

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As many of you know, after falling and hitting my head on the ice on January 12, I have been engaged in diagnostic evaluations and treatment for a grade 3 brain concussion. That process continues. However, cognitive deficits from this injury prevent me from doing the most elemental parts of my work with you.

For instance, I cannot drive, or concentrate for longer than 15 minutes. I cannot sit through a worship service, never mind devote the 20 or more hours per week to prepare a service. If you begin to share an important story of your life in conversation with me, I will forget within 15 minutes what you told me at the beginning. I cannot read more than 10 minutes continuously. Putting myself in settings with large amounts of people, bright lights, and loud noise, i.e. the sort of place in which I usually thrive, will slow or prevent my recovery. These are a few of the limits that govern my daily life. There are more, just as limiting.

I am beginning the phase of rebuilding my capacity. I am blessed with gifted physicians who know me well, know my pre-injury level of ability. I am under the care of neurologists at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston, who have known me fifteen years and who specialize in this field of post-concussion recovery. All the medical care I have received locally, especially from my primary care physician, is superb. I am assured that I may recover completely, if I follow their careful instructions. Believe me, I am struck by all of them separately talking to me in direct, clear tones of voice, that I must be still and do what I'm told.

However, I am also told that if all goes well, given the severity of the injury and my age, it will be 6-12 months before I am recovered. For this primary reason, it saddens me deeply to say that I am resigning from the position of being your pastor. The Rev. Gary Schulte, Conference Minister of the NH Conference, United Church of Christ, has begun meeting with our Church Council to guide the congregation in the search process of new pastoral leadership.

You are a remarkable congregation and community in Canterbury. You deserve a pastor who can be with you, present to you all in the ways that truly matter. I have always been grateful and overwhelmed by the blessing of being asked to be your pastor since September 2012. It has been a healing experience to be with you, in all manner of life circumstances. You continue to care for us since my injury, with prayers, notes, cards, and an abundance of food. I know you think of Karen and me, as I think of you, every day. I will never forget your loving kindness and generosity. You embody the grace of God.

Perhaps there will be time in the future for us to meet. Until then, here is a favorite passage of mine from the Gospel of John 21:18 (I keep getting opportunities to understand it, being a slow learner.)

"... when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go."

There is much more to say, but for now,

Grace and peace be with you, dear friends,

Bill

2017 WHAT NOT SALE NEWS!!!!!!!

GOOD NEWS! This year's What Not Sale will be hosted in the RED BARN, 11 Kimball Pond Road, during the Sam Lake House renovation.

Tom and Emily Perlet have graciously offered to let us use their beautiful barn while the Town Hall is full of town office use this year.

THANK YOU, TOM AND EMILY!!!!!! And welcome to Canterbury!

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MONTHLY MEETINGS
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Otherwise noted
CONSERVATION COMMISSION
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(at Municipal Complex)
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HOW TO PLACE A NEWSLETTER AD

The deadline is the 16th 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 16th!

CHURCH NEWS

Holy Week

Palm Sunday, Festival of the Palms, April 9, 10 a.m. Join us for this day of remembering Jesus' entry into Jerusalem for the Passover Feast.

Maundy Thursday, April 13, 7 p.m. Tenebrae Service with Communion, in the Parish House. This ancient Christian service remembers the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples. Communion is celebrated. Readings of the last hours of Jesus' life are read by Confirmation Class members and High School students. After each reading a candle is extinguished, with a dark stillness in the room at the end. In the dim light attenders leave in silence. Yearly attenders often say this is the most meaningful liturgy of the year for them.

Easter Sunday, Sunrise Service at 6 a.m. at the eastern edge of Shaker Village, the usual location. Dress warm, bring blankets. This is always an important gathering in community, and reflects truly the stark simplicity of the first Easter morning.

Easter Worship, in the church sanctuary, 10 a.m., with full choir, the adorning of the cross with flowers, a joyful celebration of new life in Christ.

SAVE THE DATE!

JUNE 3, 6:00 P.M. PARISH HOUSE CUCC AUCTION OF GOODS AND SERVICES!

How would you like a fly-fishing lesson from a Canterbury neighbor? Or a house call from an expert with advice on making your garden grow? How about giving your car the spa treatment with a professional reconditioning?

These are the first donations -- with many more to come! -- for a community auction of goods and services planned for June 3rd to benefit the Canterbury church. We've done this once or twice in the past, and it's been great fun. There are so many talented people in town with goods or services to offer!

Donating to the auction is a terrific way to promote your business. As an individual, you'll find that donating your time or talents leaves you feeling good about connecting with your neighbors -- and what could be better than that? (Aside, maybe, from landing a bargain in the auction!) If you'd like to make a donation, please let one of us know -- the sooner, the better.

Is there something you'd especially like to see offered in the auction? Let us know that too, and we'll see what we can do.

Look in next month's newsletter for more details!

Thanks!

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The Cross

Once again, the Diaconate of CUCC will have the large wooden cross in our sanctuary towards the end of Lent. On Easter Sunday during worship, we'll adorn the cross with fresh flowers, and the cross will be placed by the lamppost just outside the church following the service.



