

PASTORAL PERSPECTIVE

Canterbury Community Newsletter

It was one of those amazing days in Canterbury, Saturday, April 14. The center was busy with volunteers from many groups who use the Parish House and church folks, cleaning, organizing, throwing away and sprucing up the grounds. Then came the Annual Meeting of the shareholders of the Canterbury Community Market with its volunteer Board of Directors. (Did you know there are about 360 shareholders, and you could be one, too?) Folks were walking between the Library and Country Store, lots of greetings and conversations. At noon family and a number of supportive townsfolk gathered at Maple Grove Cemetery to pray and mourn as Sue Glines' body was buried. While those folks returned to share memories and Canterbury stories at George's home, the Lockwood family was opening the Town Hall to a celebration of three generations of birthdays, featuring Bob's 80th, and another crowd laughed, ate, congratulated, and told more stories. Then toward the end of the day yet another gathering of folks, both in and outside Canterbury, at the Friends Meeting House on Ox Bow Pond Rd. for potluck supper and a community sing.

As I chatted with folks at the Lockwood's celebration, there was a lot of remarking, from people young and old, about the special quality of community in this town. We agreed that this sense of community support did not just happen. It has grown and continued over decades because of the commitment and effort of many townspeople who value mutual concern and mutual fun. This active commitment to community is no longer evident in lots of towns and cities. We here are working against the flow of social change, much to our credit, I believe. We don't always agree, but we value each other and the social fabric that enables us to accomplish important things and support one another in times of difficulty or tragedy. Linda and I have benefited greatly from our experience here, and wonder where we will find this kind of community concern over the next few years as we travel.

Elsewhere in this Newsletter is another update from the Board of the Canterbury Community Market. It is another significant reminder of the basic fact that community does not just happen. It's hard to imagine what the town center would be like on a daily basis if the Country Store (and, likely, the Post Office) was just not there. Think about that one for more than a minute..... The vitality of the Store as a means of community maintenance, like all other community efforts, is only possible with the investment of personal commitments of time and money.

If we really value community, maybe we should each put it in our family budgets of money and time. Set aside some money and time each year to invest in the fabric of life that makes Canterbury special; volunteer and donate to the Library, Historical Society, CUCC, Canterbury Spruces, 4-H, Scouts, Farmers Market, PTO and other organizations. And spend some money regularly at the Country Store. Some blessings will be intangible; others, tasty and selfish; but, surely, you and the rest of town will be blessed. Do your part.

In faith,
Pastor Mel Burrowes

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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

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OLD WAYS TRADITIONS at DAVE and ANNE EMERSON'S. Wood Days 1st weekend in June, Old Ways Days 3rd weekend in October; hands-on demos, tools for kids, Bluegrass Bands, antique machinery, Antiques, Shaker and contemporary accessories. Hiking Trails. 418 Shaker Road. 603-783-4403 efurnitr@comcast.net

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CUCC NEWS

Interested in becoming a member of the Canterbury United Community Church? The Deacons will meet with adults considering church membership at the beginning of their May 2 meeting at 7:00 pm in the meeting room, lower level of the Parish House. If you have questions, call Pastor Burrowes at 783-9365.

May 6 after worship, 11:15-12:15, Deacons sponsored "2nd Hour Conversation;" topic "You visited me."

Sun., May 6 6:00 pm Annual Observance commemorating the Holocaust, Temple Beth Jacob, Broadway, Concord. Co-sponsored with the Greater Concord Interfaith Council. Public is encouraged to attend.

LBS

Wed. May 9 1:00 pm - The next meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society will be held at 1 pm in the Parish House. We will have a speaker from the Belmont Senior Center. Hostesses will be Judy Patterson and Diane Modugno. Everyone is welcome to attend.

The Ladies Benevolent has decided not to have the shutters put back on the windows in the Thunberg Room in the Parish House. Instead, there will be room-darkening drapes that can be closed if needed. If anyone is interested in contributing toward this project, you can contact Judy Patterson or Diane Modugno.

Sunday, May 20 4:00 pm - Retirement Celebration for Pastor Burrowes at the Parish House. See back page for more details.

Sunday, May 27 10:00 am - worship -Sacrament of Baptism. Interested individuals and parents, call Pastor Burrowes, 783-9365.



Sunday, June 3 10:00 am- Farewell Worship with communion. Pastor Burrowes' last Sunday worship in Canterbury.

