Hope & Kindness are not cancelled...be strong and stay healthy.

- Harrison Lions Club Pancake Breakfast July 12th (see flyer at end of newsletter)
- The Clerk’s Office be closed on July 14th to run the election.
- Tuesday, July 14th is Election Day! Open 8 am to 8 pm
- Tuesday and Thursdays 8:00 am to 10:00 am we are serving citizens that are 65 or older. Please allow our vulnerable citizens this time to complete their transactions.
- THE CODE OFFICE Anyone needing assistance from the code or assessing office is required to call and set up an appointment. The number is 583-0923. If you don’t have an appointment you will need to wait in line to reach the clerk’s counter in order to get assistance and a code officer may not be available.

In consideration of the safety of the vulnerable populations within our community, we encourage people to use on-line services for renewal of registrations (car, trailer, boat, ATV), pay taxes, get fishing licenses, etc. links can be found through our town website www.harrisonmaine.org.

Maine Fun Facts: Maine's coastline has so many deep harbors it could provide anchorage for all the Navy fleets in the world.

If you have town related business, or information on events you would like included in the update, please email the information to newsletters@harrisonmaine.org.

From the Desk of the Town Manager ~ Tim Pellerin

Brain Teaser of the Week:
What has cities but no houses, forests but no trees, and water but no fish?
Last week: In a year there are 12 months. Seven months have 31 days. How many months have 28 days?
Answer: All of them.

Dear Citizens:

It is turning out to be a busy summer with wonderful weather so far! Things look a little different as businesses start to reopen for customers. Thank you for being patient and we ask that you are respectful of their policies for the safety of other citizens and their employees.

Crystal Lake Park and Beach open. Please use CDC guidelines and social distancing. Keep safe.

The Town Meeting will be on Tuesday, July 14, 2020. It is by secret ballot voting from 8 am to 8 pm. As in the Town Clerk’s section: “Show you care about your friends and neighbors working to support your right to vote by wearing a face covering. If you don’t want to wear a covering for whatever reason, please vote absentee”

Select Board Meeting changed to Thursday, July 16, 2020 at 6 pm.

A popular question asked when it comes to budget time is, “what are my taxes going to be?” The town budget has been held to a 0% increase this year. We have accomplished this by adjusting the capital accounts. All the increases this year are from the school.
The following chart provides an estimate of what the increase to your tax bill may look like. There are still some factors, like new valuation, that have not been accounted for yet to help lower your overall bill. We are providing what we believe will be the highest increase to help give everyone some insight into what the bottom line means for you as the taxpayer.

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**TOTAL 20-21 INCREASE %** | **$7,330,370** | **$7,478,288** | $147,918       | 2.0178762

Thank you for your continued support and have a good weekend.

**Quote of the Week:**
Who said this quote?
"You’re braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

Last week: President Thomas Jefferson said "We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."
From the Town Clerk ~

ELECTION UPDATE:
July 14th is election day. Show you care about your friends and neighbors working to support your right to vote by wearing a face covering. If you don’t want to wear a covering for whatever reason, please vote absentee. A little kindness can go a long way during these trying times.

Speaking of absentee ballots…. VOTE HEALTHY – VOTE ABSENTEE!

As part of the Governor’s executive order, she has extended absentee voting through election day. If you thought it was too late to get a ballot, you are in luck. You will need to come see us in the clerk’s office though. Ordering ballots online or over the phone is no longer an option.

Need help understanding some of the questions on the municipal ballot? The Town Meeting Ballot Guide is available at the town office or on our website to help answer any questions you may have. Please take some time to look at the website, I have put everything for the election I could think of including sample ballots for everything (municipal, school and state) that will be voted on July 14th.

Go to www.harrisonmaine.org and follow the link under Announcements to Election Information.

The Clerk’s office will be closed Tuesday July 14th to run the election.

Fire & Rescue Responses ~

- Emergency - 911 - Non-Emergency Sheriff Dept. – 893-2810

HARRISON FIRE/RESCUE CALL RESPONSES

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From the Transfer Station ~

The Transfer Station is open with regular hours but please observe social distancing and do not enter the buildings. This is for the safety and protection of our employees and the public.

We can only dispose of illegal fireworks if they have been soaked in water for 24 hours.
Harrison Rec Dept~ For more information contact Kayla at 583-2241 or klaird@harrisonmaine.org
Summer Rec is up and running for the summer. I truly cannot explain how happy we all were to hear the kiddos laughing and shrieking with excitement to see one another! The last few months have been tough on all of us and this certainly was a very uplifting feeling! A reminder for our parents that if there is inclement weather, we will not have Rec that day.

Reminder to all parents that the snack shack is open every day for lunch and dessert. We serve hot dogs, hamburgers, nachos, chips and pretzels from 12-12:30. From 12:30-1:00 we have lots of ice cream choices and candy. *We are only able to serve to our campers and not the public due to restrictions.

A big Thank You to the Harrison Food Bank who has been providing healthy snacks to our Summer Rec kiddos! They are always hungry after a day of swimming & games and having fruit options is a huge plus!

Our fields are busy it is great to see games being played! Baseball and Softball teams are wrapping up their season within the next 2 weeks. Teams have been practicing and playing hard and enjoying every second of what has been a very different season.

RADR (Field of Dreams) has also been a busy place! Baseball games every Monday, Wednesday and Friday along with some weekend games on both Saturdays and Sundays! Our basketball court and tennis courts are also available to the public!

Don’t forget to Like our Harrison Rec Facebook page! We post lots of pictures, announcements, and updates on a regular basis!

Harrison Village Library ~

The Harrison Village Library is now open by appointment. 15 minute blocks will be available to one person or one household—up to 5 members—at a time. Curb service will still be available for anyone who wishes it, or for anyone unable to wear a mask. We will offer these services during our regular hours: Monday 1-7, Wednesday 1-7, Thursday 11-5, Saturday 10-2; call or email to arrange your time.

Imagine Your Story, our Summer Reading Program for kids, has begun!
This program is available for all children from birth to age 18, and ends August 15. Registrations accepted in person, over the phone, or by email.

Saturday, July 18, 2:00 p.m.: Zoom Book Club
This month’s selection: City of Girls by Elizabeth Gilbert. New members are always welcome; email for the link to join.

To call the library: (207) 583-2970. To email: kkramer@harrison.lib.me.us

Recurring Events ~

HARRISON FOOD BANK – Tuesdays – 12:00pm to 6:00pm
Located at the Harrison Food Bank, Ronald G. St. John Community Center located at 176 Waterford Road in Harrison, mailing address: PO Box 112, Harrison, ME 04040  Telephone 207-647-3384
**Upcoming Events ~**

**Harrison Lions Club** Pancake Breakfast **July 12th** and **August 2nd** at Long Lake Park 7:30 – 11:00 am. See Attached Flyer.

**Harrison Historical Society** ~ The Harrison Historical Society museum and farmhouse located on Haskell Hill Road will be open only by appointment. Please call Gerry Smith 583-2213.

**Lakeside Grange #63 Yard Sale is cancelled until further notice.**
HARRISON LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Pancake Breakfast
July 12th and August 2nd
And August 23rd

Long Lake Park 7:30 – 11:00 am

All you can Eat
Blueberry, Chocolate Chip, Plain,
Sausage, Juice, Coffee

ADULTS $8.00    CHILDREN under 10 $5.00

Proceeds and donations used for local causes