

HONOR OUR FLAG

- When the honor guard passes with the American flag in the parade, or when the flag is raised or lowered on the Village Green, everyone should stop what they're doing, stand, face the flag, and put their hand over their heart. Men should remove their hats, too. Parents should call their children's attention to the flag and show them how to properly honor it.

KEEP KIDS SAFE DURING THE PARADE

- If you're in the parade and throwing candy, always throw it into the crowd, not onto the street. If you're watching the parade, stay well back from the street and *never* let your children dart into the street to get candy.



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HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

Andover Fourth Of July Celebration Schedule of Events

JULY 3

- **6:30 PM:** Andover Girl Scouts lower the flag on the Village Green

JULY 4

- **6 AM-1 PM:** No parking on North St nor on the south (eastbound) side of Main St between Jake's and Pizza Chef
- **7-10 AM:** Lions Club Pancake Breakfast, AE/MS
- **8 AM-5 PM:** Flea Market on the Village Green
- **8-9 AM:** Firecracker 5K Foot Race registration at Blackwater Park
- **9 AM:** Firecracker 5K Foot Race on the Rail Trail starts at

Blackwater Park

- **9-11 AM:** Parade Registration at the Proctor Field House
- **9 AM-2 PM:** Blood pressure checks at Andover Fire House
- **10 AM:** Opening Ceremonies at the Reviewing Stand on the Green
 - Flag Raising by the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
 - Invocation by David Grover
 - National Anthem sung by Margo Coolidge
- **10:15 AM:** Firecracker 5K Foot Race awards at the Reviewing Stand
- **10:30-11:15 AM:** Kearsarge Com-

munity Band performs near the Stone Chapel

- **10:30-11:30 AM:** Judging of parade entries
- **11 AM:** Children's Parade forms at the Pro-Claim Building
- **11:15 AM:** Andover One Wheelers at Lawrence & Main
- **11:30 AM:** Judging of Children's Parade
- **Noon:** Patriotic Medley sung by Margo Coolidge and Nancy Tripp at the Reviewing Stand
- **Noon:** Parade leaves Proctor Field House and proceeds east and south

on North Street, then west on Main Street

- **1 PM:** Barnyard Bingo on the Green to benefit the Andover Outing Club
- **1:15-2 PM:** New Hampshire Pipes and Drums Band performs near the Stone Chapel
- **3:30 PM:** Championship Softball Game, Corson Field
- **6-10 PM:** AE/MS parking lot reserved for handicap-stickered vehicles only
- **7-8:30 PM:** Andover Service Club and Andover Girl Scouts Ice Cream Social on the Village Green
- **Dusk:** Fireworks
Rain date: July 6 (fireworks only!)

FOURTH OF JULY PARKING

- From 6 AM to 1 PM there will be no parking on North Street nor on the south (eastbound) side of Main Street between Jake's Market and Pizza Chef.
- From 6 PM to 10 PM on July 4 the Andover Elementary/Middle School parking lot will be for handicap-stickered vehicles only.

CROSS ONLY AT CROSSWALKS

- The Village Green will be blocked off by rope along Main Street to keep pedestrians from crossing Main Street except at the crosswalks at each end of the Village Green (at Lawrence Street and just east of Jake's Market).

RAIL TRAIL CLOSED AT LAWRENCE ST.

- After the Firecracker 5K Foot Race on the Rail Trail, the trail will be closed from Short Street to Lawrence Street until 8 AM on July 6. This will allow the fireworks to be set up safely.



2009 AHS REUNION

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Walker Brook Road, South Danbury • Watch for balloons on Route 4.

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In case of rain, we'll meet at AE/MS (the old Andover High School).
For more information: Judy Perreault • 735-5493

BIG PLANS AROUND TOWN FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY

By Judy Perreault

Andover Fourth of July Committee

It's the final countdown until the Fourth of July. It feels like a NASA launch: "Five. Four. Three. Two. One. We have lift-off." We do have something in common, as this year's celebration is "out of sight."

We have three bands to add to all the other parade entries. Our "colonizing" theme is Farms, Fields, and Forests. There are numerous activities on the Village Green, including some new games provided by the Andover

Lions Club.

It will be a gourmet's paradise with all the mouth watering food available, from pancakes to strawberry shortcakes. There may even be a "Milky Way" bar. Shopping at the flea market will not be an "alien" experience for many.

"Blast" into the future at the Firecracker 5K race. Registration is at Blackwater Park starting at 8 AM.

"Zone" out in the afternoon and listen to a concert by the New Hampshire Pipes and Drums Band, and then cheer

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NORTHERN EXPOSURES II



Northern Exposures II, the photo exhibit sponsored by the Andover Library trustees, will continue through July and August in the town's two libraries. Featuring local images by Andover-area photographers, the exhibit is open to the public at no charge in the Andover Library and the Bachelor Library during normal library hours.

The two libraries will exchange exhibits later this month so library patrons can view, at one site, the work of six photographers as well as selections from the Andover Historical Society's photo collection.

Caption: Larry Chase. Photos: *Fall, Highland Lake* (above) by Janine and Tim Hannibal; *Hairy Woodpecker* by Dan Bezon.



Barbara Wood To Continue Andover Family Practice

LRGHealthcare press release

LRGHealthcare and Andover Family Practice are pleased to welcome Family Nurse Practitioner Barbara Wood, APRN, to the local community. Barbara will practice general family medicine with office hours at Andover Family Practice at 8 Lawrence Street in Andover. Barbara replaces Dr. Amy Schneider, who is retiring.

Andover Family Practice is an important part of our local healthcare community, and Barbara will be an important addition to the LRGHealthcare family. Barbara will have office hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 8:30 AM to 4 PM. She holds a Masters Degree in Nursing from the University of New Hampshire and a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Georgetown University in Washington, DC and has worked in the Lakes and Three Rivers Regions since 1996.

To schedule an appointment, please call the Andover Family Practice at 735-4363.



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HIGHLAND LAKE FOURTH OF JULY

By Jim Cooley
HPLA President

It's the start of another summer season at Highland Lake in Andover, and the Highland Lake Protective Association (HPLA) invites you to join us in activities around the lake. It's a good way to get to know your fellow Andover residents and show your support for keeping Highland Lake a clean, safe, and healthy place to live and play.

Ice Cream Social

This year, our annual ice cream social will be at 7 PM on Saturday, July 2, at the East Andover Fire Station: \$4 per person for a big sundae!

Boat Parade And Flares

On Sunday, July 3, we will host our whimsical boat parade at 4 PM (good viewing at the town beach), followed by the lighting of the flares around the lake at 9 PM. All boats, large and small, are invited to join the procession around the lake; the best-decorated boat wins \$50!

Annual Meeting

HPLA's annual meeting will be on Saturday, July 16, at 10 AM, also at the East Andover Fire Station, where we will announce the winner of the Highland Lake Photography Contest.

We hope you will join us in celebrating the summer at Highland Lake.

FIRECRACKER 5K FUN RUN

By Tom Frantz, FNRT

The Andover Fourth of July Committee, in conjunction with the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail in Merrimack County (FNRT), is holding a 5K Fun Run/Walk as one of Andover's Fourth of July activities. The out-and-back event will be held on the Rail Trail and will start at 9 AM on July 4 at the Blackwater Park off Lawrence Street in Andover. Registration will begin at 8 AM and costs \$20 on the day of the race.

