

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Thirty years ago a dear friend gave us a nativity set. Hand-carved images of Mary, Joseph, the infant Jesus, and a hovering angel, each image finely cut and less than 2 inches high, are contained in clear glass. It's a fragile piece, and a soft, velvet pouch contains it for most of the year. My friend bought it from Germany for her parents when they downsized from a large house to an apartment in downtown Chicago. She inherited it upon their deaths. In 1986 she gifted it to us.

We cherish this little set. Its small, fragile nature conveys the intimacy embodied in us as we remember the birth of Jesus. Aren't the most important things in our lives like this? The things that make us stop, catching our breath or sighing deeply no matter what our age may be, tend to be small and fragile. We are apt to say that we carry them in our hearts, memories of tender moments in times past, times of overcoming adversity and surviving, or events so fraught with overwhelming emotion, even love, that we lack the words to say aloud.

With no need to explain, we somehow sense that this time of year captures that feeling for us.

It is, indeed, a sense of timelessness that comes to us as the daylight dwindles and the nights lengthen.

I nearly always feel prompted to find a way to sit still and appreciate the ways of love in my life. This year our son, Sam, and his wife, Catherine, will travel to be with us for Christmas. We'll be at the later Christmas Eve Service in Canterbury. Catherine will capture nighttime photos to send immediately to her parents in Brisbane, Australia, connecting us all. There will be days to sit and be with each other. I never take a moment of it for granted, because I do realize, in so many ways, that our lives and the love that binds them are as fragile as my friend's miniature nativity scene, but also strong enough to last through all manner of difficulties that life offers.

May the blessings of the infant Jesus, God with us, be with you all as we enter this New Year.

May we not take any moment of our life shared for granted.

Peace be with you,

Bill

Happy New Year!

As we begin this new year of 2016, we encourage our readers to contribute articles of interest, people news, happenings in our community. We would only ask that the articles submitted are not of a political nature. Articles should be sent to email address newslettercanterbury@gmail.com by the 15th of the month for the upcoming month's newsletter.

~ Denise Sojka and Laura Crockford

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FIRE DEPARTMENT
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canterburyfire@canterbury-nh.org
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ASSESSOR'S OFFICE 783-9955**
Mon., Wed., & Fri., 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
selectmen@canterbury-nh.org
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Monday, 9 am-3 pm, Tues., 12 pm-7 pm
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taxcollector@canterbury-nh.org
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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
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More classifieds on page 7

CHURCH NEWS

Canterbury Benevolent Society

The next meeting of the Benevolent Society will be on Wednesday, January 13, 2016 at 1 pm in the Parish House. This is an important meeting as we will be planning our programs for 2016, so come with some good ideas. Hostesses will be Ann Fifield and Denise Sojka. All are welcome to attend as our purpose is to reach all families in our community and the world.

~ Judith Patterson

Courageous Exploring Scholars Update

**Courageous Exploring Scholars News
reported by Adam Holmes, Collin O'Brien, and Liam Waldron**

In the past two months, the Courageous Exploring Scholars practiced two skits. One was based on the book A Walk in the Rain With a Brain. The other skit was based on having a growth mindset. We performed the skits for our parents, then, there was a time for discussion.

We have been talking about fixed mindsets versus growth mindsets. People with a fixed mindset often see things in one way and don't feel they can change. People with a growth mindset work on seeing things in different ways and feel they can practice and try new ways to see and do things to get better and better at them. People with a growth mindset know the power of "YET" and know they may not know how to do something "YET", but they will work on it now.

Here are two examples of people's ideas:
fixed mindset: "I am not good at this."
growth mindset: "This may take some time and effort."
fixed mindset: "I'll never be as smart as you."
growth mindset: "I'm going to figure out how you do it, and then try it!"

This December our team has been working in Literature Circles. We had two groups of 5 or 6 people and one teacher for each book. The books we read were A Carpenter's Gift, Silver Packages, An Orange For Frankie, Favor Johnson, and The Gift. We each had jobs to do. They were Artful Artist, Passage Picker, Discussion Director, Summarizer, Connector, and Word Wizard. After we read and discussed the books, each group did a project on the book we read and then presented it to the whole team. Some groups did skits, some did book covers, some even did sculptures of a scene with Legos. The books all share the theme of being kind, giving a special gift, and being a good citizen. If you have read one of these books that is great, but if you have not, I suggest that you do!

