



# TOWN OF HAVERHILL WINTER 2014 NEWSLETTER



## TOWN OF HAVERHILL ANNUAL PICNIC AND FOURTH ANNUAL CAR SHOW MARCH 8TH (date revised)!

Join us for the festivities! Great food! Music! Games! Prizes! and Vendor Information Booths! Come on down to Town Hall for an old-fashioned neighborhood picnic. Rain or Shine!!



**Where:** Town Hall - 4585 Charlotte Street  
Haverhill, FL 33417  
**When:** Saturday, March 8, 2014  
**Picnic:** 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.  
**Car Show:** 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.  
**FOOD WILL BE SERVED UNTIL 2 P.M.**



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### PROPERTY MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

The Town of Haverhill has adopted specific property maintenance standards that property owners within the Town must adhere to. If your property is found to be in violation of any of these standards, the Code Enforcement Officer will notify you of the violation and allow a certain time frame for corrections. If the violation is not remedied, fines can be levied and you may need to appear before the special magistrate. Please contact Joseph Roche, Director of Public Services if you have any questions. Staff will be mailing you an information pamphlet regarding code enforcement, property maintenance standards and building permit requirements. All codes and ordinances are online @ [www.municode.com](http://www.municode.com).



## MUNICIPAL ELECTION 2014



The Town of Haverhill will hold its Municipal Election on March 11, 2014 to elect Council Members for Seats 1 & 2 each for a (2) two year term. A candidate must be a registered voter in the Town of Haverhill and a Town resident prior to the time of qualifying for candidacy. Qualifying is from NOON on January 28, 2014 to NOON on February 11, 2014. Electors of precincts 2046, 7136, and 7140 are qualified to vote in the Municipal Election. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. \* As a reminder, please be sure that the Supervisor of Elections Office has your current information and an updated signature for voting purposes.\* If a Runoff Election is necessary, it will be held on March 25, 2014 at the same times and precincts as listed above. Voter Registration book closing is February 10, 2014 for the March 11, 2014 Municipal Election, and February 24, 2014 for the March 25, 2014 Run Off Election (if required). Residents interested in seeking candidacy can contact Janice Rutan at the Town Hall 561-689-0370, ext. 24.



## HOORAY FOR ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL EVENT!!

The Town had over 200 visitors at its annual Halloween Party that took place on October 25, 2013! Visitors in a wide array of costumes danced the night away to DJ Nick's tunes. There were games, raffle prizes, and awards given for best costume! A great and ghoulish time was had by all! Thank you to all of the volunteers who helped in making it a wonderful and successful event.

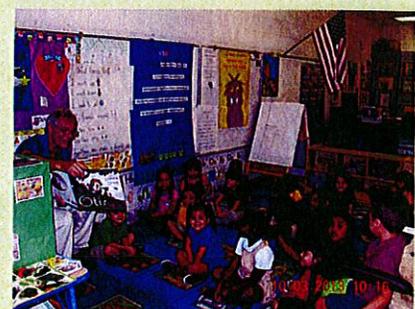
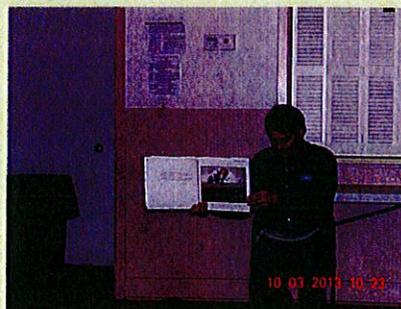
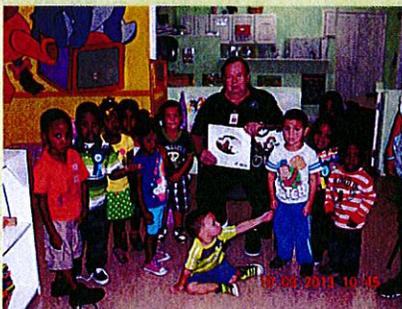


## THE TOWN OF HAVERHILL PARTICIPATES IN "READ FOR THE RECORD"!



On October 3, 2013 our Mayor Jay Foy, Council Member Jerry Beavers, Council Member Mark Uptegraph and Town Administrator Janice Rutan joined the Literacy Coalition in the "Read for the Record" campaign. The campaign was to recognize the importance of early education by reading "Otis" by Loren Long to preschool children throughout the country and was part of a national effort to break a world record for the most adults reading the same book to the most children on the same day across the country.

