

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**

May 21, 2013 — Annual Town meeting at North Andover High School starting at 7:00 PM.

QUICK TIP

The Stevens Estate Special Event & Conference Center—Start planning now for the summer and fall.

**THINK SPRING!
CARNIVALS & WALKS****Carnival**

North Andover's 20th Annual Spring Carnival will be held at 1600 Osgood Landing on Thursday, April 25th from 5:00-9:00 PM, Friday, April 26th from 5:00-11:00 PM, Saturday, April 27th from 12:00-11:00 PM and Sunday, April 28th from 12:00-9:00 PM.

Walk for Youth

The Youth Center will be hosting the Walk for Youth on Sunday, May 5th from 11:00 AM- 2:00 PM. This event is a 5k walk around North Andover as well as a Fun Run at the Youth Center. The purpose of the walk is to promote a sense of community among the youth of North Andover. The walk will benefit the Youth Center by keeping it up to date with everything it needs to continue to serve the children of North Andover. Proceeds will go towards increasing programming, services and opportunities that the Youth Center offers. Registration for the Walk for Youth will be held from 10:30-11:00 on Sunday May 5th at the North Andover Youth Center. There will be food, activities and prizes awarded to the top fundraisers. For more information about the Walk for Youth visit our website www.nayouth.com/walkforyouth.html.

North Andover

Community and Business

NEWSLETTER



BRIGHTVIEW

NORTH ANDOVER

INDEPENDENT & ASSISTED LIVING



Coming soon to the former Boston Hill ski resort site (1275 Turnpike Street) – Brightview North Andover. Construction has begun on Brightview Senior Living's fifth senior living community in Massachusetts. The Welcome Center is now open and the community is scheduled to open in the summer of 2013. Brightview North Andover will feature senior Independent Living apartments with services and resort-like amenities as well as dedicated Assisted Living apartments and the award-winning Wellspring Village neighborhood for Alzheimer's Care.

Brightview North Andover will serve North Andover, Andover, Boxford, Middleton, North Reading, Reading, Topsfield, Lynnfield and surrounding areas.

The community will feature full-service **Independent Living** apartments on a monthly rental basis with No Large Entrance Fee. The all-inclusive monthly fee will include private 1 or 2-bedroom apartment homes, exterior and interior maintenance including appliances, full kitchens, washer/dryer, housekeeping, chef-prepared meals, transportation, utilities, a full-time Program Director to coordinate daily programs and social events plus much more. Community amenities will include a fitness center, beauty/barber shop, internet café, pub, movie theater and game room. With **Assisted Living** and **Alzheimer's Care** also on campus, Brightview North Andover will bring three important senior options all together in one convenient community. The Welcome Center for Brightview North Andover is now open. Give them a call at 978-686-2582.



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STAY CONNECTED

In partnership with the City of Boston & the Commonwealth, North Andover was selected as one of 9 pilot communities to participate in the Commonwealth Citizens Connect grant providing an online tool for reporting quality of life issues and interacting with local government. We are pleased to announce the mobile app and web components are now available. Download this app as well as finding news, upcoming meetings, job opportunities, bid proposals, events and happenings town-wide at the Town's website: www.TownOfNorthAndover.com.

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NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Despite a series of snowy events, spring is on our doorstep. In our schools, MCAS testing is approaching for grades 3-8 and 10, students are displaying increased achievement in DECA competition (Distributive Education Clubs of America), a highly successful winter sports season has been completed, Drama and Music programs are continuing to demonstrate excellence and excitement in multiple festivals and performances, our robotics program maintains impressive progress at all levels, and a wide array of activities involve students, staff, and community. Please visit our website, www.northandoverpublicschools.com, for a continuous updates and summaries of events.

After a well-attended public hearing, the School Committee approved a FY14 budget of \$39,863,136, which represents a 4.12% increase. Town manager, Andrew Maylor, recently recommended this allocation for school funding as well. Please continue to follow the budget process leading up to Town Meeting by checking both the district and town websites.

We are pleased to announce that a Teaching & Learning Section has been added to the district's website. Parents may access the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's Common Core based on the Curriculum Frameworks, as well as North Andover's own elementary curriculum. In addition, you may want to check out the Elementary Libraries section, which includes a plethora of resources and websites containing valuable educational tools, games, and information for students, teachers and parents. Be sure to check out Gilligan's Gems authored by Assistant Superintendent Gregg Gilligan for a collection of valuable tips

to assist both parents and students in making their school year the best it can be.

