

TEMPLE NEWSLETTER May - June 2003

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Fire Station: 878-1972

Police Station: 878-3474

Emergency: 911

Temple Town Clerk: 878-3873

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 am - 2 pm

Tax Collector: 878-3873

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9 am-2 pm

Secretary to the Selectmen: 878-2536

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:30 am-12:30 & 1:00-5:00 pm

Selectmen Meetings: 2nd & 4th Tuesday's at 7 pm

Mansfield Library: 878-3100

Monday & Friday 1:30-5 pm; Tuesday 10 am-12 & 1-5:30 pm;

Wednesday 1:30-5 pm & 7-9 pm; Saturday 2-5 pm

Wilton Recycling Center: 654-6150

Tuesday 7:30 am-5 pm; Thursday 1 pm-5; Saturday 9 am-5 pm; Sunday 9 am-12 pm

Newsletter Notes

The deadline for the September/October 2003 issue is **Aug. 20**. Typed or handwritten copy is accepted. Please E-mail an electronic file, saved in any major Windows-based word processing file format, to sfiskel1@juno.com, or drop off a typed or handwritten copy at the store. Keep in mind when writing, that it's important for submitted articles to be appropriately written for the general public. The purpose of the newsletter is to provide information for upcoming events and pertinent information regarding community organizations. While some editing might take place, all items are subject to editing for length (if greater than 250 words) or inappropriate content. Also, personal or commercial advertising is available for a fee.

SUBSCRIPTION NOTICE

RENEW TODAY

The Fire Dept. Auxiliary is offering subscription service to the newsletter. If you wish to have the newsletter mailed to your house, please mail \$5.00 for a subscription, along with your name and address to: Boxholder, PO Box 57, Temple, NH 03084. **All subscriptions expire at year-end.** Make checks payable to the Temple Fire Dept. Auxiliary.

Newsletter Donations

Donations are needed to help the Temple Newsletter pay for production costs. Any organizations in town that rely on the newsletter for communication are asked to consider a donation. Individual donations are also welcome. Please make checks payable to the Temple Fire Auxiliary and mail to PO Box 80, Temple, NH 03084. Thank you for your support.

Library News

OPEN HOUSE - Come and see our new room and renovation. Refreshments served and activities for the kids. June 1 - 12-2 p.m.

May 26 Closed

May 27 Book discussion, The Good Earth, at the home of Susan Pierce

June 1 Open House 1-2

June 11 Trustees meeting, 7:30

June 24 Book discussion - to be announced

Recent Acquisitions:

All He Ever Wanted, Anita Shreve

The Guardian, Nicholas Sparks

The Gathering, William Kienzle

Whispers At Midnight,, Karen Robards

About Face, Fern Michaels

Twelve Times Blessed, Jacqueline Mitchard

Second Glance, Jodi Picoult

Joust, Mercedes Lackey

Second Spring, Andrew Greeley

The Last Detective, Robert Crais

Sons Of Fortune, Jeffrey Archer

The Da Vinci Code, Dan Brown

The Hills At Home, Nancy Clark

The Tail Of the Tip-off, Rita Mae Brown

Close To Home, Peter Robinson

Engaged To Die, Carolyn Hart

Soul Circus, George Pelecanos

Agatha Raisin and the Case of the Curious Curate, M.C. Beaton

Dirty Work, Stuart Woods

Another Place At the Table, Kathy Harrison

The Penwyth Curse, Catherine Coulter

Evenings At Five, Gail Godwin

Enough: Staying Human In an Engineered Age, Bill McKibban

Money For Nothing, Donald Westlake

Last Light, Michael Connelly

The Mistress Of Alderley, Robert Barnard

Children Of the Storm, Elisabeth Peters

Back Story, Robert B. Parker

Dead Aim, Iris Johansen

Birthright, Nora Roberts

Death At Dartmoor, Robin Paige

Aunt Dimity Takes a Holiday, Nancy Atherton

The Dating Game, Danielle Steel

Jester, James Patterson

Flashback, Nevada Barr

For the Younger Reader

Puppy Mudge Takes a Bath, Cynthia Rylant

In the Piney Woods, Roni Schotter

Crispin, the Cross Of Lead, Avi

Jackalope, Janet Stevens

David Gets In Trouble, David Shannon

Hi Harry!, Martin Waddell

Rosie To the Rescue, Bethany Roberts

George Upside Down, Megan McCarthy

Fire Department Auxiliary

The TVFD Auxiliary welcomes new members to join our group. The Auxiliary is made up of men and women of all ages who are interested in supporting the Fire Department. The Auxiliary holds its monthly meeting on the fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Fire Station. Come join the fun, learn what we are all about the support your local fire department heroes. Give as much or as little time as you can, it all helps your community. Any questions, please contact Sandra Wildes at 878-4320.

Business Directory Ads

The newsletter is accepting business card size advertisements for the directory. The cost is \$30.00 per year for a one business card size ad which will run for 6 issues. Purchase of these ad spaces helps to offset printing costs. If you are interested in advertising your business, please contact Sandra Wildes at 878-4320.

Selectmen's Office

March and April were very busy for the Selectmen's office. Early March was preparations for Town Meeting and finalizing budget projections. Some of the business after Town Meeting has been:

- appointments to ZBA, Recreation & Conservation Commissions, Historic District Commission and Recycling Rep.
- we viewed a presentation made by the "Friends of Temple Mt."
- discussed clean up of dump site on Conservation Commission land
- discussed frozen pipes at the Municipal Building
- agreed to purchase a new York rake for the Highway Dept.
- approved flower box placement by Village Green Committee
- hired a part-time police officer
- discussed a donation of \$10,000 for purchase of an OHRV for the Police Dept. and held a Public Hearing on 4/29/03 for citizen feedback
- voted to clean rugs and replace ceiling tiles damaged by roof leaking at Municipal Bldg.
- heard an update from Tom Walko who is looking into State and Federal funding for the Town Hall repair/renovations
- reviewed an application to add more antennas to the tower on Temple Mt.
- reviewed various requests for tax abatements
- heard several complaints
- signed contract for new fire truck
- started replacing rails on the common project
- perambulated the Greenville/Temple town line and started the New Ipswich/Temple boundary
- attended many, many meetings and training sessions

We are in need of 2 volunteers to serve on the Board of Directors for the Ambulance Service. We are also looking for volunteers to help with the common rail project to paint and/or install rails. If you are interested, please contact the Selectmen's office.

Anyone wishing to participate in the perambulation of town boundaries should contact Selectman Fiske at 878-2743 or email sfiske1@juno.com to be added to the call list. Perambulating is weather dependent so notification is very quick when we can go, but anyone is welcome to join us.

Please take the time at some point to stop by the office and check your property tax card for accuracy. If the information is incorrect, please let us know so we may correctly depict your property.

The Selectmen meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, meetings are open to the public. All minutes for Selectmen's meetings are available at the Municipal Building and the Library.

Trustees of Trust Funds

Scholarships are available to Temple high school seniors going onto college or post-secondary education from the Bicentennial Scholarship Fund. Scholarship applications are available from Ben Tirey at 878-2743/P.O. Box 174 and are to be submitted to the Trustees of the Trust Funds by May 20. Scholarships are awarded in June and are paid after successful completion of the first semester of college.

Budget Advisory Committee (BAC) Report

The BAC will hold its meetings at the Town Hall beginning May 14, 2003, from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm so that we have plenty of room to meet with taxpayers and hear ideas, concerns, and questions. We want to encourage everyone to get involved in learning and assisting in the budget process. The newly elected BAC really needs taxpayer input and knowledge to best serve the Town (see our mission below). Please attend our meetings and get educated with us. We roll up our sleeves every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Our minutes are on file at the Library and any of its members can keep you posted on what the committee is doing and the issues facing it.

