



MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

Town of Carlisle

APRIL 2024

Route to Sustainability Day



Environmental Sustainability Committee

Join us at this year's Route to Sustainability Day on **Saturday, April 27 from 10am-2pm** in the center of Carlisle! This Earth Day event will be chock full of environmental information with great fun and activities for all ages.

NEW THIS YEAR:

Scheduled mini events and demonstrations at the top and bottom of each hour, including cooking demonstrations, music and a fashion show! Hmm, who will be modeling? Come find out on April 27!

SCHEDULE OF MINI-EVENTS AND DEMONSTRATIONS:

Location: in front of First Religious Society at the Town Common

TIME	EVENT
10:30 a.m.	Q&A with electric vehicle owners
11:00 a.m.	Low carbon cooking with Chef Kelcy (tasty samples included)
11:30 a.m.	Carlisle Community Chorus
12:00 p.m.	Cooking demonstration with Chef Kelcy (tasty samples included)
12:30 p.m.	Fashion Show
1:00 p.m.	Cooking demonstration with Chef Kelcy (tasty samples included)
1:30 p.m.	iNaturalist hands-on demonstration with Judy Asarkof

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RAFFLE:

Stop by the ESC table and enter your name and email to win the sustainable household starter kit prize!



PARKING:

Attendees can park in the school parking lot under the solar canopy (Church St), in the Town Hall parking lot (66 Westford St) and in the parking lots of St. Irene (181 East St) and Carlisle Congregational Church (147 School St) - provided there is no church event taking place.

Please do not park in the Library parking lot since those spots should remain available for regular Library business. Please be thoughtful by leaving Church Street and School Street on-street parking available for people with mobility issues.

INFORMATION STATIONS



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WAYS TO BE GREEN AT THE EVENT:

- Consider walking, biking or carpooling to the event
- Bring your water bottle and reusable utensils
- Take photographs of the information presented, not handouts

VENUE ADDRESSES:

Town Common and First Religious Society/Union Hall - 27 School Street
Gleason Library - 22 Bedford Road
Brick Building - 97 School Street
Center Park - 42 Lowell Street

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER:

The event will take place on April 27, rain or shine. If the weather is not cooperative, the event will be held in the School gymnasium.



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Entrance

Visit carlislema.gov/1031/Environmental-Sustainability-Committee for information on exhibitors, last year's event, and more!

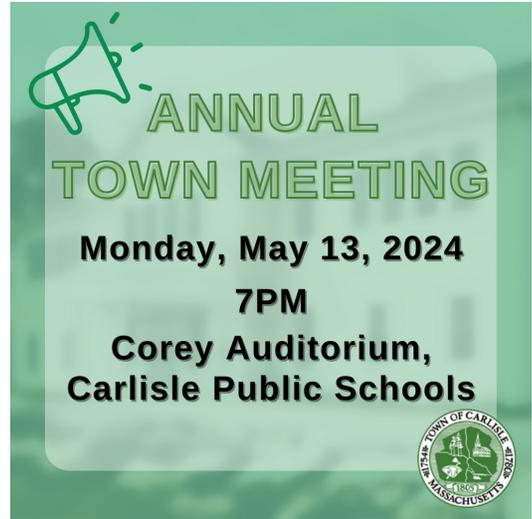
From the Town Administrator

Ryan McLane, Town Administrator

Believe it or not we only have one month until Carlisle's Annual Town Meeting (ATM). The Corey Auditorium in the Carlisle Public Schools will host the ATM on May 13th, 2024, starting at 7pm. The staff is working hard to keep you informed for the coming ATM decisions.