2017 CUCC Youth Group Sponsored Easter Breakfast

Come one, come all to the annual Easter Breakfast! Spend the morning with your friends and neighbors enjoying a hearty and delicious meal before celebrating the rest of your holiday! Whether you join us directly from the sunrise service, or before the 10 am service, or just for a great meal, we will have plethora of breakfast buffet items, prepared and served up by some of Canterbury's finest youth. Details are as follows:

Date: Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

Where: Parish House

Time: 7:30-9:30 am

Cost:

Seniors (65+) and Children (6-9) \$3.00

Children 5 and under are free

Ages 10-64 \$5.00

Families \$15.00

Wanting to make a donation of food or funds? Please contact Polly Camire at 783-8374 (before 9 pm)

CUCC has a Website! canterburychurch.org

CUCC has a new website, thanks to AJ Vincelli. It will be populated with all things church and community related. Check it out! It's wonderful!

Healing prayer vigilance for Bill Donoghue April 23rd, Sunday, at Canterbury United Community Church

The church will be open from 4 to 6 p.m. Please come and meditate and pray. If you are not able to be there in person, please take time wherever you may be to send healing prayers to Bill.

Thank you, the Diaconate of CUCC

AROUND TOWN

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

SPECIAL PROGRAM AND ANNUAL MEETING APRIL 30TH

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, April 30 at 1 P.M. at the Parish House when the Society will be hosting a presentation by Mark Stevens entitled, "I've Been Working on the Railroad". After Mark's presentation, everyone will be invited to go over to the Elkins Memorial Building where an exhibit will display items relating to Mark's presentation. A short business meeting will precede the program. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be served.

ONE ROOM SCHOOL HOUSE BEGINS

The elementary school was the scene of this year's kick-off for the program which will focus on the year 1917. It began with an assembly where several women picketed and protested for the right to vote. President Woodrow Wilson (Chuck Sanborn) was there and supervised their arrest! Along with women's suffrage, other features of the day included a presentation of a Buster Keaton silent film by Jeff Rapsis, a movie expert, who not only provided information, but also music accompaniment to the film on his keyboard. Donna Miller presented a program about home remedies needed at a time when doctors were not so available. Mark Stevens presented a program about journals written by Canterbury residents at the time, "Lumbering in Canterbury" featured Robert Spoerl who is an expert on the history of sawmills in N.H. Kristen Doucette and parent volunteers presented a program on Exercise and Entertainment popular during the period. The children rotated through all the presentations so everyone had a chance to experience 1917 in a very special way. Thanks to teacher Karen Gingrich and the entire staff for their help and support. It was a great day!

SCANNER PURCHASED

We have purchased a scanner that will allow us to copy and place in the archives photographs, documents and other materials for preservation and eventual computer access. We are now in the process of setting it up.

TOWN HISTORY PROJECT

The Book Committee continues to make progress in this major project! The dust jacket design has been reviewed and approved. The book lay-out is in design. Page proofs of the manuscript are being reviewed by Kathryn Grover and Mark Travis with any changes sent back for correction. Peter Randall Publisher will make all corrections and generate a second page proof which will be given to the indexer. We will receive the index for approval, provide our approval, and the book will be given to the printer in late April. The printer will provide a printer's proof for approval to us. The corrected printer's proof will then be printed with arrival of the new bound history targeted for June 1! We will announce ordering arrangements in the May Newsletter.

~ Robert Scarponi

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Legislative Listening Session

State Representatives **Howard Moffett** and **Mike Moffett** (Merrimack District 9) and **Howard Pearl** (Merrimack District 26) invite Canterbury and Loudon residents to a "Legislative Listening Session" at the Canterbury Meeting House (next to the Library) on Saturday morning, April 22, from 10 to 11:30 am. It's an opportunity to discuss past and pending state legislative issues with your state legislators, and let them know what's on your mind. Coffee and doughnuts will be served.

CONGRATULATIONS

DESTINATION IMAGINATION

Congratulations to the BHS Destination Imagination (DI) team: **H. LaVallee**, Grace Shaw, Ian Cluette, Kelly Hayes for taking 1st place in the Improvisational Challenge. The team will be advancing to the State competition on April 1st.

DI is designed to help students gain knowledge and experience in areas including creative and critical thinking, project management, team building, conflict resolution, STEM, perseverance and a completion mindset.

During the tournament, the team competed in the improvisational team challenge as well as an instant challenge. For the Improvisational Challenge, the team is given a story prompt, a stock character and a performance genre on which to base a story and they do not know what they are until they enter the performance area. Instant Challenges are team-building activities that must be solved in a short period of time and account for 25% of the team's overall score. They don't know what the challenge is or what the materials are until they enter the room and receive the instructions by the judges.

Great Job, team – outstanding teamwork!

CONGRATULATIONS TO CANTERBURY SENIORS COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Kelsey Scott - Merrimack College

Nicholas Keifer - Lakes Regional Community College

Johannes Shepard, son of Peter Shepard, was accepted to Norwich University, Vermont. They are currently living in Cairo, Egypt, but will be returning to Canterbury.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Library Trustees will meet on Mon. April 10 at 7:00.

Rock N'Read: is a music and movement program for babies and toddlers. Come join the fun on Tues. **April 11 and 25 at 10:00.** We enjoy fun songs and stories each time we meet. We have an age appropriate craft at the end of our programs.

STORY HOUR: Join us on Tues. **April 4 and 18 at 10:00.** The themes this month are Springtime and National Library Week! We have had record attendance numbers in the last few months. You are using your library! Thank you!

LEGO CLUB: Tues. **April 4 and 18 from 4:00-5:00.** This is a "drop in" club that requires no sign up. We have had a recent donation of MORE Legos, enough to keep at least 25 kids busy building each time we meet.