LOST & FOUND IN THE PARISH HOUSE

Red Down Parka "Marmot" youth 10-12
Blue whale t-shirt, child's
Dk blue snow pants
Black & tan men's flannel shirt
Red/black check child's fleece pull-over
Black quilted vest (womens? XXL)
Dk blue striped suit jacket (TAIL)
Black winter jacket(L) "Pacific Trail"
Pr. black ski gloves
2 folding umbrellas

PICK UP BY MAY 15 - then all will go to Goodwill

Pastoral Transition Update

As the Canterbury United Community Church (CUCC) moves through this period of transition, the Church Council will be communicating information regarding the pastoral transition through the Newsletter, as well as other means. I have written this first update to establish some expectations and provide some information regarding where we are in the process.

The process of finding a new pastor is, to say the least, an important milestone in the life of any church family, and provides opportunities for introspection and the establishment of new perspectives and goals. Consistent with the significance of this undertaking, this process will take considerable effort and time. The path leading to a new settled pastor can take well over a year. As many of you may recall, this process took about two years the last time the CUCC had a pastoral transition, and we have been truly blessed to have Mel here as long as we have, testifying to the hard work by CUCC members during the last transition. The Church Council has been advised by the United Church of Christ (UCC) and American Baptist Churches (ABC) denominations that churches are averaging about 18 months to find and secure a settled pastor.

The Church Council has received guidance from the UCC and ABC denominations regarding the transition process. Fortunately for the CUCC the two denominations have a formal cooperative relationship for churches like the CUCC with dual affiliations. Under this relationship a church selects one denomination as the primary organizational entity to work with, but still receives information regarding prospective pastors from the other denomination through the primary organization. The Church Council has selected the UCC as the primary entity we will be working with to obtain a new settled pastor.

The path to a new settled pastor will include a transitional interim pastor who will help lead the CUCC in the search for a settled pastor. Under the interim pastor a search committee will be established, and there will be many opportunities for reflection by, and input from, the Congregation. The Church Council will be leading the search for an interim pastor with the assistance of the UCC, and we will be making a formal request for candidates within the next month. The Church Council has set a goal of obtaining an interim pastor by mid August. As you likely know, Mel and Linda will be setting off for new adventures in early June. The Church Council has decided to have a period of what is known as supply ministry during the period from early June to mid August. The supply ministry period will include leadership on Sundays, as well as emergency pastoral services.

We will likely be blessed with an old friend in the pulpit for a number of Sundays this summer (so don't plan to slack off).

~Jim Wieck
Moderator Canterbury United Community Church

AROUND TOWN

The 4-H Canterbury Rascals had their April Meeting on Monday, April 5, 2012. We would like to thank everyone who came to the Easter Egg Hunt and all who attended the Quest at Kimball Pond. Also a Quest Box has been set up at Kimball Pond for anyone who wants to do it at any time. This is just beyond the parking lot on the left. It's a 30-45 minute hike so get out and enjoy the delight of being outside!!!



We have some projects that we are doing right now. They are Records, Woodworking, Painting, Sewing, and Knitting. At our next meeting we will be doing election of officers.

Our next meeting is on Monday, May 7, 2012 at the Parish House at 6:30.

~Abigail Camire, Reporter

Canterbury Aerobics

Canterbury aerobics is still alive and well, just barely - we'd love to have more people. We have actually continued our aerobic format but we have inserted some strength exercises so it is more intense if individuals choose to go full steam! But walkers or slow movers are welcome too! We are there Mon, Tues. and Thursdays whenever school is in session. It is free, school vacation is April 23rd to the 27th so we won't have access to the building. Children are welcome to come and play on the side of the room or do homework. Please drop by and try us out! Call Ginny @ 783 - 4016 if you have any questions!



Morris Dancing for Kids Begins May 24th

Any new kids grades 1 & up who are interested in Morris Dancing should come on Thursday, May 24th at 6:15pm to the Parish House. Also returning dancers, or former dancers who would like to dance again, are encouraged to attend the first practice. They will learn the basic moves for this Old English Folk Dancing and then have 2-3 performances during the summer to show it off! We dance at the 4th of July Parade and Activities Day, as well as at the Canterbury Fair (always the last Saturday in July), and sometimes we do a Farmer's Market in the late summer. Practices are every Thursday starting on May 24th and run through the month of July. Any questions, please call Polly Camire at 783-8374. Wear sneakers and bring water bottles! Adult Practices will start weekly on May 24th following the kids' practice.