Last year's race drew over 100 runners. The majority of the runners were from the area, but runners from as far away as Kansas and Nevada competed

for prize money and the gold, silver, and bronze spikes that were awarded to the top three finishers in each age group.

The out-and-back race is held on the rail trail that passes through Andover. The course is flat, fast, and scenic. There will be free t-shirts given to the first 100 entrants. The top male and female overall finishers will each receive \$50. Gold, silver, and bronze railroad spikes will be presented to the top three male and female finishers in each age category.

More information is available by calling 735-6490 or by visiting FNRT.org.

Please join us for this Andover Fourth of July tradition.

Library Book Sale Opens Early For Andover Residents

By Priscilla Poulin
Andover Librarian

The Andover Libraries will be opening their annual Fourth of July Book Sale a day early – just for Andover residents and their families!

From noon to 3 PM on Sunday, July 3, the Stone Chapel on the Village Green will be open for business, giving our community the "first shot" at the record number of books available this year. Both town librarians will be there to take donations for the many thou-

sands of duplicate and old books that have been given to the libraries or withdrawn from the libraries' collections over the past year.

Also on sale will be videos on VHS and audio books on cassette; children's books; books for young adults; and antique and old books, all in fiction and non-fiction formats. Don't forget, if you bought an imprinted Andover Library bag last year, you can fill it again this year for free!

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on your favorite softball team as they vie for the championship.

"Seek" out the ice cream social later in the day. The Girl Scouts will be happy to cater to your sweet tooth and give you a "Big Dipper" full.

At dusk, treat yourself to a "celestial" display of colored "rocket-propelled" fireworks.

Let "moonbeams" or headlights guide you home after an "out of space" experience.

Our "log" this year is dedicated to Proctor Academy for their many years of generous support. A representative from Proctor will "captain" our parade from the Concord Coach, one of our obsolete vehicles.

There is handicap parking in front of and behind the town hall for "ground vehicles."

We still need some crew member to volunteer for "docking" duties.

Check the "log" for "take off" times for all activities. They should be available by the end of June at various locations around town and on the Fourth at the "Command Center" (grandstand). There is also a "log" of activities on page 1 of this issue of the *Beacon*.

Remember, it takes a lot of money to "launch" this ship. If you haven't donated, please do so. Petty Officer Irene

Jewett at PO Box 36, East Andover 03231 will be happy to have you "aboard."

Bill Leber and David Jewett will be at the "Command Center" throughout the day on the Fourth to coordinate our journey.

If you have any questions, call the following officers: Flea Market, Howard Wilson 735-5427; Parade, Jamie Thompson 455-5939 or Judy Perreault 735-5493; Chair, Bob Ward 735-5061; or e-mail 4thOfJulyCommittee@gmail.com.

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NH Telephone Museum	Admission for two	Roger & Betty Henderson
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FOURTH OF JULY INVOCATION

BY CHAPLAIN DAVID GROVER

This is a draft of the invocation that Chaplain Grover will deliver during the opening ceremonies for Andover's Fourth of July celebration on the Village Green.

Acknowledged in the Bill of Rights of our Constitution is a self-evident right that is so compelling and so indispensable to our freedom and well-being that our founding fathers felt it necessary to ensure its perpetuity. They insisted that the freedom of religion should be our first amendment. "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." In the First Amendment, that right is placed ahead of our right to free speech, our right to freedom of the press, our right to assemble peacefully, and our right to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

Our right to freedom of expression extends not only to the media and the arena of political discourse, but most fundamentally it encompasses the inner world of our conscience and spirituality. The founders believed that the freedom of religion, untouched by federal regulations and entanglements, was the wellspring of our strength and our unity as a nation.

In fact, in 1798 John Adams warned "Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." As our society has become increasingly coarse and crude, we are finding that our institutions are no longer adequate to deal with the problem of Americans behaving badly. We need God in America again.

So, whether out of your own faith and belief in God, or out of respect for others around you, please join me in exercising our First Amendment right of freedom of religion, according to your own religious traditions, by praying with me for our nation. Let us do something radical as we declare our independence from tyranny.

Almighty God, we bow before you this morning to acknowledge your sovereignty over our lives, our affairs, and our nation. We begin this day of celebration by recognizing, as our Declaration of Independence declares, that you, our Creator – not our government – have endowed us with the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Our Founding Fathers affirmed that no government, not even the government that they would soon establish, had the right to infringe on those God-given rights.

Yet we confess that the tolerance for religion that flowed from the Judeo-Christian mindset of our forefathers has begotten intolerance of the very faith that bestowed it. We have refused to acknowledge even the existence of our God. You are no

longer welcome in the courtrooms of our land, yet our laws are based on your eternal principles. It is illegal to mention your name in our schools, yet you are the one who has taught us to be kind to one another, to do unto others as we would have done to us. Our media edits you out of our Pledge of Allegiance, yet it is you we turn to when airplanes strike and buildings fall out of the sky.

We confess that we have become an increasingly polarized nation. The words, "A house divided against itself cannot stand" recorded in the Gospel of Matthew 12:25 are as applicable today as when they came from the lips of Jesus Christ 2,000 years ago.

In 1858, with the specter of our great civil war looming on the national horizon, Abraham Lincoln quoted those words. One hundred and fifty years later, our nation is dividing and fracturing again. We need God in America again.

Ronald Reagan was right when he said, "If we ever forget that we are one nation under god, then we will be one nation gone under." Clear evidence is all around us, O God, and it seems it won't be long before we do go under and we see our tombstone being erected in the cemetery of nations that forgot God.

We are no longer "one nation under God;" we aren't even "one nation." The fire has gone out from under the great melting pot of America's past. Diversity rather than unity has become our mantra. There are no unifying principles to which we "pledge allegiance." The "republic for which it stands" is fading into oblivion. We have courted the favor of our enemies while spurning our friends and alienating our allies. We are 13 trillion dollars in debt and morally bankrupt. We need God in America again!

So forgive us, Lord, for ignoring you, for denying you, for benching you on the sideline of our lives. Dare we pray self-righteously as if everything is OK? Dare we pray in denial as if you will smile upon us while we "disregard the eternal rules of order and right which Heaven itself has ordained?" (George Washington, First Inaugural, April 30 1789) Turn our hearts toward you and heal our land.

God, watch over our troops around the world who are protecting our liberties and securing our safety, and bring them home safely to us once again. Watch over our world, and bring peace in our time. Grant wisdom to President Obama, our Senators, and our Representatives. Restore our nation once again, and let freedom ring.

We pray this in the name of the One who provides lasting freedom, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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DOT Wins Grant For New Technique On Andover Bridge

Senator Shaheen press release

US Senator Jeanne Shaheen announced the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT) has won a \$140,000 competitive federal grant from the Federal Highway Administration to improve the Route 11 bridge over the Blackwater River in Andover, near Route 4A. The award will support the installation of partially grouted riprap, a new, more cost-effective technology to protect bridge piers and abutments from water damage.

land cement between the riprap stones to increase the stability of the riprap unit without sacrificing flexibility. It allows for using smaller rocks and thinner riprap layers.

DOT recently identified 33 bridges that could use partially grouted riprap to protect them from scour, a common cause of bridge failure in which the sediment surrounding bridge abutments or piers is carried away by water. This technology is more cost-effective than traditional methods that involve removing soil from streambeds.



