

# FALL NEWSLETTER

The Meadows of Hopkinton and Deer Meadow MHP, LLC

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## RENTAL CHANGE

The rent will remain the same for 2014!

Enclosed is a new lease for the 2014 period. Please sign and return as soon as possible for our files.



There has been leniency given in 2013 for payments received late and late charges waived. Moving into the new year, the charges will be applied to any payment received after the 11th of the month. The residents that do make payments in a

timely manner should not be penalized by a rent increase to cover the late payments.

If you do run into a situation that does not allow the payment to be made on time, please contact Stacey, 746-3600, to notify her of the situation.

Also available are automatic withdrawals done through the Intuit Payment Services. A specific withdrawal date can be requested but must be between the 1st-10th of the month. These payments are manually processed by Stacey as close to but not before the requested date.

Many residents use online bill pay through their banking institution. This also seems to be a convenient payment method and can be set for automatic withdrawal each month.

Thank you to the residents that pay each month during the grace period allowed. It is greatly appreciated as our business also has obligations to pay in a timely manner.

## PHONE NUMBER CHANGE

Effective immediately, the phone number 746-3600 rings directly to David Jr. and Stacey Price.

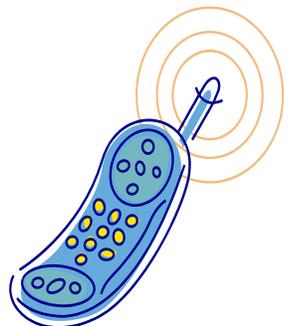
David Sr. and Esther have a new number and are officially (more) retired now that the business calls are being re-

directed. Their new number will only be given to family and friends. Please refrain from looking up the number and contacting them regarding any business information.

As always, the office hours for non-emergency business calls

are between 9AM to 5PM, Monday-Friday and Saturday 9AM to 12PM. This number does ring at our home.

Septic or water emergencies ONLY can call the business number or Dave's cell at 603-491-3342 anytime.



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- CHECK YOUR ELECTRIC RATE!
- ENJOY CONTOOCOOK VILLAGE!

## CONTACT INFORMATION...

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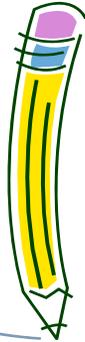
Emergency Ph: 603-491-3342

Email:

themedowsofhopkinton@comcast.net

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**BUS ROUTE...** Back to school has started and with it came a major change with the bus routes. Residents in Deer Meadow expressed concern about the longer walk to the bus stop for elementary age students and contacted the school. Stacey and a couple of residents met with Steve Chamberlin, the Superintendent, and reviewed the bus route recently. We are still waiting to hear if additional stops will be added. If you have concerns regarding the bus route, please contact the Superintendent also to add to the complaints.



## SPEED LIMIT 15 MPH

Please watch your speed...  
your neighbors are complaining  
that you're driving too fast!

Deer Meadow will have new  
signs posted soon to remind  
drivers to SLOW DOWN...

Your neighbors should feel  
safe, not at risk to walk on  
the road. If the complaints  
continue we will be forced  
to install speed bumps, it is  
not a race track!

We're on the web!

[www.themedowsofhopkinton.com](http://www.themedowsofhopkinton.com)



## PLUG IN YOUR HEAT TAPE!

Call Dave with any  
questions or if you  
need assistance  
checking it.



## FALL INFORMATION



**TREES...** Thanks to Jeff Dearborn for his hard work in The Meadows cutting the trees. Jeff and his son are a great team that always have safety in mind when removing trees.

**YARDS...** Many of the yards this summer looked great! Be sure to be recognized for a beautiful yard, not a messy yard. Make your neighbors proud of the neighborhood! Pick up debris, keep the lawn mowed, pick those weeds, remove clutter... if you don't use it then you don't need it, toss it or give it to a friend!

**FALL CLEAN-UP...** Fall clean-up time is here. During the spring, debris is picked up after the winter months.

When fall arrives, mainly leaves are the biggest problem. Most lots can accommodate a wooded area to dump the leaves. If you do not have a convenient spot, please contact Dave for assistance.