Memorial Day Celebration

Memorial day this year will be on Monday, the 28th of this month. We honor the contributions of veterans to our daily freedom as we welcome summer to our town. Our Memorial Day Observance begins with a parade from the school down the hill to the bandstand in the center. The parade kicks off promptly at 10:00 and ends at the commons where a short ceremony takes place, this year with Abraham Lincoln delivering the remarks. If you are a veteran, please consider marching with us, uniform or not. We are preceded down the hill by the Canterbury Police cruiser, followed by the fire department color bearers, the selectmen and state legislators, the Belmont High School Band, 4H, the Cloverbuds, the Boy Scouts, and other civic groups and organizations. Fire engines bring up the rear. Won't you please come and join us for one of Canterbury's special days?

Questions? call or write Dale K. Caswell, 783-4663, caschief@gmail.com

Canterbury Plant Swap

The annual Canterbury Plant Swap will be at the gazebo in the town center on Thursday, May 10th from 6-7 PM. Bring your labeled, divided perennials and bulbs, or extra flower or vegetable seedlings you might have. This is for gardeners of all levels, novice to experienced. There is always plenty to share so come even if you feel like you don't have a lot to bring. Master Gardener Donna Miller will be on hand with gardening handouts and help answer any questions you might have. Call Donna at 783-0220 if you have questions.



Transitional Town Meeting & Potluck

Sunday, May 6 at 6pm: Transition Town Meeting and Potluck. Be part of an international grassroots movement ... join us as we view the movie In Transition at Beth McGuinn and Ruth Smith's home (234 Southwest Road). The Transition movement (<http://www.transitionnetwork.org/>) is deeply concerned about the challenges of expensive and unreliable sources of oil, climate change and economic instability. We believe the way forward is acting together, locally, to build on our strengths and make our community more resilient.

Please RSVP to Ruth Heath (783-4401) or Beth McGuinn at (783-4656) if you plan to attend. For directions, please e-mail bethsgarden@myfairpoint.net. Feel free to contact any of us with questions. Ruth Heath, Fred Portnoy, Stephen Buchanan-Parker, Dave Noel, Sarah Dunham, and Beth McGuinn

AROUND TOWN CONTINUED

Swim Lesson Information

With the 80 degree weather we've had so far this year, I'm guessing people will be ready for swim lessons very soon! Lessons will again be held this year and we heartily thank Mr. Don Eckhardt in advance for the use of his wonderful pool! The format will be slightly different this year. We will run six days in a row, Monday July 9-Saturday July 14. That should leave plenty of room in people's schedules for those "oh so coveted summer family times" (my own included!) Sign-ups will be held during the month of June, and need to be done either by a phone call or by email. This information will be in the June issue of the newsletter. I cannot guarantee that if I see you around town that I will remember to sign your kids up. In fact, I CAN guarantee that I will forget! For those of you who are new to swim lessons, I am a Red Cross certified Water Safety Instructor Trainer, and have taught swim lessons consistently for the last 11 years. However, the lessons that I offer to town residents are not official Red Cross lessons, so there are no certificates issued. I run lessons from a parent & child class up through advanced swimmers who are perfecting all of their strokes. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions! For those returning swimmers... some of you are now bigger than I am, and sadly, have sort of "outgrown" the pool. It's time to make some room for the younger kids who need to develop this important life skill. It's been so rewarding for me to have watched many of you progress from non-swimmers into confident ones! Again, please call me if you think your teenager should still have some lessons and I'll see what I can set up. So, look in the June issue for more details, or give me a call or email. 783-8374 or jpacamire@hotmail.com Thanks and I'm looking forward to another successful swimming summer!

~Polly Camire



UPDATE ON THE CANTERBURY COUNTRY STORE

At the Annual Meeting of the Canterbury Community Market LLC shareholders in April, the Board of Directors offered an update of the store situation (a complete copy is available by contacting the secretary, Katie Dunn). Here are a few statements from the update:

A handful of people have inquired ... whether we plan to have a follow up meeting (to the one held for townspeople, Sept. 29, 2011). The Board has decided against another formal meeting... The proprietors reported that February was the lowest sales month they have ever had...

The big issue we are faced with is that the store needs a LARGE (estimated 25-30%) increase in the number of shoppers and the dollars they spend.