Mayor Foy, Council Member Beavers, Council Member Uptegraph and Administrator Rutan read "Otis" to our local preschoolers who attend Rainbow Learning Center, Haverhill Baptist Day School, Whiz Kidz, Wynnebrooke Elementary, Hope Centennial Elementary, and Boys and Girls Club. Approximately 120 children participated in the reading. The Town was given a Certificate of Participation and received an Honorable Mention at a following Palm Beach County League of Cities Meeting.



## DID YOU KNOW THE FACTS AND LAWS REGARDING SERVICE ANIMALS?



### What is a Service Animal?

"Service animal means any dog that is individually trained to do work or perform tasks for the benefit of an individual with a disability, including a physical, sensory, psychiatric, intellectual, or other mental disability. Other species of animals, whether wild or domestic, trained or untrained, are not service animals for the purpose of this definition. The work or tasks performed by a service animal must be directly related to the handler's disability. Examples of work or tasks performed include, but are not limited to, assisting individuals who are blind or have low vision with navigation and other tasks, alerting individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing to the presence of people or sounds, providing non-violent protection or rescue work, pulling a wheelchair, assisting an individual during a seizure, alerting an individual to the presence of allergens, retrieving items such as medicine or the telephone, providing physical support and assistance with balance and stability to individuals with mobility disabilities, and helping persons with psychiatric and neurological disabilities by preventing or interrupting impulsive or destructive behaviors. The crime deterrent effects of an animal's presence and the provision of emotional support, well-being, comfort, or companionship do not constitute work or tasks for the purpose of this definition." (Service animal as defined by the ADA, Title III, subpart A 36.104 definitions, July 2010).

All service dogs are granted access by Federal and state laws.

### Service Dog Categories

Service dog which assists an individual who has a mobility impairment with tasks including, but not limited to, providing balance and stability, retrieving items and pulling wheelchairs.

Dog Guide which assists an individual who is blind or visually impaired with tasks such as, but not limited to, aiding in navigation and alerting the individual to dangers such as moving cars.

Hearing Dog which assists an individual who is deaf or hearing impaired by alerting the individual to the presence of sounds or people.

Alert/Response Dog which alerts an individual to a seizure or other medical condition.

Psychiatric Service Dog which aids an individual with a cognitive, psychiatric or neurological disability.

### Is It a Service Animal? ... or What questions can be asked?

A service dog is not required to wear something identifying it as such. However, most service dogs wear a vest/cape or harness identifying it as a service dog or dog guide. Service dogs may be of any size. Certification cards are not required. A vest or other identifying clothing is not required.

Under the ADA, one may ask if the dog is a service dog and may ask what tasks the dog performs for the handler.

One may ask if the handler has a disability, but may NOT ask what that disability is.

### Service Dog Etiquette

DON'T pet, talk to, make eye contact or distract the dog in any way.

DO allow the dog to work without distraction.

DON'T speak to the dog when greeting a service dog team, speak only to the handler.

DO ask for permission to pet the dog. Under certain circumstances, the handler may permit it.

DON'T be insulted if your request to pet the dog is denied.

DO realize that allowing the dog to greet you may distract the dog from it's work.

Because these are friendly dogs, they enjoy attention, however, such distraction may interrupt the dog's work and could cause injury to the dog's handler. Keep this in mind when tempted to pet or speak to a service dog

### Laws

#### Federal laws

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) revised in July 2010

Federal Air Carrier Access Act of 1986. The act requires air carriers to permit service animals to accompany persons with disabilities on flights (14 CFR 382.55 (a))

Fair Housing Act of 1988 (FHA)

#### Days Celebrating Service Dogs

NH Service Dog Awareness Day June 16

International Assistance Dog Week Second week in August



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**THE TOWN OF HAVERHILL COUNCIL & STAFF WISH YOU A  
VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!!!**

**TOWN COUNCIL**

**JAY G. FOY, Mayor**  
**JAMES E. WOODS, Vice Mayor**  
**JERRY E. BEAVERS, Council Member**  
**LAWRENCE GORDON, Council Member**  
**MARK C. UPTEGRAPH, Council Member**



**TOWN OF HAVERHILL STAFF DIRECTORY**

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THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETS THE SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.

TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOPS ARE HELD THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT NOON  
ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED!