

Pastoral Perspective

2011 was certainly a year of challenges for many folks in Canterbury. Weather events, life threatening illnesses, the deaths of friends and townspeople, the sluggish economy and the saga of the failed parsonage well left me feeling a sense of somber relief that the year was over. Now I begin to look at 2012 and I want to approach it with a different four-letter word than some I used over events of the year past. The word is HOPE.

Hope is trusting in a good future or outcome when there is no clear view or all the signs point to the opposite result. Hope is the human quality that kept great reformers focused; enabled POWs to come through their ordeals; given terminally ill individuals the power to bear treatments and set-backs; turned a person in despair back to the value of his/her life.

I want to encourage you to ground yourself in HOPE for this new year. Unitarian minister, Forrest Church, faced with cancer, wrote a very meaningful book, Love and Death. The title may disturb you, but the pages are filled with hopeful ideas. One insight is a mantra he developed for his living through his illness: "Want what you have; do what you can; be who you are." My experience is that living each of these practices has necessitated my seeking God's guidance, power and love. Perhaps that's part of the mystery of hardship and suffering: that it forces us to look beyond our narrow view and see the bigger picture of life's blessings and possibilities.

In 2012 I hope the various elections at all levels will bring forth statespeople who will build on common ground and accept the good ideas of contrary approaches. I hope new medicines will help lots of people, but also that mutual love and encouragement will make sick people and their loved ones find goodness and blessing in daily living. I hope that many folks in desperate financial situations will be led to relief and meaningful labor. I hope people will become more open to change. I hope people will give up fear and look to others as kin. I hope that labors of love will overshadow our society's obsession with all matters of sexuality. I hope fabrics of love will be woven around individuals in grief over love lost. I hope I will grow in patience, appreciation, and wonder.

You know what? Many of these hopes may not be fulfilled. But some will. And I believe 2012 will be a good year. That is my fervent prayer for everyone in Canterbury.

In faith,
Pastor Mel Burrowes

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Information regarding
January 10th Primary
and Filing deadlines!!



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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

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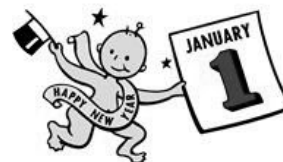
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Canterbury United Community Church News

Annual Heritage Worship Service

The annual Heritage Worship service, usually held the second Sunday in January, will take place on Sunday, February 5th at 10:00 am.

Winter Outing

Youth/Families Winter Outing (skiing, cross country, snowshoeing, etc.) January 20-22 at the Berry's condos at Saddleback Mountain, Maine. For information, contact the church office (783-9365).



Baptist Lakes Association Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 8th The CUCC choir will travel to First Baptist Church in Wolfeboro Falls to join in an Epiphany concert as part of the Baptist Lakes Association Annual Meeting at 4:00 pm.

LBS

The next meeting of the Ladies Benevolent Society will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 1:00 PM in the Parish House. We will be doing our Program Planning for the next year, so bring lots of ideas to share. We will also be going over our budget for the year. Hostesses are Mona Stickney and Diane Modugno. All are welcome to attend.

DEADLINE APPROACHING

Jan. 15 Deadline for written annual reports from officers and committee chairs.

Second Hour Conversation

Jan. 29 "Second Hour Conversation" after morning worship. A representative from the Baha'i community will share their faith practice.

Oops, we missed A few

Newsletter sponsor recognitions. We recognize the following donors who were somehow missed in our recognition list in the December issue:

Helper: Marge Bruner
David & Naomi Scanlon

Public Spirit: Jeanne Joslin & David Miltenberger
Jack & Sue Heppenstall

Newsletter Sponsors really make this town-wide newsletter possible. **THANK YOU!**

Many Thanks

On behalf of my family and myself, it is with great humility that I offer thanks for the wonderful celebration of my 5th Anniversary as music director at CUCC that was held a few weeks ago. Although I've held a number of positions in various churches since my college years, this is the first time I have experienced a true church family. The privilege of leading a dedicated church choir that loves their faith and music as much as I do is a true blessing, and the support and fellowship of our congregation goes well beyond the musical aspects of my work. I am proud and thankful to be both a member and a musical facilitator in a thoughtful and caring church home.