CES NEWS



The annual CES Graham P. Chynoweth Spelling Bee will be held on Thursday, January 21st at 1:30 in the school gym. The winner of this Bee will go on to compete with other fifth through eighth grade school winners at the NH State Bee which is held in Concord in March. Other grade level bees will be held throughout the month of January and the winners will be announced in the February newsletter.

CES grade 3 students were very grateful to receive personal dictionaries from the Friendship Grange No. 110 in Northfield NH. These gifts are presented in cooperation with the Dictionary Project, which is financed by Grange fundraising events, and is part of the national "Words for Thirds" program developed by The Dictionary Project of Charleston, S.C. To date, Granges across the nation have donated over 100,000 dictionaries. The idea of this program is to aid third grade teachers in their goal to see all their students leave at the end of the year as good writers, active readers and creative thinkers.

Shaker Regional School District will hold two Public Hearings on the 2016-2017 budget early in February. The first will be held at Canterbury Elementary School on Tuesday, February 2nd and the second will take place on Wednesday, February 3rd at Belmont Middle School. Both meetings will begin at 6:00 P.M.

The CES Personalized Learning Team will present an informational meeting on Tuesday January 19th at 6:00 PM, in the school gym. The topic will be "Proficiency Scales," a continuum of simpler, target and complex goals that students work toward sequentially. This organization of learning goals allows students to work at their own pace and to their individual potential. Parents and interested community members are encouraged to attend.

There will be no school on January 1st, New Year's Day. Classes will resume on Monday, January 4th. There will also be no school on January 18th, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, and January 22nd, a district staff in-service day.

January Calendar

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| January 1st | New Year's Day – No School |
| January 4th | Classes Resume |
| January 12th | School Board BMS 6:00 |
| January 18th | Martin Luther King Jr. Day – No School |
| January 21st | Spelling Bee 1:30 |
| January 22nd | Staff In-Service – No School for |
| Students | |
| January 25th | PTO 6:30 |

~ Mary Morrison

LIBRARY NEWS

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on Mon. Jan 11 at 7:00.

The library will be open Thurs. Dec. 31 from 9-3 and on Saturday January 2 from 9-12. We will be closed in observance of Civil Rights Day on Mon. Jan. 18.

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. 5 and 19 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! We usually have something fun and healthy to eat and always a craft or activity!

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. 12 and 26 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. 5 and 19 at 4:00**. Members are welcome to make suggestions and bring idea books for inspiration. This is a drop in and out club – no sign up is necessary!

NEW: SENSORY STORY TIME – We are interested in finding out if there is any interest in this NEW program! This story time is designed for children 2 and up with autism spectrum disorders, sensory integration issues and other developmental disabilities. Please let us know if you are interested!

1000 Books Before Kindergarten! The single most important thing you can do to prepare your child to read independently is to read to them every day. Congratulations to Winnie Leiding and Alexa Marshall who just turned in their first certificate after reading 100 books! Keep up the great reading!

Young Readers Book Group: we are trying something fun and different for **Mon. Jan. 25** at 3:15pm. The members of this dynamic (and energetic) group are going to share books that they love.

NEW! TAG! (Teen Advisory Group): Recommend books and movies you'd like to see at the library, brainstorm and plan your own programs, explore Maker Space and eat pizza! Ages 13 and up. **Mon. Jan. 25 at 6:30 pm**.

The Zen of Adult Coloring: We have so many interesting people attending this adult program. Bring a friend, practice meditation and mindfulness; enjoy some refreshments while coloring relaxing designs with markers and colored pencils. Every Thursday in January at 1:30.

Book Group: Tues. Jan. 19 at 7:00. Copies of the national best seller, *Americannah* by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie are available for those interested in participating.

NEW! OMBBC (Old Man Boring Book Club) Join us for reviews of the latest history and biography books available at Elkins Library. The club consists of several 'mature' adults from the community with varied backgrounds including retired schoolteachers, a local historian, veterans from the Navy and Air Force and the current Town Administrator. Beginning Thurs. Feb. 4, this group will meet the first Thurs. of each month at 7:00.

Elkins Library Knitters: Resumes on Jan. 13 and meet Wednesday evenings at 6:30.

Quilters: Wednesday 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. There is always a puzzle set up to work on in the library. Have a cup of coffee or tea on us and help finish the puzzle!

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:

SEE Science Center – Manchester

Currier Museum of Art – Manchester

Christa McAuliffe Planetarium –Concord

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 2014 to the present are always appreciated and often added to the collection. Please bring your items in rather than using the book drop.

