



## BORN Antonio Tessier

A son, Antonio Christopher James Tessier, was born on Valentine's Day, February 14, at the Family Place at Concord Hospital to Jessica Grant of Andover and Robert Tessier of Manchester.

## DEAN'S LIST Joelle Donnelly

Joelle Donnelly was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at the University of New Haven in Connecticut.

## ENGAGED Meghan Hardy and Stephen Barton

Meghan Hardy and Stephen Barton of Andover announce their engagement. Meghan is the daughter of Sheldon and Rosella Sawyer of Walpole and Alan and Pam Hardy of Boscawen. She attended Merrimack Valley High School and graduated from Concord Hair Academy in 1998. Meghan has been working as a hairstylist at New Horizons Hairstylists on Main Street in Andover for almost five years now.

Stephen, the son of Paul and Gail Barton of Andover, owns Stephen Barton and Sons Carpentry. He attended AE/MS and Franklin High School and played Farm Team, Little League, and Babe Ruth baseball and played football for Franklin High. Stephen has been a member of the East Andover Fire Department for 14 years, a captain for seven years, and is the Andover Forest Fire Warden.

An August 12 wedding is planned.

### Celebrate!

The *Beacon* needs your help gathering news of births, marriages, honors, and other notable events. Call 735-6099.

## DEAN'S LIST Amanda Gross

Amanda Gross, daughter of Rich and Stephanie Gross and granddaughter of Joan Gross, made the fall term Dean's List at George Washington University in Washington DC. She is majoring in geography.

## ELECTED Eric Johnson

Eric Johnson of Andover, owner of Tucker Mountain Timber Services, was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the New Hampshire Timber Harvesting Council. The Council, jointly sponsored by the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association, the Forest Industries Training Center at the University of New Hampshire, and the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension Service, was formed in 1993 to promote and protect the interests of the state's 1,400 loggers and forest products truckers.

The Council works to promote a greater understanding within the profession of timber harvesting and trucking regulations, safety and first aid, wetlands and wildlife habitat, business management, and other important topics. It also strives to educate the general public about responsible harvesting and transportation of forest products.



## Volunteer Spotlight



We start this month with a great reminder of some of the reasons we should all be volunteering for something.

### Why You Should Volunteer

By Tina Cotton

Andover needs more volunteers! If you're not already volunteering, there are plenty of great reasons why you should.

- Lower taxes. Andover essentially runs on volunteer labor. Do you know that the Town has only two full-time employees? (The town administrator and a policeman.) Selectmen are paid only \$1,000 per year and School Board members receive \$100 per year.
- Learn new skills.
- Learn how your town operates.
- Meet new people.
- Relieve boredom.
- Make yourself useful.
- Give purpose to your life.
- Retain your mental skills.
- Keep physically fit.
- Meet your child's peers and teachers.
- Reward yourself ten-fold or more. (What goes around comes around.)
- Socialize.
- Expand your horizons.
- Enjoy people of different generations like seniors and children.
- Get out of the house.
- Laugh.
- Feel good.

There are numerous clubs, committees, and opportunities to match any interest you have. Current members will welcome you and teach you whatever you need to know. Just do it!

*Thanks, Tina! Here are just a few of the many, many opportunities to make a difference in yourself and in your community by volunteering:*

### Andover Historical Society Museum

The Andover Historical Society Museum in Potter Place is in need of volunteer "Stationmasters" to serve a two-hour shift as docents at the station when it's open on Saturdays from 10 to 3 and on Sundays from 1 to 3, from Memorial Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend. No experience is necessary, and it's a great way to learn some fascinating history.

If you've been a Stationmaster in the past or would like to become a Stationmaster this year, please call one of our Stationmaster managers right away:

- Betty Dickerman, who is staffing May and June, at 735-5630
- Grace Stetson, staffing July, at 735-5611
- Suzy Norris, August, at 735-5369
- Joanna Sumner, September, at 735-5200

### Andover Fundraising Calendar

Lori Cox has volunteered to co-ordinate an annual calendar of fundraising events for the Beacon to publish every

July. Local organizations! Start working on a list of the dinners, raffles, sales, car washes, performances, and other events that you run every year. If you have questions, or when you're ready to send your info, you can reach Lori at lori\_cox@tds.net or 735-4044.

### New London Hospital

New volunteers should be prepared to commit to one three-hour shift per week, though the program is flexible and able to accommodate vacations and seasonal residents. On-the-job training provided. As an Equal Opportunity Employer, we encourage men and women, teenagers, retirees, and all others to apply. Contact Lynda Reinish at 526-5265 or Lynda.Reinish@NewLondonHospital.org.

Among the volunteer positions available are:

**Accounting/Finance Office:** Clerical Support

**ABC's Childcare:** Teacher's Aide

**Clough Center:** Companion Program, PT/OT Aide, Music to Dine By, Patient Support

**Cafeteria Services:** Counter Service and Cashier

**Physician Practices:** Office, Clerical Support

**Emergency Room:** Patient Support/Supply Aide

**Facilities:** Recycling Program, Grounds and Maintenance

**Front Desk:** Reception, Greeting/Emergency Room Liaison

**Medical/Surgical Inpatient Unit:** Clerical and Patient Support

**Friends Shop:** Customer Service and Sales

**Newport Health Center:** Patient Support, Clerical, and other duties

**Pharmacy Aide:** Clerical, Inventory, and Delivery Support

...and many more opportunities!

### Andover Community Access Cable TV

Channel 8 is looking for one or more volunteers to update the on-air bulletin board every week. You'd do it at the cable TV station in the basement of the Town Hall, using a computer program called Scala that lets you create and edit the bulletin board items you see on Channel 8. Computer experience is nice, but we'd be happy to train anyone who's interested. For more information or a demonstration of Scala, contact Charlie Darling, the station manager, at 735-6099 or Charlie@AndoverCableTV.com.

### Franklin Regional Hospital

Franklin Regional Hospital has volunteer openings in Emergency Services, Medical Imaging, and Medical Records. Join a great group of volunteers, make new friends, give a few hours a week, and see the benefits! Call Sandy Marshall at 934-2060 ext. 207.

The Beacon welcomes items for Volunteer Spotlight. Send descriptions of specific volunteer jobs you'd like to fill...thanks for a specific job well done...a description of the skills you offer or the volunteer job you seek...to Mail@AndoverBeacon.com, or call 735-6099.

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