The generous cash gift from the congregation, and the likely conspiracy on the part of the music committee to arrange it, is greatly humbling. I promise to squirrel it away and only use it for the things I consider most worthy of its intent. Many thanks to all of you who contributed; please know that the gesture in and of itself means a great deal to me.

I would like to especially thank the Ladies Benevolent Society for the reception, and for all of the other community services they perform throughout the year. I hope that this public "thank you" to them will inspire many of you to do the same! I would also like to thank Harry and Sarah Kinter for the two wonderful cakes with the artistically rendered icing. They (decorations included) were delicious, and much appreciated by myself, my family, attendees, and the youth group that dedicated their time to washing the windows in the Thunberg room that afternoon!

I wish more people in our country could witness the workings of our small town. In such a contentious political period, the village of Canterbury could offer much hope to our nation.

Many blessings to all,
Kathryn Southworth Lundahl, music director, CUCC

Note from the Editor

I would like to take a minute to thank those that make this newsletter possible. Alice Veenstra, Carol Flavin-Veenstra, Laurie Lockwood and Jill Lavallee. Most of their work is done behind the scenes but they are a crucial part of this newsletter. Thank you for your help! I could not do this without you!!

I also want to thank those who advertise each month in the newsletter and those who contribute articles. Without you there would be no newsletter.

~LeAnne Fifield, Editor



AROUND TOWN

Planning Board to Hold Three Public Meetings on January 24th

The Canterbury Planning Board will hold three Public Meetings on Tuesday, January 24, 2012, at the Meeting House (next to the new Elkins Library in Canterbury Center). The first meeting will start at 7:00 pm. The second and third meetings will start as soon as the previous meeting is done. Canterbury residents are encouraged to attend, ask questions, and make suggestions. Full copies of the documents containing the proposed changes to our Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations will be posted by January 13th at the Sam Lake house, the Canterbury Country Store, and on-line at www.canterbury-nh.org. Short summaries of these documents are also provided below.

Public Meeting #1: Amendment to Article 2.6 (Signs) of the Town of Canterbury Zoning Ordinance. This section defines requirements on commercial (business) advertising signs. The key purpose of the proposed amendment is to prohibit animated message center signs and internally lighted signs.

Public Meeting #2: New Section IX C (Highway Protection and Control Regulations Delegation of Authority, Driveways and Other Accesses to the Public Way) to the Town of Canterbury Subdivision Regulations. Pursuant to the authority vested in the Canterbury Planning Board by the voters of the Town of Canterbury in accordance with the provisions of RSA Chapter 674:35, the Canterbury Planning Board hereby adopts the following regulations ... The Planning Board shall delegate to the Highway Agent, through the Board of Selectmen and in accordance with RSAs 236:13 V and VI the authority to issue and enforce driveway permits.

Public Meeting #3: New Article 17 (Groundwater Protection) to the Town of Canterbury Zoning Ordinance. The purpose of this ordinance is, in the interest of public health, safety, and general welfare, to preserve, maintain, and protect from contamination existing and potential groundwater supply areas and to protect surface waters that are fed by groundwater. The purpose is to be accomplished by regulating non-residential land uses and home occupations not exempt from this ordinance, which could contribute pollutants to wells or aquifers needed for present or future public and private water supply.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

BOSTON POST CANE TO BE PRESENTED TO MARGE BRUNER The Historical Society cordially invites you to attend the celebration of the unveiling of the "Boston Post Cane" at the Elkins Library on Sunday, January 29th at noon. Not only will it be unveiled, but also be presented at that time to the oldest resident of Canterbury, Marge Bruner. The Cane has not been given to a Canterbury resident for many years, having been missing and only recently "re-discovered". It has been stored in the Society's Archives since. In the Spring, the Society determined to re-establish the tradition which came with its being awarded to the Town Selectmen in 1909, by the Boston Post newspaper. Board member Brian Titilah led the research on how other New England towns currently handle the Cane's presentation and made recommendations to the Selectmen and the Board. Upon their acceptance, Brian Braskie, noted N. H. Furniture Master and member of our Board, volunteered to create a display case to hold the century-old treasure. It will be on permanent display in the library for all to see and contains brass nameplates for all future recipients.