A little background on the BAC: This past March, voters elected Steve Andersen and Brian Kullgren for a 3 year term, Charlene Eddy and Rae Barnhisel for a 2 year term, and Paul Quinn and Chris Nolte for a 1 year term. At their first meeting, members voted Steve as chair, Brian as vice-chair, and Rae as minute-taker. Steve and Rae were 2 of 6 people appointed by the selectmen to serve on the BAC in 2002 (its first year) and were voted co-chair and minute-taker, respectively, by last year's appointed committee.

We have established a mission to accomplish the following:

Assist the Select Board in preparing the budget;

Promote sound fiscal policy within departments based on frugality, common sense, and well-being;

Standardize the budget process across departments;

Establish and implement an annual budget preparation schedule based on statutory deadlines and prior experience;

Investigate and evaluate ways to save the taxpayer money;

Inform and educate the public on the budget process and be able to provide detailed information on the expenditure of town monies; and

Advocate change in existing budgeting procedures as necessary.

Recently, following lengthy discussion, the BAC forwarded a letter to the selectmen expressing its unanimous opposition to accepting the recent offer of \$10,000 for the purchase of an ATV (four-wheeler), which would be assigned to the Police Department.

The BAC feels strongly that, although the proposed gift is generous, it might entail significant hidden costs (insurance, maintenance, registration, training, etc.) and probable future expenses not included in the donation-and not appropriated by voters. It might expose the Town to possible liability in the case of pursuit-related accidents and would certainly create a new layer of enforcement-one that would need to be funded by future tax dollars.

We would like to see this particular decision voted upon by the taxpayer at the next town meeting to give everyone time to fully study the financial and policy-related consequences of accepting such a gift.

Temple Town Forum

The next forum will be Thursday, May 8, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Agenda:

I. Topic (80 minutes) What to do about local taxes? Decrease, increase, abolish, or?

10-minute overview of current tax structure.

20-minute brainstorming session in which all ideas from participants are written on newsprint.

40-minute moderated discussion of the brainstorm ideas, concluding with some next steps.

II. Second topic (15 minutes) How can the Temple web site best serve our Town and citizen needs?

III. Closing: Topics and date for next Forum.

Please attend, bring a neighbor, and join our expanding circle of townfolk to discuss and learn about important issues of community life. Everyone has an equal chance to listen and speak in this meeting guided by our Town Moderator. Let citizens and officials hear what you're thinking in an informative, respectful, and enjoyable atmosphere.

Historical Society

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. at Timberdoodle. This is our annual dinner meeting for members only. Notices will be sent out for replies for reservations and checks.

School House #6 - The "new" old windows have been installed and look wonderful. Hopefully, interior work on ceiling and walls will begin soon.

House and Garden Tour - This will be on Saturday, July 12, 2003 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The nine properties featured will be the Sargent, Pratt, Kieley, Banks, Milkey, Davis, Weston, Cromwell and Scott homes. Volunteers are still needed for 2 hour shifts. Call Martha Scott 878-2689. There will also be raffle tickets for sale at \$1 each. Prizes include - Sunday brunch for 4 at Acqua Bistro, Peterborough, with limo service by L.A. Limousine, Milford; overnight at Inn at Jaffrey Center; Massage at Wellness Center; Picnic basket - O'Brien's Food and Spirits; Gift Basket - Bursey's; chocolates - Nelson's Candy.

A catered lunch will be served on the Common that day by Euro-Cafe of Milford. Advance reservations are suggested. Be sure to save the day for "History, Houses and Horticulture" in Temple to benefit #6 School House restoration.

Temple gardeners are invited to provide floral arrangements for the luncheon tables on the day of the House Tour. There will be approximately 17 tables with red checkered tablecloths. Arrangements will be judged and a prize awarded for first place. For more information, please call Susan Pierce at 878-0890 or Connie Kieley at 878-1220.

