

ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT

September 24, 2014

- Mass DEP has awarded Recycling Dividends Funds to the Town of Ashby under the Sustainable Materials Recovery Program. The Town will receive \$1,800 (see award letter).
- Ashby's 24th Annual Pumpkin Festival & Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, October 4th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the Town Common. There will be live music, cookie decorating, games, veggie racers, face painting, a pumpkin decorating contest, tractor parade and more! If you are interested in helping with this year's Festival please email the Friends at ashbypumpkinfest@gmail.com
- The Ashby Food Pantry is open the second and fourth Tuesdays each month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room on the 2nd Floor of Town Hall. For those seeking assistance please drop by or contact them at ashbyfoodpantry@gmail.com.
- The Ashby Fire/EMS Department needs EMTs. If you are interested in serving as an EMT please contact Bill Seymour, Jr., Fire Chief at 978-386-5522.
- The Selectmen have received the following mail, email, memos and faxes:
 - ❖ Conservation Commission August 20th and September 3rd Minutes
 - ❖ Letter from massDOT regarding Winter Rapid Recovery Program Funds
 - ❖ Invitation to Association of Town Finance Committees' Annual Meeting
 - ❖ Certified Letter from GeoInsight regarding Mr. Mike's Temporary Solution Statement
 - ❖ Invitation to Montachusett Homecare 40th Annual Breakfast Meeting
 - ❖ *Comcast Connections*
 - ❖ MMA's *Our Communities & Our Commonwealth: Partners for Progress & Prosperity*
 - ❖ MMA's *The Beacon*
- Public Service Announcements:
 - + All eligible individuals (seniors and ADA qualified) wishing to participate in the Meals on Wheels Program should contact Kathryn Becker at 386-2424, ex. 27. Meals are only \$2.25 and are now delivered Monday through Friday around noon.
 - + MART Shuttle Service is available to all eligible (60 years or older and ADA qualified) individuals. Ashby residents may use the van Monday through Friday for medical appointments, social day care and shopping. Interested residents should call Jennifer Collins Monday through Thursday at 386-2501, ext. 11 to apply and schedule use.
 - + Current Board, Committee, and Department Vacancies: Board of Assessors, Cultural Council, Historical Commission, Hazardous Waste Coordinator, Highway Truck Driver/Laborer, Historic District Commission, Senior Tax Work-off Program, and Zoning Board of Appeals