Please join us on the 29th to witness the unveiling and to experience the joy of having it presented to Marge Bruner, Canterbury's oldest resident. Refreshments will be served.

PLANNING/STRATEGY SESSION TO BE HELD

Each year the Society's board gathers in January to assess the prior year's initiatives and to plan for the new year. We will hold that meeting on January 21st. We would welcome any ideas or suggestions you may have. Please contact Bob Scarponi (783-9594), or email us at canterbury.nh.historical.society@gmail.com.

BOARD MEMBERS ELECTED

We are pleased to welcome returning board member Ella Mae Cochrane for a second term as well as new members, Mary-Jane Bergman and Sam Papps, all of who were elected at our Annual Meeting held on November 20th. We look forward to working together with you!

Bluegrass Jam

Reminder: every 3rd Tuesday open "Bluegrass Jam" in the Thunberg Room of the Parish House. Come and play or come and listen. Recommended \$2 donation and a non-perishable food pantry donation. Next Jam is Jan. 17 7:00 - 9:00 pm



AROUND TOWN

FARMERS MARKET

THANKS to all who supported the Canterbury Farmers' Market this year! Our last INDOOR Market of the 2011 season was well attended, toasty warm, and smelled delicious! The mingled scents of grilled fresh sausage, spiced apple cider, fragrant spicy soaps, pine branches, and fresh brewed coffee made it heavenly to just walk in the door of the Town Hall. There certainly was a bountiful selection of fresh veggies (Brussels sprouts, carrots, sweet radishes, baby bok choy, leeks, tender salad greens, beautiful beets, cabbages, potatoes, onions and more) and an excellent variety of rosy red and golden apples, and cider. There were beautiful woolens, hand-carved spoons, local wine, bread, cheese, sweet maple products, and candy, too! Business was brisk, the mood was cheerful, and Sara Kinter won the raffle basket of goodies donated by all the vendors.



So go put your feet by the fire and we'll see you next June 2012. We'll start sending reminders some time in May — if you're not on our list, go to our website www.ccfma.net, and sign up for the Market News (lower left corner of the home page). We'll send you a confirmation Email to which you must respond (so we know it's you), and you're all set. FYI: We don't share our list, we just use it to contact members.

Check Out the new Winter Farmers' Market in Tilton

It's quite a loooong time 'til June...if you get a little cabin-feverish, or a little low on good things to pop in the stew pot, check out the new Tilton Winter Farmers' Market. Get off I-93 at exit 20 and head West (away from the outlets). They are located on 67 East Main Street, across from AutoServ, in the former Agway store building. The Tilton Winter Farmers' Market will be open every Saturday 10:00 am-2:00 pm for January, February, and March. You'll see a lot of the vendors you've come to know at our Market, and some new faces, too.

Thanks again!
Canterbury Community Farmer' Market

The Canterbury 4-H Club would like to thank everyone who attended the Pancake Breakfast. We had a great turnout!!!



Our next meeting is on January 2nd at 6:15 at the Parish House.

~By Abigail Camire

Fire Department News

Thank you all for your contributions to our mezzanine fund raising drive. We are about 1/3 of the way to being able to start work. If you didn't win the firewood raffle this time, we have cut another cord and will be holding a raffle in January. Just in time for the really cold weather. Tickets will be available from any firefighter or at the station during the weekdays.

Do you know the number one cause of home fires? Cooking. Most start on the top of the stove. So when you use the stove, here are a couple of rules to follow. First, never leave the room when the stove is on. We also recommend that you not heat an empty pan on high. If you have a fire that spreads beyond the pan, leave the room, close the door, dial 911, and get everyone out of the house. Also, never disable the smoke detector near the kitchen. If it goes off all the time, move it but don't disable it. It can be replaced with a "Heat Rise" detector that senses the ceiling temperature.

Number two on the list of causes of home fires is heating. Fireplaces and wood stoves are major causes of fires. Usually, the flues are dirty with creosote but if items are placed too close to the heater, they can catch fire also. Use a 3-foot rule to keep things away from the heat source.

Carbon monoxide detectors have about a 5-year lifetime and should be replaced. Because carbon monoxide is slightly lighter than air, detectors should be placed on the wall and about 5 foot high. There should be one on every floor. If you can only buy one, put it near the sleeping area of the house. Test the alarm and change the batteries at least once a year.