MAKER SPACE: Each month we feature a different activity! Join us every Mon. and Tues. after school to play after your homework is complete. This month we bring out PlayDoh because it's just SO much fun.

YOUNG READER'S CLUB: Mon. **April 17 at 3:15.** Grades 4-6 grade readers meet for fun every month. Come be involved in this BIG group – join in an ice breaker activity and learn more about each other. This month we will enjoy a big plate of nachos!

TAG: Teen Advisory Group: Mon. **April 17 at 6:00.** Each month features great discussion and food – come enjoy a plate nachos in April.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten. Studies show that reading to your baby is the most important thing you can do. Come in for a chart and some stickers. If you complete a chart showing that you have read 100 books and turn it in to Mrs. Baker – the next time you come to the library, there will be a present waiting for you!

APRIL SCHOOL VACATION!

Big Truck Day 2016! It's that time again! Our annual Big Truck Day! Come have a fun day of climbing on trucks, fun activities, Legos and a hot dog cookout! Arrive at **11 am** for the fun on **Thurs. April 27!**

OMBBC (Old Man Boring Book Club) Not just for men! **Thurs. April 6 at 7pm.** The club consists of several 'mature' adults from the community with varied backgrounds that will review the latest history and biography books available at Elkins Library. Please join us, offer suggestions and tell us about the titles you've enjoyed.

The **Book Discussion Group** is reading, *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich. This author often writes fictional accounts concerning contemporary Native Americans. This is a quote from the book. "We are never so poor that we cannot bless another human being, are we? So, it is that every evil, whether moral or material, results in good. You'll see." Copies are in for anyone wishing to join us on **Tues. April 18 at 7:00.**

Scrabble every Monday night at 5:30. Come join in!

Quilters meet Wednesday mornings from 10 – 1.

The Knitting Group continues meeting Wed. evenings at 6:30 by the fireplace.

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 colored pencils. Refreshments served. **Every Thursday at 1:30.**

"A Matter of Balance: Managing Concerns About Falling" Offered in Canterbury

Have you turned down a chance to go out with family or friends because you were concerned about falling? Have you cut down on a favorite activity because you might fall? People who experience a fear of falling often limit their physical activities, which can result in loss of strength, reduced muscle tone and balance problems, making the risk of falling greater. "A Matter of Balance" is an eight week fall prevention program that gives older adults the self-confidence to reduce their fear of falling and improve their activity levels. The program will be held on **Mondays** beginning **April 3 through May 22 from 1 – 3 p.m.** at This program is offered at no charge. **To register call Concord Regional VNA at (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.**

Humanities-To-Go! **Tuesday, April 11 at 7pm. Flight of Remembrance: World War II from the Losing Side and the Dream that Led to Aerospace Engineering.** Flight of Remembrance is the true story of the speaker's family before, during, and after World War II in Latvia, occupied Poland, and Germany. None were members of the Nazi Party or Hitler supporters, but Marina Kirsch's father and grandfather, both technically skilled, were forced to serve in the German military after fleeing from Latvia to Germany before the first Soviet takeover of the Baltic States.

MEDITATE: Join Fran Nash for gentle stretching followed by a guided meditation on **Friday, April 14 from 6-6:45 pm.** Following, there will be refreshments along with a casual discussion about focusing intention to facilitate the growth and changes you desire in your life. Staying for the discussion is optional and if you would like to come for just the discussion, that begins at 7pm. Wear loose comfortable clothing and bring a mat or blanket to lie on.

Family Passes- Call to reserve the pass you would like to borrow (783-4386)

SEE Science Center

Currier Museum of Art

Squam Lakes Science Center

Chromebooks! We have purchased two for use at the library which now provides seven public stations. In case you're wondering... a **Chromebook** is a laptop that runs Google Chrome OS. These machines are designed to be used primarily while connected to the Internet, with most applications and documents living in the cloud. Come in and try one out!

FRIENDS OF ELKINS PUBLIC LIBRARY (FOEPL) UPDATE

The Friends of Elkins Public Library (FOEPL) will hold their quarterly meeting on April 20, at 7 pm at the library. All are welcome — please join us! We'll be planning a late-spring performance by blues musician T.J. Wheeler, as well as summer book sales at the Canterbury Farmers Market. And we're always looking for new members and new ideas. For more information, contact Mary Ellen MacCoy (marymaccoy@myfairpoint.net) or Sarah Crow (smcrow@comcast.net).

Morris Practices On The Horizon!

Adult and young adult (5th grade and up) Morris Dancing practices are back on track! For any current dancers, former dancers, and by all means, anyone interested in joining! Morris Dance is a type of old English Folk Dance, which includes wearing awesome bells, sporting white snazzy hankies, and of course, CRASHING STICKS! You need to bring water, solid shoes (no sandals or crocs,) a set of hankies if you've got them, and a fun attitude! Practices are held at the Parish House from 6:30-8:00pm on the following dates:

April 27
May 25

We will begin with the young children in June (grades 1 and up) so stay tuned for further information. If you are interested or have questions, please give Polly a call (783-8374, before 9 pm) and be ready to give her an email address. Hope to see people then!

~ Polly Camire

Don't forget that Canterbury's Townwide Roadside Cleanup is scheduled for Earth Day this year, Saturday April 22nd.

There is still plenty of roadside available, and plenty of need.

