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Friday, September 11

PTO Ice Cream Social 6:30-8:00pm

Tuesday, September 15

School Committee Meeting 7:00pm

Wednesday, September 16

Playgroup Begins 10:00-11:30am

Friday, September 18

School Pictures

Thursday, September 24

All School Sing 2:30pm

Form Reminder

If you have not already done so, please return all forms (Emergency Card, Health History, Fluoride, Permission to Transport, Free/Reduced Lunch Application, Etc.)
If you need more copies, please call the school office
413-423-3326



Ice Cream Social

Meet and Greet

On Friday September 11, 2015 Jennifer Haggerty our Erving School Union #28 Superintendent will be attending the PTO Ice Cream Social, this gives parents/guardians, and students a chance to get to know Jennifer, as it is her first year as Superintendent, and enjoy a free sundae.
We hope to see you there!

Pictures and the Internet

The start of the school year brings excitement for all (parents and students). It seems that everywhere we turn there is the click of a camera. We would like to remind everyone that it is against the law to post pictures of a child other than your own child on (Facebook, Instagram, etc.)

School sponsored sites (newsletter, website, class blogs, closed invitation only media/information sites that are designed for class parents) are all fine as the school is adhering to the form that governs publication of student images and information. As long as parents understand that they cannot copy and paste images and information from these sites/blogs etc. onto their own public sites. We thank you for honoring these precautions and keeping our students pictures confidential.



PTO Fundraiser

The Erving PTO is having their fall fundraiser again this year. You can order beautiful fiber pot Garden Mums in a variety of colors. If you are interested in purchasing a potted Mum please see the attached flyer for the order form and for more information.



Recreation Reminder

Soccer Picture Day, September 15.

5:00 is the 2/3/4 grade team, Matt Kolodziej's group

5:20 is the 5/6 grade team, Michele Turner's group

5:40 is Instructional, Kelly Trinque's group

News From the Principal's Desk

Dear Families and Friends of Erving Elementary School,

The start of the school year brings excitement for all staff, students and parents. It seems that everywhere we turn there is the click of a camera, snapping those first days at school pictures. I would like to remind all members of our community that we are not allowed to take pictures of other students and post them in any public setting without the express permission of the custodial parent/guardian. We have to protect the right of students whose image and name cannot to be shared publicly. If you have an image of another student on your phone, camera, or any source of media, please delete it. If you have posted an image online, or on any public site, you should take it down immediately. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we work together to keep our children safe.

On behalf of all of the students and staff at Erving Elementary School I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our safety personnel who work across and within the Town of Erving. Thank you Chief Blair and your officers, Chief Wonkka and your fellow firefighters. Your dedication and commitment to keeping our community safe and secure is most appreciated.

We conducted our first fire drill today and I am pleased to report that it went extremely well. Both fire and police departments were on hand to support the drill and reported that the students and staff responded impeccably. A lockdown drill will also be conducted, however we will not announce the date for security purposes.

It is with sadness that we announce the departure of Jon Tibbetts our assistant custodian. Jon has been a wonderful asset to our community and he will be truly missed. Applications are rolling in and we hope to announce the arrival of a new custodian shortly. Lynne Heath (evening part-time custodian) starts with us tonight. Lynne replaced Tom Smith Sr. who recently retired. We wish Lynne every success working here at Erving.

I hope to see all of you at our PTO sponsored Ice-Cream Social. The PTO will be launching their fall fundraising campaign selling mums!! It would be a great time to show your support for the PTO and students. Fall festival is fast approaching! Please keep October 3 free as it is a wonderful community event, sharing some great food, laughs and plenty of excitement on the bouncing activities ☺

Enjoy the weekend.

Sincerely,


Jim Trill



First Grade News

The first graders are settling in and enjoying this second week in the classroom! This special group of kids are just starting to learn about these big themes for the year, empathy, self-awareness, meditation, and having a growth mindset! Here are the images they have chosen to share with you. They reflect the kindness they bring to the classroom each day!

<p>Leeanna</p> 	<p>Graden</p> 
<p>ADerek</p> 	<p>Lorelai</p> 
<p>Kristen</p> 	<p>Shyiah</p> 
<p>NVIZD</p> 	<p>Alexis</p> 

Welcome Back!