Smoke detectors have about a 10-year lifetime and also need to be tested and replaced when necessary. If you need new smoke or carbon monoxide detectors, we have a supply at the fire station at a very low cost.

You may have seen a lot of fire engines on Hackleboro Road this October. No, I didn't have a fire at my house. We were doing a training exercise and had fire departments from neighboring towns help us provide enough water to put out a pretend fire. It went very well and we learned a lot. We were able to provide over 350 gallons of water per minute for about two hours.

~Don Maurer
Captain

Library News

BOARD MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Monday, January 9th at 7:00.

CLOSED

The library will be closed Mon. Jan 2 for New Year's and Monday, January 16th in observance of Civil Rights Day.

During inclement weather please phone the library (783-4386) before coming if there's any question whether we're open or check the listings on Channel 9 (WMUR). I'll do my best to leave a message on the answering machine, but if you're still not sure call Sue at 783-4013. The library hours are as follows:

Monday 2:00 – 8:00 Wednesday & Thursday
9:00 – 8:00
Tuesday 9:00 – 6:00 Saturday 9:00 – 12:00



STORY HOUR

Join us for winter fun at Story Hour on Wednesday, January 11th at 10:00.

Book Discussion Group

The group is reading *Caleb's Crossing* by Geraldine Brooks which is based on historical fact. In 1665, a young man from Martha's Vineyard became the first Native American to graduate from Harvard College. The narrator of the story is Bethia Mayfield, growing up in the tiny settlement of Great Harbor amid a small band of pioneers and Puritans. Restless and curious, she yearns after an education that is closed to her by her gender. We'll meet January 17th at 7:00.

TEEN TIME READ

Students grades 5 through 8 are invited to come Monday, January 9th from 4:30 to 5:30 for fun activities, food and a book discussion of *Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley. Eleven-year-old Flavia de Luce, an aspiring chemist with a passion for poison, must exonerate her father of murder. Armed with more than enough knowledge to tie two distant deaths together and examine new suspects, she begins a search that will lead her all the way to the King of England himself. Please call or stop by if you would like to join.

The Knitting Group continues meeting Wednesday evenings at 6:30 by the fireplace and resumes after the holidays on Jan. 11.

Quilters meet Tuesday mornings from 10:00 – 1:00. Bring your handwork, sewing machines and don't forget your lunch!

Scrabble every Monday night at 6:00. Come join in!

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

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.

Looking for something to do during the cold winter days? FAMILY PASSES are available to borrow to visit the following locations:

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. Stop by or call to reserve.

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We wish to express our appreciation to Tim Gershin for providing us with beautiful music during our Holiday Open House and to Santa (Trustee Ron Turcotte) for entertaining adults and children alike. Amelia & Emma Kotusky were wonderful volunteer helpers assisting little hands with ornament making and cookie decorating. Our thanks to all of you for your help, support, and patronage.

We'd love to hear from anyone who has a special interest/talent and would like to present a library program. Please stop by or call Sue at the library.

Donations of books; books and music CDs and DVDs that are published from 2010 to the present are always appreciated and often added to the collection. Please bring your items in rather than using the book drop.

New Titles:

Catherine the Great by Robert Massie
Locked On by Tom Clancy
Republic Lost: How Money Corrupts Congress and a Plan to Stop It by Lawrence Lessig
Pacific Crucible: War at Sea in the Pacific. 1941-1942 by Ian Toll

SCHOOL NEWS

Let's Walk to School

CES has been awarded the second phase on the Safe Routes to School Grant Program. The Task Force will now be investigating how to best use up to \$15,000 gathering and analyzing data that will help in developing plans to increase safe walking and biking opportunities in Canterbury. This fall we kept up the walking momentum with two "Walk to School" days and almost 80 students chose to meet at the town center to take a symbolic walk to school. We hope to have more "Let's Walk to School" days in the spring. We are also planning to have a "Train the Trainer" program and invite interested community members to learn how to teach a course in bike safety to area children. The next SRTS meeting will take place on January 25, 2012 at 5:30 in the school library. All meetings are open to the public.



Spelling Bee

The annual CES Graham P. Chynoweth Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, January 27th at 1:30 in the school gym. The winner of our local Bee will go on to compete with regional fifth through eighth grade winners at the Merrimack Valley County Bee in March.