Community involvement is critical to the well being of our schools. Highlighting the benefits of involvement and the "S" of RAISE (service) are the annual Pristash Awards. Congratulations go out to this year's Pristash Award Recipients: Grace Benincasa, Brenda Reeve and Laura MacMillan. Ticket information for the April 11 ceremony and reception held at the Stevens Estate are available through our website. The Pristash Award was established by the town's PTOs to recognize individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary contributions to the educational system in North Andover.

The superintendent's updated entry report is also on our district's website. As part of the report highlights, "a tremendous pride exists within the North Andover community regarding its school system. As evidenced by attendance at many activities and initiatives, such as parent-teacher nights, performing arts, athletics, PTO sponsored events, National Night Out and town meeting, North Andover values celebrations and events that bring the community together and demonstrate a commitment to student and adult celebrations. In addition, all members highlight a satisfaction for the work that has been accomplished within our schools thanks to all members of the learning community, while acknowledging that we can become better. As we move forward, the strength found in this energy can contribute to renewing a focus on improving the direction of our district." As a community, we can accomplish tremendous feats.

NEWS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Operation Identification

Every year, people spend thousands of dollars on computers, DVD players, video game systems, and televisions. These items are prime items for potential house breakers or car breakers looking to steal your property and sell it or pawn it for profit. I would like the residents of North Andover to take part in Operation Identification, a 30 year old program. This is a simple and easy way to allow law enforcement to detect, identify and return stolen property to its rightful owner. Operation Identification lists two important steps to take part in Operation Identification.

1. Mark your property or valuables with an identifying mark, preferably your driver's license number or some other easily identifiable mark that is unique to you.
2. Inventory your marked property on a form with a description including brand, model number, and serial number. *Keep it in a safe place.*

The following items are strongly recommended to be marked and inventoried: Laptop computers, GPS Devices, Digital Cameras, Golf Clubs, Tablets, Stereo Equipment, Musical Instruments, Cellular Phones, iPod/iPad. Though burglaries in North Andover are

relatively low compared to other similar communities, we do have our fair share of breaks throughout the year. One of the most frustrating things we encounter as police officers is victims who don't have any serial numbers or pictures of their property. Our officers get regular reports from jewelry stores, pawn shops and other police departments. You would be shocked to see the amount of property that is recovered, and yet, the owner cannot be located. With this in mind, I urge all of our residents to take part in this simple and worthwhile program. There are many ways to mark your property. Writing the number does not always work since it can be written over or scratched off. One of the best ways to mark your property is with an engraver. Your local North Andover hardware stores have these engravers in stock and are not expensive to purchase. The police department also has an engraver if a resident wishes to borrow it to mark their property. Once you engrave your property, make sure to write the information on a list and *print a hard copy* in the event your computer is stolen! Using a flash drive to store the document is also a good idea. More information on Operation Identification can be found at www.opid.org.

NEWS FROM THE DPW & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Join in on Earth Day Action!

The North Andover Sustainability Committee is holding its 13th annual Earth Day Cleanup on Saturday, May 4th from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Our annual cleanup is a great way to take some Earth Day action right here in North Andover! You and your family and friends, a group of neighbors, a scout troop, civic organization or church group can adopt a street, part or other area and clean up. Not sure where to go? We will be happy to recommend a place in need of attention.

Our check in table will open at 8:30 a.m. at the Department of Public Works (DPW) at 384 Osgood Street. When you check in, you'll get thick contractor trash bags and gloves. If you have your own favorite pair, we suggest you use your own. At check-in you will also receive a cell phone number to call if you need help hauling your bag back to the DPW where we will have a dumpster for all the trash. Thanks to Wheelabrator for providing us with a

dumpster!

To participate, please send an email to northandoversc@gmail.com with the number of volunteers and the street(s) or area that you will be cleaning up, or with your request for an area assignment. We're trying to keep a list so we can ensure that as many areas as possible are cleaned!

Also on Earth Day The North Andover Sustainability Committee will also have pre ordered compost bins and rain barrels to pick up at the DPW during the May 4th Earth Day Cleanup. Check back on our webpage at www.townofnorthandover.com/Pages/NAndoverMA_Recycling/index or call the DPW office at (978) 685-0950 AFTER April 1st to see the model we will have for sale and how to place your order! Payment must be made for the NASC to order your item. We also hope to offer paper shredding on May 4th! Mark Earth Day on your calendar as the date to help green your community!