

Lancaster Events this Month

Town of Lancaster

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Happy Labor Day!

September 7, 2015

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Helpful Information



Save the Date!



News!



Neighboring Towns

BSA Troop 1 Lancaster Eagle Projects Underway at Town Beach

Troop 1 Lancaster, "The Rainmakers," currently has four boy scouts working on projects toward achievement of Eagle Scout rank. All of the projects are at the Lancaster Town Beach at Spec Pond and have been under construction since spring. The projects are:

Building and setting a sign for the recreation area along with cleaning up the path through the woods;

building a volleyball court;

renovating the building and surrounding area, including composing erosion control the building; and

building and installing high-quality, long-lasting picnic tables and creating a path for launching kayaks and canoes.

These projects, which were approved and endorsed by the Town's Recreation Committee, will serve residents well for years to come. With the new tables and new pathway for boats, the projects will be completed. Funding has been via generous donations of materials from local businesses. However, at this time each project still requires some additional funding to finalize. No donation is too small to help these young men reach their goals. The Eagle Scout Award—scouting's highest honor—is an honor earned by only five percent of all young men in scouting.

If you are able to make any donation, please send checks payable to "Troop 1 Lancaster" to:

Troop 1 Lancaster Treasurer c/o Lincoln

31 Settlers Path

Lancaster, MA 01523

Any help is greatly appreciated. Any questions can be directed to Janet Lincoln, Troop 1 Committee Secretary at

janlincoln1@gmail.com



FREEDOM'S WAY NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA PRESENTS:

"THOREAU'S FAVORITE PLACES"



Walden Pond & Concord Area - Saturday, September 12th

11am – 12pm — Guided Walk at Walden Pond *Mass DCR, Walden Pond State Reservation*

1:00 – 2:30 pm — Tour of Brister's Hill (*Walden Woods Project; Registration Required; Space is limited*)

Enjoy an informative walk along Thoreau's Path on Brister's Hill, led by Walden Woods Project staff. Highlighting his legacy as teacher, scientist, philosopher, and social reformer, this reflective walk will also explore the natural and social history of Walden Woods. **Registration required; space is limited.** [To register click here.](#)

4:00 – 5:00 pm — A Landscape Tour at the Old Manse (*The Trustees of Reservations; Registration Required*)

Explore a historical Concord landscape where nature writing and transcendentalism began. This outside tour (rain or shine) begins and ends in the vegetable garden that Emerson had asked Thoreau to ready for newlyweds Sophia and Nathaniel Hawthorne. Led by TTOR staff, you will learn about the many writers and conservationists who called this place home. **Registration requested; space is limited.** [To register click here.](#)

On-Your-Own — Concord's "Be Thoreau" Thoreau Trail *Concord Museum*

In and Around Concord Center - Enjoy hands-on family activities inspired by Thoreau and pick up a free **Thoreau Trail Guide** with sites of interest in and around Concord. **Thoreau Trail Guides** are available at no cost at the Concord Museum or at <http://www.concordmuseum.org/self-guided-tours.php>. Allow one-two hours for the self-guided tour.

Extra! Combine with a visit to the Concord Museum, home to the largest collection of Henry David Thoreau-related objects in the world, including the desk upon which he wrote at Walden Pond. The Concord Museum also offers the special exhibition *The Art of Baseball* through September 20. For more information, visit www.concordmuseum.org.

Wachusett Mountain - Sunday, September 13th

Wachusett Mountain State Reservation, 345 Mountain Road, Princeton, MA

Encounter nature the way Thoreau did with a leisurely stroll through a section of old-growth forest, past a perched bog, and over ancient bedrock. Finish at the picnic area where we will make our own nature journals to capture and reflect upon the experience. Meet at picnic area off the Up Summit Auto Road.

For information [click here.](#)

1:00 – 2:45 pm — September Reflections

Mass DCR, Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

3:00 – 4:00 pm — A Musical Homage to Henry

Mass Audubon, Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary; MA Walking Tour

5:00 – 6:00 pm — History Comes Alive! Meet Henry David Thoreau on the Summit

Richard Smith, Thoreau historian; Mass DCR, Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

6:00 – 6:45 pm — Musical Interlude – "Noting" Sundown

MA Walking Tours; Mass DCR, Wachusett Mountain State Reservation

Parking Fees:

Walden Pond

\$8 per car or a MassParks pass; \$10 non-Mass vehicle.
No dogs permitted unless they are working guides.

Wachusett Mountain

\$5 per car or a MassParks pass; \$6 non-Mass vehicle.
No dogs permitted unless they are working guides.



SIGN UP FOR DANCE LESSONS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER

Fall is here and the LCC is offering some exciting new fitness options, get in shape for the holidays.

Ballroom Dancing taught by Jim Cole. Jim was recently awarded best dance instructor, and we got him! Come with a partner or by yourself. We start with the Rhumba- classes are good for beginners and those who are already dancers. The series will end just in time to show off your stuff for our upcoming Winter Ball and Gala in December.

Pre-registration appreciated as we need enough to folks to run the class. Questions call Alix at 978-733-1249 ext 1102 or aturner@lancasterma.net



The 2015 Sterling Fair is Coming in September!

The 2015 Sterling Fair will be held September 11th, 12th, and 13th, on the grounds of the Sterling Airport at 121 Greenland Road in Sterling, MA. The theme for this year's fair is 'THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC'.

The Sterling Fair has no admission charge and no parking charges. Again this year we will host horse, oxen and tractor pulls; large animal exhibits; antique engine show, large midway, fireworks, craft displays, Exhibit Hall judging, log cutting, frog jumping contest, kiddie tractor pulls, skillet toss, and much, much more...



FAIR HOURS:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11TH, 5:00 PM TO 11:00 PM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

9:00 AM TO 11:00 PM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH, 9:00 AM TO 5:00 PM

Coming Up in September at First Church of Christ Unitarian, 725 Main Street



September 13th
Worship and Religious Education, 10am.
Worship theme:
A Celebration of Creation--The Earth's
Oceans

Potluck lunch and ice cream social
to follow worship.
All are invited!

AND LATER THIS MONTH...
September 20: Worship and Religious Education, 10am.
Worship theme: A Celebration of Creation--The Heavens
"Bring-a-Friend" Sunday

September 27: Worship and Religious Education, 10am.
Worship theme: A Celebration of Creation--Planet Earth
At 12 noon we will unload 500 pumpkins for our Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser (September 27-October 31)



The Farmers Market is now open every Thursday through the Summer! (Last day will be 10/8). Come and visit between 3:30 PM to 6:30 PM.

And please remember to "Like" us on Facebook!

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Lancaster-Farmers-Market-Massachusetts/148296545330992>

PLEASE NOTE: THE LANCASTER RECYCLING CENTER WILL BE CLOSED OVER LABOR DAY WEEKEND.

THE NEXT DATES THE RECYCLING CENTER WILL BE OPEN ARE SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 AND 13.

Would you like to receive the "Community Crier" newsletter as well? Contact aturner@lancasterma.net to sign up!