Friends of Elkins Public Library meeting:

The Friends of Elkins Public Library (FOEPL) will meet on January 21, 2016, 7 pm, in the library. Please come — all are welcome! Refreshments will be served.

AROUND TOWN

Canterbury 4H Rascals

Thank you to all the people who came to the Pancake Breakfast, and who purchased scarves, coasters, and trivets. Upcoming projects are paper making and county events (Food show, Public Speaking, Posters)

Our next meeting will be on Monday January 4, at 6:30 PM at the Parish House.

~ Claire Crockford, Reporter

It recently came to the attention of the Canterbury Rascals 4H Club leader that the sealant we used on the coasters and trivets we made and sold did not protect against water. A wet glass on the coaster (or trivet) will cause the underlying ink to disappear. We have been testing various products and have found that an EXTERIOR sealant will work. We have used Minwax indoor/outdoor spar urethane and Krylon Clear Coat Spray Paint and both protected the ink when the pieces subsequently got water on them.

If you purchased coasters or trivets from our club you can do one of three things:

1. If you have any exterior clear sealant at home, put a coat on the coasters and dry according to directions before use.
2. Bring them to one of our contacts below and they will be spray coated and returned to you. (There is a 24 hour dry time period)
3. You can return them for a full refund.

We also decided to test for heat since the trivets will likely support a hot dish, and the coaster may be used with a coffee mug/cup of tea, etc. The sealant peels off when a hot dish is placed on it. A warm dish will leave a mark. We have tested a heat resistant product but unfortunately it smudges the ink. For this reason, we recommend NOT using either product with hot dishes/pots/cups. They can be used to hold items that are cold or room temperature only. Again, if you want to return these products for a full refund, you may.

You can contact Donna Miller, 126 Baptist Rd. 783-0220 donna@petalsinthepines or if you are in the Shaker Rd. area contact Louise Beaudette. 46 Blue Boar Lane, 708-1009, jbeaudette45@hotmail.com. For the Ayers Road/Northfield area, contact Laura Crockford 540-9877 yogaforkids3@gmail.com

We are very sorry for this inconvenience to you, especially since we know many of these beautiful crafts are intended as Christmas gifts.

January at Canterbury Shaker Village

Canterbury Shaker Village kicks off 2016 with a series of three mini home gardening workshops in partnership with the Concord Food Co-op. The series includes Growing Shoots & Sprouts at Home on January 26; Starting Seeds, Direct Sowing & Transplanting Your Own Veggie Garden on February 20 and Implementing a Permanent Raised Bed System on April 23. Individual workshops are \$15 for Village and Concord Food Co-op Members, \$20 for non-members.

Interested participants can sign-up for all three before January 22 (or until sold out) and receive an additional discount or pick the one(s) that interest you most. Space is limited to 20 participants per workshop, so register early! www.shakers.org.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

CANTERBURY 20TH CENTURY PROJECT IS AT 84 % OF GOAL!

We are pleased to report that at Newsletter press time, our fundraising efforts, which will lead to the publication of Canterbury's 20th century history, have reached \$63,960.00 or 84% of our goal of \$75,000. The History Finance Committee, headed by Tyson Miller, is very optimistic that our goal will be met through various fundraising events planned over the next several months.

The Town History book Committee has been working with Kathryn Grover, our writer, as she develops the first outline for the history which is scheduled to be delivered in January. All involved, the Society's Trustees, the Finance Committee and the Book Committee will be planning and assisting in many activities in order to reach our final goal.

Watch for announcements in upcoming Newsletters. On behalf of all, a big thank you as we enter the final stretch!

~ Robert Scarponi

Come Sing with Us!

Friday, January 8, 7PM

Quaker Meetinghouse, 11 Oxbow Pond Rd

The Quaker Meeting is hosting a monthly 'Song Circle' on the first Friday of each month at 7pm. However, because January's first Friday is a holiday (Jan 1st), we will hold the January Song Circle on Friday, January 8.

Song Circles are sing-a-long events where everyone gets a chance to request or teach or lead a song. Instrument accompaniments are welcome! Ruth Heath and Ruth Smith will be 'leading' the group informally. We'll use Rise Up Singing songbooks and the new Rise Again songbook; bring yours, or borrow one for the evening. (Some Rise Again books are available for sale for \$20 - a nice Christmas gift!)