Not too fond of actual roadside? Wearing high visibility clothing gives drivers a chance to move away from where you're picking up litter. If you don't have any highly visible clothing, and you feel more comfortable wearing some, the town has purchased some vests that are being loaned out on a first come, first served basis. They're available at the Transfer Station when you pick up your blue bags.

Still a little uncomfortable? Then get off the road completely at the Riverland Conservation Area. Last year, as a project for the NH Sierra Club, it was the mother lode of trash, and boy did it look good once the Conservation Commission and Sierra Club volunteers finished with it. This would be a great area for a large group of young people.

On the other hand, you may like being out on the road, and want others to know about it. That's why the NH Department of Transportation has the Sponsor a Highway program. Oddly enough, DOT really doesn't want civilians picking up litter along the interstate, but our secondary roads are open to volunteers willing to fill out paperwork and follow some rules. Canterbury does not currently have any sponsored roads (you can ignore the signs that say we do), so if your business or group wants some glory, check out the DOT website (<https://www.nh.gov/dot/org/operations/highwaymaintenance/sponsorahighway/secondary.htm>) for details.

Contact Patrice Rasche at 783-9360, or mattieandriley@yahoo.com to sign up for April 22nd, or for additional information on Sponsor A Highway.

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The test window for the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium's (SBAC) State Assessment extends from April through May with separate weeks for different grade levels. Children in grades 3 through 8 and 11 will be tested in literacy and mathematics. Last year our students scored above the State average in all areas. Results from this spring's session will be available in September. For more information about this assessment program call the school or go to www.smarterbalanced.org.

This year's CES and BMS fifth graders will attend Nature's Classroom Environmental Camp at Ocean Park Maine during the week of April 10. We again thank our Parent/Teacher Organization, the Canterbury Fund and supporters of our fifth grade fundraisers for helping us to be able to significantly reduce the cost of the program for each student.

CES will be holding a "Compass Conversation," on Thursday, April 19 at 6:00 P.M. The meeting will focus on proficiency scales, which is a progression of learning goals used to determine competency. Proficiency scales show students what they need to learn and help teachers plan instruction. Join us on the 19th and learn more.

Multi-age student groups will be attending the One Room School House during the week of April 17. This year, we are going back to the year 1917 when suffragists marched to win women's right to vote and Woodrow Wilson was president. The children will read from the McGuffey's Eclectic Primer and record their experiences in a journal as people commonly did at that time. The Historical Society and enrichment teacher, Karen Gingrich, have been planning this event for several months and we are always grateful that they and community volunteers bring this important program to our students.

Spring Vacation is scheduled for the week of April 24. School will resume on Monday, May 1.

Calendar

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|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| April 10th to April 14th | Nature's Classroom |
| April 11th | School Board 6:00 P.M. at CES |
| April 17th | PTO 6:30 |
| April 24th to April 28th | Spring Vacation |

~ Mary Morrison

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 16th of each month and we will do our best to include it in the next newsletter!

AROUND TOWN



Canterbury 4H Rascals

This month's meeting was held on Monday, March 6th. At this meeting, we began the 4H voting process with nominations. If you would like to be a 4H officer, you can sign up at the next meeting. Anyone elected will start their role as an officer in September. Offices include president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, historian, reporter, refreshment chair, recreation chair, and healthy living officer. This month we also have a plant sale. We will be selling window-box flowers, hanging baskets, and succulent bowls.

The annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on April 1. Everyone who will be hiding eggs in the morning must be here by 8:30. Ages 11 and under can hunt eggs.

Ice fishing was held on February 18. The Canterbury Rascals would like to thank Jessie Tichko, Emily Preston, Tina, Terry, and Norma for teaching us how to ice fish. I know everyone present had a great time.

Ongoing club projects are rug hooking and lampshade making.

Merrimack County Presentation Day was held on March 11, and State Activities Day will be held on May 20 at Manchester Community College. Also, for those participating in 4H sewing, Fashion Evaluation Day is on April 8 and Fashion Revue on April 20.

The 4H Garden Clinic will be held on April 18. More information will be coming from the county.

Our next meeting will be held on April 3; snacks will start at 6:15 and the meeting will start at 6:30. Please contact Laura Crockford at 540-9877 or canterburyrascals4H@gmail.com with any questions.

~Ethan Condi - Reporter



The Belmont High School PTO is looking for a few volunteers to ensure the continuation of the organization. All current officers are parents of graduating seniors and will be leaving the organization in June. They have worked hard over the last four years to re-establish this vital group and are hoping that a few parents step up to take over the leadership. It took almost an entire year and hundreds of dollars to file all of the paperwork and collaborate with a law firm to establish the BHS PTO. It would be a shame to lose what they have started.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 20th at Belmont High School in the Guidance Department at 6:00 pm.

If you have questions, if you are interested, or if you would like to nominate someone, please contact Donna Iacopucci, President, at donnaik@metrocast.net or 528-2601.

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Youth Shooting Program to be Conducted at Sunset Mountain Fish & Game Club

Sunset Mountain Fish & Game Club Inc will conduct a Youth Shooting Program with the initial meeting taking place on Sunday, April 23, at 9:00 AM in the clubhouse at 117 West Road, Canterbury, N.H.

The program is open to all interested youths (boys and girls). Participants will receive instructional classes in firearm safety and marksmanship. Firearms to include rifle, shotgun, pistol, revolver and blackpowder. Instructors, Range Safety Officers, firearms and ammunition are provided. Eye and ear protection is required and also provided. Participants may bring your own eye and ear protection.