We (the Board) strongly believe that having a store in Canterbury Center is crucial to maintaining our town's character. To keep it open and viable with this, or any other proprietor, is going to require townspeople to go out of our way to shop there.

Here are some practical suggestions from others that may help YOU TO HELP MAKE THE STORE CONTINUE as a vital part of community.

"I buy all my wine and beer at the Country Store."

"I look to the Store for gift shopping, both crafts and foods."

"I get all my greeting cards at the Store."

"I plan a day of the week when I obtain food and ingredients for all three meals from the store."

"I imagine that gas is \$10/gal. before driving out of Canterbury."

Shop the Store when you use the Post Office (roughly 40% of Post Office users do not patronize the store).

"I give store gift certificates to new neighbors and to friends as *thank you's* or at holidays."

"The chance to catch up on conversation and town happenings is worth the cost of coffee and a muffin."

"I depend on the Store for special breads and bottled milk."

"I buy one meat meal a week at the Store."

"I earmark part of my weekly food budget to be bought at the Store. It may buy less, but I still eat plenty."

"I treat ice cream as a special occasional treat and only buy it at the Country Store."

"How about buying those chips and snacks only at the Store? You might eat less for the same price."

Canterbury Fair Meeting

May 16 7:00 pm Canterbury Fair planning meeting in the Meeting Room, PH lower level. All interested helpers welcome.

DMV News

Hello everyone I hope that spring finds you well. I want to keep you up to date on the changing requirements from DMV. Due to increasing levels of fraud they are asking us to not only ask for ID from new residents but write ID numbers on all transactions. I know this is an inconvenience but it protects all of us and keeps our insurance rates down AND we are required to do what DMV asks of us or we get in trouble. Sorry for the inconvenience. The good news is that everyone is doing well bringing in either a renewal notice or an old registration for renewals. Thanks for your help while we all adjust to the new requirements.

~Ben Bynum
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

SCHOOL NEWS

Nurse of the Year

CES school nurse, Mary Jo Reed, has been named the 2012 School Nurse of the Year. Each year this award recognizes a school nurse for her outstanding contributions to the school and community. The official award will be presented to Mary Jo in June during the "Edies" when Governor John Lynch, the N.H. Department of Education and the N.H. Education Association gather to honor the state's best from every educational specialty. We congratulate Mary Jo for earning this well deserved recognition.

Jack and the Beanstalk

The CES Drama Club will present "Jack and the Beanstalk" on May 17th. Directed by club advisor, Kim Briggs, students in grades one through five will retell this popular fairytale of magic and treasure. The performance will begin at 6:30 pm in the school gym.

Kindergarten Information Night

Kindergarten Information Night for the parents will be held on Wednesday, May 16th beginning at 6:30 pm. Teacher Kim Wieck and other school staff will be present to talk about the kindergarten day and other school programs. There will be an open house for the children on Friday, August 24th at 1:30 pm.

Memorial Day Exercises

The CES Memorial Day exercises will be held on Thursday, May 24th at 9:30 am. As is traditional, the children will march from the school to the Town gazebo where they will honor our country's heroes through poems and song. In the event of inclement weather, the program will take place in the school gym. Please join us if you can.

Spring Concert/Art Show

CES will have a Spring Concert/Art Show to celebrate this year's theme "Arts Alive" on May 23rd. The school will be open at 5:30 pm for viewing the children's artwork which will be displayed on the hallway walls. At 6:15 pm the children will assemble in the gym for our annual spring concert. Music director, Carlos Martinez will lead the classes, band and chorus in a collection of classic children's tunes and Broadway favorites.

Safe Routes to Schools

The Safe Routes to Schools program is once again sponsoring "Miles in May" walks. Private cars and the school busses will drop participating students at the Town center between 8:10 am and 8:30 am on the first three Fridays in May where they will meet teachers and volunteers who will walk with them up the hill to the school. There will be recognition rewards for all the children who join us on the walking days.

May Calendar

May 3	Safe Route to School Meeting 5:30 pm
May 10	School Board - BES 6:00 pm
May 16	Kindergarten Parents Night 6:30 pm
May 17	School Play 6:30 pm
May 21	PTO 6:30 pm
May 23	Art Show 5:30 pm & Spring Concert 6:15 pm
May 24	Memorial Day Exercises 9:30 am
May 25	No School - Staff In-Service
May 28	No School - Memorial Day

BHS Robot Team

WANTED: The BHS Robot Team needs a laptop to use for programming.

