

FROM THE PASTOR

Canterbury Community Newsletter

Dear Friends,

As you noticed, we had a minimalist tree lighting in the town center several weeks ago. Last year's Advent season weathered the strands of lights so much that they were not usable. Frayed and worn, they looked ancient, wrinkled, and content to be left in a pile. When plugged in, they refused to blink on.

Question, if symbols stand for something else, and the lights for the tree represent our yearning for light and joy, do they absorb our combined experiences of human life as the weeks go by? Sorry, forgive the pastoral pondering digression.

However, the star that adorns the top of the tree still works, and up it went on December 7. A tree ornament workshop happened beforehand. Then we gathered on the town common, children put their names in a hat, and one was selected to light the tree. With the lone star atop the big fir tree alit, we sang carols. It might not have been as brightly lit a scene as last December, but it was festive and joyful and the light of those who gathered was magnificent.

You know where I'm going with this. The season, dear friends, never did depend on things going well or being just right. In fact, it's because of our yearning for light in a time of gathering darkness that we do this. And, although my idea of strands of lights absorbing our struggle might be fanciful to some of you, we do find the light, love and joy within us this season, no matter how weary and worn we may feel.

This I wish for you, that God's light shine brightly among us for this entire year.

Peace,

Bill

January Month at a Glance - details inside!

Jan. 6th - 4H meeting

Jan. 16 - Transition Canterbury series

Jan. 30 - Graham P. Chynoweth Spelling Bee at CES

Share your People News!

Do you have news you would like to shout from the rooftops? Do you have life events or milestones you want others to know about? If so, contact the newsletter at newslettercanterbury@gmail.com by the fifteenth of each month and we will do our best to include it in the next newsletter!

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AROUND TOWN

LOUDON FOOD PANTRY 724-9731
For aid: 30 Chichester Rd Unit D,
Loudon;
Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 10:00-5:00
Wed 10:00-6:00

106 BEANSTALK 783-4305
Mon.-Sat., 5:30 am - 9:00 pm
Sunday, 5:30 am - 7:00 pm

CANTERBURY STORE 783-9933
Mon.-Sat., 6:30 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday, 8:00 am - 6:00 pm

COBBLE POND FARMS 783-9727
Every day 5:30 am - 9:30 pm

**BROOKFORD FARM STORE
742-4084**
7:00 am to 7:00 pm everyday

POST OFFICE 783-4158
Mon. - Fri., 8:15 am - 5:00 pm
(closed Noon - 1:00 pm);
Sat. 8:30 am - noon

TOWN OFFICES & ORGANIZATIONS

BUILDING INSPECTOR 783-9033
Jim Snyder, Saltcreek@aol.com

DA DUMP 783-9980
Wed., 4:00-7:00 pm, Sat. 8:00 -6:00
canterburySWTS@myfairpoint.net

FIRE PERMITS: See Town website
canterbury-nh.org

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT 783-4123
Road Agent, Jim Sawicki
canterburyhighway@gmail.com

LIBRARY 783-4386
Mon. 2:00-8:00 pm, Tues., 9:00-6:00 pm
Wed. & Thurs., 9:00 am - 8:00 pm
Saturday, 9:00 am - noon

**CANTERBURY POLICE OFFICE
783-0433 (non-emergency)**
Tues.-Fri., 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Concord Police Dispatch
(non-emergency): 228-1010
EMERGENCIES — 911

FIRE DEPARTMENT
Fire Station: 783-4798
Fire Station Fax: 783-8964
Fire Chiefs e-mail:
firechief88@hotmail.com Emergency
Calls: 911

**SELECTMEN'S OFFICE AND
ASSESSOR'S OFFICE 783-9955**
Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
canterburyselectmen@myfairpoint.net
canterburyassessing@myfairpoint.net

**TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR
783-0153 FAX: 783-0501**
Monday, 9 am-3 pm, Tues., 12 pm-7 pm
Thursday, 3 pm - 7 pm
canterburytaxcollect@myfairpoint.net