Residents will be asked to support [several important warrant articles](#) including:

1. [The Town's budget, capital plan, and building maintenance investments](#)
2. Key department articles include investments in the Town's GIS program and Cranberry Bog
3. A renovation of the Town's Police Station on Lowell Street
4. Several CPA articles include hydrological studies, ADA accessible doors at Benfield, and a continuation of the Town's Senior Rental Assistance Program



We want you to be as informed as possible for these important votes. Here is how you can get more information:

1. [Town Meeting Website](#) – We will update this daily with the newest information about every proposed article. Dive as deep as you want and ask us questions!
2. [Access Budget Information](#) – We will provide every level of financial analysis so you can understand ATM budget decisions in the larger context. If you do not see data that you would like, please let us know and we will try and build it for you!
3. **Attend An Information Session or Conduct Your Own Research**
 - a. Finance Committee Public Hearing – Wednesday April 17 @ 6:30pm via Zoom
 - b. Town Administrator Coffee Hours
 - a. Ferns – April 11 and May 9th from 9-10
 - b. Gleason Public Library – April 25th and May 2nd from 10-11
 - c. [Send us an email](#) and ask your questions
 - d. Look for updates on our social media pages and on the Town Website
[Facebook](#) / [Twitter \(X\)](#) / [Instagram](#) / [Town Website](#)

Planning Board Call for Volunteers!

The Planning Board has two exciting opportunities for intrepid volunteers!

Please contact Julie Mercier, Town Planner, if you're interested: jmercier@carlislema.gov

MVP Core Committee

The Planning Board established the Town's MVP Core Committee to facilitate local efforts toward planning for and implementing strategies to build climate resilience and to adapt to predicted changes in our warming climate. The predicted changes include increased flooding from large rain events and a greater likelihood of drought and increased extreme heat days and heat waves.

See full Subcommittee Charge:

<https://www.carlislema.gov/1162/Municipal-Vulnerability-Preparedness>

Join the effort and help Carlisle avoid this fate:



MBTA Communities Subcommittee!

The Planning Board established the Town's MBTA Communities Subcommittee to make a good faith effort to explore the feasibility of compliance with the MBTA Communities legislation (MGL Ch. 40A Section 3A) and guidelines, which is a strategy identified within the Housing Production Plan.

See full Subcommittee Charge: <https://www.carlislema.gov/1195/MBTA-Communities>

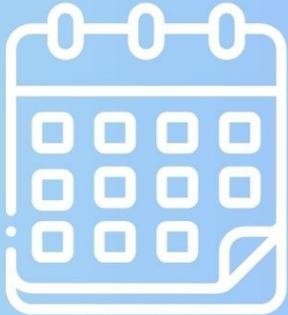


Join the effort and help Carlisle avoid this fate:

POV: It's the year 2030 and the only way you can obtain a house in Carlisle is by winning a MrBeast challenge.



CLIMATE RESILIENCE OFFICE HOURS



Chat with Carlisle's Town Planner and Sustainability Coordinator about planning for Carlisle's climate resilient future!



Where: Carlisle Town Hall, 66 Westford Street,
Carlisle, MA 01741



When: 1st Tuesday of the Month, 11am - 1pm

For information on language services, or
other questions, contact:



jmercier@carlislema.gov



Town of
Carlisle
MASSACHUSETTS

CLIMATE RESILIENT CARLISLE

MUNICIPAL VULNERABILITY PREPAREDNESS



The Town of Carlisle is looking for YOUR input!

Join a conversation with Carlisle's boards and committees as we discuss ways to make Carlisle more climate resilient.

MEETING DATES AND TIMES:

Monday, May 6th, 10:00 am:

- Local Emergency Planning Committee:
 - Police & Fire
 - Council on Aging and Human Services
 - Building & DPW
 - Board of Health
 - School
 - Library

Thursday, May 9th, 6:30pm:

- Planning Board
- Conservation Commission
- Board of Health
- Zoning Board of Appeals

Wednesday, May 15th, 7:00 pm:

- Historical Commission
- Housing Trust

Thursday, May 16th, 7:00 pm:

- Environmental Sustainability Committee

SEE TOWN WEBSITE FOR ZOOM LINKS

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Recreation Commission Seeking Input on Diment Park

Sarah Wengert, Recreation Commission

**Please fill out a survey on the future of Diment Park at <https://forms.gle/Q2TTP9S7vyNHlRgc6>

Diment Park - the small toddler playground and play area on Church Street between the tennis courts and Spalding Field - was created in 1983 and has seen several updates over the years. This park is the only fenced-in toddler playground in Carlisle that is accessible to the public during the school day (when the Castle Playground is not available).

The Carlisle Recreation Commission is working to create a long term plan for this park, and we are seeking diverse public input with this survey. The information and opinions collected will help guide our planning process.