Ladies Aid

We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall and we welcome new members.

Our RUMMAGE SALE will be on May 31, 9 a.m. to noon; we plan to start getting ready on Wed. and we welcome help and your donations. We plan to work a little each day and we will really need a crew to work on Sat. afternoon to pack and clean up.

We are planning to have Marilee Swindell teach a CPR course in June. Please sign up by calling Shirley Wildes at 878-2399 or Nancy Woods at 878-1312. This will be open to everyone.

Community Potluck

The first Friday of each month is potluck night, so bring your eating utensils, a hot dish or a salad and join us for good food and fellowship. (6:30 p.m. in Friendship Hall).

Highway Department

Spring has sprung, the mud is starting to dry up, and many of the potholes that we keep filling in are disappearing. Very soon now I will be able to start cleaning the ditches and properly grade the gravel roads. Please proceed with caution when driving through a work area. It is not our policy to use traffic police on all our projects, so we depend on your help and consideration to get you through our work area's safely.

The roads and intersections are being swept clean of all the winter sand. We used approximately 4500 tons of sand on the roads this winter but most of it is used on the gravel roads so the paved roads clean up fairly easily but the intersections are quite a chore.

All of the winter equipment is being cleaned, painted and put away for the summer. Let's hope it doesn't snow anymore.

We have just about finished raking the cemeteries but are looking forward to lot's of help with the ballpark and town common on town clean up day (May 3, 8:30 a.m. Friendship Hall). The snow came so early last fall that very little cleaning got done, which means there is a lot more to do this spring. Hope to see you there!

Good Roads Day

Our traditional community spring clean-up effort, Good Roads Day, is re-scheduled for May 3rd. All participants are asked to meet in Friendship Hall (Chapel) at 8:30 a.m. to enjoy some morning snacks and to go over the work projects for the day. We will try the walkie-talkie radios again this year. Most of the feedback pertaining to their use last year was quite positive. If you have any radios to lend for the day, please bring them to the morning meeting on Good Roads Day. Please make sure that your radios are labeled with your name and be prepared to give a very brief instruction on their use - evidently every radio operates a bit differently and I am certainly not qualified to explain the differences. Thanks ever so much!!! Any tools brought to the clean-up effort should be clearly labeled with your name as well. Outdoor tools of any kind are much appreciated as they always seem to be in short supply. The Temple Elementary School will be providing the lunch this year - the food will be brought to Friendship Hall at the approximate time for lunch (approximately 1:30 p.m.). The cost of drinks used throughout the day and any incidental supplies such as trash bags will be shared by any organizations willing to contribute to the cause (approximately \$10 per group). If any town groups or individuals have ideas for specific clean-up projects, please contact Linda Bollinger (878-1078). Thanks!! Organizations will be contacted in the beginning of April, after they have had a chance to meet and discuss their group's possible participation in the event. PLEASE COME, young and old alike, to join in the fun and to bring your enthusiasm and your labor to this great Temple tradition. We need to work together to keep our town beautiful!!! Hope to see you there.

Temple Harvest Festival

Attention, gardeners: The 19th Annual Temple Harvest Festival will be held September 21 - the third Sunday of the month - and your extra produce will be welcomed for sale at the Harvest Table. (Don't forget to save any truly gigantic or grotesque specimens for the Veggies of Note contests).

Harvest Festival proceeds are donated to maintain the town's common areas.

Conservation Commission

The Temple Conservation Commission has had a busy start to the new year with several major projects already underway. Under the Chairmanship of Paul Quinn, the group is meeting every two weeks with subcommittees working key issues in the interim. The group has also adopted a policy of inviting external speakers once a month to address conservation related topics of importance to townspeople. The Town's signboard and this newsletter will be used to advertise dates and topics.