The Erving PTO is hosting a **FREE**



ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

When: Friday September 11th 6:30- 8:00pm

Where: Erving Elementary Playground

In cafeteria if raining

***Children MUST be accompanied by an adult**

****This is not a school sponsored event**



Laini is our Erving School Library Lion
who says "Welcome Back to School!"

Mark Your Calendars NOW
for six fun-filled Wednesday evenings
coming this fall our own
Erving Elem. School Library

FAMILY ADVENTURES IN READING
also known as *FAIR* will be a series of
special events in the school library with
renowned story-teller Mary Jo Maichak,
especially for 1st-5th graders & their families
(but everyone is welcome!)

A free family-friendly supper is included, so
check off these 6 dates: Sept. 30, Oct. 7,
Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 4 & Nov. 18
6:00-7:30 pm, supper starts at 5:15

Be sure to check out the bulletin board
with all the **STAR** readers, the kids who
were in the *Erving Public Library's*
Summer Reading Program and anyone who
read a book over the summer!

Tell Ms. Urban if you think your name should be
there too!

More Information Coming Soon



EES PTO VOLUNTEER FORM

Let us know how you want to help!

Check off the ways you are interested in helping and
let us know how to get in touch with you-it is that simple!

Time commitments vary-but there are opportunities for everyone!

Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Best way to Contact you: _____ Have you "liked" our Facebook page? ____

Child's Name	Grade	Teacher
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

**Fall Festival*

___ Bake Items

___ Set up/Clean up at event

___ Work PTO Booth (1 hr shifts)

___ Set up/Clean up at event

___ Work booth (1 hr)

___ Hand out Box Top Prizes (once a week)

___ Facilitate Family Fun Nights (once a month)

___ Sell raffle tickets at school and/or off sight locations

___ Donate food/baked goods for events

___ Help at PTO table at Open House (15-30 min shifts)

**Spring Auction*

___ Solicit donations

___ Set up/Clean Up

___ Help organize/run event

___ Bake Dessert

___ Donate food for dinner

**Cookie Exchange*

___ Set Up/Clean Up

___ Pass Out Cookies

ERVING RECREATION COMMISSION FALL FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 3rd (raindate October 4th)

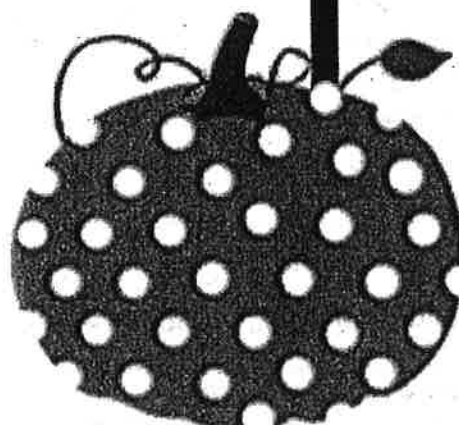
10AM-4PM

PUMPKIN DAY

EURO
BOUNCE

glitter
tattoos

balloon art



popcorn

FACE
PAINTING

baked
goods

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OBSTACLE COURSE

FOOD

BOUNCY
TENTS

MUSIC

Rock Climbing Wall

hair wraps

caramel
apples

BADGE demon
stration

Vets Field • Moore St.

more fun than we can fit on one page!

NOT A SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENT

Erving Elementary School PTO Directory Form

If you would like to be included in the Erving Elem. School Directory so that other families can get in touch with you, please fill out this form and return it to the school office or your child's teacher by FRIDAY, OCT. 2!

Please note: this directory will only be distributed to other Erving Elem. School families, but we cannot guarantee privacy--this is a public document, so please keep that in mind when you decide what information you feel comfortable sharing.