We hope that everyone will fill out the survey, regardless of age or parental status to allow us to gather as diverse a set of opinions as possible. We want to hear from children, so please submit separate surveys for children and adults if possible.

For a more detailed history of Diment Park, please read [this Mosquito article](#) from 2017.

This survey is anonymous unless you choose to input your email on the final page.

We are hoping to collect all responses by the end of April 2024.



Finance Committee Public Hearing April 17th

Lynne Lipinsky, Finance Committee

The Finance Committee will be held Wednesday, April 17 at 6:30pm (virtually) in preparation for the Annual Town Hall Meeting. The FinCom Chair will review the FY25 Budget to be presented at the Carlisle Town Meeting scheduled on May 13, 2024. Then, resident/public feedback will be taken, related specifically to the budget content present. For more information and for the Zoom link, please visit <https://www.carlislema.gov/calendar.aspx>

Native Shrubs and Trees for spring planting



Carlisle Garden Club

From now until May 6 the Carlisle Garden Club is pleased to offer a variety of native trees and shrubs for spring planting. These cultivars were chosen for their beauty and vigor in Carlisle, and because they are native they will support birds, insects, and other wildlife in your yard. Availability is limited so don't delay! Visit our on-line store at carlislegardenclub.org. Plants can be picked up at the Garden Club Plant Sale Saturday May 18 from 10 to 2 on the Town Common where a variety of perennials and annuals will also be available and a demonstration of proper planting methods will be held. All sales support the Garden Club's civic beautification programs, including planned new plantings at the Fire Station, Town Hall, Rotary, Town Commons, and Center Park.



From the Tax Collector's Office

Sandy Nason, Treasurer/Collector

The Tax Collector's office would like to remind homeowners that 4th Quarter taxes for FY24 are due on May 1st. Taxes can be paid online through the Town of Carlisle's website, mailed to the PO Box in Boston listed on your bill or to 66 Westford St., Carlisle, MA 01741, or paid in person Monday – Friday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. **Please note that the Post Office box in Reading and Post Office Box 614 in Carlisle were closed some time ago; payments sent to these boxes could result in your payment arriving past the due date.**



Nature Walks in April and May



CARLISLE
CONSERVATION
FOUNDATION

Alan Ankers

Vernal Pool Walk April 20

Bryan Windmiller, founder of the Headstart program for Blanding's Turtles, will lead a vernal pool walk at the Conant Land on Saturday, April 20, starting at 10:30 A.M., hosted by the Carlisle Trails Committee and the Carlisle Conservation Foundation. Learn about some of the fascinating creatures, such as frogs, salamanders and aquatic bugs that make use of this habitat. The program will last about two hours. It is about a half-mile walk to the pool. Meet at the main parking lot behind Town Hall. The trip is free and all are welcome. Be prepared for wet conditions underfoot. If you have any questions, contact Alan Ankers by e-mail at alankers@comcast.net.

CCF Bird Walk May 5

The Carlisle Conservation Foundation and Menotomy Bird Club will host a bird walk at Foss Farm and Great Meadows National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, May 5, starting at 7:00 A.M. The walk will last two to three hours and search for early migrants such as swallows, sparrows, raptors and the first of



the warblers in the Community Gardens, the O'Rourke farm fields, including the old piggery, and the wooded wetlands alongside the Concord River. The trip is free and all are welcome, including beginner birders. Be prepared for wet conditions underfoot; bring binoculars if you have them. Meet at the Foss Farm parking lot on Bedford Road. If you have any questions, contact Alan Ankers by e-mail at alankers@comcast.net.

Transfer Station Regulation Update

Transfer Station Action Committee

As the world of refuse disposal changes, so too must the systems and routines at the Transfer Station. The Transfer Station Action Committee (TSAC) has made great strides to make proper disposal of recyclables and solid waste easier and more efficient through signage and these articles in the Mosquito and this newsletter, as well as adhering to changes in State laws. Communicating these efforts so that residents can easily reference the guiding principals of the Transfer Station is generally done through the Transfer Station Regulations, posted on the Carlisle town website.

The TSAC has updated the Transfer Station Regulations as of March 24, 2024, with the approval of the Select Board. There have been a few changes to the regulations, some changes are clarifications of ongoing systems. Please take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the updated regulations (CarlisleMA.gov > Departments > Department of Public Works > Transfer Station > Transfer Station Regulations).

Keep in mind that this regulation is designed to provide service to Carlisle residents, and clarify the intended use that the Transfer Station is designed and financed to handle.

The regulation begins, *"The Transfer Station is for the use of Carlisle residents for trash and recycling which originates in residences located in Carlisle due to normal household activity. The facility also accepts food scraps from Carlisle residents for composting. Use is restricted to passenger cars and privately owned vans, pickup trucks, and trailers with the required, current identification sticker permanently affixed to the front bumper (driver side) or displayed in an alternative manner acceptable to the DPW."* The regulation also includes limitations on vehicle size and guidance for local haulers.

Transfer Station Stickers (Permits) have been available for residents to purchase since January 1, 2024. Vehicles entering the Transfer Station as of April 1 will not be permitted to enter the facility. Unfortunately there has been an unacceptable number of vehicles without stickers, possibly non-residents, and so this regulation must be enforced.

Each residence is welcome to purchase up to two stickers.

Residents who have a vehicle that is temporarily out of service may request a temporary placard for an alternative vehicle. Transfer Station stickers are also available for non-resident care takers. Special circumstances may permit a residence to purchase more than two stickers. And the sticker fee may be waived for financial hardship. All of these stickers can be applied for through Town Hall staff.

The Transfer Station Action Committee will continue to update and refine this policy each year. Your input and feedback can help us. Please join us at our monthly meeting and/or send us your ideas at Recycling@carlislema.gov.

Thanks!

Christine Lear (Oak Knoll Road) on behalf of the Transfer Station Action Committee

From the Department of Public Works

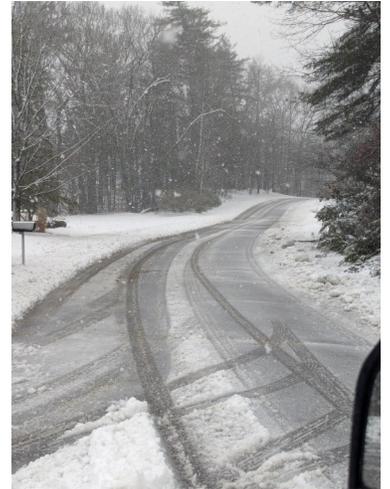


Jim Hall, DPW Director

Howdy folks!

Well, it looks like old man winter and mother nature can't seem to agree on which season we should be in. I think mother nature will win the argument though, and we should see some nice weather soon! So be on the lookout for our street sweeper to be back in action very soon! We are also planning for some upcoming road maintenance projects and town and cemetery beautification projects as well! As always thanks for your patience and support!

Jim



2024 Garden Club Scholarship Available

For over 50 years the Carlisle Garden Club has awarded the Debbie Wright Scholarship to help Carlisle students defray college costs. This year a \$3,000 scholarship is available to high school seniors from Carlisle who attend either public or private high schools or are being home-schooled. Preference will be given to students who have an interest in the following fields: Botany; Landscape Architecture; Horticulture; Forestry; Farming; Conservation; Entomology; Ornithology; and Environmental Studies as well as related areas.

The scholarship application is on-line (www.CarlisleGardenClub.org). The application must be received by May 15, 2024. Questions should be directed to scholarship@carlislegardenclub.org.

From the Affordable Housing Trust

Carlisle Affordable Housing Trust

The Affordable Housing Trust is pleased to welcome John Ballantine and William Luther to our committee. Together they bring a wealth of knowledge regarding Carlisle, economics and development to name a few.

The AHT presented information regarding the Housing Production Plan and affordable vs. Affordable housing at the Democratic Town Committee meeting in January and at all four sessions of the Carlisle 8th grade in late February. Town Planner Julie Mercier was also present at the sessions to discuss the state MBTA Communities Law and what the law may mean for Carlisle. AHT members are working with town employees on the MBTA Communities zoning law, the study of the Bog House as potential affordable and/or town employee housing and other important town initiatives. We welcome any and all ideas as to how to solve the affordable housing shortage.