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Letters

While listening to the radio this morning and browsing a Market Basket brochure I simultaneously heard an ad for fireworks and saw a print ad for beer and wine with a heading of "In New Hampshire Only." Yup. Yup. The Live Free or Die State.

Why then – and bear with me because this is the way my mind thinks – would an old 1940s law be resurrected to address a non-existing problem?

Why, when our legislators view personal freedom above all, would there surface a land use issue in our town?

We have a state-of-the-art water treatment facility that takes care of the water that serves our town's drinking water. This system is better than anything available in 1940. This is 2011; we

don't have antiquated water treatment, distribution, and testing methods. We don't need antiquated laws. Our current water system is safe and efficient.

This being said, I wonder again ... why would a landowner on Bradley Lake suggest otherwise and even go so far as to call meetings discussing the

"issues" regarding current practices? I just don't understand why anyone would bother? Current landowners have been responsibly and respectfully swimming, fishing, and enjoying the restricted area of the lake for years. The town water quality and the pristine quality of the water of Bradley Lake have never been in question.

I am just wondering ...
Debbie Hatter

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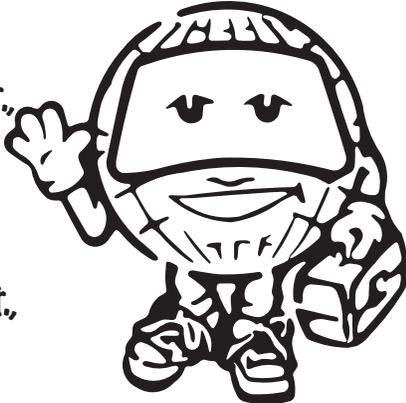
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Franklin Reaps Big Savings With Switch To SSR

City of Franklin press release

In April of 2010, the City of Franklin implemented a single stream recycling program (SSR) using automated curbside pickup. Municipal Services Director Brian Sullivan identified, early on, that the city was at a crossroads in regards to how it disposed of its solid waste. City equipment was aging and tipping (disposal) fees were continuing to increase at levels the city could no longer afford.

So he proposed a plan to change how we do business. With the support of the Municipal Services Department Committee (chaired by Councilor Jay Bowers), City Manager Elizabeth Dragon, and the City Council, Franklin has implemented a plan that has saved thousands of dollars while doing its part to reduce waste in our environment.

Between April 2010 and April 2011, the city has recycled 912 tons. Removing 912 tons from the waste stream has saved almost \$58,000 in tipping fees. In addition, by changing from manual to automated curbside pickup, the city has gone from a five-day pick up schedule to a three-day pick up schedule. Due to the automation, workers compensation insurance has been reduced, saving the city over \$1,300 per year.

As part of the new program, Director Sullivan also purchased a hook lift for the department which has allowed the city to haul its own containers of demolition debris. This has resulted in additional savings of almost \$40,000.

There has also been a very notice-

able improvement in visual appearance throughout the city on trash collection days. Overnight, the city transformed from neighborhoods with piles of trash bags alongside the road (at times tattered by animals, with debris strewn about) to neatly placed containers for every resident.

City Manager Dragon praised the department and the residents who have

Franklin saves about \$100,000 per year from the switch to single stream recycling

embraced this program. She noted that amazingly, the city already achieves about 90% compliance for the program. This has meant that the city has had no loads of single stream recyclables rejected due to contamination. Clearly this is due in large part to the hard work of the Municipal Services Department and its recycling committee educating residents on what is recyclable under the new program.

Councilor Jay Bowers points out, "This program was an investment in Franklin's future. Recycling, going green, and the city doing its small part to be environmentally conscious has resulted in big dollar savings for the City of Franklin."

Andover Recreation Offers Swimming Lessons

Andover Recreation Committee press release

The Andover Recreation Committee will offer swimming lessons again this summer. Sign up day will be Tuesday, July 5, from 9 to 10 AM at the town beach on Highland Lake. The cost is \$25 for two weeks.

There may be a lesson after sign-ups on July 5. Lessons will definitely

run Wednesday through Friday, July 6 through 8, and Monday through Friday, July 11 through 15 (weather permitting). The times and the number of sessions will be determined by the number of sign-ups.

Contact Dave Powers, Andover Recreation Committee chairman, at 344-9085 with any questions.

Town Sticker Required To Use Beach At Highland Lake

By Marj Roy
Andover Town Clerk

Beach season is here, and we want to remind Andover residents that a town sticker is required to park at Chaffee Beach at Highland Lake. To prevent excessive crowding or parking difficulties, beach access is restricted to Andover residents and their guests. Identification of automobiles is by a sticker attached to a rear window.

Stickers may be purchased at the Town Clerk's Office or the Transfer Station for \$5. (The same town sticker is required if you bring trash or recycling to the Transfer Station.) The

stickers are valid until you change vehicles or get a new license plate.

If you have summer guests, temporary beach passes are also available at the Town Clerk's Office for a fee of \$2. Failure of a resident using the beach to purchase or attach the sticker to the car is punishable by a fine of \$10. Illegal use of the premises by a non-resident is punishable by a fine of \$25. In addition, unauthorized vehicles will be towed at the expense of the owner.

Our office will be closed on Monday, July 4. We will reopen at 1:30 PM on Tuesday, July 5.

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Andover Town Clerk

By Marj Roy
 Andover Town Clerk

July's motor vehicle registration renewal reminders were mailed on June 30, which is later than usual. The delay is due to pending legislation that may repeal the fees and surcharges that have been in place since 2009. These include the \$30 to \$55 surcharges you have seen recently. These changes would be effective July 1.

If your registration is up for renewal in July, you may come into our office

anytime after July 5 to process your renewal. After July 1, you may also go online to NHMVkiosk.com and renew from there.

The new fees will apply only after July 1. There are no refunds for registrations done earlier in the year. Those registrants will see the reductions on next year's renewal.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 735-5332 ext. 223 or 224. 

NEW LICENSE PLATES ALLOW ACCESS TO STATE PARKS

NH Parks & Recreation
 press release

The New Hampshire State Park motor vehicle plate is now available at New Hampshire Department of Motor Vehicle offices and at town clerk offices, including the Andover Town Clerk's office. The cost of the State Park Plate is \$85, in addition to registration and other fees and a one-time \$8 new-plate fee, and will enable the automobile and its passengers free access to state park day-use facilities. Proceeds from the sale of the State Parks Plate will be designated to a fund to support the maintenance and daily operation of New Hampshire's State Parks.

The holder of a State Parks license plate will receive free admission for the registered vehicle and its passengers to day-use parks, including area state parks such as:

- Mount Sunapee State Park
- Rollins State Park
- Wadleigh State Park
- Winslow State Park

The New Hampshire State Parks license plate does not include free or reduced fees for camping, parking meters, Cannon Mountain Aerial tramway, Flume Gorge, or the Mount Washington Auto Road. Also, there is no discount to state employees for the purchase of the plate.

Also available is a combination plate that will have both the Moose Plate and the State Park Plate logos on it. The annual cost is \$85 for the State Park fee and \$30 for the Moose Plate fee, in addition to normal registration fees, plus a one-time new plate fee of \$8. 



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Andover EMS

By John Kinney
Andover EMS Chief

As we approach the summer season, I'm reminded that we had a few episodes involving heat exhaustion last year. After the cool damp month of June 2010, we all seemed very happy to be out in the sunshine and warmth of July. During our town's celebrations on July Fourth, temperatures reached over 90 degrees, and the members of Andover EMS knew that we had to take a proactive position against heat-related health conditions.

