

Twin Rivers Interfaith Food Pantry

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Twin Rivers Interfaith Food Pantry, which is housed in the old brown St. Jude's Church at 237 Central Street in downtown Franklin, serves Andover as well as Franklin, Hill, Northfield, Danbury, Salisbury, Sanbornton, and Tilton. Any Andover resident who can prove residency with a drivers license, an electric bill, or some other identifying document can get emergency foods and some commodities. Simply come during open hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 9 to 11 AM, or Wednesday from 5 to 7 PM.

Esther Cain, who oversees the pantry, says, "With the monetary donations we receive we purchase food from the New Hampshire Food Bank in Manchester. We also pick up USDA surplus food commodities in Concord and are a distribution point for those items. Hannaford is a tremendous partner, providing countless tons of food over the years. We have the most loyal volunteers; many of them are wonderful people from Andover. And individuals donate food on a regular basis, like the eggs from the Shaws in Andover.

We are proud to say that we have never turned away a family in need."

"However, our patronage, which usually is at its lowest point in the summer, is actually higher than last year at this time. Our supplies are very low, especially protein like peanut butter and canned meats. Unfortunately, at the same time our shelves are low, our donations are down markedly. We are always in need of contributions. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated.

"When your garden comes in, please think to bring us some of the bounty. Everything from cukes to zukes will be gratefully received. It is best that produce be delivered as early as possible on distribution days. Cash donations may be mailed to PO Box 184, Franklin 03235."

Esther points out that there is another food program housed in the same building, which is also available to Andover residents. It is called simply "The Bread Program." Anyone showing up on Saturday between 1 and 3 PM will go away with two bulging bags of bread, pastries, vegetables, and fruits. All are welcome.

Greg Hewitt Receives Mount Sunapee Scholarship

Mount Sunapee Resort press release

Tim and Diane Mueller, owners of Mount Sunapee Resort, are pleased to announce the ten recipients of the Mount Sunapee Council Scholarship Awards for the 2010 school year. These scholarships are one-year scholarships valued at \$1,000 each with the opportunity to re-apply for the next three years. The scholarships are awarded to students of three regional high schools: Sunapee, Newport, and Kearsarge.

Since 1999, 67 students have received over \$275,000 in scholarships. Thirty-five have completed four years of college and have gone onto careers. Eighteen recipients are still attending college, and another 10 recipients have been chosen who will enter college this fall. The Mount Sunapee Community Challenge Fund is also used to support environmental education and the arts in the Lake Sunapee Region.

"Tim and I believe that education is

central to our local prosperity and to an individual's ability to achieve their career goals and lead a fulfilling life," commented Diane Mueller. "These scholarship programs support our belief of fostering education and enhancing community spirit."

Mount Sunapee Resort also awards four scholarships of \$1,000 each to Mount Sunapee Resort employee students and employee dependents, allowing them to further their academic endeavors.

One of these scholarships went this year to Greg Hewitt of Andover, who graduated 25th in his class of 210 at Merrimack Valley High School. He is a member of the National Honor Society and participated in soccer, cross country, and track and field. Greg is the son of Ann Hewitt, who works in the Culinary Department at Mount Sunapee. He plans to attend Westminster College and major in Pre-Law.



BORN Ava Elizabeth Eltzroth

A daughter, Ava Elizabeth Eltzroth, was born to Kate and Tim Eltzroth of East Andover on June 12, 2010 at Lakes Region General Hospital in Laconia. Her brother is Colin Coolidge, age 7. Her grandparents are Kathryn and Jack Eltzroth of Guilford and Margo and Duncan Coolidge of East Andover.

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