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## From the Mayor's Desk



Dear Salem resident,

Thank you for reading the latest issue of the FYI Salem newsletter!

There are a lot of updates in this issue and you can always find the latest news from the City of Salem online at [www.salem.com/news](http://www.salem.com/news).

As a reminder, Salem's preliminary municipal election takes place on Tuesday, September 17th. Polls are open from 7am to 8pm. You can find your polling place at [www.wheredoivotema.com](http://www.wheredoivotema.com).

In this issue of FYI Salem you'll find information about how you, as a Salem resident, can enjoy free admission this month to the New

England Aquarium.

We also have details about our seasonal fall street sweeping activities in this newsletter. You can find lots of information about street sweeping at our new website, [www.salem.com/streetsweeping](http://www.salem.com/streetsweeping).

Also taking place this month, we're working with MassDOT to install some high-visibility improved striping for new bike lanes, pedestrian crossing, and traffic control throughout the downtown. While the work will largely take place overnight, please be sure to follow the temporary no parking signs to avoid being towed and impeding the work.

We have two exciting events coming up in September: the first Food for Thought festival, brought to you by Salem Food for All, our food policy council, and a neighborhood meeting to update the neighborhood vision for Bridge Street Neck. Find additional details about both events in the newsletter.

This issue also includes details about how you can sign up to participate in Solarize Mass

Plus. This is the second time Salem has been selected to participate in this state program, through which Salem residents and businesses can get access to substantial discounts on solar power systems, solar water heaters, and air source heat pumps. Cut down your electric bill while also reducing your carbon footprint!

As always, we conclude the newsletter with some updates and news from the Salem Public Schools. In this issue, find out more about how you can get involved in the Superintendent Search process.

Thanks once again for taking the time to read the FYI Salem newsletter!

Please feel free to share the newsletter with friends, family, and neighbors, and encourage them to subscribe to it by visiting [www.salem.com/subscribe](http://www.salem.com/subscribe).

Thanks!

Kim Driscoll  
Mayor  
City of Salem

# SALEM DAYS 2019



Salem residents receive **FREE** admission  
to the New England Aquarium  
every day in September!

**Take the ferry!** Salem residents also get a discount on the Salem Ferry.  
Learn more and see full terms online.

[neaq.org/salem](http://neaq.org/salem)

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This program is made possible by the Norman H. Read Program for Excellence in the Sciences.



New England  
Aquarium

*Protecting the blue planet*

**Proof of Residency and Terms** This special discount is for use by Salem, Massachusetts, residents only. Visitors will be asked to present proof of residency at the Aquarium Box Office, such as a valid driver's license or photo ID card showing a Salem address. This offer is valid during September 2019 only. Not available for phone or online orders, or for school or other group reservations. May not be combined with other offers and not valid on the New England Aquarium Whale Watch or in the Simons IMAX® Theatre.



# Street Sweeping

Street sweeping is taking place in residential neighborhoods through Friday, October 4 and continues on entrance corridors on October 8 through October 17.

Residential neighborhood street sweeping will continue to take place on both sides of the street on the same day. Sweeping will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Each neighborhood route will be posted with temporary 'No Parking/Tow Zone' signs and parking will be prohibited between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Neighborhood streets are broken down into four zones. Sweep days are the next day after the regularly scheduled trash day. The City of Salem now has an online street sweeping tool and website to look up address and street-specific details about street sweeping. The website, [www.salem.com/streetsweeping](http://www.salem.com/streetsweeping), includes a link to an easy to use map where residents can find out when their street sweeping dates are by looking up their address or clicking on their street. The website also features links to alternative parking locations for street sweeping days, and more.

On the map, clicking on a street displays the appropriate street sweeping days, no parking times, street information, and sweeping zone. Use the mouse's scroll-wheel to zoom in and out and click and drag the map to navigate. There is an address locator in the top-left corner, along with a home button, a locate button, and full-screen button, and zoom buttons. When entering a specific address, after the address is found, click on the street to view the sweeping details. The map also features several tools, all located on the left, purple colored tool bar.

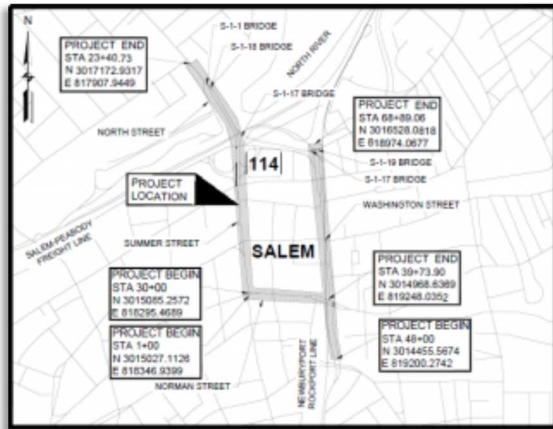
The downtown district will be swept on Wednesday, September 18. Blowing will begin at 9:00 p.m. followed by street sweeping at 11:00 p.m. to approximately 3:00 a.m. The downtown area will be posted with 'No Parking/Tow Zones' signs, so please remove vehicles from the affected downtown streets so they will not be towed. Residents on the affected streets may park free of charge at the Museum Place Mall Garage from 8:00 p.m. Wednesday evening to 8:00 a.m. Thursday morning, with proof of residency.

Entrance corridor sweeping will take place on October 8 through October 17 between 5 a.m. and 7 a.m. Each corridor will be swept over a period of two consecutive days, alternating between odd and even sides of the street. Workers will be using blowers to clear corridor sidewalks prior to the street sweeping. Each corridor will be posted with temporary 'No Parking/Tow Zone' signs and parking will be prohibited between the hours of 5 a.m. to 7 a.m.



Residents will be able to use entrance corridor streets as alternative parking areas on the day of their neighborhood sweep. Entrance corridor streets are Boston St., Bridge St., Essex St. (from Boston St. to North/Summer St.), Lafayette St. (from Derby St. to Marblehead line), Loring Ave., and North St. Once a neighborhood street is swept, residents will be able to move their vehicles back onto their street. For a complete list of parking alternatives please visit [www.salem.com/streetsweeping](http://www.salem.com/streetsweeping). Please remember if you choose to move your vehicle to an entrance corridor street that you must adhere to all current parking restrictions and metered rates on these entrance corridors, including "resident only" parking restrictions.

Certain weather conditions prohibit the use of the street sweepers: during moderate to heavy rainfall and extreme cold temperatures sweepers will not be able to operate. Weather cancellations will be posted on [www.salem.com](http://www.salem.com).



## Downtown Striping

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation and the City of Salem will be carrying out a re-striping project through downtown Salem between Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> and, weather permitting, Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. This work will consist of removing existing lines and laying out and installing new lines, including bike lanes, and associated signage. To avoid disruption, the work will be carried out at night. Temporary no parking signs will be posted where needed and police details will be present to assist vehicles around work zones. This project is funded by the United States Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Improvement Program and the striping plans were developed in consultation

with the City of Salem, including the City's Traffic and Parking Commission and Bicycling Advisory Committee, and reflect the City's complete streets policy.

## Food for Thought

Salem Food for All is excited to announce the first annual Salem Food for Thought Festival! This free event will include a number of food-related activities for all ages to raise awareness of how important it is for all Salem residents to have access to healthy, affordable foods as well as a sustainable food system.

Activities will include cooking demonstrations, planting activities, compostable art projects, Salem Y GreenSpace garden tours, nutrition education, and a Farm to School activity hosted by Salem Public Schools. Music will be provided by local musician Aaron Katz. Local non-profits Root and Citizens Inn/Haven from Hunger will host a free community lunch at the North Shore Community Development Coalition's community room, Espacio, at 105 Congress Street from 1pm-2pm as the finale for the event. All are welcome to attend.

The Salem Food for Thought festival is sponsored by Salem Food for All, Root, Salem State University, Citizens Inn/Haven from Hunger, Crosby's Market and the Jewish Family & Children's Service. Event participants include: Project Bread, UMass Extension School, Salem Public Schools, Studioful Design, Salem YMCA, the Salem Community Gardens, Farm Direct Coop, Maitland Mountain Farm, the Community Life Center and LEAP for Education.

**COME EAT, LEARN AND ACT!**

**SALEM FOOD FOR THOUGHT FESTIVAL**

Saturday, September 21st, 10am-2pm

Activities: 10am-1pm @ Palmer Cove Park

Free Community Lunch: from 1pm-2pm @ Espacio 105 Congress Street

**games**

ROOT

FEEDING OPPORTUNITY AND COMMUNITY

**lunch prepared by Root!**

CITIZENS INN

**gardening**

La Conexión

**cooking demos**

JF&CS

**food-related art**

SALEM FOOD FOR ALL

**education**

Mass in Motion

## Bridge Street Meeting

The City is hosting a Bridge Street Neck Neighborhood Workshop at the Community Life Center on Monday, September 23rd at 6:30pm. The purpose of the workshop is to develop an updated neighborhood vision with goals and priorities. The workshop will begin with a brief presentation, followed by facilitated group exercises. This a family friendly event. Light snacks and beverages will be provided. Registration is helpful but not required; to sign up in advance, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/y5yz5wog>. For more information about the workshop, contact Amanda Chiancola, Senior Planner, at [achiancola@salem.com](mailto:achiancola@salem.com) and 978-619-5685.



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## COMING SOON TO SALEM!

**Learn how Solar PLUS Solar Hot Water and  
Air Source Heat Pumps can benefit our community**

### **The Solarize Massachusetts program:**

- Encourages the adoption of small scale solar projects through a group purchasing model
- Is a volunteer-driven educational and outreach campaign
- Allows residential and business owners to participate at a reduced cost and gain energy independence
- Is a great way to save money and help improve the environment

Learn more at **SolarizeNorthShore.org** or  
contact us at **info@solarizenorthshore.org**



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# School Updates

The Salem School Committee invites interested persons to submit their names for consideration as members of the Superintendent Search Committee. The Search Committee will consist of:

- 3 Members of the School Committee
  - 1 Salem Public Schools Administrator
  - 2 Salem Public Schools Faculty Members (one of whom shall be selected by STU)
  - 2 Salem Public Schools Parents
  - 1 Special Education Representative (teacher, student, parent or community member)
  - 1 English Language Learner Representative (teacher, student, parent or community member)
  - 1 Salem Public School Student Representative
  - 1 Community Member at Large
  - 1 Representative from Salem State University
  - 1 Representative involved in working with school-based youth programs.



The Search Committee will hold an initial orientation meeting on September 30, 2019 at 6pm. If you are selected, you must be available to meet on this date, as well as several other meetings throughout the next few months (to be determined by the Committee).

Search Committee members will participate in the following: confidential screening of initial candidate applications, development of interview questions, actual interviews of candidates, and making recommendations to the School Committee. Search committee meeting dates will be determined at the initial meeting.

If you are interested in serving, please submit your name, contact information, and a brief statement of interest to: Kathy Smith, Interim Superintendent, Salem Public Schools, Superintendent's Office, 29 Highland Avenue, Salem, MA 01970 or via email to [SuptSearch@salemk12.org](mailto:SuptSearch@salemk12.org). All submissions must be received by September 23, 2019.

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El Comité escolar de las Escuelas Públicas de Salem les invita a los que les interesan a someter sus nombres para consideración como miembros del comité para elegir un Superintendente. Este comité consiste en:

- 3 Miembros del Comité Escolar
  - 1 Administrador de las Escuelas Públicas de Salem
  - 2 Maestros o empleados de las Escuelas Públicas de Salem (uno cual debe de ser elegido por la unión)
  - 2 Padres o Encargado de las Escuelas Públicas de Salem
  - 1 Representante del Departamento de Educación Especial (maestro/a, estudiante, Padre/encargado o miembro de la comunidad)
  - 1 Representante cual Está aprendiendo Inglés (Ingles como segundo idioma) (maestro/a, estudiante, Padre/encargado o miembro de la comunidad)
  - 1 Estudiante de las Escuelas Públicas de Salem.
  - 1 Miembro de la Comunidad en General
  - 1 Representante de la Universidad Salem State
  - 1 Representante involucrado en trabajo de programas para adolescentes en las escuelas.

El comité tendrá una orientación inicial el 30 de septiembre 2019 a las 6pm. Si usted es elegido, usted debe de estar disponible en esta reunión, y varias reuniones en los meses siguientes (en cual serán determinadas por el comité).

Miembros del comité para buscar y elegir un Superintendente participaran en lo siguiente: examinan solicitudes confidenciales de los candidatos iniciales, desarrollo de las preguntas para la entrevista, y hacen recomendaciones al comité escolar. Las fechas de las reuniones serán determinadas por el comité en la primera reunión.

Si esta interesado/a en formar parte de este comité, favor de someter su nombre, forma de contactarles, y una declaración breve en porque le interesa tomar parte de este proceso a: Kathy Smith, Interim Superintendent, Salem Public Schools, Superintendent's Office, 29 Highland Avenue, Salem, MA 01970 o por correo electrónico a [SuptSearch@salemk12.org](mailto:SuptSearch@salemk12.org). Todos los nombres deben de ser recibidos para el 23 de septiembre 2019.