From the Council on Aging and Human Services

Carol Grueneich, Director, Carlisle Council on Aging and Human Services



Town Administrator, Ryan McLane, dropped by the COAHS Women's Breakfast on April 3 to share what is currently happening in Carlisle.

Come join our Line Dancing class. Instructor Katrina Rotondi leads the group through the steps. No experience needed, just an enjoyment of moving.

Upcoming Events:

Understanding Artificial Intelligence: April 26

Emerson Orthopedic Upper Extremity Injuries: April 30



From the Gleason Public Library

Martha Feeney-Patten, Director

Stargazing Party at Banta-Davis Field

Join the Carlisle Recreation Department and Gleason Public Library for an evening of stargazing at Banta-Davis Field! We'll go stargazing with Kelly Beatty, Senior Editor at Sky & Telescope, and members of the Amateur Telescope Makers of Boston. They will bring along their telescopes to get a great look at the night sky. This program is geared for ages 5 and up. We will need clear skies, so please check the website for updates. If you have a question, please contact us at hmansfield@carlislema.gov. Register online at carlislema.myrec.com/info/activities

Craft Supply Swap at the Gleason

Calling all Makers! Do you have leftover supplies from previous crafts? Would you like free craft supplies to explore a new hobby? Bring new or gently used arts & crafts materials to the Gleason Public Library on Saturday, April 20th, to swap for new-to-you supplies! Only arts-and-crafts-related items will be accepted; no office supplies or hazardous materials.

Please drop off your craft supplies at the Gleason Public Library on Saturday morning between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. then shop for "new-to-you" ones in the afternoon between 1–4 p.m. Donations are not required to participate in the afternoon swap. If you have any questions, please contact us at childrens@gleasonlibrary.org.

Spring Story Times

Spring story time sessions are coming to the Gleason! Preschool Story Time (ages 3-6) meets at 10:30 a.m. on Fridays beginning April 19th; Baby Lapsit (newborn through pre-walking) meets at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays beginning April 23rd; and Toddler Story Time (age 1-3) meets at 11 a.m. on Tuesdays beginning April 23rd. Visit gleasonlibrary.org/events for more information and to register. Thank you to the Friends of Gleason Public Library for supporting these programs!

Spring 2024
STORY TIMES

Starting April 19th

TUESDAYS 10:30AM CHILDREN'S ROOM	BABY LAPSIT BIRTH TO PREWALKING
TUESDAYS 11:00AM HOLLIS ROOM	TODDLER STORY TIME AGES 2 - 3
FRIDAYS 10:30AM CHILDREN'S ROOM	PRESCHOOL STORY TIME AGES 3 - 6

Register for each individual session at gleasonlibrary.org/events
If you have any questions about the story times, please email us at childrens@gleasonlibrary.org

New Friend Are you?

Art at the Gleason: Art of the Automobile

Art of the Automobile: Photography by Steven Edson and Spark Plugs collected by Jim Roberts is on display at the Gleason until June 8th, 2024.

To enhance this exhibition, we are holding a car show/artist reception the morning of Saturday, May 11th, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., as both a social and educational experience (rain date May 18th.) Free; light refreshments will be served. If you have a unique vintage car and are interested in being part of this car show, please contact Sandy Eisenbies at disk4fun@me.com or 937-760-5568 with information about your car. If you don't have a car to show but love cars, SAVE THE DATE and stop by Gleason to check it out!

More From the Gleason Public Library

Let Your Voice Be Heard - Library Planning

The Gleason Library is beginning work on a new five-year strategic plan, and we want to hear from you! Community focus groups will be held at the Library in May; visit gleasonlibrary.org/events to register or email mpatten@gleasonlibrary.org for more information or to share your thoughts.