MONTHLY COMMITTEE MEETINGS
Meet at the Meeting House (MH) unless
otherwise noted

Conservation Commission
2nd Monday, 7:00 pm, MH

Fire & Rescue (at Municipal Complex)
Business Meeting: 1st Mon., 6:30 pm
Officers Meeting: Last Thurs., 7:00 pm
Trainings: All other Mondays, 7:00 pm

Library Trustees
2nd Monday, 7:00 pm, Elkins Library

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

Recycling Committee
1st Tuesday, 6:30 pm, MH

Renewable Energy Committee
Third Tuesday, 7:00 pm, MH

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

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CANTERBURY KIDS LEARNING CENTER is accepting new students. We offer a Preschool program which includes essential learning and social experiences for children in preparation for Kindergarten. We also offer before and after-school care which includes homework help. Both programs provide "educational" games and activities and social interaction with peers. We're located in the Parish House. Please call 783-4370 for information.

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HOW TO PLACE A NEWSLETTER AD

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

LIBRARY NEWS

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Mon. Jan 13 at 7:00.

The library will be open Tues. Dec. 31 from 9-2 and closed Wed. Jan 1 for New Year's Day. We will be closed in observance of Civil Rights Day on Mon. Jan. 20.

During winter storms, closings will be posted on Channel 9 (WMUR). If the public school is closed, the library will be too. I'll do my best to leave a message on the answering machine, but if you're still not sure call Sue (783-4013).

Story Hour is on **Tues. Jan. 7 and 21 at 10:00**. Our themes for January will be snow and winter! Come join us for fun – do a wiggle dance to keep away the winter blahs!

Rock N'Read is a music and movement program for babies and toddlers. 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. How fun! **Tues. Jan. 14 and 28 at 10:00**. We've been having fun trying out new activities with this group including sensory play and storytelling!

Lego Club meets **Tues. Jan. 7 and 21 at 4:00**. Members are welcome to make suggestions and bring idea books for inspiration.

Teen Time Read: **Mon. Jan 13 from 5:30 to 6:30**. Create a delicious recipe and discuss 'Operation Redwood,' by S. Terrell French. Copies are available at the library for grades 6 -9.

Book Group: Tues. Jan. 21st at 7:00. Copies of 'Look to the Mountain,' by LeGrand Cannon, Jr. are available if interested in participating.

Elkins Library Knitters: Resume on Jan. 9 and meet Thursday evenings at 6:30.

Quilters: Tues. mornings from 10 – 1. Bring your project, sewing machines and lunch!

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

Puzzle Swap: All puzzles should be at least 500 pieces and in very good condition.

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

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

Christa McAuliffe Planetarium See Science Center
Currier Museum of Art

Download audio books & e-books! Check out the website <http://nh.lib.overdrive.com> for more details and then contact the **library** if you would like to **register** for this service and receive the required code.

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 new books; book and music CD's and DVD's that are published from 2012 to the present are always appreciated and often added to the collection. Please bring your items in rather than using the book drop.

CES NEWS



The annual CES Graham P. Chynoweth Spelling Bee will be held on Thursday, January 30th at 1:30 in the school gym. The winner of our local Bee will go on to compete with other fifth through eighth grade winners at the NH state level Bee in March. Grade level bees will be held throughout the month of January.

There are three "No School" days in January. School will be closed on Wednesday, January 1st for New Year's Day and on Monday, January 20th in recognition of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. January 24th is a staff in-service day and there will be no school for students.

The NH Department of Education will release the 2012 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. This will be the last time CES students will take the NECAP. The state is transferring to the Smarter Balanced Test that will be administered in the spring of 2015. This will be an adaptive, computerized assessment aligned with the Common Core State Standards. For more information about the Smarter Balanced Test and the Common Core, visit the state web site at www.education.gov.