EMT-B Heather Makechnie was armed with cases of cool water and began her patrol of the Village Green before noon. She was soon making many pleas to some residents to slow down, take a rest in a shady spot, and drink plenty of water. Heather isn't just a kind person; it's her training and knowledge of heat-related illness that was behind her concern and actions.

Basic Heat Facts

Here are some basic facts about your body's reaction to heat to keep in mind.

Heat exhaustion is a form of hyperthermia, an abnormally elevated body temperature that can develop when you are exposed to high temperatures and become dehydrated, usually from not drinking enough fluids. It also can happen when large volumes of sweat are replaced with fluids that don't contain enough salt or electrolytes.

Those most prone to heat exhaustion are children; the elderly; people with high blood-pressure; people working or exercising in a hot environment; individuals suffering chronic illness or

disability; obese people; people who have been drinking alcohol; or pregnant women.

Warning signs of heat exhaustion include thirst, fatigue, dizziness, headache, heavy sweating, muscle or abdominal cramps, nausea or vomiting, and fainting. The skin may be cool and moist. The victim's pulse rate will likely be fast and weak, and breathing may be rapid and shallow.

If heat exhaustion is untreated, it may progress to heat stroke, which is a medical emergency. Heat stroke can involve organ failure and other conditions unfavorable to life. Seek medical attention and call 911 immediately if symptoms are severe, or the victim has heart problems or has a history of high blood pressure.

Beat The Heat

Otherwise, help the victim cool off and seek medical attention if symptoms worsen or last longer than an hour. Techniques that help cooling are drinking more water than usual (avoid alcohol or caffeinated beverages); frequent rests in shady, cool, or air-conditioned spaces; wearing loose, lightweight clothing; and misting with cooling by a fan.

Members of Andover EMS will be on the Village Green again this Fourth of July, so please stop by and chat, have a rest, drink some water, and let us practice taking vital signs. Take your pick of temperature, pulse, blood pressure, oxygen saturation level, respiratory rate, lung sounds, skin condition, or all of the above. It can be a win-win visit for everyone involved.

East Andover Fire Department

By Rene Lefebvre
Chief, East Andover Fire Department

July is a very busy time for your fire department and for many other folks in Andover. Our first event is the Fourth of July celebration. We will be there with our tent set up on the Village Green. The team has a very nice Old Town canoe at the station ready to raffle, and our snow cone machine is cleaned and ready to make a refreshing treat.

We are all looking for a warm dry day and a large gathering of people to enjoy our community. On the business side, we will have medical and fire equipment staged should the need arise.

The celebration on the Fourth is the result of a lot of very hard work and planning. We all owe a large "Thank you!" to the committee members who labor behind the scenes to make our celebration such a popular event.

Chicken Barbecue

Our second event is our annual chicken barbecue. Please mark your calendar for Saturday, July 30, at the East Andover Fire Station. We will serve from 5 to 7 PM. The canoe will be raffled off at 7 PM. We plan to offer a good meal, good conversation, and a very pleasant place to eat. This gathering has become, for many, a must-attend event each summer. The support shown by you is a major recharge for our drive to provide our town with the best emergency services possible.

Andover Fire Departments

Combining operations for the two fire departments is going very well. Thinking like one department takes a bit of doing, but acting like one is getting easier.

Combined training feels like normal training. The fire service has a long history of working very well as one large team at multiple alarm incidents. That spirit is alive and well in Andover. Training separately would now seem foreign and much less productive.

We have two people interested in becoming firefighters. Both are certified fire fighters that have moved to our town. It is not often that trained and experienced people walk into your station almost ready to fight fire. We will train them to our methods and equipment and will welcome them to the hot seat soon.

This is July, a warm, lazy time with the memory of snow and ice slowly fading. It is a time to just let down and be at peace. I will not spoil your easy time with a message of safety. Well ... maybe just a short note.

If you plan to attend, and I hope you do, the Fourth of July celebration on the Village Green, drink some water. It is likely to be hot out there. Some are not used to all that heat and sun. Water is the great equalizer for most people. That's all: drink water, enjoy the shade at our tent, and have a great time.



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Selectmen Struggle To Control Cost Of Bridge

By Jake Johnson
Andover Board of Selectmen

Back in 2005, the Town of Andover applied for state aid in replacing the Morrill Hill Road bridge. State bridge aid requires the Town to pay for the replacement of the bridge, and the state reimburses the Town for 80% of the total cost.

In 2005, the price for replacing the Morrill Hill Road bridge was \$420,000. In 2010, the replacement price for the bridge had risen to \$599,000 for a pre-cast buried rigid frame, or \$761,000 for pre-stressed concrete deck beams.

It's not the price of construction that inflated the price tag from 2005 to 2010. It's the new, more stringent standards to be met in making the bridge large enough to withstand a 100-year flood event.

The state's bridges and dams did not withstand well the flooding throughout New Hampshire on Mothers Day of 2006 and subsequent flooding in 2007 and 2008. There was widespread destruction in other communities, as well as in our own. The Highland Lake dam was damaged in the 2006 flood event and had to be replaced, at a cost to the town of \$552,000 and growing.

In response to the problems caused by flooding in 2006 through 2008, the state beefed up the standard for water flowing through and under structures. With those new standards in place, today's Morrill Hill Road "bridge" – actually an eight-foot high by 11-foot wide culvert – will have to be replaced with a 32-foot long bridge that rises a foot higher above the water than the current culvert.

Avoiding A Budget-Buster

The Board of Selectmen stands firm that we cannot spend more than the \$420,000 that was raised and appropriated at the 2010 Town Meeting to replace the bridge. Last year, the Board worked with engineer Sean James of Hoyle, Tanner and Associates to accomplish two tasks:

- Get a waiver from the state to drop the 100-year flood event requirement to a 50-year flood event requirement on this bridge. This gives us the option of a smaller, 24-foot wide, 12-foot high pre-cast concrete

structure.

- Keep the cost for the replacement bridge at no more than \$420,000! Our road agent, Jon Champagne, worked with Mr. James to look at using the Town's local highway crew, the Town's rental rates and wage scale, and local materials (including some of the stone and gravel that you saw being produced this spring at the Transfer Station) to bring the price of the bridge replacement back down to \$420,000.

Earlier this year, the State granted the waiver of the 100-year flood requirement. Jon and Mr. James were able to get the price down to \$429,000.

DOT Meetings

Everything was looking great until the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT) informed us that, due to the fact that the Town does not own its own construction equipment and that the Road Agent would therefore be using equipment from his own company, we would be violating the requirement for competitive bidding.

We were also informed that to receive state aid for this project, our Road Agent would need to have bridge building experience and be included on the approved bridge contractor list on file at DOT. In addition, he might not be allowed to bid because of "insider" information.

Fortunately, on June 20 the Board met with DOT again. We explained that although we don't own the equipment, our road crew are municipal employees paid on the Town rate scale. Equipment is rented from local contractors at the Town rental rate. Parts of the project will be bid out: paving, guardrail installation, and installing the precast bridge and wing walls.

After much discussion, we got a tentative "thumbs up" to use our own Road Agent for much of the project. We still need to give DOT a detailed budget of the Town portion of the project showing a savings from what the engineer estimates for the project. If all goes well, a Fall 2011 replacement of the bridge could become reality.