THE ART OF THE AUTOMOBILE



PHOTOGRAPHY
BY
STEVEN EDSON



SPARK PLUGS

FROM THE EARLY YEARS OF MOTORING
COLLECTED BY JIM ROBERTS

GLEASON PUBLIC LIBRARY
MARCH 30 - JUNE 8, 2024

LIVE CAR SHOW / ARTIST RECEPTION
MAY 11 2024 10:00AM-12:00PM
RAIN DATE: MAY 18, 2024

ART AT THE GLEASON IS SPONSORED BY THE GLEASON PUBLIC LIBRARY ENDOWMENT

GLEASON PUBLIC LIBRARY, 22 BEDFORD ROAD, CARLISLE, MA 01741 979-369-4898

CALLING ALL MAKERS!

SAVE THE DATE!

GLEASON PUBLIC LIBRARY CRAFT SUPPLY SWAP SATURDAY, APRIL 20

**DROP OFF YOUR NEW/GENTLY USED CRAFT SUPPLIES
10 AM - 1 PM
SHOP FOR "NEW-TO-YOU" CRAFT SUPPLIES
1 PM - 4 PM**

Do you have leftover supplies from previous crafts? Would you like free craft supplies to explore a new hobby? Bring new or gently used arts & crafts materials to swap for new-to-you supplies! Only arts and crafts-related items will be accepted. Suggested items include yarn, decorative paper, fine art paper, fabric scraps, paints, patterns, tools, beads, craft storage and other arts and crafts materials.

Donations are not required to participate in the afternoon swap. Please bring along a reusable tote to carry the craft supply items home.

What is “Sustainability?”

Sarah Wasserman, Land Use and Sustainability Coordinator

You would think, for someone with the word in my job title, I would have a straightforward answer to this question. And yet, for the past three months that I’ve served as Carlisle’s new Land Use and Sustainability Coordinator, I’ve been grappling with this one word nearly every day. What is sustainability? And what does it mean in Carlisle?

I come from the world of environmental science, where progress is measured in nitrogen levels, particle concentrations, or the density of a stand of trees. It’s true that there is a quantitative element to the word “sustainability”. It can mean pounds of waste diverted from a landfill; the ppm of CO2 emissions reduced by switching to a heat pump; or even the money you save when you aren’t spending \$50 a week on gas.



But sustainability is nebulous, and hard to pin down in numbers alone. “Sustainability” can also refer to the relationship between a community and the natural environment around them. In the short time I’ve been in Carlisle, I’ve learned that the beautiful and all-too-rare amount of undeveloped land is important to many residents, and it’s a critical part of their relationship to the town, and to their neighbors.

In a town as small as Carlisle, there exists a special opportunity that many other towns in the region lack. With a population just over 5,000, the action of every individual has ripple effects that are much more tangible. In this sense, “measuring” sustainability in Carlisle really can be influenced by an individual’s decision. This could mean taking the train to work, from the West Concord or Alewife stations. It can mean participating in a roadside composting program. It can mean growing your own food, either at Foss Farm or in your own backyard.

The Town, too, is moving forward on sustainability efforts. We are a longtime participant in the Green Communities program, and this past year, the funding has gone towards weatherizing town buildings such as Town Hall, the Gleason Library, and the Public School, saving the Town energy –and money. You also might have heard that Carlisle received a grant from the Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness (MVP) program. This grant allows the town to evaluate its bylaws and make changes to prepare for challenges such as flooding, power outages, and heat mitigation. If you have ideas to share about a sustainable, climate-resilient Carlisle stop by Town Hall the first Tuesday of each month from 11:00-1:00 for our climate resilience office hours! I’m excited to explore how Carlisle’s vision of sustainability will grow and evolve as the Town looks to the future.



MVP
Municipal Vulnerability
Preparedness

From the Carlisle School Committee

Carlisle School Committee

Like other departments, the CSC has been focusing on some budget and town warrant and meeting related issues. Facilities Director, Stephen Connearney, has delivered to multiple town committees a detailed presentation on capital improvements and current needs. Projects include updates to the security alarm panels to cut down on the number of false alarms, drainage issues with the Wilkins Courtyard, cleaning of the soffits in the Wilkins Building, and repairs to the concrete in the front walkway. The FY25 Capital Projects list includes potential repairs or replacement to the tanks in the Wastewater Treatment facility. Please view our March meeting recording for information about campus capital work and needs <https://www.carlisle.k12.ma.us/Page/1872>. In March, we also voted a revised budget that is in line with the Finance Committee and Select Board's ask that all town departments, including the school district, keep budget requests for FY25 at or below a 3% increase over FY24.