No School Days

There are three "No School" days in January. School will be closed on January 16th in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. January 2nd and January 20 are staff in-service days and there will be no school for students.

NECAP Results

The NH Department of Education will release the 2011 New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) data at the end of this month. Information about Shaker schools and other state schools will be available to the public at the department's website <http://www.ed.state.nh.us>. Parents will receive individual assessment reports for students in grade 3-8 and 11 in reading and mathematics, and for students in grades 5, 8, and 11 in writing. Parents and community members are welcome to contact the school for additional information about the state assessment and our school's results.

January Calendar

Monday, January 2	No School – Staff In-service
Thursday, January 12	School Board - BMS
Monday, January 16	No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Friday., January 20	No School – Staff In-service
Monday, January 23	PTO – 6:30
Friday, January 27	Spelling Bee 1:30

POST OFFICE

There are two Federal holidays in January. The Canterbury Post Office will be closed on Monday, January 2. It will also be closed on Monday, January 16, Martin Luther King Day. We will keep our normal hours for the rest of the month.

On Sunday, January 22, postal rates will change. The price of a single first class stamp will go up one cent, so it will cost 45 cents to mail a normal letter. A larger envelope will cost 90 cents for the first ounce. The price for the extra ounces for both letters and large envelopes stayed at 20 cents. As usual some of the other prices and fees will be affected by these changes but I have not been given a price list for these items.

There will also be rate increases for Priority and Express mail starting on January 22. These prices haven't been finalized as I write so they may not be exact. For Priority Flat Rate items the Flat Rate envelope will be \$5.15. The small Flat Rate box will be \$5.35. The medium Flat Rate boxes will be \$11.35. The large Flat Rate box will be \$15.45. For Express Mail the Flat Rate envelope will be \$18.95. The price of an international letter will be \$1.05. Almost all of the stamps that we have sold this last year were Forever stamps, so they will still be good after the rate change.

January is the month when I usually remind customers who get mail delivered to their houses to keep their mail boxes cleared of snow. It seems unnecessary on a day when the temperatures are in the 50's but I'm sure this won't last. I did want to point out that customers who get their mail delivered to a PO box don't have to worry about this.



In closing I did want to thank everybody who used the Canterbury Post Office during the holiday season. I have heard nothing about any changes that would affect this office, which I assume is good news. Anyway, I hope you have a happy and healthy new year.

~Ted LeClair Postmaster

To the world you may be just one person, but to one person you may be the world.

~Candis Goodwin

Opportunities To Make A Difference

Gift of Lights



This is a spectacular event. Everyone that we spoke to loved it! We loved it too, for the lights but also for a different reason. At the beginning of Gift of Lights we received a call from Connie from the New Hampshire Food Bank. They allowed all the food from this event to be given to Loudon Food Pantry. As of December 14th, we have received 12,150 pounds of food. We will publish the final amounts in the next edition. Thank you Gift of Lights and New Hampshire Food Bank!

Financial Contributions

Thanks to Gift of Lights and New Hampshire Food Bank, we have lots of canned goods, but we also need funds to operate. While we do get some things for free or for discounted rates, food pantries and most non-profits do not get everything for free. In order to stay open, we have to have funds to pay for:

Rent	New Hampshire food bank maintenance fees
Insurance	Repairs & Maintenance on our Equipment
Paper and Ink	Break room supplies for volunteers (such as coffee)
Food logging supplies & equipment	State fees
Event supplies	Utilities (telephone, internet, website & hosting)
Food at retail prices	We will soon need to replace 2 freezers & a refrigerator
Other operating expenses	

Your donations are always welcome. Donations are accepted through our website (LoudonFoodPantry.org), by mail (Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D., Loudon NH 03307) or just drop in. If you have any questions, call us at 724-9731.

Santa's Breakfast

Thank you in advance for all that you do for us! We were at Santa's Breakfast, on Saturday December 10, 2011 and had a great time. It looked like the breakfast and craft fair were big successes. We received food donations, financial contributions, and sold about \$75 in raffle tickets. A big thank you for all involved!

50 / 50 Raffle

As of the time of submission for this publication, the raffle winner was not drawn yet. We will announce the winner in the next edition. This will be posted on our website (LoudonFoodPantry.org) on December 15th. We hope this made the holiday a little easier for the winner.