The Youth Program will meet once a month. April through October. A parent or authorized guardian must accompany each youth at each event. The Youth Program will end at noon. Free lunch of hotdogs, hamburgers, chips and soda will be available for all who attend.

For more information, contact Gordon Fifield at 225-3730 or gffield@ymail.com.

Friends Youth Mentoring Program

Upcoming Orientations for new mentors & interested parties:

Thursday, March 2, 2017 5-7:30pm w/Maureen Desmond
Saturday, March 25, 2017 10am-12:30pm w/Brian Bernard
Thursday, April 6, 2017 4:30-7pm w/Maureen Desmond

Call [\(603\) 228-0108](tel:6032280108) to register.

This session would equip you with information about Friends Youth Mentoring and introduce you to some best practices. This opportunity is for those who are considering stepping up and stepping in to help a needy child, as well as for those who are already on the path to becoming a youth mentor.

All orientations held at the Friends Program offices, 202 North State Street, Concord, NH 03301.

We greatly appreciate your participation with our event listings, thank you for helping us find new mentors!

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Youth Mentoring Program Intern
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FIRE DEPARTMENT

It is almost spring and fire permit season will soon start. We have already had some issues with people burning without a permit because of the warm weather and the snow disappearing. As I am writing to you, we are in for a nor 'Easter on Tuesday March 14th in the morning through Wednesday. It will melt fast and it will dry out again so please call us and get a fire permit from your fire warden. You can also call the Fire Station during the week and Deputy Warden Dave Nelson will issue you a permit. You can also call a Deputy warden who lives closest to you.

Warden Peter Angwin North West Rd. 724-3408, Deputy Warden Don Janelle South West Rd. 731-3444, Jon Camire North West Rd. 848-1861, Brett Chagnon all areas 717-1017, Nick Baker Center Rd. 224-6537, Dale Caswell Baptist Hill Rd. 731-2293, John Michno Sherwood Forest Area 475-4582.

If you are new to town, welcome, and please stop by the Fire Station. We would love to meet you. We can explain the State burning laws to you and answer any question you might have. If you see smoke or smell smoke in the area, please let us know and call 911 and they will notify us or the appropriate town.

Remember only you can prevent Forest Fires!! Smokey the Bear

Have a safe Summer

~ Chief Peter Angwin

TRANSFER STATION

Welcome to warmer weather. A lot of things have been happening at the recycling center in order to focus on the warmer weather.

I am in the process of shipping commodities to generate revenue.

Also, there has been an increase in price on the NON-CANTERBURY PAYT BAGS.

The white ones that were \$1.00 Dollar are now \$2.00

The black ones that were \$2.00 Dollars are now \$3.00

THIS IS PER THE SELECTMAN—783-9955

THANK YOU all for your continued recycling efforts.

We are told to let our light shine, and if it does, we won't need to tell anybody it does. Lighthouses don't fire cannons to call attention to their shining - they just shine.

~ Dwight L. Moody

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TOWN ADMINISTRATOR NEWS

Thank you to everyone that worked at the polls and voted on our snowy day for the first session of Town Meeting. Wow! What a difference from last year where we saw lots of sun and temperatures in the high 60s. Candidates and residents spent a considerable time outside the Town Hall discussing the upcoming Friday session.

For those unable to attend the Second session you probably already know that all of the warrant articles passed. The staff at the Sam Lake House is excited about the upcoming renovation and new construction. We appreciate the communities support for this much-needed project. The Sam Lake House Renovation Committee spent many hours working on a design that will support our current and future needs as well as provide a reasonable budget for the construction. We will provide updates on the progress of the project via our website, town email and the soon to go live Official Government Canterbury Facebook page.

We are currently working with our Auditors from Melanson and Heath to complete the Audit for 2016. This involves a cooperative review of our town financial records with the staff and auditors. Once the report is issued it will be available at the Town Office and on the website for review.

With the passage of the 2017 budget, our Assessing Clerk, Mandy Irving will also be taking on the Rolling Revaluation of properties. We have increased her salary to allow for more hours for this job and will not be hiring an outside vendor as has been the case in the past. This will be an annual savings to the town of over \$10,000.

Scott Lacroix will be acting as the interim Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer. He can be reached at 783-9033 or via email at canterburybuildinginspector@canterbury-nh.org. Scott is a fully certified building inspector that also works part-time in Bristol and Bow. He will have office hours by appointment on Thursday evenings 4 PM – 7 PM by appointment. Site visits will continue to be done by appointment also.

Just as a reminder from last month's newsletter. April 1st is the start of the new tax year. The Assessor will be out visiting properties that have recently been issued building permits or verifying previous construction projects and April 15th is the last day to file for any property tax exemptions and or credits. It is also the last day to file any new current use applications.

~ Ken Folsom
Town Administrator

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK

RSA: 466:1 requires that ALL DOGS be licensed every year no later than April 30th!
Please do this during regular business hours at the office of the Town Clerk.

Mon 9-3, Tues 12-7, Thurs 3-7

~ Ben Bynum, Town Clerk

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CANTERBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT

First, I would like to thank all the residents of Canterbury that attended this year's Town Meeting, we appreciate the support the Town has given to the Police Department. We look forward to continuing to serve the residents of Canterbury with professionalism and open communication. I encourage you to contact me or any member of the Police Department with your comments or concerns or just stop by the Police Department to say hello.