January Calendar

January 1st	New Year's Day – No School
January 14th	School Board BMS 6:00
January 20th	Martin Luther King Jr. Day – No School
January 28th	School Board BMS 6:00
January 24th	Staff In-Service – No School for Students
January 27th	PTO 6:30
January 30th	Spelling Bee 1:30

AROUND TOWN

Canterbury Benevolent Society

The next meeting of the Benevolent Society will be held on January 8, 2014 at 1 PM in the Parish House. We will be planning our programs for the next year, so if you have any ideas we would welcome them. We will also do our budget for the year and elect our officers. It is important that you attend so we can have your input. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend.

~ *Judy Patterson*

Post Office News

There are two Federal holidays in January. Canterbury Post Office will be closed Wednesday, January 1, New Year's Day. We also will be closed on Monday, January 20, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. On New Year's Eve, December 31, Canterbury Post Office will be open half the day, closing at noon that day. For the rest of the month, we will operate our normal schedule.

The United States Postal Service has approval from the Postal Rate Commission to raise rates on Jan. 26, 2014. The plan is to raise stamp prices to 49 cents for a one ounce letter. All other rates will be affected by this change. The change is subject to Congressional review and modification. At this time, I do not have a chart with postal rates. I should have all of that available by the February newsletter. The good news is, all the Forever stamps will be good after the rate change. You won't notice the new rates until you go to buy more stamps after Jan. 26.

As I am writing this I am listening to reports of a snowstorm coming our way. I wanted to remind people that get mail delivery at their house that they should keep their mailbox clear so that the carriers can deliver the mail without getting out of their vehicles. Those that get their mail at a Post Office Box don't have to worry about this.

Thank you for your support of your local Post Office.

~ *Ted LeClair Postmaster*

Canterbury NH 03224



???Mystery Picture of the month???

Historical Society

Writing of Town History to Move Ahead

About 25 people attended our information meeting held on December 10th. The group discussed the many aspects of updating Lyford's Canterbury History with author/writer Kathryn Grover and publisher Deidre Randall. As a result, the group endorsed the idea that the Society should move ahead with the project. Each year the Society holds a planning session in January to review the past year's work and consider initiatives in the new year. The History Project will be one of the major items on our agenda. Please look for an update in our February report. The Society would like to thank everyone for attending and welcomes anyone who would like to be a part of this exciting project.

Canterbury Through the Years ~ 1900-2000 Exhibit

Our Exhibit in the Elkins Memorial Building is closed for the winter. Due to popular demand and interest, the Society has decided to re-open the show in the new year and keep it open through October to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to view it. We will announce the schedule later. We are seeking docents who would like to greet visitors. Please contact us at canterbury.historical.nh.society@gmail.com or speak to any Society Trustee.

~ *Robert Scarponi*

Tar Sands, Climate Change, and New Hampshire

Tuesday, January 21, 7 PM at the Parish House

Many people know about environmental issues related to the Keystone XL Pipeline, which, if approved, would bring tar sands from Alberta, Canada to refineries on the U.S. Gulf Coast. But did you know about the possible tar sands pipeline through New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine?

Please come to the Parish House at 7 PM on Tuesday, January 21 for an educational presentation and discussion if you'd like to learn more.

This event is sponsored by 350nh.org, a non-profit citizens' group working on the issue of climate change. For information about the program on January 21, please contact Judy Elliott at 783-9830.

Canterbury Planning Board

The meetings originally scheduled for January 14, 2014 and January 28, 2014 will now be held on **January 7, 2014** and **January 21, 2014** at the Meeting House, 7:00 pm.

AROUND TOWN



The 4-H club would like to thank everyone who bought a birdhouse from the club. They would also like to thank Page Poole and Ted West for their donations of wood, supplies, and their time for the birdhouses. The club members created the birdhouses for a fundraiser. The Canterbury Rascals would also like to thank all the people who supported them by coming to the Pancake Breakfast.

This month the kids have been working on projects such as quilting led by Emily Preston and window art led by Cody and Tricia York. The window clings were used to decorate the Parish House windows at the Pancake Breakfast.

Also some of the members are preparing for county events like Food Show and Public Speaking which will be held on February 1.

The next 4-H meeting will be held on January 6th at 6:15, at the Parish House.