Thanksgiving Boxes

We gave out 109 Thanksgiving Boxes this year. This actually decreased from last year. In looking into why, we noticed that some have lost their homes and relocated, some of our elderly have passed and some have moved out of our service area looking for work. We have gained new patrons as well. Overall, during the month of November, we provided enough food for 5,816 meals.

Thank You!

During the holiday season, everything is rushed, everyone is rushed, and there is very little time to relax. Take a moment now to sit back and relax. You deserve it!

To our volunteers, thank you for being at our side and helping in every way you can! To our donors, thank you for your donations and helping people to feed their families and helping us stay open! To our patrons, keep on trying, it will get better!

Sue, Sarah and Bill

~People News~

Jennah Gayle Knight danced the role of Madame Sonofrie in the Jacksonville (FL) Symphony Orchestra's production of "The Gift of the Magi" on December 4, 2011. The concert included the Symphony's Chamber Orchestra and a Women's Chorale. Jennah is a senior pursuing a BFA in Dance Performance at Jacksonville University.

In Sorrow

Pauline "Polly" Carter Jeffrey, 98, died November 11, 2011 following a period of declining health. She was a homemaker. She is survived by her son, Jim Carter and wife Sandy of Canterbury; her daughter Sally Filteau and husband Gary of Hebron; step-son Edward Jeffrey of Maryland, Step-daughters Jill Janas of Newport, and Grace Nelson of Bristol and Florida; four grandchildren, 16 step-grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Sarah Jean Fox (Cripps), 40, lost her battle with cancer December 9, 2011 surrounded by her family. Sarah joined the Portsmouth Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic in October 2000 and retired in 2011. Sarah's pride and joy was being a mother to her children. She was a member of the Mothers of Multiples twin group. She shared ten years of marriage with her husband Matthew Fox in Canterbury. Sarah is survived by her husband Matthew Fox; her children Patia and twins Alexander and Anika; her two step-children Cassandra and Jacob Fox; her father Gary Cripps; brothers Jonathan Cripps and wife Adina, and Christopher Cripps and wife Sarah; her sister-in-law Katja Fox and husband Tom Zotti; and Renee Fox and husband Rodney Obien; nieces Keelin and Amelia Cripps, nephew and godson Liam Cripps.

Margaret Ann Hilliker, 63, died December 1, 2011 at her home in Canterbury after a period of declining health. She worked for Graphic Packaging as a cost accountant for 42 years before retiring in 2011. Her favorite pastime was gardening. She is survived by her son Douglas Cochrane and wife Joslyn and two grandsons Andrew and Ryan Cochrane of Bellingham, MA; her sister, Mary-Jane Cleveland and husband Dale Nudd and niece Jennifer Cleveland of Concord; and her dearest friend, Lynn Cochran of Loudon.

Primary January 10th

We have a Presidential primary on January 10th. The polls at the old Town Hall will be open from 7:00 am-7:00 pm. If you won't physically be able to get to the polls you can request an absentee ballot from the Town Clerk's office.



Filing Deadlines

Amazingly, we here at the Town office are already thinking about Town meeting although it doesn't seem to make it feel any warmer outside. The filing period for Town elected offices is January 25 through February 3, 2012. Elected offices that will be decided in March are:

Selectman (one seat open)
Town Clerk/Tax Collector
Treasurer
Moderator
Planning Board (two seats open)
Cemetery Committee (one seat open)
Supervisors of the Checklist (one seat open)
Library Trustees (two seats open)
Trustees of the Trust Funds (one seat open)

There are several appointed boards and committees which have terms expiring in March. These positions are appointed by the Board of Selectmen. If you have any interest in these contact the Board of Selectman.

Zoning Board of Adjustment (two seats open)
Conservation Comm. (two seats open plus one alternate)
Planning Board alternate (one seat open)
Agricultural Comm. (three seats open plus one alternate)

This is the preliminary list which will be finalized by the first of the year.