Please fill in what you would like included in the school's directory:

Name(s) of child/children/siblings who attend EES:

child's name, first & last	child's grade/child's teacher
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____

Name(s) of parent(s) and/or primary caregiver(s) and contact information:

parent/caregiver's name & relation to child phone number(s)	email address street address
1. _____	_____ _____
2. _____	_____ _____
3. _____	_____ _____

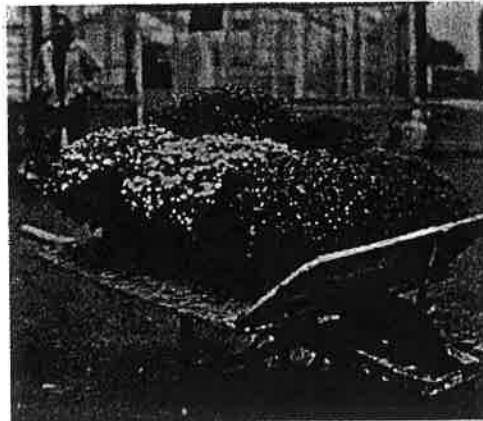
**Erving Elementary School
PTO Fall Fundraiser**

**Beautiful Fall Mums
\$7.00 each**

**All order forms must be returned to Erving Elementary School by
September 25, 2015**

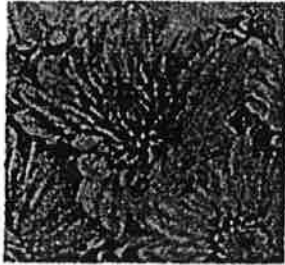
**Mums will be available for pick up at the Erving Fall Festival on
October 3, 2015**

**Veteran's Field
Route 63 Erving, MA 01344
Rain date for Fall Festival/mum pickup October 4, 2015**



FAF

Growers



2015 FALL FUNDRAISER

8" Fiber Pot Garden Mums

Price: \$7.00 each

COLOR	QUANTITY
Coral/Salmon	
Orange/Bronze	
Pink/Lavender	
Purple	
Red/Maroon	
White	
Yellow	
TOTAL PLANTS ORDERED ^	

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Cost per mum: \$7.00

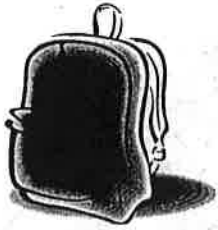
Total Mums Ordered: _____

Total Amount Due: _____

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FAMILY HIKE

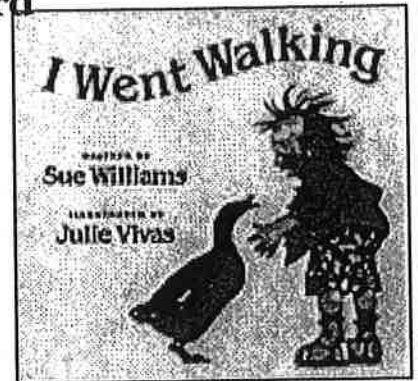
Join us for a Family Ramble and Nature StoryWalk© *I Went Walking*
Led by "Ward of the Woods" aka Dawn Marvin Ward



Date: Sunday, September 27, 2015

Time: 10:30a.m. - 12:00p.m.

Location: Lake Wyola State Park,
94 Lakeview Road, Shutesbury



Bring the whole family to explore and share the joy of nature in our own 'backyard'. Dawn will guide us as we listen for the birds, look for the signs of creatures and spend a couple of hours relaxing with family and friends on a casual ramble through the trails.

- Meet at the Lake Wyola parking lot (no parking fee this time of year) for a gentle hike. Dress appropriately (closed toe, comfortable shoes; long pants) for adventure in the woods, apply and bring sun/insect repellent for seasonal bugs. **Note**- no public restrooms available.
- Back-packs/front-packs or wraps may be best for real little ones.
- If you would like, please bring your own picnic lunch and blanket to sit on. Picnic tables are available.
- CNC will provide a simple snack.
- Contact the CNC office if you have questions (978) 544-5157 or Budine@erving.com

We will be hiking in sunshine, cloudy or drizzles, but if it is pouring rain we will cancel. Call the CNC office if you need directions or if weather is a concern and we will have a message to confirm the hike status.



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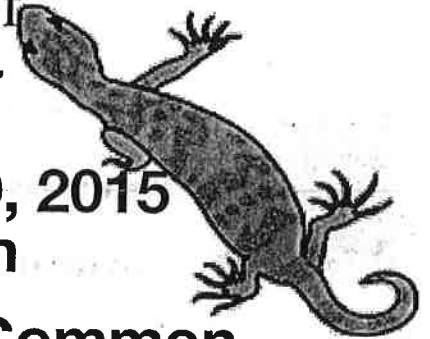
Look who's coming to Celebrate Shutesbury!

