

Property Coordinator Update
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Use of the Buildings by Others

Mary Derbyshire's 2 classes are thriving now – great group, lots of energy and fun. The parking lot is full. At one point in the class, Mary opens 2 of the doors out onto the back deck, and the class does “laps” through the main hall, out onto the deck, and back inside by the bathrooms – all with the music blasting. Pretty cool..... The Women's Club sent a note expressing their delight in the new blue chairs..... We are averaging 1 private party a month..... In the next 2 months, 5 private party bookings have been made by families who booked at the same times last year. That's cool, too..... The Paskamansett Bird Club will have an event here Nov. 13, 2014....JYM Retreats will be here on a “bread retreat” Nov. 21 – 23, 2014.....A wedding plus 2 private parties are scheduled for the weekend of Dec. 20th.

Water

It has been a year and a half since the new well was installed, and the water still has some sediment in it. I have had one plumbing company analyze it and submit an estimate for installing and maintaining a water softener – will get another one before bringing to Property Committee for further discernment. Analytical Balance just called yesterday to say that the Coliform level is up again. This is puzzling, as the plumbing company mentioned above tested the water and did *not* have this finding. ABC get's their water from the outside spigot. I got a sample for the plumbing company from the kitchen sink. I have no idea if this makes a difference. I will treat the well (again) in the next few days.

Outside Yard Work

Thanks to Kevin Lee who cut down the 2 dead birch trees on the north side. The wood is stacked outside for a future bonfire.

Window Glazing

Thanks to Kevin and crew (Clyde, Randy, Branden, and Buddy) who completed re-glazing the exterior side of the Meeting House windows.

Painting of Bathrooms

The 2 front bathrooms in the Community House have been completely re-painted by myself and Katey Baker-Smith as of today – walls, ceilings, woodwork and radiators. I look forward to Friends seeing them. We are ready to continue on, beginning with the doors, should Friends so desire.

Bulletin Boards in the Community House

Just a reminder they are still mostly empty. ☺

Wish List

Shelves for basement for tools, paint, and repair supplies.

Upcoming Projects

Storm Windows up on the Meeting House
Storm Windows down in the Community House
Window Washing in both buildings

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