The Belmont High Robotics Team allows our high school student to design, build and compete in competitions. The robot is based on VEX components which are similar to erector set parts, a programmable controller and a wirelessly connected joystick. This is a cost-effective method of instilling engineering concepts in machine design and programming.



In 2010 the team, which worked during Mr. Wormald's engineering studies class, was one of the winners of a local VEX competition and was invited to attend the national competition. Following the competition, the robot was re-designed but unfortunately was not ready to compete this spring. This year the team competed successfully and had a great time. It now continues to meet weekly after school to work on the robot and prepare for next year.

We are fortunate to have enough hardware components for 2 robots next year and expect with the influx of middle school Lego Challenge students to be able to field two teams. Currently, however, we have no dedicated computer to program with and now rely exclusively on the adviser's personal laptop. If you have a WINXP laptop that you no longer use, please consider donating it to the BHS Robotics Team. We will ensure that the hard disk is cleaned prior to it's reassignment. A laptop is required for the inevitable 'adjustments' during competitions.

If you have any questions or need more information, please call Madeleine Lowe, 783-9201 or email mlowe@lowetemp.com or Randy Wormald mailto:rwormald@shaker.k12.nh.us. A donation form for tax deduction can also be provided. For more information on Vex Robotics visit <http://www.vexrobotics.com/>

LIBRARY

The library will be closed on Mon. May 28 in observance of Memorial Day.

The next Trustee Meeting will take place at the library on Mon. May 14 at 7:00 pm.

Story Hour is moving to the third Wednesday of the month so we can offer three preschool programs. Come on in for Story Hour fun on Wednesday, May 16 at 10:00 am.

New and exciting program for babies and toddlers – **Rock and Read**, a music and movement program right here at our own library with Rachel Baker! Our young friends will have a chance to move to a beat, listen and sing along with music and participate with others the same age! What fun! Join us **May 8 and May 22 at 10:00 am**.

The **Book Group** is reading *Butterfly's Child* by Angela Davis-Gardner for a discussion on **Tuesday, May 15 at 7:00 pm**. Three-year-old Benji is moved from his home in Nagasaki to live with his American father and stepmother on their Illinois farm. Benji's true identity as a child born from a liaison between an officer and a geisha is concealed. When the truth surfaces, it will splinter this family's fragile dynamic and send Benji on a journey from Japanese settlements in Denver and San Francisco, to Nagasaki, where he will uncover the truth about his mother's tragic death. Copies are available at the library.

Teen Time Read: Join in Monday, May 14 from 4:00 to 5:00 pm for fun activities, great snacks and a book discussion of *Children of the Lamp* by P.B. Kerr. Read to page 186. Copies are on hand to borrow for grades 5-8.

The **Knitting Group** will continue to meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm until May 16 and will begin again on September 19.

Humanities-To-Go Program. The *Making of Strawberry Banke*: Tuesday, May 8. Local legend says Strawberry Banke Museum began when a Portsmouth librarian gave a rousing speech in 1957. The backstory is a complex tale of progress and urban renewal versus colonial architecture in New Hampshire's only seaport. J. Dennis Robinson, author of *Strawberry Banke, A Seaport Museum 400 Years in the Making* will share the history of "America's oldest neighborhood" and the scenes of the founding years. Tapping into private letters, unpublished records and personal interviews, he explores the politics of preservation at what Ken Burns calls "one of the best history museums in the country." The author looks candidly at mistakes made and lessons learned in this grassroots success story.

Explore the night this summer as Elkins Library presents
"DREAM BIG-- READ!"

June 20 at 7:00 pm: Our Summer Reading Kick-Off event! Lindsay and Her Puppet Pals feature a large collection of beautifully handcrafted and life sized puppets. The characters come alive with a wacky array of unique voices during this hour-long show! Charming original stories and folk tales are delightfully full of audience participation and humor! **Everyone is invited.** Pick up your book log and join the summer fun!

June 27 at 10:00 am: Hear the story of Napi by Antonio Ramirez and make dream dolls!

July 3 at 10:00 am: Squam Lakes Science Center visits with *Creatures of the Night*

July 10 and 11: Sleepover at the library **Sleepover:** Children must be entering the 5th grade in the Fall of 2012. Snacks and breakfast will be served. Children must bring a sleeping bag, pillow, toothbrush and flashlight. Drop off is: 7:00 - 7:30 pm. Limit 15. Sign-up required.