LIVE ANIMALS!

with Rae Griffiths of
Teaching Creatures

**Saturday, September 19, 2015
11:00 am - 1:00 pm**

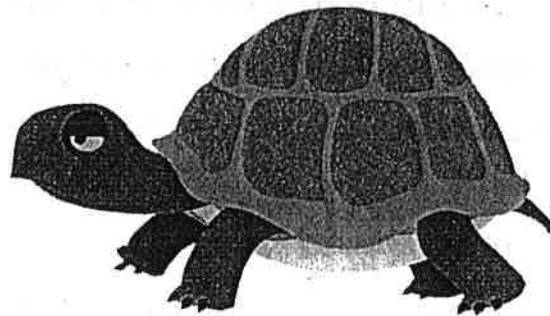
on the Shutesbury Town Common



Come meet reptiles, amphibians,
invertebrates, and small animals at

CELEBRATE SHUTESBURY!

FREE!



For more information contact CNC at 978-544-5157 or
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GOT DRUGS?



Do you or your relatives have a medicine cabinet full of old medication?
Help get rid of them safely

FREE COLLECTION DAY

For Safe Disposal • No Questions Asked

COLLECTION SITES HAMPSHIRE COUNTY

AMHERST - Wildwood Elementary School

BELCHERTOWN - Town Common

EASTHAMPTON - Safety Complex

NORTHAMPTON - Jackson Street School

SOUTHAMPTON - Town Hall

WARE - Ware High School

WILLIAMSBURG - Williamsburg Pharmacy

FRANKLIN COUNTY

ASHFIELD - Town Hall

BERNARDSTON - Senior Center

DEERFIELD - Police Department

GREENFIELD - Police Department

MONTAGUE - Police Department

SPONSORED BY: The Drug Enforcement
Administration, Hampshire/Franklin TRIAD,
Northwestern District Attorney's Office, Hampshire and
Franklin County Sheriffs, Local Police Departments,
Departments of Health, Opioid Abuse Task Forces
For more information: NorthwesternDA.org

SATURDAY SEPT. 26

2015

10 am - 2pm

You can also bring medications to a
permanent Drop Box location.

Drop Drugs at these Police Stations:

Amherst, Athol, Belchertown,
Buckland, Deerfield,
Easthampton, Erving, Granby,
Greenfield, Hadley, Montague,
Northampton, Orange,
South Hadley, Sunderland,
Ware, Williamsburg

Simply bring them to your
local police station &
drop them in the MEDRETURN BOX.

Medicines can remain in
original containers
with labels.



No liquids, syringes,
IV equipment or chemotherapy drugs.

**Prescription and non-prescription
drugs, vitamins and veterinary meds
are accepted**

Get your unwanted medications out of the wrong hands, away from children and teens – and out of the environment. Bring them to DRUG TAKE BACK DAY or a permanent Drop Box!

WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT TO SAFELY DISPOSE OF DRUGS?

Some Disturbing Facts About:

Teens

- Prescription drugs are the #1 choice among 12-13 year olds
- 70% of people 12 and older who abuse prescription drugs get them from family and friends
- 1 in 7 teens admitted to abusing prescription drugs to get high in the past year. Sixty percent (60%) of teens who abused prescription pain relievers did so before the age of 15.
- Fifty-six (56%) percent of teens believe that prescription drugs are easier to get than illicit drugs.
- 2 in 5 teens believe that prescription drugs are much safer than illegal drugs and 3 in 10 teens believe that prescription drugs are not addictive.
- 3.1 million 12 to 25 year olds used over the counter cough and cold medicines at least once to get high. 13 is the mean age of the first non-prescribed use of sedatives and stimulants



Elders

- Helping elders clean out their medicine cabinets can help prevent accidental overdoses and the misappropriation of prescription drugs by personal care assistants or loved ones.

The Environment

- A recent study shows that 80% percent of US streams contain small amounts of human antibiotics
- Fish and other aquatic animals have shown adverse effects from medicines in the water
- Small amounts of medicines have been found in drinking water

Opioid Abuse

- 4 out of 5 people who use heroin have a history of prescription drug misuse