A Little History

The history of the Morrill Hill Road bridge dates back to the late 1800s, and the stonework on the north side of the bridge still has that craftsmanship. In 1967, the culvert was replaced by the Town's road agent, John Jurta, and local highway crew. We think that our current road agent and local highway crew can continue that same tradition.

By the way, the current bridge was not damaged in the 100-year flood events in 2006, 2007, and 2008! The reason we need to replace it now is that the culvert is deteriorating. The material around it and under the roadway is weakening, as seen in recent years with sinkholes in the roadway pavement.

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TOWN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Planning Board

May 24

Condensed from draft minutes

Members present: Eric Johnson, Chair; Jon Warzocha, Vice-Chair; Jacob Johnson, *ex-officio*; Paul Currier; Nancy Teach; Pat Moyer, alternate appointed to Michelle Bengivengo's position; and Wood Sutton, alternate appointed to Don Gould's position.

Also present for duration of appropriate items: Don Cline

Announcements: Eric stated that Ed Hiller is working on a revised historical map.

Continued Preliminary Non-Binding Consultation: Possible Subdivision, Barclin Land Company, Racoon Hill Road and Shaw Hill Road

Cline presented a letter from Barclin Land indicating they would like to proceed with the subdivision proposal. This letter also includes a request for a waiver of the remaining one year and two months of the five-year waiting period in order to obtain a simple subdivision of the house lot. The request is based upon the requirement of the conservation easement that only one lot may be subdivided and the remaining lot, which will amount to 15.25 acres and partially abuts conserved land owned by Lorraine and Don Cline, may not be further subdivided.

A letter from the Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust was also presented. This letter describes the easement on the subject property. A minor subdivision application as well as a revised proposed subdivision plan was also presented.

Sutton asked for the location of the culvert to be identified. The Board stated that the driveway, house location, and limit of disturbance need to be indicated on the plan. The Board will review the application for completeness and a public hearing is scheduled for June 28.

Master Plan Update

Currier stated the "inventory of land use by lot" map needs to be located, and shape files on the "future land use" map

needs to be completed, as well as the "historical" map. Public hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, August 9, and either September 6 or September 20.

Recycling Committee

June 9

Condensed from draft minutes

Attending: Alan Wesoja, Ken Tripp, Bill Matulevich, Don Gross, Kim Keeler, Reggie Roy.

Swap Shop: Bill stated that we have a full complement of volunteers for our June 11 swap. We will have to find a new co-ordinator starting in July because of Bill's migration.

Membership: Bill will be gone. Alan is resigning. He will be taking a job at the hospital in Lebanon and will not work at the Transfer Station any longer. Dane Loomer has promised to join us.

Got Books: Got Books wants their container accessible 7 days a week. The committee suggested siting the book recycle container near the Thrift Shop. Don stated that any siting near Town Hall would have to be approved by the Selectmen. Don will discuss the request with the Selectmen. Bill suggested siting the container near the Blackwater Junction Restaurant.

Centerfold: Don stated that the revision is in the draft stage.

Bonuses: Don stated that this suggestion is "under advisement" with the Selectmen.

Freon: Reggie stated that freon was being extracted from our backlog today. Ken suggested that once we have our Transfer Station employees trained we might offer to process Wilmot's freon containing appliances in order to earn money for Andover.

Single Stream: Co-op is still in limbo.

Hazardous Waste: Ken thought it time to advertise the dates and get flyers to the Transfer Station. Don still plans a field trip to Wolfboro.

See Cons Comm on page 12

Office Hours & Meetings

OFFICE HOURS

Town Office: Mon-Fri 8:30-1
Town Clerk & Tax Collector:
 Mon & Wed, 9-2
 Tue & Thu, 1:30-6:30
 Last Saturday of month, 9-11

Building Inspector: Tues, 6-7

Andover Library:
 Mon, 6:30-8:30
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Bachelor Library:
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Transfer Station:
 Wed, 7-6 (7-5 during winter)
 Sat, 7-5

Swap Event (May-Oct):
 2nd Sat (rain date: 3rd Sat)
 Transfer Station, 8-2

MEETINGS

At the Town Hall unless otherwise noted

Board of Selectmen:
 1st & 3rd Mon, 7
Planning Board: 2nd & 4th Tue, 7
Zoning Board of Adjustment:
 3rd Tue, 7

Conservation: 2nd Wed, 7:30
Recycling: 2nd Thu, 1
Recreation: 2nd Thu, 7, AE/MS
Library Trustees: 3rd Thu, 7:30
 Andover Library or
 Bachelor Library

Fourth of July: 1st Wed (Feb-Jun),
 Andover Fire Station, 7

Andover Fire Dept: 1st Mon, Business, 7; 3rd Mon, Training, 7

Explorer Scout Post 321: 2nd Wed,
 7, East Andover Fire Station

East Andover Fire Dept:
 2nd Wed, 7:30

Andover EMS: 2nd Tue, 7
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School Board: 1st Tue, 6:30,
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JULY

- 5: Board of Selectmen, 7
- 5: Andover Fire Dept Bus Mtg, 7
- 5: Building Inspector, 6-7
- 9: Swap Shop, 8-2
- 12: Building Inspector, 6-7
- 12: Andover EMS,
 East Andover Fire Station, 7
- 12: Planning Board, 7
- 13: Conservation Committee, 7:30
- 13: East Andover Fire Dept, 7:30
- 14: Recycling Committee, 1
- 14: Recreation Comm, AE/MS, 7

15: Deadline for July Beacon

- 18: Board of Selectmen, 7
- 18: Andover Fire Dept Training, 7
- 19: Building Inspector, 6-7
- 19: Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7
- 21: Library Trustees, 7:30
- 26: Building Inspector, 6-7
- 26: Planning Board, 7

AUGUST

- 1: Board of Selectmen, 7
- 1: Andover Fire Dept Bus Mtg, 7
- 2: Building Inspector, 6-7
- 2: School Board, 6:30

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Charlie, a Rhode Islander, lived and worked in central Massachusetts for 25 years. When he retired as Director of Customer Services for New England Telephone, a retirement destination had long been selected, the New London/Sunapee area. Charlie and his wife Mary Lou moved to Andover and found a house and a project; a 200 year old colonial in an area of wonderful antique homes. The restoration project took several years. They then moved on to a larger project, construction of a reproduction 1799 farm house where they now live. Community service is a priority for Charlie. He currently serves on the Zoning Board, the School Board, and the Finance Committee. After working in Real Estate for six years as a member of the Lakes Region Board of Realtors, Charlie recently joined Country Houses Real Estate in New London. His construction experience, dedication to customer service, and knowledge of real estate, make Charlie an excellent choice as the Agent to assist you with any real estate transaction.

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Cons Comm from page 11

NRRA Conference: Reggie Roy was awarded a plaque for being a rookie of the year. NRRA nominates first-year transfer station managers for their competence. NRRA has a school recycle club. The composting lecture left a lot of unanswered questions about municipal composting. New Hampshire the Beautiful will provide up to a 20% grant for the purchase of new recycle equipment.

Glass: The company that grinds the glass which we take to New London suggested that we could save money by storing our glass on site, even if it took several years before we had a big enough backlog to grind. Don felt we do not have the space to do this.

Construction Debris: NRRA has confirmed that Bestway, our current vendor, landfills the debris. Errco, a competitor, recycles the debris. NRRA has promised a price comparison.

Transfer Station: Emergency eye wash system has been purchased. Container site work not completed. Large water tank not moved near fire pits. Reggie is obtaining quotes for storage shed over our former glass slab. Need potable water, propane heater regulator.