Bring a little finger food or drink (non-alcoholic) to share, and prepare to raise your voice and spirits! In the words of the the creators of Rise Up Singing "singing with others builds community, creates hope and resilience, and empowers people to make the world a better place for all of us and future generations." Looking forward to singing together with you! Contact Ruth Heath, 724-4343 for more information or with questions.

As always, all are welcome to our weekly worship at 10am on Sundays. We are an 'unprogrammed' Meeting for Worship but do have a 15 minute singing period from 10-10:15am followed by an hour of worship (and the children have an hour of religious education program during adult Worship). Again, if you have questions or wish more information, contact Ruth Heath or Greg Heath at 724-4343 or 783-4401.

IN SORROW

Frank Joseph Kerwin passed away peacefully on December 7, 2015 surrounded by his family and friends. Born in St. Paul, August 4, 1941, he attended the University of Minnesota, earning a BA in English. He served in the U.S. Army and had lived in San Diego for many years.

An avid outdoorsman, Frank was also a gifted storyteller, a lover of classical music, literature and poetry. He cherished his visits to Canterbury.

He was the brother of Mary Kerwin (Paul Lepesqueur) and uncle of Tom (Justine) Lepesqueur and Ben (Lorelei) Lepesqueur. He is survived by his daughter, three siblings, grandchildren and numerous cousins and friends.

William Colburn passed away unexpectedly November 29, 2015. He is survived by his beloved wife, Mary, to whom he was married for 63 years, and his four children William, David, Andrea, and Thomas.

Bill enjoyed discussing religious and political topics, researching family genealogy, reading and gardening. He was especially proud of his 13 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Bill received his bachelor's degree from Northeastern University and was employed for many years at the department of Health & Human Services. He served in the Civilian Public Service and the Ma. National Guard.

Thank you for all the caring visits, cards, flowers, and food given to me since Bill's passing. Canterbury people are very special.

~ Mary Colburn

PEOPLE NEWS



College Acceptances

Congratulations to our home town seniors on their recent college acceptances.

Emily Ennis – Plymouth State, Elizabethtown College, Quinnipiac University

Nina Papps – Plymouth State, UNE

Ben Van Cleave – Franklin Pierce, Colby Sawyer, Castleton

Justyce Oteri – Curry College

LOUDON FOOD PANTRY



Thanksgiving Boxes

Our final total for Thanksgiving Boxes that were given out was 76. We'd like to thank Meadow Ledge Farm for their apple donation again this year. It's always wonderful to add fresh produce to our baskets. Thank you to all our donors for their contributions to our baskets.

Turkey Trot

We received 654 food and personal care items from the Turkey Trot. Thank you!

Boy Scouts of Loudon

We received 1,259 food and personal care items from the Boy Scouts of Loudon. Thank you!

Gift of Lights

So far this year, we have received 5,179.65 pounds of food from Gift of Lights at the NH Motor Speedway. This is 940.85 pounds more than last year at this time and it's not over yet. Gift of Lights runs until January 2, 2016. Thank you!

All donations, big and small, help to support our current needs but also are needed to sustain us during the spring, summer and fall months when donations are at their lowest. Thank you for giving us the support we need which allows us to do what we do!

Annual 50/50 Raffle Fundraiser – November 1st through to December 15th

This raffle has come to a close for this year. We sold \$145 in raffle tickets. Our goal of \$200 was missed by \$55. We'll try again next year. The lucky winner is Noriel W. with the winnings of (insert drum roll here)...\$72.50. Congratulations Noriel and thanks for playing.

On another note...Santa's Breakfast...

As in prior years Loudon Food Pantry was invited to Santa's Breakfast again this year. On a personal note, my daughter and I were moving from one apartment to another. We had been moving for two weeks (around our work schedule) and also giving out Thanksgiving Boxes at the food pantry as well. We completed moving the Friday night before Santa's Breakfast around 10 p.m. I had every intention of being at Santa's Breakfast but slept through my alarm and when I did wake up I was very sick.

With that being said, my sincere apologies to the coordinators of Santa's Breakfast and to anyone that expected to see Loudon Food Pantry there. We enjoy this event and look forward to it each year. I hope that Loudon Food Pantry receives an invite again next year. (I don't plan on moving again for another ten years, at least).

Thank you, Sue

These college acceptances are reported on in the daily Belmont High School bulletin. If you would like to share your news, be it elementary school, middle school, high school, college, please send it to newslettercanterbury@gmail.com.