Your Reporter,

~ *Olivia Bowser*

The Canterbury Community Market says "Thank You!"

The two indoor markets that were held in November and December were both well attended. The mood was cheerful, the music was good, the fruits and veggies were tasty, and many friends who came with expectations and left with bulging bags. A win-win for the market and our supporters!

Thanks so much to everyone who helps the market in so many ways - the Board members, the vendors, and our faithful shoppers both local and from further afield. 2013 was a successful year, and plans are already underway to make 2014 just as good, if not better.

Be sure to keep in touch through the rest of the snowy months. Look for us at www.ccfma.net, find us on Facebook, or send us an Email at canterburyfarmersmarket@gmail.com

We wish you all a happy and healthy New Year, and may local goodness always find its way to your table.

~ *Beth Blair for the CCFMA*

THANK YOU

We had another successful Canterbury Halloween Night! It is always amazing how everything comes together in the end.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this night happen: George Gendron and the Cub Scout families for watching over the cookie and cider table in the Town Hall; all those who baked sugar cookies and/or donated sprinkles and frosting; all those who donated candy, stickers, pencils, and donations of cash to help purchase candy; Peter Riendeau, Jim Miller, and Jesse Miller who managed all the Boy Scouts for the Spook Walk; Tiffany Cryans for picking up and delivering the cider, Tabatha Burwell and family for delivering pumpkins to the stops and making sure they were lit, and for coordinating the return of the Pumpkin Carving Contest!; The Canterbury Rascals for carving the pumpkins that lighted the way.

This year, the 5th Grade Class of Canterbury Elementary graciously donated all of the pumpkins as part of their learning about community and giving back.

Thank you to those who handed out candy: Emily Preston, Polly Camire, Jim Miller, Heidi Hutchinson, Lisa Carlson, Ben Bynum, Charlie and family, Lee Wald, Mike Bertalone and Maureen, and Rachel Baker.

Thank you to our Spooky Story Readers in the Library, Rick Crockford and Pastor Bill Donaghue.

Also, John and Kiersty Scarponi for roasting marshmallows, helping to purchase candy and supplies, and helping with all sorts of things behind the scenes!

Heidi and Jessica Hutchinson, Josie and Maddie Scarponi, Sophie Miller, and Emma Galonski were all wonderful with helping to decorate and supervise the Not So Spooky House.

We can't forget our Fire Department and Police Department for keeping an eye out for safety.

We do receive a grant from the Canterbury Fund each year which helps cover a portion of the costs. We depend on additional donations of candy, supplies, and volunteers to make this night happen. Almost 200 children participated in this year's event!!!!

Please consider helping out next year. It can be as simple as picking up cider or baking cookies. We absolutely need help with cleaning up after the event!!!! Want to change something? Come join us! It takes a haunted village to do this! We need an official Halloween Committee!! Contact **Laura Crockford at yogaforkids3@gmail.com**.

AROUND TOWN



Transition Canterbury

Apple Pie and Nutritional Gardens:

Transition Canterbury welcomes you to our 2014 monthly series at 7:00 PM January 16 on Nutritious Gardening. Did you know that dark tomatoes, like Black Krim, have far more nutrients than other colors of tomatoes? That dark red varieties of lettuce have more vitamins than pale iceberg? But at the same time, white cauliflower is more nutritious than green broccoli and white peaches are more nutritious than yellow ones? Join our neighbor and food and garden writer Hillary Nelson to talk about the latest research on the most nutritious fruits and vegetables, and planning a garden for maximum health. She'll also be passing out Fedco Seed catalogues for anyone who'd like to join the Canterbury Group Fedco order, which has been saving up to 25% on seed and tuber orders for more than a decade. There will be apple pie for all. For information call Dave Emerson 783 4403.

On February 20 another neighbor, Julie Eades, President of the New Hampshire Community Loan Fund, will speak on the transition to a more cooperative economy. She will have lots to share on how we can use money to uplift us all. In her words: "Money is still one of those resources we have that we can direct through our values, IF we have a way to do it."