Recent outside speakers and their topics included:

Temple Mountain - Will Fenno from the Friends of Temple Mountain group gave a presentation on the project well underway to protect this important piece of land

Keeping Temple Green and Farm Friendly - Gail MacWilliams from the NH Coalition for Sustainable Agriculture discussed the importance of open space and agriculture to NH communities.

Future topics are expected to include:

A representative from the NH Dept. of Environmental Services will speak on working with the State's environmental laws.

Steve Walker from the Land and Community Heritage Investment program (LCHIP) will speak on the stewardship of existing protected land in Temple.

One project now underway is the establishment of a detailed policy on appropriate uses of the Town's Conservation Fund and the identification and prioritization of land conservation projects that the monies should be used for. The Commission will be discussing these topics in their open meetings and invites public attendance and participation. A special meeting is also planned to formally gather input from townspeople.

The next meeting of the Commission will be on May 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Friendship Hall. All townspeople are invited and encouraged to attend. If anyone would like to discuss an idea or a concern with a Commission member please contact any of us. Members are: Paul Quinn, Vince Mamone, Mike Connolly, Bruce Kantner, Linda Homer, Jim Koster, Roger Hatt, Dave Repak and John Kieley.

Plant & Bake Sale to Benefit Congregational Church

The 7th Annual Congregational Church Plant Sale and Bake Sale will be held Saturday, May 24th, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm in front of Fellowship Hall, Route 45, in Temple. Proceeds of the Plant Sale and Bake Sale benefit the Congregational Church's Mission Committee and Choir. Call Rae at 878-3671 for help in digging or dividing or picking up plants or for dropping off labeled plants. Call Chris at 878-4177 if you can donate baked goods. Sale will be held rain or shine.

Recreation Commission

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Recreation Commission? We are looking for one new member. If interested, talk to Joe at the store or call 878-1479.

The games night was held on April 11th and although the weather was bad and turnout was small, fun was had by all.

The Easter Egg Hunt followed on Saturday with a turnout of around 60 Easter egg hunters, it was a big success. Our big basket winners were

Khianna Wing (4) age 1-4 group

Nolan Steevens (5) age 5-6 group

Karen Swindell (8) age 7-9 group

Many thanks to our Easter bunny who was collecting the real eggs and entertaining all the kids and to Heather Pratt for providing us with real bunnies. Special thanks to Tammy (yes Tammy, I finally got your name right) for opening the school and helping with the clean up.

The Recreation Commission would like to thank Holly, Kelly and Tammy for helping at the Spring Dance on March 21. The karaoke machine was tried out for the first time and a mime dance contest proved entertaining. We have since purchased a strobe light and hope to use it on the next dance night.

The Recreation Committee is looking for tennis instructors to teach tennis lessons for a short time in May or June. If you are interested, contact Joe at 878-1479.

Our quilting group has kicked in spring although the first meeting was met by a snow storm. We started by doing a nine patch and hope to do some hand quilting and an appliqué block. This group is open to anybody who wants to quilt whether you are a beginner or an experienced quilter. For more information, please contact Wendy at 878-3503.

Could you help out at the 4th of July celebration? We could really use more hands to help at this great celebration. For more information contact Joe 878-1479.

Zoning Board of Adjustment

The ZBA meets the 1st Thursday of each month. The public is welcome. Minutes of all meetings are available at the library and at the Municipal Building. Upcoming dates are:

May 1	7:30 p.m. Municipal Building
June 5	7:30 p.m. Municipal Building

Village Green Committee

Calling all who enjoy the flower boxes and containers in the Temple town center - they need help this summer! Who will take on a week or two of watering and weeding? Grab a partner and sign up for a spot in July, August, or September - a sign-up sheet is at the Temple Store.

May the Flower Force be with you!

Fire Warden

The snow is gone and written burning permits are required for all open burning. Burn barrels and incinerators are now banned by State Law. There is no open burning allowed between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., also a State Law. Until things green up few permits will be issued.

Permits can be obtained from Fire Warden Joe Cournoyer 878-1479. Remember fires are not to be left unattended and must be completely out when leaving them.