According to the calendar, Spring is here and as the warmer weather approaches, you will notice more people out walking, running, or biking, along the sides of the roadway. Please keep that in mind as you are driving along our beautiful country roads. Also, the children will be walking to and from the school to the Library.

As the weather gets warmer and the snowbanks get lower, you'll see more people out riding their horses; a reminder to slow down and exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent frightening the horse and to insure the safety and protection of the rider as you approach them on the roadway in accordance with RSA 2865:104 & 265:5. Also, don't forget our furry friends who are starting to come out of hibernations, especially in the hours of dusk and dawn when they are the most active. The warmer weather also brings out more motorcycles, so please remember to "share the road" with motorcyclists and to be extra alert to keep motorcyclists safe.

With the warmer weather and rainy days fast approaching, New Hampshire goes into our 5th season: Mud Season! So, a reminder; Weight Limits have been posted on the roads. Please use extra caution on muddy roads, drive slowly and carefully, especially on curves. Steer and brake with a light touch before entering the curves. Don't stomp or ride your brakes, pump slowly. Drive so your tires ride the high areas of the road, not the ruts (ruts are wetter, muddier, and very slippery!)

Since our last newsletter deadline, your Police Department has answered 112 Calls for Service, responded to 4 accidents, issued 75 citations (which includes warnings), conducted 15 investigations and had 6 arrests.

~ Chief Michael P. Labrecque

"To wear the badge is a choice, to serve the public is an honor!"

Town-Wide Email List

The Town of Canterbury has a Town-Wide email list to distribute information. If anyone is not on the list and would like to be, contact me at : canterburytownemail@gmail.com
This is a great way to get information out.
Thank you!

~Laura Crockford

SHAKER VILLAGE NEWS

As spring approaches, it's time to start thinking about the Village's opening in May. However, there's lots of behind-the-scenes work to be accomplished before we'll be ready to welcome in the public - please help us by joining us for our first Earth Day Community Clean-up or becoming a Village volunteer.

JOIN US FOR EARTH DAY - *After a long winter, the Village needs some extra TLC to look its best for Opening Day. Celebrate Earth Day on Saturday, April 22nd by joining us for our first Community Clean-up from 1-4 pm. Help with one of the following projects:*

Gardens - It's time to prep the gardens for the season and begin planting spring crops.

Grounds - Help rake up leaves, pick up fallen tree branches, or paint fences.

Trails - Prepare our nature trails for spring visitors and the Village's XC5k race on May 13th.

Indoor Projects - Unable to work outside? We'll have indoor projects -- like making coffee filter flowers for the Heifer Parade on May 6th -- available for those looking for an alternative way to contribute.

Light refreshments will be provided! To learn more, please contact Nicole Laurin at nlaurin@shakers.org.

BECOME A VILLAGE VOLUNTEER - *Prospective volunteers are invited to join us for the Spring Social on Friday, March 31st from 2-4 pm in the Visitor Center. This is a chance to complete your volunteer application, meet existing Village volunteers and staff members, and learn more about specific volunteer opportunities!*

Collections - Help is needed with our new initiative to make the Village's photo collection accessible online. If you have moderate computer skills and enjoy looking at historic photos, this might be the perfect project for you!

Special Events - We always need volunteers to help with our signature special events throughout the year, beginning with Heifer Parade & Opening Day on Saturday, May 6, 2017.

Craft Demonstrations - If you have a special skill, or the desire to learn something new, consider becoming a Village demonstrator. Our demonstrators showcase historic trades from spinning to oval box making.

For more information, please contact Becky Soules at rsoules@shakers.org.

IN MEMORIAM - *It is with great sadness that the Village acknowledges the passing of two valued friends of the Village.*

Russell Orton, former member of the Village's Board of Corporators, died peacefully on February 12th at the Taylor Community in Laconia, NH. Over the years, he supported a number of different Village programs, helping us to preserve the legacy of the Canterbury Shakers.

Roger Kosits, who worked as a Village guide and interpreter for a number of years, died at his home in Meredith, NH, on February 23rd, after a courageous struggle with cancer. In honor of Roger's years at the Village, his family requests that donations be made in his memory to support educational programs at the Village. Donate online through the above link or by mail, noting "In Memory of Roger Kosits."

AROUND TOWN

SCHOODAC TRAILS

The Town of Canterbury, through the Conservation Commission, oversees a couple of hundred acres of conservation land around the Schoodac Marsh wetlands complex. There are a few trails located within this conservation area that are worth exploring for the seasoned hiker. These trails should not be attempted by the unprepared or novice hiker, but if you can tag along with someone who is familiar with the area there are rewarding scenic overlook areas of the ponds and wetlands, and abundant opportunity for wildlife sightings.

These trails were developed by the Conservation Commission over 20 years ago. Because the Conservation Commission runs on volunteer labor, the maintenance of these trails has been on again off again over the years and some of the trails need work. For the experienced hiker, this doesn't present a problem as the trails can still be found and navigated, even if they've grown in a bit. However, the inexperienced hiker should take care to not wander off the trails, which in places are not necessarily well marked anymore.

The Schoodac Conservation Area and its trails are located and accessed off the end of Welch Road which is a Class VI road and not maintained by the Town. For that reason, access to the trails and vehicle parking areas are subject to the whims of Mother Nature. During the dry season, you'll be able to drive closer to the trailhead than you will during mud season or deep snow. For the well prepared this isn't a problem, but you need to plan to make hiking into the trail, part of your hike. In the winter, you can snowshoe or cross-country ski into the trailhead by following the old Class VI roadbed. The Class VI road is also a Canterbury Sno-Shaker snowmobile trail so be prepared to share the trail.

