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reminder mailed to every Andover address in April. For people who make their annual donation to the *Beacon* based on the envelope or the postcard, that's the end of the story – no one will contact them in October.

But "Get a Round Tuit" only brings in donations from about 200 households each year – and the *Beacon* can't continue if we can't get that number closer to 650! To close the gap, we'll be running a canvassing campaign each October from now on. Volunteer canvassers will select some of their Andover friends and neighbors who haven't donated yet this year and contact them (by phone, by e-mail, or in person) to remind them that the *Beacon* needs their financial support every year. The slogan for the October canvassing campaign: "It's Up to All of Us to Help Keep the Beacon Going!"

So if you've already donated to the *Beacon* this year, thank you! You've

done your part to help keep the *Beacon* going, and our canvassers won't be contacting you in October.

If you haven't donated to the *Beacon* yet this year, please do so today! Or wait until October, when one of your friends or neighbors will ask you to do your part

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\$250	Printing and mailing the Round Tuit reminder postcard each April
\$500	Mailing one monthly issue of the Beacon
\$1,000	Insurance premiums for the Beacon for one year
\$1,500	Printing one monthly issue of the Beacon

to help keep the *Beacon* going. Either way, **your help is very important.**

Donation Levels

When you donate to the *Beacon*, your money works very hard to help keep *The Andover Beacon* going. The table below shows some examples of exactly how your donation could make a difference.

No matter what level of donation makes sense for you, every dollar is greatly appreciated! To contribute, please make your check payable to *The Andover Beacon* and send it to PO Box 149, Andover 03216. To donate by credit card or Paypal online, visit AndoverBeacon.com or scan the gizmo on page 1 with your smartphone.

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State Water Council to Consider Bradley Lake Rule Changes

Public meeting in Concord on September 11

From the Bradley Lake newsletter

The proposed amendments to the state rules and regulations applying to Bradley Lake will be considered at the September meeting of the New Hampshire Water Council, according to Paul Susca of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES).

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 11, beginning at 9 AM, in Conference Rooms 112/113/114 in DES headquarters at 29 Hazen Drive in Concord. Although the meeting is open to the public, it is not clear at this time whether there will be an opportunity for public comment, according to Susca. For more information, please contact Susca at 271-7061 or Paul.Susca@DES.

Public input will be solicited at a hearing that will likely occur later in the fall, he said.

The 16-member water council consists of representatives from various public and private interests of the state as well as a number of state agencies. For more information, visit DES.nh.gov/organization/councils/water/index.htm

The proposed changes to the Bradley Lake rules include:

- domestic animals would be prohibited in the southern end of the lake only
- fishing would be permitted anywhere on the lake
- the dividing line between swimming (northern) and non-swimming (southern) areas would be identified as the power lines crossing the lake.

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died together.

On Sunday, June 30, 2013, they were called on again. This time it was in Yarnell, Arizona, 35 miles outside of Prescott. It was called the Yarnell Hill Fire. That Sunday morning, they said goodbye to their wives, children, and girlfriends, and said, "See you later." All but one of the crew never made it back alive.

The lone survivor is a 21-year-old hotshot. He served as the crew's lookout. He had to leave his post because the fire was on his tail, but kept in touch with his crew to the end.

Within a few minutes, at about 4:45 PM, Mother Nature changed everything. A monsoon came at them, and the winds forced the flame in front and back of the 19 hotshots. They couldn't get back to their safety point. The heat and flames overtook them, and they all perished together.

Memorial on a Fence

Within a few hours after hearing about the hotshots' deadly tragedy, the

people of Prescott started a memorial to them on the fence around Station #7, which was the living quarters of the crew. People came from all over the state as well as from other states.

After more than a month, they are still coming to place their personal memorials to the fallen crew on the fence.

The fence has got to be close to 100 yards stretched out straight.

After the first week, my wife Diane and I went over to see the memorial. What we saw was unbelievable.

We did not see anything from New Hampshire, so as a former firefighter from Franklin, I wanted to be sure that New Hampshire would be part of the memorial.

I contacted former firefighters and friends from both the Franklin Fire Department and the Andover Fire Department, Retired Captain Richard Davis from Franklin and Chief Rene Lefebvre of Andover. I asked if they, along with their fire departments, would send me t-shirts to place on the memorial. They were very happy and honored to do so.

Diane and I returned to Prescott on July 27 and placed the shirts on the memorial fence.

I want to thank both Dick Davis and Rene Lefebvre and the FFD and AFD for putting part of New Hampshire in the lifetime memorial. If any other departments would like to be part of the memorial, just send me a shirt, and I'll be sure it gets to the memorial. Send it to 1057 South 12th Street, Cottonwood AZ 86326.

The memorial continues to grow weekly. It's so unbelievable. It is heart-breaking, overwhelming, and emotional, and those feelings will last for many years. Time will heal.

I ask that you take a minute during the day and say a prayer for the families and all the first responders, especially the only surviving hotshot in Prescott.

Some of these statements have come from newspapers, TV news, and fellow firefighters, and my own observations.

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