July 18 at 10:00 am: Dream Catchers - introduction and craft

July 25 at 1:30 pm: **Finale** – Face Painting with Linda Weiser – Owl Mask Making, Dreamsicles, Moon Pies, Cookie decorating

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SEE Science Center
Fells
Museum of NH History
Shaker Village

Christa McAuliffe Planetarium
Squam Lakes Science Center
Currier Museum of Art

New Books:

Language of Flowers by Vanessa Diffenbaugh
By the Iowa Sea: a memoir by Joe Blair
Beginner's Goodbye by Anne Tyler
Hitlerland by Andrew Nagorski

Historical Society Trivia Picture for May



Answer to April's Picture: The Sam Lake House

HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

JOAN LEGGETT HONORED

The Historical Society is pleased to report that Joan Leggett is the recipient of the Country School of America National Service Award. Joan was nominated by the Historical Society for her dedication and never-ending efforts in bringing the Houser Center One-Room Schoolhouse project to fruition. The resurgence of our Center One-Room Schoolhouse is an affirmation of the Historical Society's Mission Statement....." to preserve Canterbury's heritage and sense of community".

Joan's determination to authentically replicate, in every possible detail, the experience of attending a one-room schoolhouse in the early 20th century has been realized. Her tenacity has been rewarded through the participation of former students and teachers who have shared their memories and experience. We have all learned more than just about what happened to them in school, we have learned about their lives outside of school during those times, and that has brought a great sense of reality to our schoolchildren and richness to the program. There is no question that Joan has been a dedicated and committed leader and that without her vision and drive the program would not have happened.

Clearly, this program preserves Canterbury's heritage and in fact, serves it through the very legacy it is creating. Our sense of community has been strengthened through the many ways our Schoolhouse experience has involved and positively touched so many. Witnessing older students patiently and intently helping younger students in our classroom demonstrates this programs achievements. The joy of having children come by the Schoolhouse and enthusiastically showing their parents where they sat and what they did, serve as its own testimony. Canterbury has been enriched by the Schoolhouse and the example it has set. From young to old, people working together can achieve wonderful, meaningful and lasting results. Congratulations, Joan.....and thank you!

VIDEOGRAPHY PROGRAM INITIATED

The Society has long wished to initiate a videography program allowing for live interviews to be video-recorded and retained in our Archive Collection. Over the years, audio recordings have been made and retained. With the gift of a Camcorder, anonymously donated, we have been able to video-record two programs presented by Mark Stevens. Now, we are working to do personal interviews of long-time residents. The first was held in early April with three sisters (the Fife girls): Mary Ellen Fife, Ann Fife, and Ruth Mann, who were born and brought up in Canterbury. It was a wide-ranging interview covering their life experiences in town. The Society would like to thank Mary Ellen, Ann, and Ruth for agreeing to our interview, for helping us to kick off this initiative, and for being such great guests. Pastor Mel Burrowes is next on our list.

The Making of Strawberry Banke

The Historical Society is excited about and encourages you to attend the Libraries Humanities-To-Go Program. The Making of Strawberry Banke on Tuesday, May 8.

Da Dump News

Roadside Bags & Clean-up Day:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the annual roadside clean-up event! Your hard work in cleaning up around town is much appreciated by your friends and neighbors! Please note that BLUE bags provided by *New Hampshire The Beautiful* are for roadside trash ONLY. Some residents have brought household garbage, recyclable clothing and various other items to the facility in them which is a misuse of their purpose. They are generously provided to us free of charge as long as they are used for roadside garbage, if misuse continues to happen we may not be able to get them provided in the future. Please abide by this policy so we can continue to receive this valuable free benefit year after year!

A Few Compost Bins Remain!

The annual compost-bin sale is over, but we still have a few composters available if you missed out. Our costs continue to rise on these so this is probably the last year you can purchase one for the low price of \$50, they sell for \$100+ retail so take advantage of the few we have left today!