Conservation Commission

May 11

Condensed from approved minutes
Members attended Kevin Gardner's New England Stone Walls lecture at

7 PM at the Stone Church prior to the meeting. The meeting began at 9 PM.

Present: Tina Cotton, Sandra Graves, Jerry Hersey, Patricia Moyer, Nan Kaplan; alternate Larry Chase.

Correspondence

New Hampshire Department of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands notification to the Board of Selectmen of the timber harvest in the Kearsarge Wildlife Management Area (124 acres)

Old Business

Larry checked into RSA 36:A which enables the commission to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, or limit the future use of or otherwise conserve and properly utilize open spaces and other land and water areas within the town. Larry spoke with Selectman Vicky Mishcon, who is interested in forming an energy committee. Larry and Vicky will meet May 16.

New Business

Members agreed to have Tina report the treasurer information quarterly, instead of every month due to the minimal changing. The next report will be in September. Nan made the motion. Pat seconded. Motion carried.

It was brought to Sandra's attention that Natural Grid plans on spraying for certain tall vegetation with herbicides around the power lines near Highland Lake. The concern is that the spraying might drift into the Highland Lake waters. Sandra will contact National Grid to find out what precautions they take.

Nan reported that Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust will celebrate 25 years in 2012 and expects some type of celebration to take place in the twelve towns of ASLPT.

School Board

May 3

Condensed from draft minutes

Members present: Erik Anderson, Kent Armstrong, Don Gould, Charlie McCrave, Katie Keyser.

Administration present: Mike Martin, Chris Barry, Robin Heins, Kathleen Boucher, Jane Slayton

Financial Report: Robin Heins provided details of the over-expended lines. Special education and transporta-

tion lines are higher due to unanticipated costs. Robin does not expect much of a fund balance.

Board Chairperson's Report: Don Gould reported that he was able to attend the Senior Showcase night at the Merrimack Valley High School and shared the article in the *Beacon* highlighting the Andover seniors. He also mentioned that the high school play, *Footloose*, starring an Andover student, was on Andover Cable TV Comcast Channel 8.

Old Business

Policies: Jane Slayton explained the edits to the Community Use of School Facilities, Buildings and Grounds Request and Agreement Form, Appendix KF-R. Administration will review suggested edits from Kent Armstrong, incorporate them into the document, and bring an updated draft to the next Board meeting.

Suggested edits will also be considered regarding the EEAEC Transportation Policy and EEA-R Student Transportation Services Appendix. An updated version will be e-mailed to Board members for their review, and this policy work will be placed on the agenda for the May 17 work session. Jane Slayton asked the board to make a timely decision on this policy, because it impacts the upcoming discussion with the transportation company on updating bus routes.

Policies KB Title 1 Parent Involvement in Education, IFA Instructional Needs of Students with Different Talents, IHAM Health Education and Exemption from Instruction, and IHAM-R Appendix Opt Out form outlined. These are policies required by law and are not currently in the policy manual. Updated drafts will be submitted for a second read at the next Board meeting.

School Calendar: Mike Martin outlined the facts regarding the school calendar and proposed that the Board consider requesting a waiver for June 20, which is a Monday. The Board voted to direct the Superintendent to write a letter to the Commissioner of Education asking for a waiver.

MVHS Principal Presentation: Mike Jette outlined the programs, processes, and support systems available to students at the Merrimack Valley High School.

AE/MS Teacher Presentation: Michelle Keezer and Brenda Lance gave an overview of the Performance Pathways software Program and described how the AE/MS staff is using the data provided to make decisions on improving the curriculum at AE/MS.

New Business

The August Board meeting was tentatively scheduled for August 2.

Superintendent's Report: Dr. Martin suggested a special work session on May 18 to present estimated fund balance numbers and review options regarding that topic. The Transportation Policy update and estimated kindergarten numbers will also be added to that agenda.



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Historical Society Unveils 2012 Calendar On The Fourth

By Pat Cutter
Andover Historical Society

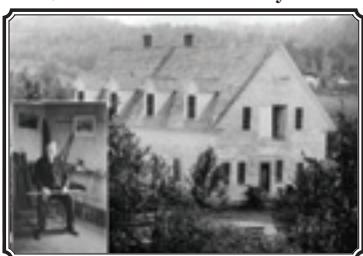
The Fourth of July is a big day in Andover, and it is the day that the Andover Historical Society will be introducing its new calendar for 2012.

The 2011 calendar was a huge success, thanks to all of the individuals and businesses that supported the project by sponsoring a month. The photographs from the archives of the Society of bygone students and one-room schoolhouses were fascinating and reminded all of us of what is past.

For 2012, the theme is Mills and Manufacturers. This year's calendar showcases some of the many business enterprises that grew and prospered in Andover in the mid 1800s. Industry needed water power and willing workers, and the monthly photos illustrate an abundance of both.

Local support for the project has again made this publication possible, and we thank everyone who participated. Stop by the Andover Historical Society table on the Village Green on the Fourth of July and get your calendar – they make wonderful gifts for friends and family.

Walter "Scott" Trumbull and The Fly Rod Factory



In 1900 Walter "Scott" Trumbull owned and operated a fishing rod factory beside the Blackwater River in Cityville. The machinery was powered by water from a dam located below the bridge. The building was later used as a blacksmith shop and burned Dec. 17, 1908.

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			Walter's Birthday			

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Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse

By Donna Baker-Hartwell
Andover Historical Society

The 1837 Tucker Mountain one-room schoolhouse will be open on Sunday, July 10, from 1 to 3 PM. This month will feature some of the toys and games often enjoyed at country schools and at home in the 1800s. Hoops, spinning tops, jackstraws, and marbles were among the most popular. Handmade toys such as whistles, cup and ball, moon winders, and cloth dolls were also popular.

Visitors this month will have a chance to make a "climbing bear" toy. "Kids" of all ages can have fun

with this toy.

A variety of other schoolhouse artifacts will be on display, as well as note cards, books, and the Andover Historical Society's 2012 calendar featuring local mills and other industries.

Watermelon and homemade cookies will be served. For more information, or if you would like to arrange a visit to the schoolhouse at another time, call Donna at 735-5586 or Pat at 735-5628.

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Reminiscence

On the Road in 1949

By Walter Walker
For the Beacon

Sunday, September 11, found us staying in bed until 8:15. After breakfast and the dishes, we cleaned out the car, did some repair work, and put some decals on the rear windows, which were just about full by now. After the midday meal, the Conants took us to Moundville, which used to be an old Indian village. The museum had been built over an old burial ground, and there were skeletons and pottery all around, as well as other artifacts. Back at the Conant's, we had supper and the usual routine and went to bed around 11 PM.

On Monday, the 12th, we got up real early and, after breakfast and the dishes, we went looking for work; again and again no luck. But back at the Conant's later, we learn that the carload of lumber is in, and we can work unloading it. We drive to the plant and find a bigger train car than we had expected, with about 19,000 board feet in it. The owner of the plant, which made furniture, will pay us \$3 a thousand to unload that lumber. We rented a U-Haul truck, and after lunch went to work and kept at it until 7 PM. We took much needed baths, had supper, and hit the sack at 10:30 PM.