The Schoodac Trail is a loop trail, about a half a mile long, that begins and ends on the north side of the Class VI Welch Road. This trail meanders through some Hemlock forests and has some nice overlook vistas of the Schoodac Marsh, before returning to Welch Road. The Spender Meadow Trail is on the opposite (south) side of Welch Road and is not a loop trail, but is only ¼ mile long and will bring you to the north side of the Spender Meadow Pond. There is also a short trail that leads to an overlook of the Schoodac Marsh as well as the Big Tree Loop, which begins and ends on the south side of the Class VI Welch Road.

For some approximate distances consider the following: From Olly Fifield's house heading easterly on the Class VI road, it is approximately a ½ mile (0.5) to the intersection with the snowmobile trail coming up from the south and the Morrill Mill Pond area. At 0.8 miles, you cross a snowmobile bridge over the outflow brook from Crane Neck Pond. At 1.0 miles +/- you come to the trailhead for the westerly loop of the Schoodac Trail. At 1.2 miles, the trailhead for the Spender Meadow Trail is on the right and heads south. In this same area, you will see a sign for the Schoodac Conservation Area as well as the spur trail for the overlook of the Schoodac Marsh on the north side of the trail. At 1.5 miles, you come to a beaver dam pond as well as the trailhead for the Big Tree Loop to the south.

The trails have signs at their trailheads and are marked with red, 2"x3" trail blazes nailed to trees. The Schoodac Trail and overlook are in good condition and easy to follow. The Conservation Commission is presently working on the Spender Meadow Trail so it should be in good shape by the spring. The Big Tree Loop is overgrown and difficult to follow.

Because of the limited accessibility of the area and the lack of regular routine trail maintenance, you shouldn't attempt to explore these trails alone or unprepared. However, for experienced hikers or those familiar with the area, these trails are a great way to spend an afternoon.

~ Mark Stevens

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Canterbury Excursions

Woodcock Watch at Robert S. Fife Conservation Area
Wednesday, April 19, 7:00 pm

April is the perfect time to get out and witness many forms of wildlife as they put on amazing Spring rituals. My favorite example of this is the aerial courtship dance of the male woodcock.

The American Woodcock is an odd little bird. Though related to sandpipers, it resides in shrubby woodland edges. It has a long bill and feeds mostly on worms and insects found in the soil. It is well camouflaged with mottled brown feathers so it blends in well with the forest floor where it nests and spends most of its time.

But, in spring, the male takes to the air in a spiraling display that includes chirps and whistles and acrobatic tenacity. It is a wonder to behold. The trick is that it happens at dawn and dusk.

We'll meet at the conservation area along Kimball Pond Road (formerly known as Hildreth's Field), learn a bit more about woodcock behavior and then walk down into the field in hopes of observing this spring spectacle.

Bring a flashlight or headlamp and wear boots incase it's muddy. Parking is limited along Kimball Pond Road so please carpool if you can. Additional parking is in the center or watch for signs along the road.

In case you missed last month's announcement, there will be monthly excursions to places throughout town with the purpose of exploring some of Canterbury's peaceful and beautiful places, taking time to refresh our bodies and spirits by spending time outside, and connecting with neighbors and friends (longtime and not-yet met) and learning a bit about the natural world.

These excursions will be coordinated by Canterbury resident Ruth Smith, environmental educator and author of "Take Me Outside" nature column.

No RSVP is necessary, just come prepared to be outside for about 90 minutes. Send questions or suggestions to Ruth Smith at ruthnaturally@myfairpoint.net.

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Though I do not believe that a plant will spring up where no seed has been, I have great faith in a seed... Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders.
~ Henry David Thoreau

The first day of spring is one thing, and the first spring day is another. The difference between them is sometimes as great as a month.
~ Henry Van Dyke

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HERE YE! HERE YE! HERE YE! 59th CANTERBURY FAIR is coming right up!



The meeting dates for the planning of this year's Fair will take place on the second Wednesdays of each month as follows:

April 12 May 10
June 14 July 12

We will start at 7 PM each time meeting in the Chapel Room downstairs in the Parish Hall.

If you are new to town, this is a wonderful way to become part of your new community, meet folks in town and participate in a great tradition.

Everyone is welcome to join us! Young and old alike!

If you have any questions, please call Lisa Carlson, Fair Chair at 783-0335.

SEE YOU AT THE FAIR!



The Canterbury Fair Committee is looking for a very special person (or people) to coordinate the children's activities for the Fair. It's a fun way to add to the wonderful community that is our town! Please contact Lisa Carlson, Fair Chair at 783-0335.

Canterbury Community Farmers Market Needs Help with Signs!

Have you ever noticed all the beautiful bright yellow farmers market signs that pop up each week during the summer, a few days before the Market, and then >POOF< mysteriously vanish until the following week? The signs are one of the most important ways that we remind the community about the Market each week, and we have heard from our out-of-town visitors that they make getting to the market oh-so-easy!

The Market relies on energetic volunteers to help make the magic happen! We are looking for several reliable residents, with their own transportation, to help put the signs out each Sunday and take them down again each Wednesday during the summer outdoor market season. Ideally, we'd love to have one person who lives near exit 18, one person who lives near exit 17, and one person who lives over on the 106 side of town — but we will happily accept help no matter where you live! However, if we have three folks helping we can divide up the turf, and it should take each person less than an hour to put out the signs each week (and less than an hour to pick them up again, of course!)