Commercial permits may be obtained from the Forest Ranger for business purposes.

To obtain a permit you must be 18 years old and burn on your own property.

Temple Volunteer Fire Department Newsletter Celebrating 54 years of Service

The TVFD is fundraising for a Thermal imager. This amazing technology that allows firefighters to see through smoke has proven itself as an invaluable lifesaving tool. Thermal imagers have many uses in the emergency services.

Quickly search a smoke filled room for an unconscious victim, or a scared child hiding under a bed or in a closet.

Safely find the seat of a fire from the outside of a building without risking fire fighters lives.

Find hot spots on a chimney fire, underground brush fire, electrical fires and partition fires.

Help locate lost persons in the woods by following the heat of recent footsteps.

More uses of this tool are being found every day

Small hand held thermal imagers have recently hit the market priced under \$15000. If you would like to help, please send a donation to the TVFD Firefighters Fund. Neighbors have already donated over \$2200 to this project.

Spring brush fire danger. In the short few weeks between snowmelt and new plant growth, warm spring winds quickly dry out fields and the forest leaving them very vulnerable to fire. At our April drill we readied our new forestry truck for service. We ran the pumps, pressure tested the hose, cleaned and organized all the hand tools and trained in their use. The TVFD is prepared.

4th of July Field Day. Make plans now to attend Temple's annual 4th of July field day. Join your neighbors young and old at this fun small town event. Winning ribbons, riding on the antique fire truck Annabelle or getting soaked at Tug -o- War you will leave with memories you will cherish forever.

July 5th Flea Market. The TVFD and the Souhegan Lions Club have been collecting donations all year so everyone can find something they can't be without. Steve Harling has one trailer full of fleamarketables and is going for two. All of our fundraising efforts are going toward the thermal imager. If you have donations, would like to rent a space or would like to join in and help please give Steve a call.

Fire Chief

Will Wildes 878-4320

e- mail

50c1@templefire.org

TVFD

P.O. Box 80, Temple NH 03084

Burn permits

Joe Cournoyer 878-1479

Flea Donations

Steve Harling 878-2575

Master Plan Public Workshops May 21 and June 18

The Temple Planning Board is scheduling two public workshops to get input on Temple's updated Master Plan, specifically its Future Land Use Plan. The dates are Wednesday May 21 and Wednesday June 18 (both the 3rd Wednesday of the month). Workshops will begin at 7:30 pm in the Town Hall. There will be refreshments and good cheer.

Additional public workshops may be scheduled, however, these two will be attended by Southwest Regional Planning Commission (the entity we are paying to help us). Its staff will faithfully record public opinion in order to demonstrate that there has been citizen input when Planning Board members vote on the Master Plan in Fall 2003. Note that these are not public hearings (those will be scheduled for Fall and may not allow much input into the Plan at that late date).

These upcoming workshops will specifically provide the Goals and Objectives for future land use in Temple and will reflect the ideas and comments of all present. These are two great opportunities to offer input, think along with diverse viewpoints, and help build consensus on what we all think should happen to Temple in the next 5 to 15 years. Ideally, a town's Master Plan should define the quality of life for current residents and seek ways to maintain that quality for future residents.

Everyone will be able to see the draft Basic Studies portion of the Master Plan ("where Temple is now") and receive or arrange for copies at the workshops. Thanks to everyone who helped Planning Board members make this portion as current and comprehensive as it is. However, this next portion, the Future Land Use Plan ("where Temple wants to be") is even more critical. It absolutely depends on citizen input. Please pass the word. Please come!

Memorial Day 2003 Slated for June 1

Plans are moving forward for Temple's annual Memorial Day observance, which this year falls on June 1, the first Sunday after the national holiday. In keeping with long-standing tradition, the parade will step off at noon, after church gets out, with various elements of the parade marshaling at "The Old School," now the residence of the Robert Moses family. All military veterans--newcomers and old hands alike--are encouraged to march in the parade ("Civvies" are perfectly fine if your uniform has shrunk over the years; bring your old service cap if you've got it.) Riflemen for the town's honor guard are always in demand (uniform, at least semi-regulation, required).

