



# City Manager's

# NEWSLETTER

March 8, 2019

## Fix a Leak Week is March 18-24; Royal Leak Detection Contest



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### Fix a Leak Week

EPA WaterSense

Join Concord General Services in celebrating EPA WaterSense's "Fix a Leak Week," March 18-24, 2019!

Leaks can waste a lot of water and can lead to outrageous utility bills. A leaky faucet, shower head, toilet, or irrigation system may seem harmless, but more than 10,000 gallons of water are wasted each year from leaks in the average household. Sometimes leaks can be silent and go undetected until you notice an increase in your water bill. Find and fix household leaks to save water and possibly even money on utility bills.

Kick-off "Fix a Leak Week" on Monday, March 18 by joining Concord General Services for a Twitter Party from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. @ConcordNHGS. Join the national conversation about how to find and fix water leaks by following and using the hashtag #FixALeak.

Free Toilet Leak Dye Test Kits are available at the water billing office at 311 North State Street through the end of March. Grab a kit to perform a quick and easy leak test on your toilet! Leaky toilets can be a big culprit in high water bills and wasted water.

Concord residents can enter Concord General Services' Royal Leak Detection contest for a chance to win a WaterSense labeled toilet. The American Standard dual-flush 1.0/1.6 GPF (gallons per flush) white elongated toilet is certified to use at least 20% less water without sacrificing performance. Leaks can be a royal pain, but residents can find and fix water leaks by performing a "royal" leak detection. Share how you have found and fixed water

leaks for a chance to win a new royal "throne" (toilet). Enter by submitting a contest entry form (available online or in person at General Services' water billing office) and/or by tagging Concord General Services on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram in a public post with how you have found and fixed water leaks. Double your chance to win by entering the contest both ways! All entries must be received by 5 p.m. on March 24. By entering the contest, you agree to the official contest rules.

Learn more about Fix A Leak Week, how to find leaks, the EPA WaterSense Program, and the Royal Leak Detection contest at [www.concordnh.gov/leaks](http://www.concordnh.gov/leaks).

**Royal Leak Detection**  
Contest Giveaway

ENTER TO WIN  
A NEW  
"THRONE"  
(TOILET)

EPA WaterSense  
PARTNER

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# World Water Day & Open House on March 22

March 22, 2019 is World Water Day, a United Nations initiative to celebrate water and advocate for sustainable management of resources. The City of Concord invites you to celebrate World Water Day by learning more about wastewater. Do you know what happens to water that has been used? Where does the water go after you wash your hands, take a shower, do laundry, or flush the toilet? The answer: wastewater treatment facilities. Wastewater treatment facilities work to recover resources, while protecting the environment from contaminants.

For developing countries and low-income areas, wastewater is often directly discharged into the closest surface water drain with very little to no treatment. Approximately 80% of wastewater worldwide (from homes, cities, industry, and agriculture) flows back into nature without being treated or reused.

In Concord, the City's sanitary sewer collection system and wastewater treatment facilities operate to collect wastewater from residential, commercial, and industrial properties to be treated according to federal and local standards. Approximately 4.3 million gallons of wastewater are processed every day in Concord to protect public health and the local environment. The reclaimed water is

properly disinfected, tested regularly for quality standards, and recovered safely back into the Merrimack River. The Merrimack River used to be one of the most polluted rivers in the country until the Clean Water Act strengthened standards in 1972 for discharge pollutants and surface water quality.

The City's investments in sustainable wastewater management, including building the City's treatment facilities in 1973 and 1979, have since improved the quality of the Merrimack River.

In celebration of World Water Day, residents are invited to join Concord General Services on March 22 for an open house of their Hall Street Wastewater Treatment Facility. Stop by the administration building at 125 Hall Street any time between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. for a facility tour and a walk-through of the treatment process. Attendees should be advised that odor emissions have reduced significantly over the years through past facility improvements, but some odors are still present due to the natural treatment process. For any questions about the open house, please send an email to [generalservices@concordnh.gov](mailto:generalservices@concordnh.gov). Learn more about Concord's wastewater treatment by visiting [www.concordnh.gov/wastewater](http://www.concordnh.gov/wastewater).

## Wastewater Treatment Facility

# OPEN HOUSE

March 22, 2019 | 11am - 1pm

125 Hall Street, Concord, NH 03301

## Weekday ice season continues at Everett Arena through March 15

Ice season at the Everett Arena is almost over! Ice skating continues Monday through Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. through March 15. Weekend ice skating hours have ended. Admission is \$5 (free for ages 3 and under) and skate rentals are available at the Pro Shop for \$5. Adult stick practice (ages 14 and up) continues Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 11:20 a.m. through March 15. Admission is \$10 (free entry for goalies). Helmet and gloves are required (full equipment recommended). The Pro Shop is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. during the ice season. Sharpen your skates at the Pro Shop for only \$6! Find more information at [www.concordnh.gov/skating](http://www.concordnh.gov/skating).