Please send us an Email to canterburyfarmersmarket@gmail.com or call Beth Blair (publicity) at 783-4333 if you are interested. THANKS!!

More about The LFP Challenge to Fight Hunger

The holiday season is a financially difficult time for many low-income families and they struggle to put food on the table. Many people don't realize that these same families visit food pantries and soup kitchens year-round. Thus, many food pantries and soup kitchens receive most of their donations during the last two months of the year, use up most of it during those months, and then need to stretch those resources through the upcoming ten months to make sure that people remain fed throughout the year.

To combat this issue, Loudon Food Pantry created the LFP Challenge to Fight Hunger. Each year, we strive to raise enough resources to keep people well-fed and on their way to finance self-sufficiency during a time when we receive far less to with which to do it.

To be part of this effort...

- **Donate In-Date Food** (It will be counted as \$1.00 per item towards our goal)
- **Donate In-Date Meat or Produce** (It will be counted as \$1.00 per pound towards our goal)
- **Donate Funds** (It will be counted dollar for dollar)

You must note that your donations are for the LFP Challenge (LFPC) if you want it included or just let us know when you drop it off. Everything from our donation sites will be automatically included in the LFP Challenge. All food and funds stay within Loudon Food Pantry.

As of March 16th, we have received \$909.54 in food, \$2,398.51 in funds. That's a total of \$3,308.05. Our 2017 goal is \$10,000. This challenge ends April 30, 2017. Please spread the word and help us reach our goal!

How can you donate?

You can mail or drop off donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307-0734 or use the form under current events located at LoudonFoodPantry.org.

We also have drop off locations at the following:

Canterbury - Elkins Library – Food
Chichester - Camping World – Food
Epsom - Care Pharmacy – Cash Bin
Loudon - 106 Bean Stalk – Cash Bin
Loudon - Egg Shell Restaurant – Cash Bin
Loudon - Loudon Station - Food & Cash Bin
Loudon - Loudon Village Country Store – Cash Bin

With your help, we can feed households in need. Thank you in advance for your consideration! If you have any questions please call Sue at 724-9731.

~ Sue Houck

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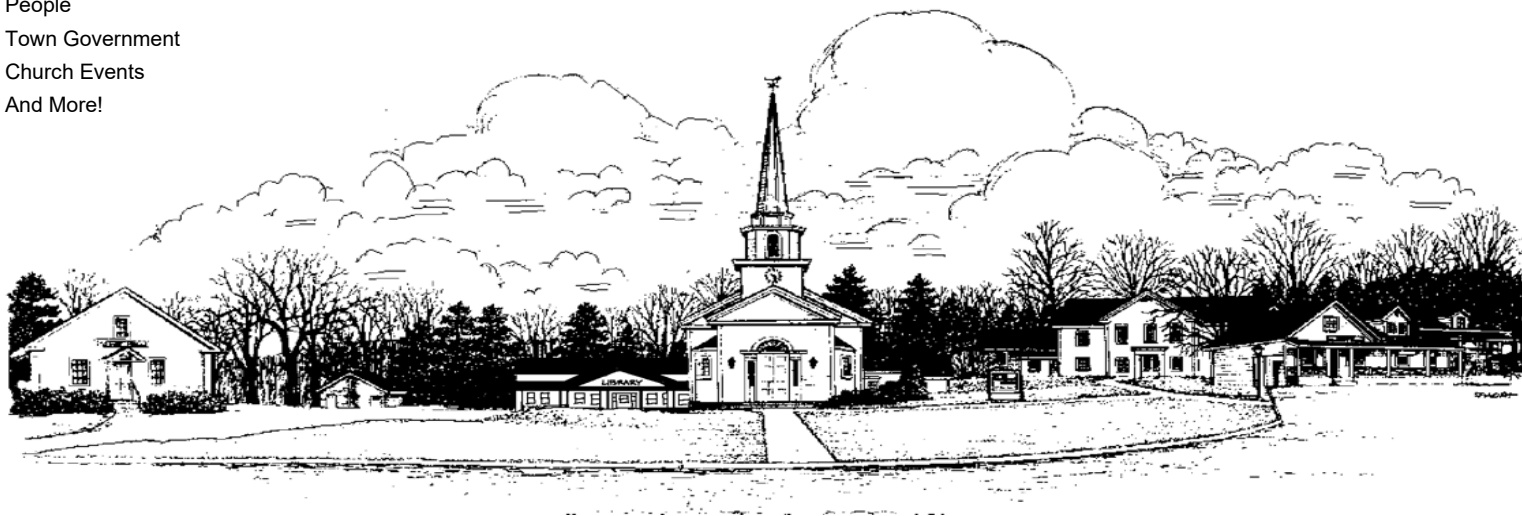
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Easter Flower Order Form

\$10 per plant, \$20* for Bulb Garden

Easter Lily _____

Hyacinth _____

Tulip _____

*Bulb Garden _____

(combo of hyacinth, tulip, daffodil and crocus) \$20

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

DEADLINE IS Sunday APRIL 9TH

Check one of the following:

I will pick up my plant after Easter Service

I would like my plant delivered to me after Easter service

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

Order Placed By: _____

Given in Honor or Memory Of: _____