Review of Burn Pit Rules:

Please note that only clean wood and brush less than 5" in diameter can go in the brush pile at the transfer station. Lately the pile has been contaminated with painted wood, plywood, plastic bags of trash and animal feces on a regular basis, as well as loads of leaves and yard waste. All of these items are contaminants and we can have our permit revoked and be subject to heavy fines for having them present in the burn pit. PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE have your load checked by an attendant every time, we are happy to help you figure out where your items go and it helps us protect everyone's health by keeping dangerous and/or toxic materials from being burned! Thank you so much for your diligence in helping us keep Canterbury safe and healthy!

A New Face at the Transfer Station:

Please say hello to Jim Higgins, a new face at the transfer station, who will be filling in temporarily while I take maternity leave in May and June. He has worked diligently on the recycling committee for several years and brings lots of recycling and equipment experience to the facility. Jim, David & Warren will probably be able to answer most day-to-day questions about materials and operations for you but feel free to e-mail me at CanterburySWTS@myfairpoint.net with any weird or specific disposal/recycling related inquiries and I will do my best to get back to you in a timely fashion!

Household Hazardous Waste Day 2012:

You may have heard that Canterbury will be having a Household Hazardous Waste Day in 2012 where you can get rid of that scary "stuff" that may be lurking in your basement/garage/shed that you just don't know what to do with. This is absolutely true, look for a mailer in your mail or PO Box this summer with details of the day and time, as well as specifics of what materials are/are not wanted at this event!



Thank you for your excellent work recycling Canterbury! Let's keep making recycling work for us!

Adrienne Hutchinson, Manager, Canterbury Transfer Station

OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Loudon Food Pantry is happy to help anyone in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom, and Loudon that qualifies. If you are having a hard time feeding yourself or your family, give us a call and let us help!

Qualification is determined by:

- residency (we require proof for everyone that will receive services),
- types of services already received and,
- income level.

There is never any fee or charge for receiving food. We offer assistance on a weekly basis, call 724-9731 for an appointment.

Feinstein Challenge Update

As of April 12th we have collected \$3,504.61 in funds and \$1,058.52 in food. This totals \$4,563.13 towards our goal of \$5,000. **We are only missing \$436.87 to reach our goal. Only you can make this happen!** For all of you that have already helped, thank you. Remember, if you want your donation to be counted towards this challenge, please write Feinstein on it.

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 donations can be made through our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org. A separate donate button for the Feinstein Challenge will be available from March 1st through April 30th. Participating businesses listed below:

The Yellow Submarine (374 Loudon Rd., Concord NH) is Supporting Our Cause!

Donate \$25 or 5 food items (unexpired and in good condition) to Loudon Food Pantry. We'll give you a Yellow Submarine card. Present this card to The Yellow Submarine on any **Sunday** and 10% of your order will be donated to Loudon Food Pantry.

Do you shop online? Support us when you do!

Go to CharityBlast.com and save up to 70% at premium online stores. Select Loudon Food Pantry as one of your favorite charities. Then when you shop we'll receive a preset donation from that store. No additional money out of your pocket and you get to help us in the process. Give it a try. It's free to sign up!

Thank you everyone for all your help and assistance in all that we do!

~Sue, Sarah and Bill

PEOPLE NEWS

Carlyn Reep was named to the president's list for the fall semester at Plymouth State University.

Jordan Lacoste was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Science. Jordan is a freshman and in the Pharm D program.

Lillian Johnson, grade 9, earned honors at the Derryfield School.

~In Sorrow~

Ursula (Paparillo) Lepesqueur, 96, of Williamstown, MA., died on April 2, 2012. She was born in New York City, moved to Williamstown in 1941 with her husband, raised two sons and worked for the Cornish Wire Company until her retirement in 1977. She loved to cook her favorite Italian food, laugh and dance. She was pre-deceased by her husband, Maurice, in 1976, and a brother, Raphael, in 1951. She is survived by her son Paul Lepesqueur and his wife Mary of Canterbury; her son Eugene Lepesqueur of Williamstown; her grandsons Thomas Lepesqueur of Canterbury and Benjamin Lepesqueur of Fairfield, VT; her sisters Rose Paparillo and Margaret Zaller of Glen Cove, NY.

Elliot A. Thompson, 91 died March 24, 2012 at his home in Canterbury, where he had lived since his retirement in 1984. Mr. Thompson owned and operated R. Christensen Hardware for 30 years in Caldwell, NJ. He and his wife, Dolly, were avid members of a walker's group at the Steeplegate Mall, loved to shop for antiques, and worked constantly to maintain their 1748 home. They had five children and eight grandchildren who were frequent visitors to their home in Canterbury. He is survived by two sisters; three daughters and two sons, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Thank You!!!!

