Trick or Treat will be held on Monday, October 31st from 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm.

2nd Annual Haunted Trail at Donati Park - Friday, October 28th, 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm. This is a free event with two trails. A story walk will also be presented by the Hooksett Library.

The Recycling and Transfer Department will be collecting bagged leaves and grass during the week of October 31st – November 4th. All leaves and grass must be put in the biodegradable brown lawn and leaf compost bags. No other containers will be collected at the curb. The bags must be brought to the curbside on your regularly scheduled rubbish pickup day. No brush, tree limbs, stones or trash can be placed in bags. Residents who do not use the special compost bags can bring the material to the facility where it is accepted at any time. Please call the facility at 669-5198 if you have any questions.

In May, the Town voted to start curbside recycling with the new automated collection system that will begin in the spring of 2012. The Town is in the process of purchasing trucks and carts for the system. Every residence that qualifies for trash collection will be issued (2) 65 gallon carts, one for household trash only and one for recycling only. Information will be delivered with the carts listing the acceptable materials. The carts will be serial coded for that residence. Both the trash and recycling will be collected on the same day. This winter residents will begin to receive information regarding the new collection system and the new rules and regulations that will be in place. Until this new system is in place, please continue to bring your recyclables to the recycling facility or the mobile recycling trailer. A list of acceptable recyclables is on the website under single stream recycling brochure. Please call the facility at 669-5198 if you have any questions.

Single stream recycling is a program that allows all recycled materials to be mixed, saving storage space and making disposal easier by dumping in one container. Plastic containers marked 1-7, newspapers, junk mail, magazines, cardboard, steel cans, aluminum cans, and glass bottles can all be stored together then dumped together. No plastic bags or styrofoam please. Recycling saves the Town money that is spent on trash disposal costs. The goal of single stream recycling is to make it more convenient and to get more residents to participate. Easily 60% of trash generated can be recycled. If residents make the effort to bring the recycling here to the facility or to the mobile recycling trailer we can all help to keep costs down. You can view the color list of acceptable recyclables for single stream by going back to this department page and clicking the link!
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The Governor has proclaimed **October 16 through 22 as NH History Week**, an opportunity to share NH stories with our citizens. The Heritage Commission, Historical Society, Robie’s Country Store Historic Preservation Corp., Head School Society, and the Hooksett Public Library have joined together to make plans for Hooksett’s participation. The groups decided that one week is just not enough time so they will be offering programs celebrating NH History and Hooksett’s part in it all month long!

The programs kick off on Tuesday, October 4 at the Library. Popular local writer John Clayton will talk about his new book *New Hampshire: War and Peace*, at 6:30 p.m. His comments will include information about Rene Gagnon, the local Marine who helped raise the flag at Iwo Jima. Clayton will be selling copies of his books at the event with proceeds going to the Manchester Central High School band’s trip to Pearl Harbor.

On Friday, October 14, the schoolmarm’s of the Head School Society will present "**Hooksett Haunts and Spirits**"—ghost stories at Head School followed by a walk through history in the Head Cemetery. At grave sites guests will hear from Hooksett Spirits who will talk about their lives in early Hooksett. There will be two sessions—6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Donations of $5 per person or $10 per family will benefit the living history program at Head School.

The Heritage Commission and NH Humanities Council will cosponsor a program on "**Native American History of NH**" on Monday, October 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the former Lincoln Park School (10 Brace Ave). In addition to the history of the Pennacooks and Abenakis, visitors will hear about the native people who occupied what is now Hooksett and the Pinnacle’s role in early mapmaking.

On Wednesday, October 19 at 7 p.m., Neil Levesque, Executive Director of the NH Institute of Politics will talk about "**NH Primary History**." With its own long history of rich political traditions, where else could this program be held but at Robie’s Country Store, 9 Riverside Street. Sponsored by the Robie’s Country Store Historic Preservation Corp.

The Historical Society will host "**A Night at the Prescott Museum**" on Thursday, October 20 at the Arah Prescott Library. This open house will run from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and feature Hooksett trivia games and puzzles.

A "**Historic Hooksett Treasure Hunt**" is set for Saturday, October 22, starting at noon at the Arah Prescott Historical Library. The entry fee, which benefits the Historical Society, is $20 per car. Prizes will be awarded.

The month’s events will finish up at the Library on Thursday, October 27 at 6:30 p.m. with a regular meeting of the Historical Society including installation of officers followed by a program on the Civil War in recognition of the conflict’s 150th anniversary. Stephen Robert Closs, New Hampshire Civil War historian and author, will speak about his new book, *Willing Sacrifice: Granite State Valor During the American Civil War 1861-1865*. Hear stories of Civil War soldiers from Hooksett and other towns in New Hampshire. Cosponsored by the Historical Society and the Hooksett Public Library.

The **Hooksett Heritage Commission** is pleased to offer a Hooksett-inspired glass medallion created by League of NH Craftsmen member and glass artist Chris Salmon. The pressed glass medallion is made of post-consumer, recycled glass using 600-year-old techniques Chris first learned in Germany and perfected at the Rhode Island School of Design.

The first medallion is a depiction of the Hooksett Village School (1937). The 3” collectibles are available in blue and green for $10 each. Quantities are limited. Whether called sun catchers, ornaments, or collectibles, these medallions are a Hooksett keepsake you will want to have.