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250 SHUTESBURY Always cooler

SHUTESBURY 250th MOONLIGHT BALL on the BEACH, 7pm to Midnight, September 10, 2011. Mark your calendars!

TRASH BAGS available at the market behind town hall, Saturday 8:30-noon only. New Library Hours: M &W 11-1 & 3-7:30, T & Th 3-7:30, Sat. 10-1 and Sunday 3-6pm.

COMMUNITY PICNIC AT LAKE WYOLA DCR STATE BEACH, Wednesday night, 7/20/11.



A very happy day for our library! Friends of the Library and the 250th Committee shared cake to celebrate the good news that Shutesbury was awarded the Library Construction grant from the MBLC. 250 people gathered at the state beach for 250th Birthday cake for the town, cheers for our Green Community designation and a nice refreshing dip on hot, hot day.

NEW POLICE CRUISER FOR CHIEF TOM HARDING Voted at Annual Town Meeting our Chief of Police's new cruiser arrived Friday, 7/22/11. It has improved emissions over the old model but still has the roomy interior, pickup and strong electrical system to handle radios and lighting equipment. This is the last year the Crown Victoria will be available for police cruiser editions. It is an economical and practical choice.



The new cruiser is a Flex Fuel model. That means that E85 fuel can be used in this vehicle without loss of performance. E85 fuel is a blend of up to 85% ethanol. The practical matters of this are that while the fuel is a few pennies cheaper the miles per gallon drops from 18.8 mpg to 13.8 mpg. The result is the average cost would increase by \$839.40 per year but the number of gallons of gasoline saved would be 634.8 per year and the number of pounds of greenhouse gasses not emitted, 4272.7 pounds per year. So if you can over come the negative economics the second step is to find a source for E85. I did find 3 stations around Boston.

NEW KNOT WEED BRIGADE

We need more help on Pelham Hill Rd., Leverett Rd. and town hall. I have black bags available at town hall if you need them.

TOWN COMMITTEE AND BOARD OPENINGS:

- Lots of room on the Recreation Committee
- 1 on Personnel Board
- 2 on Conservation Commission
- Lots of room on New Shutesbury Library Fundraising Sub Committees!