March program (date TBA) is being organized by Judy Elliott, a UNH Master Gardener, and will showcase the many ways gardeners in town have been extending their growing season with cold-frames, hoop houses, and greenhouses. Learn what works from your neighbors.

Watch for an announcement in the town email and the Sunday Monitor Town Crier about our new website which will have details about our upcoming events. It will also feature interviews with Canterbury residents who have contributed to our wonderful community. The website will also provide a list of Canterbury businesses (both goods and services) to encourage us to support our neighbors and our community by buying local.

If you would like your local business logo on our website, please contact us at info@TransitionCanterbury.org or call Ruth Heath 783-4401.

We are in the process of creating local trail maps. If you are interested in assisting with this project, please contact us at info@TransitionCanterbury.org.

Snowshoe hike anyone? We are planning to host a couple of snowshoe hikes in Canterbury. When the plans are finalized, we will post the dates, locations and contact information in the Concord Monitor Town Crier as well as the town email.

~ Ruth Heath

Transfer Station and Recycling Center Updates:

PLEASE BE MINDFUL...

When you are filling your green PAYT trash bags: the bags are rated by the manufacturer to hold 20 lbs and 45 lbs of trash respectively. If you are overloading your bags such that you cannot lift them out of your car or carry them over to the truck, please do not expect staff to lift them either. We are only human, and although we try our best to help you with your materials we will not lift far in excess of what is reasonable and safe. All trash should fit inside the green bag, and you should be able to tie it closed; if your trash is sticking out of the top of your green bag by a foot or more then you need to use another bag.

Please do not put ANY electronics or fluorescent bulbs or fluorescent light fixtures in your trash! These are hazardous items. It is ILLEGAL to deposit them in the trash at a transfer station or incinerator and you can be fined up to \$3,000 per offense. We have low-cost and free options for disposing of many items, just ask us!

You might also have seen our sign: Green Bags or Green \$\$\$! Please, also understand that we must charge for trash not in green bags. Even if you are buying new ones, you must pay for what you are throwing away. This is the only way the system remains fair and equitable for all residents. If you have thrown away items and neglected to pay, please be advised that drive-offs and unpaid accounts will be turned over to law enforcement officials for collection. If you are known to us, you may have received a letter asking for payment. If all we have is your vehicle description and license plate then we have no way to contact you regarding outstanding amounts and the only option left to us on seriously overdue accounts is through legal means. If you think you may owe on an account, please contact us and make payment no later than January 31st, 2014. After January 31st, 2014 charges of theft and/or illegal dumping may be charged.

Thank you for another great year of excellent recycling! Through your diligent efforts we again have a stellar (>50%) recycling rate for residents using the transfer station, as well as an active composting program and lots of reuse through treasure-house operations! Bravo to all our great volunteers and residents for such excellent participation!

Adrienne Hutchinson, Canterbury Transfer Station & Recycling Center

"We cannot walk alone. And as we walk, we must make the pledge that we shall always march ahead. We cannot turn back."

~ [Martin Luther King Jr., I Have a Dream: Writings and Speeches That Changed the World](#)

AROUND TOWN

GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Loudon Food Pantry News

Santa' Breakfast and Craft Fair

On December 7th, we had the pleasure of having a table set up at Santa's Breakfast and Craft Fair. Everyone had a great time. There were raffles, food, and fun! Between our own raffle, donations and selling wrist band, key chains, bookmarks, grocery lists and cloth tote bags we received \$111. Thank you LES so much for inviting us again this year!

Gift of Lights at New Hampshire Motor Speedway

So far we have received 4,106.65 pounds of food from the Gift of Lights and it seems to be picking up speed.

Annual Holiday 50/50 Raffle

Our annual raffle is now over. Rick L. of Loudon won \$133.00! Thanks for playing Rick!

Donations Received

I'd like to thank the American Legion Post 88 for their donation of \$250.00. We also received many more donations as well. Thank you all for being so generous!

Our Schedule

We will be open for DONATIONS ONLY on January 2 and January 6 through 9. We will reopen for business as usually on January 13.

