

Town of Albany

Town Column

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At the Wednesday Selectmen's meeting funds were encumbered for the repairs for the chapel/town hall and to purchase the "Kennett Property". This is a procedural matter. The funds were allocated in 2010, but not spent. Though the town has been interviewing for a Code Enforcer, it appears that a hiring is not at all definite. To date only one person has been interviewed. The office will be closed on Friday. For those of you who procrastinate, this is the last week to pay your taxes without penalty.

The library will not be holding its Young Adult Club on Tuesday. Also, remember that the library is closed on Friday and Saturday next week for the New Year holiday.

Gibson Center: Chef Rick will prepare a special New Years Eve Lunch in the dining room on Thursday at 11:30 am. It's time to dance with hostess Alice Clapp as she plays waltzes, foxtrots, swing and of course Auld Lang Syne. The Center will be closed on December 31.

For those who ski Olivarian Brook Nordic Ski Loop, the west branch will be closed due to timber harvesting activities. The White Mountain National Forest has a map of the trail posted on the website. Go to www.fs.fed.us/r9/forest/white_mountain/.

The first ice skaters and fishermen have been sighted on Lake Chocorua this past week. Suggestion; check the ice before venturing on to it. It is really early in the season.

Need a really last minute gift for the holidays? M&D Productions have discounts on 2011 season tickets. Among the shows coming up are: The Diary of Anne Frank, Five Women Wearing the Same Dress,

Talley's Folly, God of Carnage, The Female Version of the Odd Couple, and Misery. If you purchase before the end of the year, you will receive the offer of a rare Christmas CD of some of the valley's best voices.

Some very belated congratulations: This will be the first Christmas for Timothy Burham Blaney born to Danielle Ferren and Alexander Blaney on September 28. Maternal grandparents are Shaun Bryant and Lindsay Ferran. Also celebrating Christmas for the first time is Jack Jason McAllister born September 22 to Alyson and Josh McAllister. The maternal great-grandparent is Mary Chelsey.

Check out the beautifully decorated homes along Ridgeview Drive, Bald Hill and Route 16. Lights lend a beautiful tone to the holidays.

Have a safe and wonderful New Year celebration whatever you do. Enjoy the week.