~ Denise Sojka

AROUND TOWN

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

As 2016 is upon us, I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that your Canterbury Police Department has had a busy 2015. I would like to let everyone know that from January 01, 2015 to December 15, 2015, which was the deadline for this article, the Police Department covered 33 Motor Vehicle Accidents, had 52 Arrests, answered 981 Calls For Service, issued 116 Citations (which includes warnings) and had 103 Investigations.

I would also like to let you know that in order to reach a police officer you need to call 228-1010 which is our 24 hour dispatch line. If it is an emergency, 911 is the best way. As far as the 783-0433 number, that is for business such as requesting reports, pistol permits, or looking to leave a message for a particular officer by listening to the automated prompts.

As always, your Police Department wants to wish you happy and safe travels and hope that 2016 is a good year for all of you.

~ Sgt. Ernest L. Beaulieu Jr.

From the Tax Collector/Town Clerks Office

For those of you who haven't paid their taxes yet, please remember that interest is accruing on a daily basis, so please check the website canterbury-nh.org or call us before sending in a final payment.

If you are physically unable to vote at the primary and need an absentee ballot, please submit a request for each person requesting one. Each request should include the date, signature and if you are undeclared, which ballot you would like and the address where the ballot should be sent.

Please remember that the voter ID law is still in effect for all elections. If you have any questions please ask.

For those wishing to run for elected Town offices the filing period is January 20th - 29th during the hours of the Town clerk.

See you at the polls,

~ Ben Bynum, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

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!

Newslettercanterbury@gmail.com

RECYCLING CENTER NEWS

Thank you for a relatively smooth Holiday season at the recycling center! So many of you took the time to sort your recycling really well, a daunting task with many parties and out-of-town guests, but it makes a big difference in keeping our recycling rate up, and the trash and corresponding costs down! So thank you so much for another great year of recycling- look for the final figures in the town report.

I just want to remind you all that we still need to be vigilant in keeping contaminants out of the trash, as I write this I can see a pile of contaminants I just pulled out of a load of trash today- including paint, corrosives, live ammunition, antifreeze, turpentine, electronics, radioactive materials, and pesticide. PLEASE understand that you are responsible if you are delivering it, even if you didn't load it up! You can expect black bags to be searched by staff before they go into the truck, we are still experiencing illegal dumping of hazardous materials; black bags from garage, shop, and barn clean-outs are almost always the culprits. Remember to ask if you aren't sure what to do with unusual items and liquids, we are happy to help make sure everything is recycled responsibly, for our own safety and yours.

We have also had contaminants in the brush pile: absolutely NO dead animals. NO painted or treated wood. NO stumps, and no loads of leaves are to go in the brush pile. We cannot legally burn these items and have to close access until we can remove contaminants, as we did in November, and this is an inconvenience and expense to everyone.

Again, thanks for a great year of recycling; I look forward to improving and augmenting our waste and recycling programs at the facility in 2016, with the help of so many dedicated environmentally-conscious residents, it continues to be a pleasure.

~ Adrienne M. Hutchinson

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The Dec. 12th Canterbury Community Farmers Market was GRAND!

Thanks to everyone who took the time on a busy Saturday in December to support the indoor market at the CES gym. Over 100 people came and shopped, and visited, and laughed, and sampled, and filled their bags, and bought Christmas gifts of both the edible and wearable kind, and listen to the always satisfying music of Tim Gurshin, and helped our local farmers and bakers and tappers and soap makers to keep on doing what they do so well!

Special thanks to everyone who donated to "Mary Ellen's Basket", the charitable giving program sponsored by the market. If you have a moment, PLEASE check out the color photos on our Facebook page, or check out the post on our website www.ccfma.net. You will be happily amazed at the amount of local goodness that was donated to a Canterbury family to help make their holiday, and quite a few days before and after, so much more healthful, tasty, and filling. There were eggs and syrup and bread and meat and pie and veggies....and a special visit from Ollie Fifield, loving husband to Mary Ellen, who contributed to the basket as well! THANKS again for helping to share the wealth of goodness from our farms and fields and community.

We look forward to the cold and quiet months ahead to start planning the 2016 market season. Mark your calendars — Opening Day is Wednesday, June 8, from 4-6:30pm in our traditional spot snuggled between the Elkins Library and Historic Town Hall. Get ready for an extra special summer schedule because this year we are celebrating our 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!!