

1812 · Seekonk 200th Anniversary Events · 2012

Seekonk was incorporated as a town on February 12, 1812 and observes its bicentennial in 2012. Celebratory activities will take place throughout the year.

The Historical Commission is publishing a 2012 calendar with photos of historic Seekonk. If you have photos that might be considered for the calendar or for a Town of Seekonk photo album, please e-mail them to historicseekonk@live.com. The Lions Club is selling lapel pins and the official town flag. The schools have a number of items for sale, including t-shirts for children and adults designed by Seekonk school children, baseball hats, magnets, candy bars, mugs, pens and pencils, ornaments, and bottled water. Items are available at the Town Clerk's office, 100 Peck Street, and the School Administration office, 25 Water Lane.

January 21 – Seekonk Bicentennial Ball, Johnson & Wales Inn, 213 Taunton Ave, 6 to 11 PM, with music by Malloi. Boneless chicken dinner. Tickets are \$50 each; tables of 8 and 10 are available. Tickets at Town Clerk's office, 100 Peck Street, 508-336-2920.

February 7 – Kiwanis Annual Taste of the Town, Johnson & Wales Inn, 213 Taunton Ave., 6 to 9 PM. Contact Edith Krekorian at krekoriane@yahoo.com or 508-336-8130 or Bev Hart at russellhart@comcast.net or 508-336-9352.

February 12 – Newman Y 200th Birthday Party, 472 Taunton Avenue, 11 AM to 3 PM, family day with cupcakes, DJ, obstacle course, family swim, moon bounce, arts and crafts. Contact Paula Roy at proy@gpymca.org or 508-336-7103.

March 4 – Seekonk Night at the Celtics with Seekonk Honor Guard. Children 14 and under will high five the players at half time. Call Town Clerk's Office at 508-336-2920 for tickets.

March 18 – Music program by Jacqueline Devillers and Make We Music, Historic Jacob Hill Inn, 2 PM, by reservation only. Contact Eleonora Rezek at jacobhillinn@msn.com (put "Music Program" in subject line) or 508-336-9165.

April 9 – Opening event for Seekonk Schools 200th anniversary celebration, Hurley Middle School. Details TBA.

April 10 – Seekonk Schools 200th anniversary celebration, Martin School. Details TBA.

April 11 – Seekonk Schools 200th anniversary celebration with the Seekonk High School Symphonic Band conducting the premier performance of The Seekonk Symphony. Time TBA.

May 26 – The Annual Memorial Day Parade with floats and period costumes. Contact Dave Viera, d.viera5@verizon.net or 508-844-3657.

June 23 – • Grand Opening of The Meadows Park behind the Seekonk Public Library. Contact Cheryl Faria at cherylafaria@verizon.net or 508-399-6955.

• Ecumenical gathering featuring choirs and other musical offerings at The Meadows. 2 PM. Contact Galina Kouptsova at shemagal@verizon.net or 508-336-6835.

June 24 – The Seekonk Lions Club and the Hearthstone Lions will host a family event with chicken barbeque, antique fire trucks, local bands and other activities behind the Hurley Middle School. Contact George Poli at georgep@ride.ri.net or 401-749-0261.

July 7 – Seekonk Night at McCoy Stadium in Pawtucket with barbecue and fireworks. Contact Jan Parker at jparker@seekonk-ma.gov or 508-336-2920.

August 25 – Friends of Seekonk Library will sponsor a Family Barbeque provided by 99 Restaurant at 5 PM, followed by a family movie under the stars, at The Meadows behind the library, 410 Newman Avenue. Contact Mary Ellen Siniak at msiniak@seekonkpl.org or 508-336-8230 x140.

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September 1 and 2 – The Seaconke Wampanoag Annual Pow Wow on the Red Plain in Rehoboth. Contact Mike Markley at jorel1461@msn.com or 508-336-7185.

October – Seekonk Public Library, 410 Newman Avenue, will host a One Town/One Book celebration, with book discussions, film showing and possibly an event with the author. Contact Michelle Gario at mgario@seekonkpl.org or 508-336-8230, Ext. 133.

November — Luncheon at the Old Grist Mill Tavern and dessert at the Historic Jacob Hill Inn with a historic tour. Details TBA. Contact Eleonora Rezek at jacobhillinn@msn.com (put "Luncheon" in subject line) or 508-336-9165.

• Holiday house tour organized by the Seekonk Historical Commission. A historic Seekonk quilt will be made and raffled off. Contact Dan Horton at danzdriver@aol.com or 508-336-6674.

December 6 – Kiwanis annual tree lighting at Town Hall, 100 Peck Street, 6 PM, with visit by Santa. Contact Bev Hart at russellhart@comcast.net or 508-336-9352.