

Blackwater Grange #152

Blackwater Grange 152 met on December 17 at 3 PM. The regular meeting had been canceled due to concern about the weather. Eleven members were present.

For community service, members picked up trash along the roads. For Grange service, secretary Bernice Nowell picked up Marjorie Huntoon and Florence Blay for the meeting.

The program included:

- a poem entitled *Under Wear* written by Marjorie Huntoon and read by Florence Blay.
- a quiz on Christmas cards
- a poem entitled *Again It's Christmas*.

See you in April, as the Grange doesn't meet in January, February, or March. Happy New Year to all.

Andover Democrats

By Janet Moore
Andover Democrats

Five of us met at Art Urie's office on December 8: the co-chairs, Dean Barker and Janet Moore; and Art himself, Bill Bardsley, and Steve Darling.

Two items filled the agenda, both emanating from Dean. One was his description of the Jefferson-Jackson dinner, held in Concord, with the main speaker being Bill Clinton, who spoke eloquently and enthusiastically about government of the people and by the people, and that means you. Dean knows that better than most, having been recognized by the Young Democrats of New Hampshire the week before for the founding and maintenance of his blog, BlueHampshire.com.

Mid-Term Election

The other item on our agenda was more of a project to tackle. How do we get Andover Democrats to come out strong for the mid-term vote in November? How do we keep them interested in government issues and the political process?

Answers: read the papers, subscribe to blogs like BlueHampshire.com, and attend meetings open to all. The Kearsarge Area Democrats, the Andover Democrats, and the Merrimack County Democrats all host monthly meetings open

to the public. The blue party – make that the majority party – convention is also open to guests in June.

We are planning an all-Andover Democrats potluck supper in early May at AE/MS, with candidates available for questions and discussion. Come one, come all.

But don't wait. Go online to OFA, Organizing for America; to Kuster for Congress; to all of the candidates for Congressional District 2 and our representatives in Washington; look them up. Just do it!

January 12

And then we met on Tuesday, January 12. Only three were present: the co-chairs, and Art in his office. Too cold to leave the house? We had cookies!

The May gathering will be held at AE/MS on Thursday, May 13. Flyers and posters will appear in April, but mark your calendars now. Ann Kuster and Paul Hodes have said a tentative "Yes." We hope to rally our forces and listen to our representatives and gather support and momentum for the mid-term elections.

We adjourned at 8:25 PM, full of hope and promise and cookies, and we hope to see everyone on Tuesday, February 9, for our next meeting.



If you've ever wondered how good the spaghetti is at Immaculate Conception Church's annual Spaghetti Supper, this photo from 2007 of John Bates from Barrington (grandson of Bill and Loretta Bates) should answer your question. Or you can find out for yourself on Saturday, February 20, from 5 to 7 PM at Immaculate Conception Church in Potter Place. Adults eat for \$6, children 6 to 12 for \$3, and kids five and under are free.

Staff photo: Bob Bussey

Andover Service Club

Lunch At Town Meeting

The Andover Service Club will be providing lunch at Town Meeting at a reasonable cost. In addition to the baked goods and coffee that we usually have, we are going to offer home-made chili, soups, breads, sandwiches made to order, and other lunch items. We are hoping that there will be enough so that people can also purchase take-outs.

Food will be available from the opening of the polls until 7 PM.

We will also have a raffle, and the item is yet to be determined.

This is an annual fundraiser for the Andover Service Club. Proceeds will help to make available scholarships and donations to local and wider community charities.

Thank you in advance for your support!

January Meeting

By Julie Mayo
Andover Service Club

The January meeting of the Andover Service Club (ASC) was opened by President Joyce Egge. Sandra Graves read the Opening Words, excerpts from Robert Fulghum's *Words I Wish I Wrote*. Scholarship Chair Lois Magenau

said that all money has been sent to last year's recipients. High school graduates for 2010, continuing education students, and college students may obtain applications in February at the Thrift Shop. You may e-mail Lois at RMagenau@aol.com or Diane Rice at DRice226@tds.net if you have any questions.

Thrift shop sales have been up, and there will be specialty items on sale every week, according to Gisela Darling.

Last November, Irene Jewett, Edna Peters, and others presented a Masonic dinner which raised \$180 towards scholarships. On February 4, they will again put on a dinner for the Masons.

The ASC will be selling made-to-order sandwiches, chili, and chowder during Town Meeting Day on Tuesday, March 9, from 8 AM to 7 PM

Delicious refreshments for the January meeting were provided by Judy Evans, Margo Coolidge, Elizabeth Elenowitz, and Faith Downes.

At next month's meeting we will have an auction of items donated by the members. Anyone interested in becoming a member may attend at the Masonic Hall in Potter Place on Wednesday, February 10, at 10 AM. Proceeds will go to the Haitian earthquake relief.

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| Andover, N.H. | | |
| February 20th !!! | | |
| 5:00 - 7:00 | | |
| All You Can Eat !!! | | |
| Menue | | |
| Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, | | |
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TIME TO APPLY for Andover Service Club SCHOLARSHIPS

Available to:
Andover's Graduating Seniors and Adults entering or continuing
College or Professional/ Technical School

DEADLINE: MAY 1

Application forms at ASC Thrift Shop, Andover Middle School, Proctor Academy Guidance Office, and MVHS Guidance Office

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