Our more family and student and focused work has included conversations about technology use, school fees, field trips and policy work. We recently conducted a survey about technology use and tools in neighboring districts, [STEM Related Programming and Instruction Survey.pdf - Google Drive](#). We will use this information to inform our future conversations and to explore grant and expanded learning opportunities related to technology. We are particularly interested in finding ways to enhance our extracurricular STEM offerings. We have also focused on understanding and educating parents about fees the school charges and the services that are provided for these fees. Carlisle has a limited tax base, and so, some of our budget is not covered through town appropriations and the very limited state grants. Fees charged to families, where applicable, include: preschool, full day kindergarten, field trips and 7 & 8 grade transportation. While the school committee works to keep fees reasonable, we understand that families need to be able to plan accordingly for them and so are hoping that presenting this information regularly and making it accessible to parents will serve that purpose. Some of our annual fee information included an overview of field trips and their costs, available [through this link here](#). Some of our fee changes also reflect changes in services, such as this year we voted to expand the preschool offering to a full day option. Our annual work also continues, we just approved all policy updates for the year and will begin work on our superintendent evaluation.

CPS Field Trip Audit 2023-2024

We continue to try to find ways to connect the Carlisle Schools to the greater Carlisle community. 8th grade students have been attending many town board and committee meetings this year, as part of their new civics curriculum. This added engagement by our students has been both eye-opening for them and informative for the committee and boards with whom they have shared their perspectives. In March we were delighted to welcome Carlisle citizens who joined us for breakfast and a tour of the school. We appreciate the collaboration with the Council on Aging, and we are looking for additional opportunities to extend this invitation to other members of our community. We also continue to celebrate the successes of our students in their extracurricular endeavors including the 7th grade musical, Newsies, their qualifying for and participation in Junior District Music Festival and their ongoing success in Model UN. With so much happening throughout our school community, we are looking forward to a strong finish to the 23-24 school year.



Cultural Council News April 2024



2024 Winter Cultural Grant Awards

The **Carlisle Cultural Council** is excited to announce the recipients of its **Winter 2024 Cultural Grants**. Funds for this round of grants have been provided to the Council by the Town of Carlisle from American Rescue Plan Act funds.

“The Cultural Council is thrilled to have received so many high-quality applications for creative and interesting programs for the upcoming spring and summer seasons,” stated Council Chair Mark Levitan. “We’re honored to be able to support these wonderful organizations that deliver so much to our town.” Look for dates and program information on organization websites, social media and in the Carlisle Mosquito.

Community PRIDE Festival — CPS DEI Community Advisory Council/Carlisle PTO

Race Amity Day Celebration — Carlisle Race Amity Day

Route to Sustainability Day — Environmental Sustainability Committee

Short Story Contest — Friends of Gleason Public Library

Multicultural Tea Tasting and Presentation — CPS Cross Cultural Club

Native Plant Workshop — Carlisle Garden Club

Earth Day at Center Park — Friends of Center Park

Summer Outdoor Concert — Carlisle Council on Aging & Human Services

Kids Summer Concert — Gleason Public Library

Spring Concert — Carlisle Chamber Orchestra

Arts Crafts Show & Cake Decorating — Carlisle Old Home Day

Carlisle Music Festival @Old Home Day, June 21-23!

Watch for the full schedule announcement coming soon!

Confirmed performers:

Five O’Clock Shadow • Lloyd Thayer • The Response • The Nightflies • Soundbites • Concord Women’s Chorus • Neighborly • Red Velvet Slide • Kenny Selcer & Steve Gilligan • Ravi Pathak • The Hansen Brothers • Backbeat Farm Drum and Brass Band • The Conchords • The Soul Soothers • Carlisle Community Chorus

Upcoming events: Meet the Council

Route To Sustainability Day – April 27 • Carlisle Race Amity Day – June 9
Old Home Day Country Fair – June 22 • Carlisle Music Festival – June 23

COFFEE HOUR

with the Town
Administrator

Town Administrator Ryan
McLane will be available
for conversations and
coffee!



THURSDAY, APRIL 25
10AM-11AM

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