Donations Needed

Check out LoudonFoodPantry.org for an updated list of items we need. We will also have printed lists available at the pantry as well.

You can mail or drop off your donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307. But if you find you're not in the neighborhood you can drop off at one of these convenient locations:

Business Accepted	Town	Collection Type
Elkins Library	Canterbury	Food
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
Loudon Post Office	Loudon	Food & Funds
The Hungry Buffalo	Loudon	Food & Funds
Beanstalk	Loudon	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Food & Funds
Loudon Village Country Store		Funds
Body & Spirit Day Spa	Concord	Funds

Thanks,

Sarah, Sue, Bill and Mike

Canterbury Community Farmers Market Annual Meeting

Jan. 14 - All market members invited!

The CCFMA Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 14, at 6:30pm in the Meeting House. All Market Members are invited to attend and vote on new members to the Board of Directors. Want to attend and want to vote but you aren't a member? Come to the meeting and we will be happy to accept your membership! Please note that membership does include a \$25 donation to the market, which helps with advertising, music, programming, expenses, etc.

Thanks to all the members for your support for the previous year, and we look forward to the Annual Meeting and our first step toward planning for an excellent 2014 season!

~ Beth Blair for the CCFMA

Time for New Beginnings

"This is a time for reflection as well as celebration.

As you look back on the past year and all that has taken place in your life,

Remember each experience for the good that has come of it and for the knowledge you have gained.

Remember the efforts you have made and the goals you have reached.

Remember the love you have shared and the happiness you have brought.

Remember the laughter, the joy, the hard work, and the tears.

And as you reflect on the past year, also be thinking of the new one to come.

Because most importantly, this is a time of new beginnings and the celebration of life."

~ Taylor Addison, *Blue Mountain Arts*, 1989

"The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall."

~ Nelson Mandela

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Local hero serves in 20th class of AmeriCorps NCCC

STRAFFORD, N.H. **Colin Evans** of Canterbury recently began a 10-month term of service in the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), an AmeriCorps program. Evans, based out of the regional campus in Denver, is beginning his first projects during the week of November 14.

Founded in 1994, AmeriCorps NCCC is a residential national service program that supports disaster relief, the environment, infrastructure improvement, energy conservation, and urban and rural development. Over the past 20 years, 820,000 Americans have served over 1 billion hours across the family of AmeriCorps programs. Currently, about 80,000 people serve in AmeriCorps programs nationwide each year, about 2,500 of whom serve with AmeriCorps NCCC.

Evans arrived at his regional campus in late October to begin training. This training, which prepared him for 10 months of full-time service with AmeriCorps NCCC, emphasized teamwork, leadership development, communication, service learning, and certification by the American Red Cross.

As a Corps Member, Evans will be responsible for completing a series of six- to eight-week-long service projects as part of a 10- to 12-person team. Their first service projects will end on December 19, at which time his teams will break for the winter holidays and begin a new project in a new location in January.

Fifty-six teams composed of over 600 Corps Members and Team Leaders began service projects in November throughout the Pacific and Southwest regions, based in Sacramento and Denver respectively. Some of these projects include providing services to homeless clients at Sacramento Loaves and Fishes, completing environmental restoration projects in Death Valley National Park, supporting a nature reserve in Missouri and a children's hospital in Arkansas, and assisting with flood recovery in northern Colorado, among others.

Before joining the NCCC, Evans attended Bishop Brady High School and Plymouth State University, where he studied Psychology. Evans said, "I chose to commit to a term of national service to gain experience working with others and to learn about the needs people require outside my state." **Colin is the son of John and Deborah Evans.**

AmeriCorps NCCC members, all 18 to 24 years old, complete at least 1,700 hours of service during the 10-month program. In exchange for their service, they receive \$5,550 to help pay for college. Other benefits include a small living stipend, room and board, leadership development, team building skills, and the knowledge that, through active citizenship, they can indeed make a difference. AmeriCorps NCCC is administered by the Corporation for National and Community Service. For more information about AmeriCorps NCCC, visit the website at www.americorps.gov/nccc.