We were up early again on the 13th and after breakfast went and rented the truck again and worked on the lumber 'til noon. After a lunch of two hamburgers and a quart of milk each, we went back to work and finished the job at 1:45 PM. We got paid, took the truck back, and got cleaned up. I wrote some letters then did some washing, and we helped get supper. "Did the dishes, then played double solitaire. What a game, especially when five people play," says my diary.

Wednesday, the 14th, found us up at 6:30 AM helping get breakfast and then the dishes, and next I did some laundry. Next, we went and cut some more brush for the lady friend of the Conants and

went for a swim after. Poor Skip lost his ring in the pool.

After lunch at the Conant's, we went to see a man about tarring his roof, but he was not home, so we gassed up the Olds and returned to our home-away-from-home and mowed some of their lawns. We also washed our car, took baths, and had supper. This was fol-



This is how the Conant Family looked nine months before the Andover boys showed up.

lowed by another game of cards and then bed at 10 PM.

I should step away from my diary a minute and talk about the two Conant girls. I cannot recall their ages, but I remember the oldest, Mary Lou, had breasts when we were there and was entertaining her younger sister, Harriet, one evening by jumping up and down in front of a mirror in their bedroom, and Harold caught a glimpse of this as he came back from the upstairs bathroom. This involved a lot of laughter on the girls' part, and before Skip and I could enjoy the show, their mother Georgie called up and put an end to the fun.

Louis was the father's name, and he was a rock. He was the one who got us the lumber job. The family had been there for a long time, so the girls and their friends had that beautiful old-time southern accent, and we used to have a lot of fun comparing our "talk" with all those young girls.

We loved every minute we spent with them, and I think they enjoyed our company as much as we enjoyed theirs.

Sadly, our Great Adventure ends with the next installment.

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A New Excerpt From Halfway Up The Hill

Copies of Paul Fenton Jr.'s Halfway Up the Hill are still available. The book is based on a series of articles written for The Andover Beacon from July 1991 through June 2003 in which he reminisces about growing up in Andover.

Half Way Up The Hill can be purchased for \$15 from the Andover Historical Society, the Salisbury Historical Society, by calling Paul at 735-5754, or by stopping by his home halfway up Beech Hill at 125

Beech Hill Road here in Andover.

Here is an excerpt:

My father was very special to me. He had a way of doing things that made people happy. Some of the things he did were not necessarily by plan. (I never did anything by plan; the difference was I never made anyone happy with my actions, especially my parents.)

Mother observed during the summer of 1943 the old apple tree in front of the farm house looked terrible. Dad said that come March or April he would trim it. He took out all the dead limbs and shaped it so that it would look presentable.

In mid May there was the most glorious display of apple blossoms

anybody ever saw. We could smell them from 50 feet away. Mother was so pleased that Dad kept it pruned for several years afterwards.

Dad always claimed that they were apple cider apples and not eating apples, so we never tried to control the bugs that deformed the fruit. For several springs mother would pick some flowering branches and place them in a vase on the dining room table for everyone to enjoy while we were eating our meal. The old apple tree has

long since died and disappeared.

Fruit trees were placed around the old farmsteads for practical reasons. There were usually apples, pears, and sometimes plums. The fruits would be dried or canned, pressed for cider, or made into jellies during the fall.

Today the trees are placed around homes more for ornamental purposes than the production of food. One tree we don't commonly see any more is the crab apple tree; the fruit of which made a very interesting flavored jelly.

People are so busy today they have neither the time nor the inclination in many cases to get involved in the production of their own food.



250 Years Ago

Andover's First Settlement

In honor of the 250th anniversary of Andover's first settlement, Larry Chase transcribed this passage from History of Andover, New Hampshire, 1751-1906 by John R. Eastman, 1910, pages 407 through 408.

The first settler in the territory then known first as New Breton, and afterwards as Andover, was Joseph Fellows. He was born in Newbury, Massachusetts; came to Kingston, New Hampshire, thence to a point near Corser Hill in Boscawen, now Webster, and from there, in the spring of 1761, to his log house, which he had just finished, on land now belonging to the William B. Emery farm at Flag-hole. At that time he was 32 years old and had a wife and four children, one a baby, the two younger children accompanying the father and mother on the first trip to the new home. The first part of the journey proved so hard for the wife, who carried the baby in her arms, that she stopped at a settler's house in Salisbury, where she and the baby remained during the night, while Mr. Fellows, accompanied by his dog, carried the older child and his gun on to his new log house, where he spent the night. In the morning he fed the child, left it in the house with the faithful dog and went back for his wife and youngest child. Carrying the baby and his gun, his wife following, they completed the journey that day and established the first home in the wilderness of New Breton. His daughter, Margaret, was the first white child born in this town. Mr. Fellows was of that persistent, fearless stock that has made the frontier a constantly moving line since this country was first settled.

of New England pioneer, he was a farmer, hunter, carpenter, and possessed a working knowledge of other trades. He could fell the trees of the original forest and raise corn; could trap or shoot the beaver and tan his skin; build a log cabin or a frame house; make a shoe; or build and run a sawmill. His height was about six feet and his weight about 160 pounds. Wiry strength and endurance rather than weight and volume of muscle were his physical peculiarities among his fellow pioneers.

Rumors of the coming struggle at Lexington and Concord stirred the hearts of the men of New Breton, and Mr. Fellows was among the first to hurry to the point of danger. They were too late for the opening fight, but they all did good service at Bunker Hill. He was in Captain Ebenezer Webster's company with Stark at Bennington and Stillwater.

After the war closed, he devoted his energies to the improvement of his farm and its surroundings. He set out the first apple tree in town. It stood about 30 feet from the old well on the Royal Stone farm.

It is related that, after his sons were well grown men, he built a frame house, 30 by 40 feet, on the ground. The frame was very heavy, and he was advised to collect all the neighbors to have a "raising." He felt, however, that he and his sons were equal to the task, and it was all raised by himself and six of his sons.

Mr. Fellows was a hardy, resourceful pioneer, a brave soldier, and a good, patriotic citizen. Fortunate the town whose first settlers were thus distinguished.

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50 YEARS AGO

JULY 1961

Here's some old news from the Andover, East Andover, West Andover, Potter Place, and Cilleyville "gossip" columns of the Franklin Journal Transcript, selected by Heather Makechnie.

July 6, 1961

Regal Theater Completing Program of Improvements, Redecorating

A complete remodeling and re-decorating program at the Regal Theater is now virtually complete, according to Robert Kurson, general manager of Graphic Theaters, the Regal owners. "The lobby has been re-decorated.

The marquee has been refurbished. New drapes have been installed, and the entire auditorium has been re-seated. Stage lighting and projection equipment have been modernized throughout and the air-conditioning system improved. We have made considerable investment to see that the Regal is a modern, pleasant, attractive theater," said Mr. Kurson.

The Regal is now under the management of Walter Bilideau.

On the marquee for the near future are *Village of the Damned*, *Gorgo*, *Butterfield 8*, and *Parent Trap*.

Paul Pillsbury, the son of Mr. And Mrs. Henry W. Pillsbury, received a degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the Eastern University of Michigan, where he is now assistant professor in the department of English and Speech. He is a graduate of Andover High School and Dartmouth.

July 13, 1961

Stephen D. Jewett, graduate of Andover High School 1960, reported to West Point on July 5 to enter the Military Academy under an appointment by US Senator Norris Cotton. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah D. Jewett of Andover.

Cadet Jewett entered the University of New Hampshire last fall and had planned to major in chemical engineering. He took competitive examinations for a West Point appointment last March and was notified in May that he had qualified.