**DISCONNECT HOSE...** It is VERY important to make sure your garden hose is disconnected so the outside spicket can drain properly. Also, check the shut off valve to be sure it is working and so you know where it is located.

**PARKING...** Please call Dave for proper parking of boats and campers for winter storage. It is important that the vehicle is parked in an inconspicuous place so your neighbor does not find it a nuisance.

### **CATS...** Do you have a cat?

It should be inside your house, on a leash or somehow contained to only YOUR YARD.

If your neighbor complains about your cat, it is taken seriously given the change in the rules that cats remain inside. If a neighbor complains and a trap is set near your house, ANY cats caught will be surrendered to the SPCA. **This includes cats wearing collars with or without name tags.**

It is unfortunate that this rule had to be made due to the abundance of stray cats in both parks. To date over 30 stray cats have been surrendered to the SPCA from both parks. We are thankful to the SPCA for finding homes for the cats that were able to be adopted.

The SPCA has an ongoing wish list, we donated to it in appreciation of all of the assistance they have given us.



## **Great Places to visit in Contoocook**

I am so impressed with Contoocook Village lately and all that it has to offer! It is so nice to see our little town with so many options. A few of my favorites...

The Farmer's Market: Saturday mornings in the summer... winter months moving to Gould Hill Farm??? I think???

Gould Hill Farm: Apples, gift shop, ice cream, an incredible view and DONUTS!

Storm's Fitness: Fitness club on Pine Street that offers many classes, cardio & weight machines, LOVE that it's in Contoocook!

**MEADOWS WATER...** Thank you to everyone on The Meadows of Hopkinton water system for your patience and understanding the past few months with the water issue.

Due to the wet and humid summer, the July coliform water test was positive. Coliform is not E-Coli which is very serious and would require additional treatment. The Coliform has required chlorinating the Meadows water system and allowing the chlorination to remain in the system for 24 hours, then flushing it out.

The most recent test had two positive results of the five tests, but the good news is **the testing sites directly at the well are negative.** The two positive results were taken from outside spickets at residents homes. **The test will be repeated on October 14th** and Dave will visit the testing sites to ensure the outside spickets at the site are receiving enough chlorination.

Much appreciation to Barb Davis at NHDES. She has been very informative and helpful assisting us with the DES Rules and the procedures to follow. DES has had numerous similar cases this summer for community wells with the same coliform problem.

Thankfully, Deer Meadow has not had the same issue...knock on wood!

Recreation Department: Visit

[www.hopkinton-nh.gov](http://www.hopkinton-nh.gov)

for the Recreation calendar of events

**The Slusser Senior Center has a full calendar too! Visit for a class and make new friends!**

Did you visit Kimball Pond this summer?

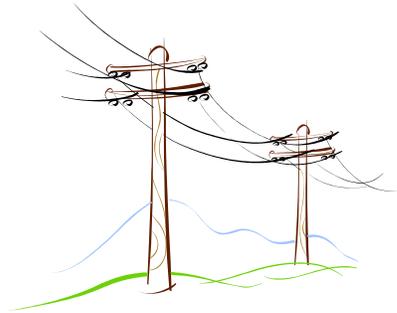
**Don't forget to visit the Hopkinton Town Library!**



### **WATER REPORT...**

The CCR report was issued this summer to The Meadows and Deer Meadow. The reports provided information about the water for 2012, all great results!

If you would like to view any of the reports, please contact Stacey. A hard copy can be issued or instructions can be given to view the results on the DES website.



## **ELECTRICITY**

Have you looked into lowering your electric bill? Contact North American Power and make the change!

[www.lowelectricrate.com](http://www.lowelectricrate.com)

**Phone: 1-877-572-1191**

It is now your choice to decide who supplies your power. PSNH is still the electric company and will still send your bill but other suppliers offer cheaper rates.

**PSNH Rate: \$8.62 COMPARE TO...**

**North American Power Rate: \$7.99**

Other companies are also available, this was the company we chose because they made the process of changing so easy. Spend a little time and do your research, it could end up saving \$20+ per month.