



The Biddeford Beat

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Biddeford Fire Department Receives \$16K Grant

The Fire Department is pleased to announce we have received a non-matching grant from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation in the amount of \$16,320.60. This grant will provide EMS training equipment that will help our providers hone their skills in patient care. We'll be able to purchase training equipment that will simulate illnesses and injuries we might encounter in the field. We'll also be able to purchase training equipment that our providers will be able to practice invasive life-saving skills.

Main Street Reconstruction Project Updates

The City is well into the construction season so don't be delayed in your travels. Check out the News/Media Center section on the left side of City's Homepage for construction updates, [click here](#).

Reminder: City Clerk's Extended Hours for Absentee Voting and Voter Registration

Please be advised that the City Clerk's Office will be open on for absentee voting, acceptance of new voter registrations and change of name and/or address:

- Saturday, October 22, 2016 from 8:00 AM to noon
- Saturday, October 29, 2016 from 8:00 AM to noon
- Thursday, November 3, 2016 from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM

Please use the Main Street entrance on Saturday and after 5:00 p.m. on Thursday.

If you are planning to vote by absentee ballot, please plan to do so by or on Thursday, November 3, 2016. Per State Law, the City Clerk's Office will NOT be conducting absentee voting after 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 3, 2016.

You will NOT be able to absentee vote on Friday, November 4, 2016 and/or Monday, November 7, 2016 unless a special circumstance exists.

For more information please visit the City's website: biddefordmaine.org

2016 General Election Sample Ballots

The City Clerk's office has made sample ballots available for public inspection. Please click on the links below to view each document:

- [General Election – State House District 9 Sample Ballot](#)
- [General Election – State House District 11 Sample Ballot](#)
- [General Election – State House District 12 Sample Ballot](#)
- [State of Maine Referendum Questions Sample Ballot](#)
- [City of Biddeford/State of Maine Special Referendum Question Sample Ballot](#)
- [City of Biddeford Municipal Referendum Questions Sample Ballot](#)

For information about the ballots and the upcoming election please visit the City's website: biddemaine.org or call Biddeford's City Clerk at 284-9307.

Sports & Recreation (A2):

Biddeford Recreation Youth Sports | Biddeford Teen Center | Adult Recreation Programs

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Biddeford Recreation Youth Sports

The past two weekends, the boys & girls 5th and 6th grade soccer travel teams played in the South Portland Round Robin at the Wainwright Fields with 12 other recreational travel teams from Southern Maine.

Sunday, September 25th, the Youth Field Hockey teams coached by BHS varsity coach Caitlin Albert played in the Scarborough Youth Jamboree on the turf field at Scarborough High School.

As we reach the midpoint of the soccer season, Youth boys & girls soccer teams for grades 1-4 continue to play games on Saturday's against teams from Saco, OOB, and Kennebunkport.

Saturday, September 24th, The Youth Middle School Girls Volleyball program in its first year as a recreation program, played its first match of the season versus Yarmouth at the J. Richard Martin Community Center Gym.

Big thanks to Heather Davis, University of New England woman's soccer coach and her UNE players for organizing, volunteering and instructing our youth Kinder Soccer program for ages 4 to 6 years old on Saturday mornings. We would also like to thank the UNE men's team and the BHS Girls soccer team and their coach Darren Boynton for volunteering their services to this program.

The recreation department thanks all its volunteer coaches that have devoted many hours of their time to the youth of this community.

Biddeford Teen Center

Bus runs from BMS have begun on Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Teen Center Committee had its first meeting October 12th. The Committee is made up of Teen Center participants.

Voting for officers will be held in November.

Adult Recreation Programs

Men's Fall Ball softball league started on September 26th with six teams.

Adult Flag football started their season on September 25th.

Fall kayak clinics will begin on October 15th at the YMCA's pool.

Press Releases Available for the Public

The homepage of the City's website offers a News/Media Center section for press releases and noteworthy announcements directed at members of the news media. These announcements are available for members of the public as well.

To view prior and recent press releases, [click here](#).

What to Expect with Autumn Leaves Falling

Fall is here and leaf clean up is approaching. Curbside collection of leaves in bio-degradable bags will be according to the following schedule:

- Wards 1, 2, 3 and 4: Monday, November 7th and Monday, November 21th.
- Wards 5, 6 and 7: Monday, November 14th and Monday, November 28th.

Please have your bags at curbside by 7:00 AM.

Leaves can also be brought to the Biddeford Recycling Center during regular operating hours and on the following Sundays from 7:00 AM to 2:45 PM: October 30th, November 6th, November 13th, November 20th and November 27th.

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