## Tech - Tuesdays at the Heights Branch

10am - 4pm

Stop by on Tuesdays to learn about ebooks, downloadables, library databases or any other tech questions you may have. Bring your own device or simply borrow one of our chrome books.

Heights Branch  
Concord City Wide Community  
Center  
14 Canterbury Rd.



## Bouton Street/N. State Street traffic signal repairs scheduled for March 12

On Tuesday, March 12 (weather permitting), repairs will be made to the large signal support pole in the southwest corner of the intersection. Work will begin after 9 a.m. and last most of the day. Traffic movement at the intersection will be maintained by uniformed police officers. Some delays are anticipated as the work progresses.

## State of NH steam lines installation resumes

The State of NH will resume installation of their new steam lines along the south side of Park St. (between Green St. and N. State Street).

The work is anticipated to last approximately four weeks. One-way traffic will be maintained through use of barricades, barrels, and flaggers. The sidewalk on the south side of the street and parking on both sides of the street will be closed during the construction period. Pedestrian detour signage will be provided.



## Upcoming Guided Trail Hike

*The Concord Trails Committee trail walk series continues:*

**Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 10 a.m.**

### Winant Park Trails

- This is an approximately 3 mile walk with some moderate slopes to climb, and great views at the top.
- Meet Fran, your trail guide, at the Fisk Road trailhead. Parker Academy is generously donating the use of their parking lot for this event, please park in their front lot along Pleasant Street.
- Bring snowshoes and/or some kind of cleats or micro spikes for traction, depending on conditions. A walking pole (or two) is recommended.
- Plan to be out there for about 1.5-2 hours, don't forget water and snacks, and dress in layers for the weather.
- Please see **Map 21** for directions, trail map and more information: [www.concordnh.gov/trails](http://www.concordnh.gov/trails)

*The hike will go on even if there is a light precipitation; we'll cancel with icy conditions, rain or severe winter weather*

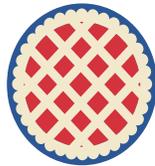
**\*\*Mark your calendars for the next hike on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, location TBD\*\***

For questions, or to sign up for our mailing list to hear about upcoming events, contact Beth @ 225-8515, [bfenstermacher@concordnh.gov](mailto:bfenstermacher@concordnh.gov)

CELEBRATE PI DAY (3.14) WITH

# PUPPIES & PIE

*Enjoy homemade pies and some adorable dogs!*



**MARCH 14TH 4-5 PM**

Meet the library's therapy dogs and possibly the City of Concord's new therapy dog Liberty (if she's not too busy on the beat!) - and, enjoy a slice of homemade pie with us. Since this program is taking place during CPL's monthly **LEGO Club**, we'll have fun dog and pie specific **LEGO** projects for the kids as well.



45 Green Street | Concord, NH  
225-8670

**All Ages.  
Drop in!**





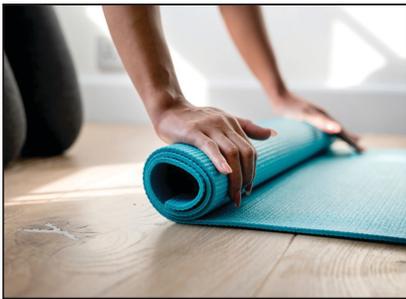
### BEAVER MEADOW ACTIVITY

There has been a lot of activity at Beaver Meadow Golf Course. On March 5, Beaver Meadow was the polling location for the City's special election. There were golfers using the indoor simulators, skiers out skiing on freshly groomed cross-country trails, and The 19th Hole hosting everyone with fine food and drink. Beaver Meadow is truly a year-round destination in west Concord. We hope to see you soon!

## DROP IN TO ONE OF OUR FITNESS CLASSES!

\$12 Residents (w/ ID), \$14 Non-residents

### All classes held at the City Wide Community Center MARCH - APRIL SCHEDULE



CLASS	INSTRUCTOR	DAY & TIME
Gentle Yoga	Alison Murphy	Tuesdays 10-11 AM
Lunchtime Yoga	Alison Murphy	Tuesdays 12-12:30 PM
Boot Camp (all abilities)	Jodi Cornell	Wednesdays 5-5:45 PM Saturdays 8:15 - 9 AM
Yoga & Meditation	Debra Cereillo	Wednesdays 6:15-7:30 PM
Yoga 101	Debra Cereillo	Wednesday 5-6 PM
Yoga (all levels)	Debra Cereillo	Thursdays 6-7 PM
Pound (preview)	Cindy Gidley	Thursdays 5:00-5:30pm
Zumba	Cindy Gidley	Thursdays 5:45-6:30 PM



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