Services are scheduled at the Memorial Tree, where honors will be rendered to Temple's three servicemen who lost their lives in World War II. Beginning this year, 2003, plans are being readied to make special, individual note of the 60th anniversary of each of these men's ultimate sacrifices, in the order in which they were taken from us: 2003, 1st Sgt. David H. Quinn (1943), USMC; Gunner's Mate 3rd Class Leon Blood (1944), U.S. Navy; and 1st Lt. Murray M. Day (1945), U.S. Army. Only a handful of folks reading this item will personally remember these brave men, which somehow makes it all the more important that they not be forgotten, not only as fallen warriors, but also as fellow citizens who once had bright plans for a good life, right here in their hometown.

Following the Memorial Tree services, a brief ceremony will be held across the way on the Common, as will a similar observance at the New Miller Cemetery, by the ballfield.

The Greenville Legion post will once again assist us this year with its Memorial Day services, providing its well-trained, award-winning honor guard, which, in addition to rendering honors in the center of town and at the Old Miller Cemetery, will also travel cross-town to the cemetery in the North End, to honor the veterans buried there. The Temple Town Band will per usual provide marching and ceremonial music and will present its annual Memorial Day concert on the common, slated to begin at 2:00 p.m.

Considerable amount of behind-the-scenes work is required to make Memorial Day happen, and in addition to the "usual suspects," fresh talent is always welcome to help spread out the workload. Among the chores that need to be done are: making grinders, planting the flower beds and window boxes, wreath-making, and other duties. If you'd like to help or participate in Temple's proud Memorial Day tradition, please contact Paul Quinn at 924-6173.

Souhegan Lions Club

The Souhegan Lions Club will be holding their annual Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast on May 11, 2003 from 8 to 10:30 a.m. at the Friendship Hall on Route 45 in the center of Temple. The menu includes: blueberry and plain pancakes with pure maple syrup, eggs and sausage, toast and jelly, orange juice, coffee and tea. Adults will be charged \$4.00, children under 12 \$2.50, and children under 4 are free of charge. Treat yourself and your "mom" to a delicious breakfast, and the Lions will cook and clean up the kitchen for you! Also, buy a raffle ticket to win a beautiful red and orange Acadia Kayak and all the gear. The lucky winner will be announced after breakfast.

Coming in July, keep a look out for the annual Temple Fire Department and Lions Flea Market. At this year's market we'll be selling maps to direct you to the areas best yard sales. Return to the Flea Market for dollar bag hour, with your map, and be eligible for prize drawings.

2003 will be another busy year for photoscreening children in our community for vision problems. Photoscreening can detect poor vision or risk factors that interfere with normal visual development. Early diagnosis and treatment can help to eliminate preventable childhood blindness and visual disabilities. Last year, club members organized seven different visitations to schools and pre-schools and screened 167 children. This year members have already screened children in New Ipswich and have planned several upcoming visitations.

Lions events like the upcoming pancake breakfast, the New Year's Day 5K fun run and the annual fleamarket enable the club to support projects like the new Temple playground, scholarships for local area students, national and international vision and hearing programs and assist those in need. The Souhegan Lions Club serves Greenville, Mason, New Ipswich and Temple.

Temple Playgroup

The playgroup meets the first and third Fridays of the month at Friendship Hall from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. The group is designed for ages four and under. Please bring a few toys to share. A donation of \$1 per family per visit is requested to donate to the church for

the use of the space. On May 2nd we will be meeting at Friendship Hall and on May 16th and June 6th we will be meeting at the new playground (next to the ballfield). If you have any questions please feel free to call Lisa MacPhee at 878-3306. (If you are new to the group please call Lisa to confirm location due to weather changes etc.).