

# Beacon Bits

We're not quite there yet, but I may have good news on the "find an office for the *Beacon*" project by the time the next issue rolls around. We're considering some space that's available in the village, and if all the details work out you'll read about it in next month's *Beacon*.

(But in case it doesn't work out, keep thinking about where we might be able to rent about 150 square feet of space. Let me know if you come up with any ideas.)

## New Volunteers

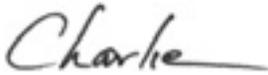
The long article I wrote in last month's *Beacon* about The State of the Paper must have been pretty good – I've been working with three new volunteers and a new salesperson this month!

Tracy Merriman is our new ad sales person. She's going to help us gradually "raise the bar" from about 80 ads per issue to more like 100 – an important step in making sure our income keeps up with our expenses.

Joyce Quinn and Fiona Petersen are both helping edit the 70 or 80 articles we receive every month, and Suzy Brown is helping me work with all the wonderful folks who submit material to the *Beacon*.

Bringing on new volunteers poses a big challenge. Anyone just starting will always have lots of questions and need help getting started on the right foot. Currently, helping new volunteers get productive falls to me, but there's only so much I can do and still be able to get the *Beacon* out the door on time.

That's where a volunteer Volunteer Coordinator would be a huge help. If you're interested (no experience required!) please contact me at [Charlie@AndoverBeacon.com](mailto:Charlie@AndoverBeacon.com) or 735-6099.



## Next Month's Beacon...

...should be in mailboxes on Friday, Nov. 30. Please get all ads, articles, etc. to us by **Thu., Nov. 15**, at the latest. And **earlier is always better!**

## Tax Bills from page 1

In the few cases where Avitar found large inaccuracies that would cause a significant change to the property's assessment, Mark has contacted the property owners directly.

This is the second year in which Avitar has verified a third of Andover properties, so two-thirds of the town is up to date. Next year Avitar will verify the remaining third of the properties in town, so if you haven't received the "Dear Property Owner" letter yet, you can count on getting it next year.

# Letters

Our heartfelt thanks go to those same few who responded to the cry for help on Beach Clean-Up Day. As is so often the case, those who assume the responsibility for doing the work are not necessarily the ones who use the beach for their own enjoyment. We do appreciate their efforts.

Again, many thanks.

Anne Landini



With Highland Lake drawn all the way down for the dam repair project, several volunteers gave the town beach a good cleaning. Lloyd Perreault (and his tractor), Judy Perreault, Sandy Graves, Heather Makechnie, Don Gould (pictured above), and Bob Welch worked for a couple of hours to keep the beach a source of pride and enjoyment for the whole community.

Photo: Bob Bussey

# Run For Town Office In 2008!

By Charlie Darling

## Beacon staff

With Town Meeting coming up in March, it's time to think about who's going to fill all the positions in town government that keep the wheels turning smoothly.

The following is a run-down of what offices will be on the ballot in March, and what the incumbents may be planning.

## Town Officers

**Selectman** for Three Years – Andy Guptill, the incumbent, intends *not* to run.

**Road Agent** for Two Years – John Thompson, the incumbent, intends to run.

**Budget Committee** for Three Years (two positions) – Bill Bardsley and Ed Hiller are the incumbents.

**Library Trustee** for Three Years – Marilyn Gould is the incumbent.

**Trustee of Trust Funds** for Three Years – Mary Lou McCrave is the incumbent.

**Cemetery Trustee** for Three Years – Pat Cutter, the incumbent, intends to run.

**Supervisor of the Checklist** for Six Years – Irene Jewett is the incumbent.

## School District Officers

**School Board** for Three Years – Vicky Mishcon, the incumbent, intends *not* to run.

**Moderator** for One Year – Bill

Bardsley is the incumbent.

**Clerk** for One Year – Christie Coll is the incumbent.

**Treasurer** for One Year – Shirley Carrier is the incumbent.

## How To File

The filing period for these positions is 10 days long. It begins on Wednesday, January 23, 2008 and ends on Friday, February 1, 2008. The application for filing can be obtained at the Town Clerk's office in Town Hall during her normal business hours:

Mon. and Wed., 9 AM to 2 PM  
Tues. and Thurs. 1:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Last Saturday of the month, 9 AM to noon.

There is a \$1 filing fee for each paid position. There is no filing fee for unpaid positions. The paid positions up for election this year are:

Selectman – \$1,500 / year  
Road Agent – hourly  
Supervisor of the Checklist – hourly  
School Board – \$100 / year  
School District Moderator – hourly  
School District Clerk – hourly  
School District Treasurer – \$840 / year

For more info, contact the Town Office at 735-5332 or [AndoverNH@tds.net](mailto:AndoverNH@tds.net).

# BEACON MEMBERS WIN!

Each month the *Beacon* holds a random drawing among its members to give away valuable prizes provided by area businesses. **Become a member** for a year, support the *Beacon*, and join the fun! This month's winners are:

Andover Pizza Chef	Large 2-Topping Pizza	David Stepp
Blackwater Junction Rest.	Gift Certificate	Bernice Nowell
East Andover Marketplace	Gift Certificate	Gillian Smith
Judy Evans	Handknit Scarf	Paul & Patricia Young
Forest Cone & Evergreen	Yankee Candle	Bill & Margie Leber
Jake's Market and Deli	Gift Certificate	Paul & Cindy Benson
Kearsarge Magazine	1-Year Subscription	Candi & Lenny Spaulding
MacKenna's Restaurant	Gift Certificate	Carter Whitman
Mary Kay - Laura Condon	Gift Certificate	Skip & Edie Powers
New Horizons Hairstylists	Hair Care Products	Rick Estes

**Winners – contact the Beacon at 735-5331 to collect your prize.**

*Prizes not redeemable for cash.*

# BECOME A BEACON MEMBER!

Here's my member donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for (check one):  
 Local  Seasonal (\$25 min)  Out of Town (\$25 min)  Gift Subscr. (\$25 min)

**Local or Out of Town**

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone or E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**Seasonal**

Other Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone or E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Seasonal: which months are you at the "other" address?  
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