Personnel Changes

The biggest news for the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office, of which most of you are aware of, is the retirement of Cheryl Gordon, I guess 30 years is long enough; although I tried to convince her to stick around for another 30, she wouldn't go for it. We have hired Lisa Carlson to be the new Deputy Clerk, so be sure to welcome her. We appreciate your patience while we both settle in to our new positions. I have loved my time working with Cheryl for many reasons and have always appreciated her effort, through technology and other means, to make it as easy as possible to do business with this office. I hope to continue in this tradition. Lisa and I have big shoes to fill and we will strive to do so.

I hope everyone has a warm January,

~Ben Bynum

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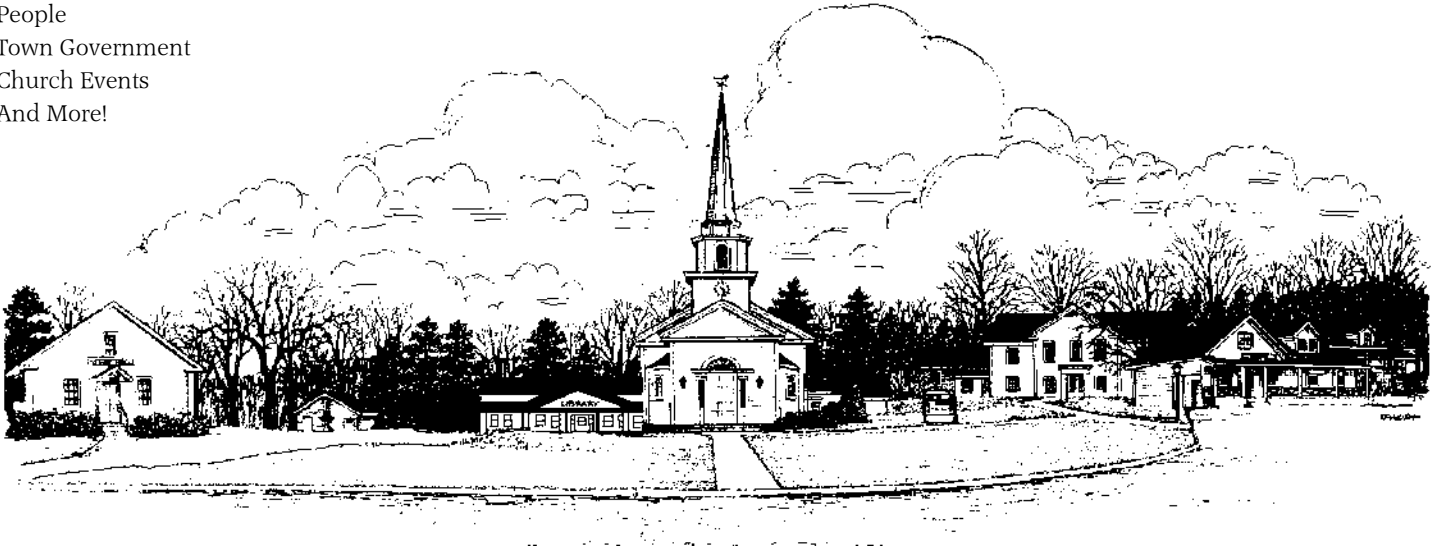
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WELCOME SAM PAPPS!

The Historical Society held its annual meeting on Sunday, November 20th, at which time Sam Papps was elected to serve on the Board of Directors. Sam is 15 years old and is a Canterbury resident having lived on Morrill Road for the past 12 years (he and his family live in Charlie Dean's old house). We first became aware of Sam about 2 years ago when he sought our support in gaining photographs of Canterbury houses and their residents for inclusion in our Archive Collection. Since that time, Sam has demonstrated a remarkable interest in our town and its history. He has been a willing volunteer in many of our endeavors from helping with our Archive recording project, our exhibitions, and the One Room Schoolhouse . Perhaps most remarkably, Sam has written a book chronicling the history of the houses and residents of Morrill Road from the year 1727 to today. Sam continues his work by studying and reporting on the Morrill Family papers, documents, letters and journals.

We are proud to have Sam sit on our Board of Directors because it is an affirmation of his interest in Canterbury History and confirmation of the Board's commitment to involving young people in the Society. We encourage all young people to become involved in what we are doing and would welcome all who wish to participate. On behalf of the Board of Directors I extend our sincere thanks to you, Sam, for your willingness to serve.

~Bob Scarponi, President