bottles redemption efforts continue. Donations in original packaging or cardboard boxes are extremely helpful and as always, the Lisbon Historical Society is grateful for your donations no matter how they come.

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LISBON FALL FESTIVAL



SATURDAY, SEPT. 20, 2014

Lisbon Community Center, Rt. 169

BREAKFAST AT NEWENT CHURCH 8-10 A.M.



ROAD RACE 9:00 A.M.

CLAM CHOWDER

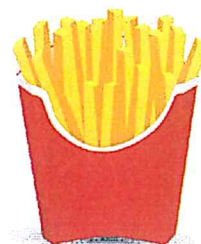
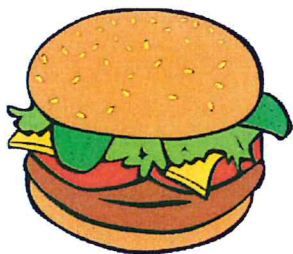
CORN CHOWDER

FRITTERS

HOT DOGS

FRIES

HAMBURGERS



NOON TO 7 P.M.

MARKET VENDORS

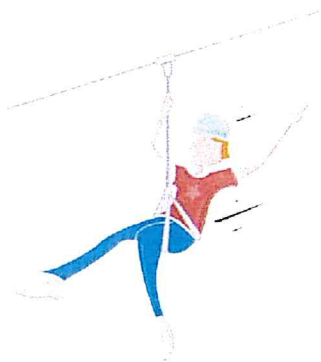
ZIP LINE

MOONBOUNCE

CRAFTS

TOUCH A TRUCK

MUCH MORE!



Town Historian Quarterly Report

By Marcia Shafer

I was looking at a 1868 map of Lisbon/Jewett City and enlarged it to look at it more closely and noted that there was an area to the right side of the map along what would presently be the cross road or Newent Road which connects Rt. 12 to Rt. 169. Near the middle of the map were the words "Read Homestead." Also noted were the words "Saw and Shingle Mill" across the road from a pond and near the Read Haskell Cemetery.

I became curious to see if I could find any information regarding the saw/shingle mill. I was able to locate the name of the owner at that time as TG Read: Thomas Goddard Read. TG Read was married to Emily Williams and they had nine children. Mr. Read lived from April 7, 1803 to November 5, 1887.

I then became curious as to what information I might be able to find out regarding this man, his family and who he descended from. He was the youngest of twelve children of Amos, a traveling Baptist minister, and Mary/Mercy Bennett from Scituate, RI. Amos Read had two wives but only Mary birthed his children.

Amos Read lived from March 25, 1756 to November 2, 1838. His father was Joseph Read and he was married to Thankful Andrus (Andrews). To their union were born seven children. Amos was the youngest child. They were members of the Newent Congregational Church. Joseph lived from 1709 to 1783.

Joseph Read was a

descendent of Joseph and Marcy Guppie. To their union were born seven children. He was married a total of four times (Marcy Guppie, Patience Rogers, Tabitha Herrick, and Mary Henn.).

Joseph Read's parents were Josiah Reed and Grace Holloway. Joseph Read lived from 1680 to 1775. In reading some of the biography regarding this Joseph Read I learned that he was granted land at Pupie Hill and purchased 100 acres from John Perkins. This is now known as North Burnham Highway. He also purchased land "on ye hill called Pabaquamsq." I am not sure where this hill/road might have been. It was also documented that in 1735 Joseph Read sold seven acres on Puffjoy Hill to Richard Kimball. Multiple land exchanges were also documented in a Read/Reed history in the September 2007 Connecticut Nutmegger magazine.

This curiosity about the Reed/Read's began when I started to search for the Inn/Tavern that was owned by a member of the Read family. I have found the tavern sign which is at the Connecticut Historical Society and a brief writing about the sign says: "Inns like the Joseph Read III in Lisbon, Connecticut, not only provided food, drink, shelter, and entertainment for colonial Americans but were also arenas for debating political issues. The sign with its circular yellow orb (sun) over a pine tree, may have been intended as a veiled reference to the Sons of Liberty, an extralegal resistance organization that had adopted as its symbol the Liberty Tree. The date of 1769 coincided with the British enactment of the Townshend Acts, which ignited a new wave of colonial resistance to British rule." The sign also has the words "Entertainment for Man & Hors" and is dated 1768. I am certain this Joseph Read is not one of the

above gentleman but that is still to be determined.

If you have any Information regarding any of the tavern/inns that used to be located in Newent/Lisbon may I please borrow the information to make copies and return it to you. I can be contacted by phone 860-376-8108 or email lisboncthistorian@yahoo.com. Also any Information regarding any of the saw or shingle mills in Newent Lisbon.

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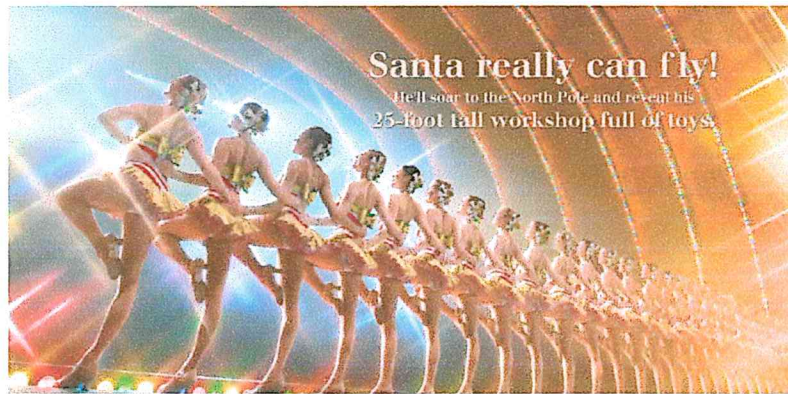
We expect to ramp up our fundraising through crowd sourcing, grant writing and programing like the NPIS presentation. Some of you may have noticed that the bins are now cabled together, that is because someone rolled away a bin full of nickels.

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. Monthly meetings take place on the second Friday in the Town Hall at 7 p.m.

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.



**START THE HOLIDAYS RIGHT....
ENJOY SHOPPING AND A SHOW IN NYC !!!**



**RADIO CITY MUSIC HALL CHRISTMAS SHOW
AND NYC BUS TRIP**

(Sponsored by the Lisbon Recreation Committee)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2014, 7:00pm

Seats are in the Orchestra Section, Rows PP-SS

Get your Tickets Early, First Come, First Served!!!

Tickets are \$ 80.00/per person

(Tickets available to Lisbon Residents only through 10/25/2014)

Motor Coach will leave Lisbon Meadows Park at 9:00am and arrive in the city before noon.

This will give you over 7 hours to explore the city's shopping and eateries on your own prior to the show. The motor coach will leave 30 minutes after the end of the performance for the return trip to Lisbon Meadows Park.

Make Checks Payable to LISBON RECREATION

Please enclose the names and addresses of persons attending (required) and Contact number along with your check made out to Lisbon Rec. and mail to:

**LISBON RECREATION COMMITTEE
c/o LISBON TOWN HALL
RE: Radio City Bus Trip 2014
1 NEWENT ROAD – LISBON, CT 06351**

Call: 860-822-1676 or Email JimSynott@Comcast.net with questions

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BOARD/COMMITTEE	TIME	MTG. DAY	LOCATION
[Organization/Event]	(of meeting)	(Monday – Friday)	(Town Hall, Senior Center, Lisbon Central)

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