

# PASTORAL PERSPECTIVE

I recall an obscure folk song from the 60's in which the refrain repeated the phrase, "the only thing that's permanent is change." How true that is, but also true is our human inclination to resist change; how paradoxical. By now the word is around town that I will be retiring in June. Linda and I are embracing some changes that are part of our plans for this new stage of life together, but we realize there will be other changes that we will experience that we don't anticipate and will have little control over. One of the big ones will be how we will find "community" while we are traveling the country in our RV. Friends who are experienced in that "camping" lifestyle assure us that there is a great community among RVers. But we'll be comparing that with community here in Canterbury, and we know there will be aspects of this wonderful town that we will soon miss.

The other vantage point is the response of many church and townsfolk whose feelings about our eventual departure are very mixed. As one person expressed it to me, "I'm happy for you, but I'm NOT HAPPY!" I am gratified by the many expressions of appreciation already shared. It still surprises me that Linda and I have lived in Canterbury for over nine years now. Back in 2003, both of us and the CUCC were *anticipating* change. I was changing careers and the church was getting through that unsettled interim time and wanting to get on with a settled pastor. Those changes turned out to be pretty good for me and for the church, but we couldn't foresee how well it would go.

So, the church will be going through that kind of change again. And change is never comfortable. It can be nerve racking, worrisome, exciting, and uncertain. This time, however, we have an improved perspective; one shown to us many times in the drama of the Bible. Both the church and I will be approaching this change grounded in a conviction that we are seeking God's wisdom and direction. We are trusting in the goodness of God for a good future; that the changes in store will be leading us to a closer relationship with those holy purposes which can lead to "life in all its fullness." (John 10:10). The CUCC will seek an interim minister to help lead the church for a time, while a Search Committee will be formed to seek a new settled pastor. The congregation will be looking closely at itself to assess what particular skills they will need from the next pastor. It's worth taking plenty of time for this process, including a lot of prayer. When the church takes the time to do this process prayerfully and thoroughly, the results can be effective. The process that resulted in me coming here took 2 ½ years.

Laboring through these changes will be a challenge, but keeping our focus on God's leading will enable both individuals and the CUCC to deepen our faith and find rich meaning in both the accomplishments and the disappointments. Handling change well is truly "letting go and letting God..."

In faith,  
Pastor Mel Burrowes



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## NOTICE

### Town Elections

Tuesday March 13 7:00 - 7:00  
Historic Town Hall

### Town Meeting

Friday March 16 7:00 pm  
Canterbury Elementary School

March 2012

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Tues., Wed., Thurs. mornings.  
Please call first.  
CanterburyChurch@myfairpoint.net

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For aid: 30 Chichester Rd Unit D Loudon  
Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 10-5 Wed 10-6

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Judy Patterson, 783-4419

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Thurs. 3pm - 7pm  
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Jim Snyder, 783-9033  
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Sat. 8:30 am - NOON

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Sun., 8 am - 6 pm

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(non emergency): 783-0433  
Tues.-Fri. 9:30 am - 2:30 pm  
Concord Police Dispatch  
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Get call back from on-duty officer  
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**HIGHWAY DEPT., 783-4123**  
Road Agent, Phil Stone

**FIRE PERMITS:** See Town website  
canterbury-nh.org

**Monthly Committee Meetings**  
Locations:  
MH = Meeting House  
MC = Municipal Complex  
EL = Elkins Library

**Selectmen**  
1st & 3rd Monday,  
6:30 pm, MH

**Planning Board**  
2nd Tues., 7 pm, MH  
4th Tuesday as needed

**Conservation Commission**  
2nd Mon., 7 pm, MH

**Fire & Rescue**  
Business Meeting:  
1st Monday, 6:30pm, MC  
Officers Meeting:  
Last Thurs., 7pm, MC  
Trainings:  
All other Mondays, 7pm, MC

**Recycling Committee**  
1st Tues., 6:30pm, MH

**Library Trustees**  
2nd Mon., 7pm, EL

**Renewable Energy Committee**  
Third Tuesday, 7pm, MH

**About the Newsletter**  
Deadline: 15th of the month prior  
to the month you want the article  
to appear.

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**NEW HAMPSHIRE DIARIES WANTED** I buy diaries as late as 1989 if diarist and town are known. Also want old NH letter collections, ledgers, photographs. Please call Brenda Joziatis at 753-4127.

### HOW TO PLACE AN AD

Deadline is 15th of each month. \$7 for 30 words or less or \$14 up to 60 words. Please email ad to newsletter (see address below left) and mail payment to CUCC, P.O. Box 216, Canterbury, NH 03224. Must be received by the 15th and we'll take it from there!

# CANTERBURY UNITED COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

## Ladies Benevolent Society

The next meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society will be held on **Wednesday, March 14**, at 1 PM in the town library. The subject will be Book Reviews. Hostesses will be Judy Nelson and Elaine DiStefano. Anyone is welcome to attend.

## Church Family Fun and Potluck Supper

Saturday, March 10 4:00-6:00 pm

## Word on the Well

The parsonage has a new well, after several months of diligent effort by the Trustees and remarkable patience from the parsonage family. Efforts to repair the old well failed and a new well had to be drilled (to 800 feet!). The total cost for this difficult and expensive project came to \$28,666. A combination of existing capital funds, \$4,039 of Fair proceeds, and special donations from church and townsfolk have totaled nearly \$20,000. At the church's annual meeting, Feb. 12, the members voted to borrow \$9,000 from the church's endowment funds to pay the balance of the well; this to be re-paid over a 10 year period with a 4% rate of interest to reestablish the fund's value.



## Palm Sunday

April 1 is Palm Sunday

## Easter Sunday Services

April 8 is Easter

6:15 am Easter sunrise worship at Shaker Village

7:30 am Easter breakfast at the Parish House

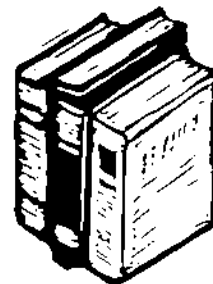
9:00 & 10:30 am Easter worship services

## Something to do During Lent

Feeling like every day is a rush? Take some time during Lent to consider some ways to slow down the pace.

The Deacons will be hosting another "Second Hour Conversation" after worship **March 18, 11:15-12:15** to discuss some spiritual helps for managing busy-ness. In addition, we recommend reading Addicted to Hurry: Spiritual Strategies for Slowing Down, by Kirk Jones.

There are several copies available from the church office for the discounted price of \$11. Even if you don't read the book, come to the discussion 3/18 and we'll share insights.



## Easter Flower Order From

Place your order now for beautiful flowering Easter plants. The plants will be used to decorate the church sanctuary on Easter Sunday.

Easter Lily \_\_\_\_\_

Hyacinth \_\_\_\_\_

Tulip \_\_\_\_\_

Mini Daffodil \_\_\_\_\_

Plants  
are  
**\$10.50**  
each

Make checks payable to Donna Miller. Mail them to her at 126 Baptist Road, Canterbury, NH 03224.

**DEADLINE IS SATURDAY MARCH 31st**



Check one of the following:

☐ I will pick up my plant after Easter Service

☐ I would like my plant delivered to me after Easter service

☐ I would like the flower committee to deliver my plant to someone in the community.

Order Placed By: \_\_\_\_\_

# TOWN MEETING 2012

## TOWN ELECTIONS - First Session

**TUESDAY, MARCH 13**  
7:00 am to 7:00 pm at the Historic Town Hall



### Candidates For Office for the upcoming election:

Selectmen	Cheryl Gordon
Town Clerk	Ben Bynum
Treasurer	Al Edelstein
Planning Board	Duncan McCallum, Alice Veenstra, and write in - 1 year
Cemetery Committee	Hugh Fifield
Supervisors of the Checklist	Kathie Fife - 2 years, Mary Kerwin - 6 years
Library Trustees	Claudia Leidinger - 3 yrs, Florence A. Woods - 2 yrs
Moderator	Wayne Mann
Trustees of the Trust Funds	Laurie E. Lockwood

## Planning Board - Warrant Article

### Ground Water Protection and Commercial Sign Warrant Articles

This year, in addition to electing Town officials, we will vote on two important warrant articles with proposed amendments to the Canterbury Zoning Ordinance that the Planning Board feels are important to have in place as our town experiences commercial growth.

**Groundwater Protection Ordinance and District:** The first would adopt a Groundwater Protection Ordinance and associated Groundwater Protection District. The goal of this public health related ordinance is to better protect Canterbury's groundwater supply, and surface waters fed by groundwater, by defining performance standards and regulations for commercial storage and handling of potential pollutants such as gasoline, hazardous substances and toxic chemicals as defined under EPA 40 CFR 302 including dioxins, lead, cyanide, etc. *Private residences are exempt*, but we urge anyone using these substances to dispose of them responsibly. The Groundwater Protection district identifies sensitive aquifers, primarily along the Merrimack River, and well-heads for public water sources, including the one serving our Elementary School. Uses that would be prohibited in this district include hazardous waste disposal facilities, solid waste landfills, junkyards, and (new) gasoline stations with underground storage tanks. Agricultural operations are asked to follow NHDOA Best Management Practices when handling manure in the aquifer areas. A full copy of these ordinances can be seen on the Canterbury web site or at the town office.

**Commercial Signs:** The second would update Article 2.6 (Signs) to prohibit commercial use of certain sign types and technologies such as internally lighted, electronic, and animated signs. It also limits sign height above grade, which, like sign size, may be increased as a special exception by our Board of Adjustment. Externally lighted signs are allowed by the new sign article, as they are in the current article.

We encourage all Canterbury residents to stop by the Town Hall on Tuesday, March 13th and vote on these articles.

~ Chris Blair, Planning Board Member

## Town Clerk

### Friendly Reminders From the Office of the Town Clerk

State law requires that you present either your renewal notice or old registration for each vehicle when doing any renewals at the Town office. When sending in your "mail-in vehicle registrations", please remember to include a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Last year the office processed 733 renewals by mail at a cost of almost \$350.00 in envelope and postage costs. You can also do your renewals online! [canterbury-nh.org](http://canterbury-nh.org)

# TOWN MEETING 2012

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Friday, March 16

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm at the  
Canterbury Elementary School

After voting on Tuesday, March 13, please attend the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting Friday evening, March 16th.

In addition to approving a Town Operating Budget of \$2,433,000, there are twelve other Warrant Articles, the details of which can be read in the Annual Report or on the Canterbury Web site at [www.canterbury-nh.org](http://www.canterbury-nh.org).

Briefly, they include repairs to our collapsing Salt Shed, the replacement of all the Fire, Police and Highway radios to models that meet new digital frequency requirements, five automatic defibrillators for our public buildings, a security system for the Municipal Building and the acceptance of a federal grant that will provide over \$270,000 for Forestry/Rescue uses but will require us to raise only \$13,512 of that from taxation and a petitioned warrant article seeking changes to the current solar exemptions to the property tax.

Importantly, the Town must establish a new Capital Reserve Fund for the proceeds of the sale of the Canterbury Intervale Farm for the purpose of paying off the bond to fulfill the directive approved by the voters at the Special Town Meeting in December. The Selectmen also recommend in the warrant that the proceeds of the sale that are in excess of the amount needed to pay off the bond be placed in our existing capital reserve accounts. These payments will help limit the tax impact of future equipment purchases and repairs to the Sam Lake House.

The Town Report will be available at the Sam Lake House, the Library, the Transfer Station, the Canterbury Store, and the Town website after March 6th.

We hope to see you there,

~Tyson Miller  
Selectman

### Fifth Weekend Wind In The Timothy Kitchen Junket



Dudley and Jacqueline Laufman's, three places north of Shaker Village at 322 Shaker Road, Canterbury, NH.  
Saturday, March 31 7:30 pm.

Bring, instruments, flashlight, and snacks to share.  
Adm. \$5 call 783-4719 with questions.

# AROUND TOWN

## Attention Voters: Changing Your Party

If you are uncertain as to your current political party registration, or if you aren't sure you switched back to Undeclared (Independent) at the January 10<sup>th</sup> Primary, please go to the Town Office or the Canterbury Country Store (where the checklists are posted) to make certain that you are with the party of your choice.

You have until June 4<sup>th</sup> to change your political party. If you do not change parties by June 4, 2012, your next chance to do so will be the day after the State Primary: September 12, 2012.

To change parties, please fill out a new voter registration form at the Town Office. Please bring a photo ID card.  
Thanks from the Checklist Supervisors.

## Conservation Commission



### About Those Posts...

After the Town purchased the large field along Kimball Pond Road (formerly known as Hildreth Field), the Conservation Commission thought it would be an ideal place to recognize Bob Fife for his life-long dedication to conservation in Canterbury. Bob was one of the founding members of the Conservation Commission and worked for years to see that this particular field wasn't developed into house lots.

The Board of Selectmen approved our proposal and also dedicated the 2010 Town Report to Bob. At last year's Town Meeting, Commission Chair Jennifer Taylor announced plans for the dedication and sign, which brings us to those posts in the field...and a request for your input.

In November, we took advantage of equipment already in the field to install a culvert and erected the two posts before they were cut down to size (they should be shortened by the time you read this). Our original plan was for a sign similar in design to the Kimball Pond sign (dedicated to Wilbur Thompson), though smaller.

**Requesting Your Input:** We understand that most people didn't know why the posts were put up, and that some are concerned about the sign. We invite you to share your ideas, suggestions and concerns with us before we finalize the sign, either:

- *by email* to [canterburyconservation@gmail.com](mailto:canterburyconservation@gmail.com) or
- *by coming* to our next meeting, Monday, March 12 at 7 pm in the Meeting House.

~Kelly Short  
Conservation Commission



# AROUND TOWN CONTINUED

## DA DUMP NEWS

### PLEASE OBSERVE SAFETY POLICIES AT THE TRANSFER STATION

The Transfer Station has encountered some recent safety issues due to improper placement of materials. If residents could please make a note of the following policies to help us maintain safe conditions for both residents and workers at the facility it would be greatly appreciated:

- HOT ASH from woodstoves or furnaces should not be dumped in the burn pit. It has resulted in the starting of two unattended fires recently and could have been much worse if the fires had gone unnoticed and had been allowed to spread!
- HOURS: The facility is open from 4:00 - 7:00 pm Wednesdays and 8:00 - 6:00 pm Saturdays. Please don't enter the facility when the road crew has the gates open to access sand and equipment.
- Compact Fluorescent Bulbs, Fluorescent tubes, and the metal fixtures they plug into are all HAZARDOUS WASTE and CAN NOT go in trash, glass recycling or the metal bin. They contain mercury and pose a health risk to you and workers if not disposed of properly. PLEASE bring them to the **service desk at Home Depot or Lowes to participate in a FREE take-back program or pay the small fee associated with them at the transfer station** so we can keep *toxic chemicals* out of our environment and avoid paying hefty fees that will increase the tax burden if they contaminate our metal bin or trash.
- Propane tanks can not go in the metal bin or the trash, and could also cause the town to incur a hefty fee if found in the metal recycling. They can cause serious injury to workers if punctured during the recycling process so please hand them directly to an attendant for safe and proper disposal!
- Please turn your vehicle off when you are inside the building at the transfer station. Hours of exposure to exhaust fumes is detrimental to workers health and negatively impacts the environment, plus wastes your money while your car or truck burns fuel unnecessarily. If you can not shut off your vehicle please park it outside the building.

**ANNUAL COMPOST BIN SALE!!!** It's that time again. The Transfer Station has 80-gallon Earth Machine compost bins available to Canterbury residents for just \$50 each (\$100 retail value!). It's a great deal for a great product. To help encourage home composting Canterbury residents can take advantage of this deal through the Northeast Resource Recycling Association, our non-profit cooperative broker. The manufacturer even provides a 10-yr warranty on their product! **Orders must be in by April 1st 2012 for delivery by Earth Day!** Turn your kitchen scraps into rich garden compost and save money on green bags today, order yours at the transfer station or by email at [CanterburySWTS@myfairpoint.net](mailto:CanterburySWTS@myfairpoint.net)!

~Adrienne Hutchinson  
Transfer Station Manager



## POST OFFICE NEWS



**Hours and Computers** There are no Federal holidays in the month of March, so the Canterbury Post Office will keep its regular hours. Those hours are 8:15 to 12:00, 1:00 to 5:00 week days. Saturday hours are 8:30 to 12:00. While I am mentioning hours, I wanted to ask for help in a recent problem. Our new computerized system (which we are starting to get comfortable with) creates certain problems for us. One situation is that it is almost impossible to multi-task when working with customers. Once we begin a transaction for a customer that requires a payment, we can't do any other transactions that involve payments until we finish with the first transaction.

Another problem that is magnified by the new computerized systems occurs when we have last minute customers. When we are getting ready to close the window, we can not get everything ready to ship out until we finish with the last customer. Since we have a dispatch schedule, this puts us under increased pressure, which in turn increases the possibility of problems occurring. We strive to treat everybody's mail as efficiently as we can and some help with the end of the window hours would be greatly appreciated. Two things would help; come a little earlier, and have everything ready for postage. Thank you for helping.

**Every Door Direct Mail** The Postal Service has a new service that might be of interest to some of the mailers in town. It is called Every Door Direct Mail. It allows the mailer to send a mailing to every postal customer in town for a reduced rate. The mailer must register at [usps.com](http://usps.com) and get an ID number (at no cost). All pieces must be uniform and the size of a large envelope (not letter size). The cost is about \$150 to cover the town. A regular mailing using stamps would cost over \$450. If you want to find out more, go on-line or talk to me here at Canterbury Post Office 783-4158.



**New Stamps** There have been a number of new stamps issued in the last month. There are commemoratives recognizing the centennial of Arizona and New Mexico as states. There is this years issue recognizing Black Heritage month; it honors John Johnson, a publisher of magazines showcasing African-American accomplishment. There is a new love stamp. It is bright red with the word LOVE spelled out in ribbons. I have the new international rate stamps; \$.85 for Canada and Mexico, \$1.05 for all other international mail. I also have the stamps for 2 oz. letters -.65 Dogs at Work- and 3 oz. letters -.85 Birds of Prey- as well as the .32 for postcards. There is also a new booklet of twenty. It has pictures of 5 different Bonsai plants.

As always, I appreciate your patronage and expressions of support. I look forward to helping you when you come to the Canterbury Post Office. Thanks!

~Ted LeClair Postmaster  
Canterbury NH 03224

# AROUND TOWN CONTINUED

## Canterbury Historical Society

*Our Mission: To preserve Canterbury's heritage and sense of community.*

### PLANS TAKING SHAPE FOR 2012

The Society's board of directors met in late January to evaluate last year's activities and to plan programs for 2012. Plans are underway, or are being formulated, to continue our One Room Schoolhouse program in conjunction with the elementary school; to broaden our efforts regarding the Archives Project; and to schedule programs in conjunction with the Library, to be presented throughout the year, starting in April. In addition to these initiatives, we are planning to mount an exhibition to open on Fair Day, July 28th, tentatively titled, "Canterbury's Founding Fathers". Anyone interested in helping to do research in preparation for the exhibit is invited to attend a special meeting to be held on Saturday, February 25th at 9:00 am, in the Archive Room at the library. As we get closer to the show, we will need help in preparing the exhibit and mounting it...let us know if you would like to help!

### NEW FEATURE COMING

Watch the Newsletter starting in April when we will begin a regular feature called "Trivia Picture" in which you will be challenged to identify the subject or location of pictures taken from our Archive Collection.



### MARGE BRUNER RAISES CANE

Marge Bruner was presented with the Boston Post Cane on Sunday, January 29th. About 45 people watched as Selectman Ty Miller presented a "very delighted Marge" with her certificate honoring her as Canterbury's oldest resident. The Cane is on permanent display in the library. Thanks to all who made this such a special event!

### TRIVIA QUESTION

Before there was Canterbury Woods, the golf course, there was another Canterbury Woods that was founded in the early 1980's. What was their business?

### ANSWER TO TRIVIA QUESTION

The original Canterbury Woods was founded by Doug Ruesswick and Bob Scarponi. Their business?....Pet Caskets! (The business died!)

~ Robert Scarponi  
Board of Trustees

## Upper Merrimack River Local Advisory Committee

### The Merrimack River: History, Recreation, and Quirkiness

Gary Lynn, the Bow Representative to UMRAC wrote a wonderful article for this month's River Ramblings, which is excerpted here.

While winter and mud season still have us in their icy, muddy grip, let's lighten the mood by contemplating warm summer breezes along the riverbank, enjoying the rich history and beauty of the Merrimack River. This meandering 110-mile waterway was plied by Native American dugout canoes from Boston to as far inland as Concord. It powered textile, paper and flour mills, tanneries, and even foundries, was used for transportation of goods and even served as a sewer for New Hampshire's industrial revolution's wastes.

The Merrimack River has had its ups and downs. It was a pristine salmon and sturgeon river celebrated by Henry David Thoreau, before being polluted and dammed during the Industrial Revolution. During the heyday of the textile mills, the color of the Merrimack River changed colors daily depending on what materials were being dyed at the factories. Today, the river has been revitalized by Clean Water Act-mandated wastewater treatment plants and meets the bacteria criteria for safe swimming on all but the rainiest days. The Merrimack has a fascinating history and is a great recreational opportunity for hiking, boating, or sunning on the water. So why not explore history while enjoying an outdoor recreational experience?

The river offers many places to stop and visit:

- Hannah Dustin Memorial, a monument erected in the late 19th century on an island located at the confluence of the Contoocook and Merrimack Rivers, near Boscawen's Park-and-Ride.
- The Amoskeag Mills in Manchester were the heart of New Hampshire's Industrial Revolution and are located here because of the energy that could be derived from Amoskeag Falls. By 1912 the Amoskeag Mills were manufacturing about 471 miles of fabric a day. They produced the cloth for the first Levi's jeans and for uniforms during the Civil War. Visit the Millyard Museum on Bedford Street to learn more about the mills' history.
- If the mainstream of the Merrimack doesn't intrigue you, don't forget the tributaries such as the Contoocook River. There is a nice five mile, two hour hike at the Mast Yard State Forest. According to *Bouton's History of Concord*, in the early 1800s, this area supplied trees that were used as masts for the king of England's ships. The trees were dragged to the Contoocook River in an area now called the "Mast Yard", then floated down to the Merrimack River.

Don't take my word for it. Google Hannah Dustin, Amoskeag Mills or Mast Yard. There are a lot of colorful, interesting, and fun things to do along the Merrimack.

You can find the full article on UMRAC's website at [www.MerrimackRiver.org](http://www.MerrimackRiver.org) or email at [UMRLAC@MerrimackRiver.org](mailto:UMRLAC@MerrimackRiver.org).

~Michele L. Tremblay, Chair

# AROUND TOWN CONTINUED

## Aerobics Class

We have been doing Canterbury aerobics for 30 plus years at the elementary school. We've become a very small group and our current leaders need a break and won't be able to attend as consistently - their daughters are older and have sports events etc. I am happy to lead it - but we need more people and others to help lead if I can't make it! Unless I hear from people or enough people show up on Mar. 5, 6 and 8 or Mar. 12, 13, and 15 from 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm - it will come to an end. We will be off over school break. It is free! Consider joining us!!  
Ginny Litalien, 783-4016.

## Sugaring Off

Hutchinson Family  
Sugarhouse on Hackleboro Road is open with free tours of a traditional wood-fired evaporator and free samples when we are making syrup weekends throughout the month of March. Our annual Sugarin' Off party will take place March 25th from 11:00 - 4:00 with free live music by Two Fiddles and fun for the whole family! Hope to see YOU at the Sugarhouse!



## Finished Fences Make Good Neighbors!

A long overdue thank you is needed for the never-ending fencing project in the side yard of the Canterbury Country Store apartment that houses the permanent generator installed last summer. Last September Bill Adams, Nancy Brownstein, Mel Burrowes, Patti and Mike Capone, Lisa Carlson and Al Edelstein, Jim Moir, Nancy Roy, and Wendy Sanborn, built and applied multiple coats of paint on the many boards needed to make up the fencing that contains the two propane tanks and generator unit. Please take the time to thank these wonderful volunteers when you see them. Our town is blessed to have so many willing hands each time they are asked.

## ~People News~

### University of New Hampshire Dean's List

- Korrena Cowing highest honors
- Graham Hayslip high honors
- Heidi Hutchinson high honors
- Kira Jacobsen high honors
- Katie Manning highest honors
- Richard Marchi highest honors
- Sarah Nute honors
- Lucas Robichaud high honors
- Erin Spaulding highest honors
- Renee St Germain highest honors

***Congratulations Students!***



### Other Colleges

- Hannah Julian, daughter of Andrew and Donna Julian, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Ithaca College's School of Humanities and Sciences. She is a sophomore English (teaching) major.
- Emily Drew-Moyer, daughter of Bob and Carla Drew-Moyer, earned term honors for the fall semester at Skidmore College in Saratoga Springs, NY. She is a senior.
- Mark Raymond, son of John and Diana Raymond, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Bryant University in Smithfield, RI.
- Lauren Prospere was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Champlain College in Burlington, VT. She is majoring in graphic design and digital media.
- Jennah Gayle Knight was named to the dean's list at Jacksonville University (Jacksonville, FL) for the fall semester.

### *In Sorrow*

Ruth (Stukonis) Quinn, of Concord, formerly of Waltham, MA died January 13th. She was 92. Until her retirement, she worked as a quality control inspector for the Raytheon Company and also worked as a hostess for many years at Weston Golf Club. The wife of the late Joseph Quinn, she leaves her daughter, Janice Bowley and her husband, Harold of Canterbury; grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and a niece.



John T. Grappone, 92, of Concord died February 4th. At the age of 13, John joined the family business, first at the filling station and then at the dealerships, and continued to work there for 79 years. He never retired. John was a well-respected and much loved community leader; supporting many charitable organizations. He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Ruth M. Grappone, a brother, sons and their wives, five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. His granddaughter Amanda Osmer and husband Tom and his great grandchildren Mary, Henry and Abigail Osmer live in Canterbury.



Alonzo Willard Perry, 91, of Concord died February 10th. He was a veteran of WWII, serving in the U.S. Army. He owned a City Service station and two Gulf stations in Franklin and later worked and retired from, Concord Hospital. He is survived by his wife Carol B. Perry of Boscawen; a son; two daughters; and grandchildren. His grandchildren Rhonda and George Beauchemin live in Canterbury. He is also survived by step grandchildren; nieces and nephews.



# LIBRARY NEWS

## Our Library

Since moving to our current location in July 2005 the library has had a 30% overall increase in the circulation of books, periodicals, listening books and movies. Interlibrary loans: materials loaned to other libraries or borrowed from other libraries, have increased 60%. Computer usage has increased 23%, although this number does not include our many wireless users and patronage, which has increased 58%. The Mary Hutchins Meeting Room currently has 16 groups that meet regularly. Thank you for creating and supporting such a great community resource!

## Meetings and Groups

- The Library Trustees will meet on Mon. March 12 at 7:00 pm.
- Blow in on March winds for Story and Craft Hour on Wed. March 14 at 10:00 am.
- This month the Book Group is reading "*Following Atticus: Following Atticus : forty-eight high peaks, one little dog, and an extraordinary friendship*," by Tom Ryan. This is account of the author and his dog named Atticus M. Finch as they attempted to climb all forty-eight of New Hampshire's four-thousand-foot peaks twice to pay tribute to a friend who died of cancer and raise money for charity. Copies are available for anyone wishing to join us on Tues. March 20 at 7:00 pm.
- Quilters meet Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Bring your handwork, sewing machines and don't forget your lunch!
- The Knitting Group continues meeting Wed. evenings at 6:30 pm by the fireplace.

## Teen Time Read

Students grades 5 through 8 are invited Mon. March 12 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm for fun activities, great snacks and a book discussion of *Moon Over Manifest* by Clare Vanderpool. On the 12<sup>th</sup> we'll discuss to page 155 and then we'll meet again on the 26<sup>th</sup> to finish our talk. Copies are now available at the desk. Just call or stop by if you would like to join.

## Upcoming Humanities-To-Go Program

Two Old Friends: Thurs. April 12 at 7:00 pm.

A Two Old Friends performance will give you plaintive ballads and foot stomping shout tunes; soaring mandolin solos, gospel sing alongs, traditional Irish tunes, and story-telling. There is truly something for everyone.

Mac and Hutch will be singing and playing the banjo, guitar, mandolin, concertina, bodran and the octave mandolin. COME JOIN THE LADS FOR ONE OF THEIR CONCERTS AND ENJOY AN EVENING WITH TWO OLD FRIENDS!

## Games

We have popular board games for all ages to enjoy at the library.

- Scrabble every Monday night at 6:00 pm. Come join in!
- Puzzle Swap – stop by, take one and leave one. All puzzles should be at least 500 pieces and in very good condition with all pieces in the box.

## School Vacation Week

Donuts ! Anyone ages 8 and up is welcome. \*Crafts for younger siblings will also be available at these times. Thurs. March 1 at 10:30 am - make and decorate HOMEMADE DONUTS, wash them down with cider!

Friendship Bracelets! Thurs. March 1 at 1:30 pm - Create a FRIENDSHIP BRACELET.

Family Passes Looking for activities during school vacation? Try out these Family Passes:

- SEE Science Center – Manchester
- The Fells – Newbury (John Hay National Wildlife Refuge)
- Currier Museum of Art – Manchester
- Museum of NH History - Concord
- Christa McAuliffe Planetarium -Concord

*\* Some passes allow a family of 4 to visit free of charge while others provide a reduced fee. The passes are available to borrow, just stop by or call to reserve.*

## New Titles

- Kill Shot by Vince Flynn
- Primal Blueprint: Reprogram your genes for effortless weight loss, vibrant health, and boundless energy by Mark Sisson
- It's Perfectly Normal by Robie Harris
- Walk Across the Sun by Corban Addison

## FIREARMS SAFETY PROGRAM

Sunset Mountain Fish & Game Club will be offering a program to instruct youth on safety, marksmanship, cleaning and safe storage of firearms. Classes start on Sunday, April 15 at 9:00 am wrapping up at noon, followed by a hamburger and hotdog lunch. Firearms, ammunition and targets will be provided by the Club at no charge. All instruction and shooting will be one-on-one with an instructor on the firing line. Hearing and eye protection will be provided. Participants may bring their own "eyes and ears" and personal firearm subject to review and approval by the instructor. All personal firearms will remain under the control of the Sunset Mountain Fish & Game Club when on premises. The classes run once per month through October and a parent or guardian must accompany each child.

For more information or application forms, contact Gordon Fifield at 225-3730 or Doug Kean at [dougkean@live.com](mailto:dougkean@live.com).



*Happy Saint  
Patrick's Day!!*



# SCHOOL NEWS

## Annual Meeting

The Shaker Regional School District Annual Meeting will take place on **Friday, March 9** at Belmont High School. Polls will open for the election of officers and Senate Bill 2 at **6:00 pm**. The business meeting will begin at **7:00 pm**. Members of the high school National Honor Society will be available for babysitting, for your convenience, for no charge. Positions to be filled at the election are:

- District Moderator – 1 member to serve for two years (2014)
- Belmont School Board Member – 1 member to serve for three years (2015)
- Canterbury School Board Member - 1 member to serve for three years (2015)

You can find more information about the District Meeting and Senate Bill 2 on the District web site, [www.sau80.org](http://www.sau80.org).

## New Student Registration - K and 1

Registration for new students for the upcoming school year will take place during the week of **March 12th** from **9:00 am** to **2:30 pm** each day. A copy of a birth certificate and immunization records are required for registration. Incoming kindergarteners must be five years old as of **September 30, 2012** and children registering for first grade must be six years old as of **September 30, 2012**. Students who have attended kindergarten in the district do not need to register for first grade. Please call the school if you have any questions concerning registration (783-9944).

## Monster Concert

The annual "Monster Concert" will be held on **March 14th** at the Belmont High School in the gymnasium at **7:00 pm**. Music director, Carlos Martinez, will lead the district's beginning bands and High School music director, Lauren Fountain, will conduct the middle and high school bands. As tradition, all of the bands will join together in a spirited "Monster Band" finale.

## Child Find Clinic

A "Child Find Clinic," sponsored by the School District, will be held **Thursday, March 22nd** from **1:00 pm** until **3:00 pm** at Belmont Elementary School. This assessment service is for children ages **2 ½** through **5** who are not enrolled in a public school program and may have a disability or a developmental delay. The screening and evaluation (if deemed necessary) are free of charge. Required appointments can be made by calling the Office of Student Services at **267-9222**.

## March

Feb. 27th - Mar. 2nd  
Thur., Mar. 8th  
Fri., Mar. 9th  
Mon., Mar. 12th –  
Fri., Mar. 16th  
Weds., Mar. 14th  
Mon., Mar. 19th  
Fri., Mar. 23rd  
Fri., Mar. 23rd

## Calendar

Winter Vacation – No School  
School Board BHS 6:00 pm  
School District Meeting BHS – 7:00 pm  
Kindergarten Registration  
Monster Concert  
PTO 6:30 pm  
No School - Parent Conferences  
Report Cards Issued

## Thank You "I Love to Read" Month Volunteers

Thank you so much to all the wonderful parents and community members who made "I Love to Read" month a great success. Our sincere appreciation goes to Rachel Baker, Tabatha Burwell, Rosie Carson, Sue Caswell, Sylvie Chamberlin, Evan Cochran, Ella Mae Cochrane, Rick Crockford, Christopher Cryans, Karen Decker-Gendron, Melissa Dowling, Deb Dupuis, Traci Ennis, Zach Ennis, Renee Fox, Anthony Gelatt, Priscilla George, Portia Jackson, Ken Jordan, Jason Jordanhazy, Meg Kelley, Tricia Keville, Kristy Lavoie, Joan Leggett, Michelle Lewis, Gail Maas, Suzanne Martin, Jeanne Matzke, Genella McDonald, Jim Miller, Tom Osmer, Janet Pessolano, Carolyn Peterson, Carolyn Phillips, Kenya Plaza, Jessica Raymond, Tabitha Riley, Jenny Rondeau, Chuck Sanborn, Wendy Sanborn, Liz Sherburne, Dan Sperduto, Molly Sperduto, Jennifer Taylor, Melinda Tonkin, Sonette van der Merwe, Laura Waldron, Alex Wells, Katherine Wieck, Margaret Witham, Cody York, Toni York, and Tricia York.

## 4-H

### Easter Egg Hunt

The annual 4-H Easter Egg Hunt will be on **March 31st, 10:00 am**, rain, snow, or shine at the CES School. This event is for children **11 and under** who live in Canterbury. Bring a basket to collect eggs. We hope you can come!! Call Tabatha Burwell at **286-3421** if you have questions.



### February Meeting Report

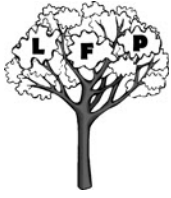
The Canterbury 4-H Rascals had their February meeting and we congratulated all of the participants in the Food Show and Public Speaking events. The Food Show Participants were: Becca Camire, Eli Keville, Faith Martin, Bella Roundy, Jasmine Syed, Sana Syed, Katherine Wieck, and Cody York. The Public Speaking participants were: Abby and Becca Camire, Sarah and Emma Chase, Jacob and Cecilia Condi, Dietrich Mahlstedt, and Jasmine and Sana Syed. Abby and Becca Camire, and Sana Syed will be going to Round Up this fall for Public Speaking. Emma Chase and Jacob Condi were accepted to the Honors Evening. Also we have one participant who is going on to States. That is Jacob Condi!! Congratulations to everyone!! We have several projects that are coming up this month. They are Photography, Poster Making, Demonstrations, Woodworking, Interior Painting, Lampshade Making, Sewing, and Knitting.



**Next Meeting:** Our next meeting will be on **Monday, March 5** at **6:15** at the Parish House. Please note that we will be stuffing Easter Eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt.

~Abigail Camire, Reporter

# OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



## Loudon Food Pantry

### 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Feinstein Challenge to Fight Hunger

**See what you can do to help!**

Each year, Alan Shawn Feinstein divides \$1 million amongst participating hunger agencies like the Loudon Food Pantry in order to inspire the public to donate during the months where we run dangerously low on food and funds. **To be a part of this effort**, donate food or funds between March 1<sup>st</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup> and note that it's for the Feinstein Challenge. Without noting your donation, it can not be included in this challenge.

Year	Funds Collected	Food Collected	Check from Mr. Feinstein
2010	\$1,120.00	\$1,331.00	\$256.00
2011	\$2,256.88	\$1,962.70	\$263.00

Mr. Feinstein's challenge has helped to bring in donations that we would not normally receive during the slow months of March and April. Also, the more we collect towards this challenge, the bigger the check from Mr. Feinstein. Last year we received \$4,220. **Please help us surpass this year's goal of \$5,000.**

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to:  
**Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D,  
Loudon, NH 03307**

(Please make checks out to Loudon Food Pantry)  
Or make a donation through our website at  
[LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org). Look for the Feinstein Challenge  
button, available from March 1<sup>st</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>.

We have food collection bins at the following locations. Any donations in these bins will be counted towards the Feinstein Challenge.

Participating Business	Town	Collection Type Accepted
Ivory Rose	Loudon	Food & Funds
Boars Tavern	Loudon	Funds
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
Evans Expressmart	Epsom	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Funds
Speedway Convenience	Loudon	Funds

Check out our website at [LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org) to see our progress for this challenge. It will be updated daily during March and April. Please help us to top last year's collections for this challenge. Remember, even small donations can add up quickly so please give whatever you can afford.

## New Hampshire Motor Speedway Makes Unexpected Donation to Loudon Food Pantry

We'd like to thank NH Motor Speedway for their generous donation of over \$2,000.00 dollars. It will definitely go a long way in purchasing needed food and paying our operating expenses.

Everyone, thank you very much for your continued support! **Also, like us on Facebook!**

Sarah, Sue & Bill

## Canterbury Store News

### Carrot Cake Baking Contest

All right, enough mourning for the "bread lady" and her carrot cake – it's time to anoint a new heir (or heiress) to the throne. The store will be having a contest to determine who among a very enthusiastic group of bakers will be the next culinary crowned head. The contest will start on *Saturday, March 17* with a cake submitted for judging. Every Saturday we'll have a new cake to judge until we run out of contestants. The bakers' identities will be kept secret.

Everyone is invited to come try a piece and vote. The judges (all of us) will be joined by a "mystery diner" and carrot cake critic from Concord. **Entrants notify the store by March 10<sup>th</sup>.**

Any questions, please call the store (783-9933) and we'll be happy to answer them. Looking forward to palate-pleasing pleasantries!

## Buy Local



The following is from the February 9, 2012, Vermont Standard, (Woodstock, Vermont's weekly newspaper) on the Town News page. It is from the "Across The Counter" column, written by Barnard Country Store storekeepers Kim Furlong and Carolyn DiCicco: "It may be difficult to imagine the importance of every dollar you keep local but it truly could be the difference between success and failure for many small independent businesses. As small business owners ourselves, we appreciate every single person that walks through our door. It is essential for our community to understand the value of every dollar spent in the stores they wish to see remain in business. We are extremely dependent on your support. Keeping it local is more than a saying, it is the essence of keeping our community's economy stable."

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## HELP SUPPORT THE NEWSLETTER

### Newsletter Mission Statement

Periodically, we receive submissions to the Newsletter that require significant thought in order to make a decision about their appropriateness for the Newsletter. Therefore, we have written a mission statement for the Newsletter to help guide our editorial policy.

*The mission of the Canterbury Community Newsletter is to foster and maintain community in Canterbury by providing a means of communication for individuals and organizations in town.*

### Support the Newsletter

The Canterbury United Community Church expresses heartfelt thanks to townspeople who responded to the newsletter appeal for donations toward the well last November.



### Recognition

An issue sponsor will be recognized in a particular issue. In December we will acknowledge those who have given in each category above the subscriber level, unless a sponsor requests anonymity. These gifts will be applied to the appropriate categories for next December's acknowledgement in the Newsletter. Let us keep our community publication going strong!

### Canterbury Community Newsletter Sponsorship

The Church Council is continuing its plan for broader support of the Canterbury Community Newsletter. Based on a pattern used by many non-profit organizations we are again instituting our annual sponsorship program. We encourage you to participate at whatever level reflects the value of the Newsletter for you.

I/we value the Newsletter and are enclosing payment to support the publication in 2012:

Subscriber (\$10) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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Public Spirit (\$50-\$99) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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