We would like to thank, wholeheartedly, all those who honored us with their presence at our combined Birthday / Open House at the Town Hall on April 14th.

Becca Camire, 10, Lucyann Zeller, 50, Bob Lockwood, 80

Five Rivers Conservation Trust

Nature of New Hampshire presentation sponsored by Five Rivers Conservation Trust, Sat. May 19, 10:00 am at the Barn (296 Village Road) in Loudon. Join Five Rivers Conservation Trust to hear about our most recent projects and to learn about the extraordinary biodiversity of New Hampshire from Dan Sperduto, author and photographer of *The Nature of New Hampshire*. Dan will take us on a unique journey through the state's natural communities, including swamps, saltmarshes, rocky summits and forests. Following Dan's talk we will explore a nearby woodland and marsh in Canterbury in search of spring flowers and birds. Please RSVP to Jay Haines: director@5rct.org or 225-7225.



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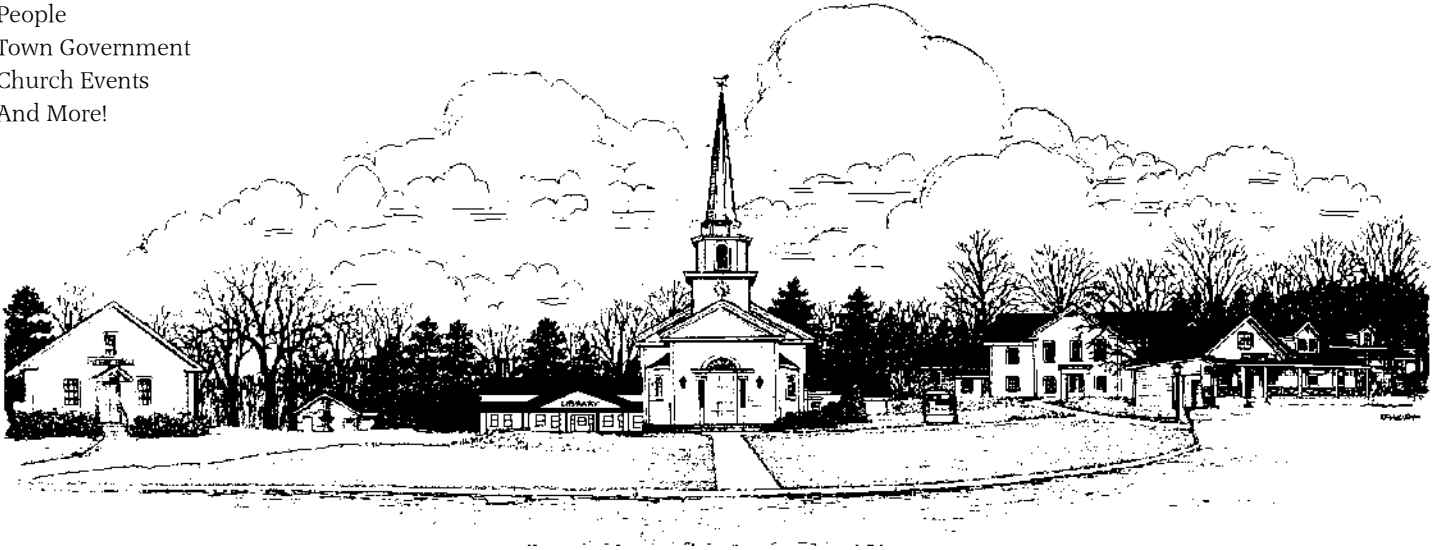
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A Grand Send Off!!

Please join the Canterbury Community United Church family as we bid a fond farewell to Pastor Mel Burrowes and his wife Linda Burrowes, as they embark on the great journey of retirement.



May 20th, 2012

4:00 - 7:00 PM

Parish House, Canterbury Center

Potluck dinner - dessert and drinks provided



We will have an entertaining gathering starting at 4:00 pm in the Parish House with a Pot Luck to follow from 5:30 to 7:00 pm. The LBS will have the kitchen ready for the pot luck food and they will also provide dessert for the occasion.

All are welcome to join our church family to say a **BIG THANK YOU** and **HAPPY RETIREMENT**, as well as lots of laughs and good wishes to send them on their two year journey across the USA.