Dale McLeod left for the Army Monday morning.

Sorry to hear of the fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Thisell, caused by an electrical storm Sunday evening. One room was badly damaged.

July 20, 1961

At the A&P one can buy large fowl for 31¢ a pound, medium fancy shrimp for 69¢ a pound, or cantaloupes for 29¢ a piece and get extra Top Value Stamps.

Or, if you prefer shopping at Champagne's Grand Union, you will find chuck roast for 32¢ a pound, red perch fillets for 29¢ a pound and get bonus S&H Green Stamps.

Thursday nights are Jackpot Bonus Nights at Newberry's. This week's bonus is \$50, to be awarded at 8:45 PM (must be present to win). Tonight there will also be awards of Top Value Stamps.

Congratulations go to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Adams on the birth of a baby daughter, Darlene Marjorie, on July 12 at Franklin Hospital.

The annual dividend rate for a federally insured monthly payment share account at the Franklin Cooperative Bank is 3.75%

Joseph O. Perreault, 89, died at his home in East Andover on Tuesday night after a long illness. He was born February 22, 1879, at St. Gertrude, P.Q., the son of Hillaire and Marie (Champoux) Perreault. He was a member of St. Paul's Church in Franklin. He was employed at the Boston and Maine car shops for over 18 years, after which he retired to his farm in East Andover.

July 27, 1961

Auction: Wednesday, August 2, 1961. Sale of the personal estate of the late Albert "Brigham" Young on Route 11, just east of Andover Village. Hundreds of items accumulated by an old man who never threw anything away. Some brand new – some old – some modern – some antique. Lots of fishing equipment, hand tools, carpenter tools, tree-climbers, rakes, forks, shovels, iron bars, sledges, chains, new rolled barbed-wire. Fine little chuck stove for your camp. More than 30 wagon wheels of all sizes for your lawn or fence. Violin, concertina, guitar-harp. Bicycle, marine compass, tennis racquet, sap yoke.

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A baby snapping turtle.

Photo: Larry Chase

Andover Naturally

Spring Becomes Summer

By Lee Carvalho
Beacon volunteer

Remember all the chirping, croaking, warbling, trilling, and general carrying-on that characterized May and June? That noisy attention-getting behavior has had its consequences, which we see as egg masses in water and egg-filled nests in trees, boxes, and under the eaves. Bird parents are now too busy either incubating eggs or foraging for food to have time for flirtatious songs.

While the woods and fields are quieter now, there's still much to see and hear outside in July. Listen for the red-eyed vireo's almost constant "Here I am... where are you?" song with alternately rising and falling scales and the ovenbird's surprisingly loud "teacher, teacher, teacher" as you walk through or near the woods.

Plants, too, are changing due to fertilization, as a glance at your backyard apple tree will confirm. Two plants that are common along trails in the woods are Clintonia and bunchberry. When fertilized, the delicate yellow lily-like blooms of Clintonia transform into round blue fruits; because of these prominent fruits, Clintonia is sometimes called blue bead lily. (The plant is not named for former president Bill Clinton, but for DeWitt Clinton, botanist and former governor of New York.)

Also, the beautiful four-petaled white bunchberry flowers will soon develop into bright red berries, an important food for birds and edible (but flavorless) for humans. If you wander off the trails, keep an eye out for the orange, funnel-shaped chantarelle mushroom, a delicacy that peaks in July.

In July, milkweed comes into bloom, providing a lovely fragrance along with a source of nectar for butterflies, bees, moths, and wasps. From your car you can spot the cornflower blue of chicory flowers which often grow along roads because of their ability to tolerate poor soil. It's the taproot of this plant that is

ground and used as an additive or substitute for coffee.

If you're driving or walking on a dirt road, you may notice some Eastern tiger swallowtail butterflies 'puddling,' a term for their behavior when they gather on wet soil or dirt roads to take in salt ions. You can recognize these yellow and black butterflies by the four distinctive black stripes on the leading edge of both wings. Another July 'puddler' is the white admiral, black with a white band across both wings.

Fireflies

The birds may have settled into domestic chores, but for fireflies the courting season is now. Few sights are as miraculous as their blinking signals that move over fields as dusk turns into night.

While females rest on grasses and reeds, males fly above them, sending their semaphore in a pattern that is unique for each species. When a female sees a pattern she recognizes, if she's in the mood, she will flash back the same signal... then it's a date! Fireflies, or lightning bugs, are neither flies nor bugs; they are beetles, and, of the over 20 species in New England, most are bioluminescent.

A perfect place for an outdoor adventure in July is Knights Hill Park on County Road in New London. You do not need to be a member to visit, nor is there a fee. The park has a diverse mix of habitats including woods, a pond, and meadows, plus trail maps and signs to help you identify what you see. It's open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. For directions and a schedule of activities, visit TheOutingClub.net/pages/knightshill.html.

Of course there's plenty to see closer to home. Joanna Sumner counted over 100 lady slippers in bloom along the Rail Trail between Bridge Street and Potter Place. Larry Chase spied a jack-in-the-pulpit by the Rail Trail near Valley Road and observed a young snapping

See Naturally on page 19



Ladyslippers bloom in profusion beside the Rail Trail.

Photo: Larry Chase



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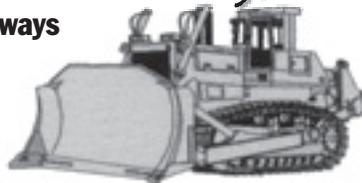
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ANDOVER FISH & GAME CLUB

By Gordy Ordway

Andover Fish & Game Club

We hosted our annual kids fishing derby last month, and we had an awesome turnout! A big thanks to Heidi Murphy of New Hampshire Fish and Game, who brought us the trout on Friday, and to the parade of kids who helped to stock Highland Lake on Friday for the derby on Saturday morning.

A total of 121 kids signed up to fish! The weather turned out great, and, thanks to our members, everyone enjoyed some refreshments. We had a 50/50 drawing and several raffle prizes.

The winners of this year's kids fishing derby were:

- 1st: Colby Laughy
- 2nd: Kaitlyn French
- 3rd: Bryann Place

Total length: Mitchell Golas.

Largest non-trout: Ethan Fecteau

All these kids received trophies.

We also had a pistol raffle this year. The gun was donated by Ruger, and the winner was John Braley.



This year our annual turkey pool was sponsored again by The Barn Store in Salisbury. Thanks to everyone down there – good job! The winners this year were:

- 1st: Lucas Benoit
- 2nd: Zach Barton
- 3rd: Charles St Jacques
- 4th: Tom Mackey
- 5th: Harry Johnson

6th: Steven Beck, Sr.

7th: Tim Tilton

8th: Gordy Ordway

9th: Pat Mead

There were 42 birds registered in the pool. Thanks to Shawn Upton, who runs the pool for us.

Last month we had a guest speaker: Norm Crisp, who resided in Andover years ago. He had a very nice slideshow on fly fishing in the states and in Chile, South America.

At our next meeting, we are making plans for our Big Beef BBQ at Proctor Academy. Our meetings are at the clubhouse on the channel at Highland Lake, on the last Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. All are welcome.



(L-r): Steve Rayno, Barbara Studley, Ed Dansereau, Tom Frantz

Photo: Myra Mayman

Golden Spike Ceremony Will Celebrate Completed Rail Trail

FNRT press release

The Friends of the Northern Rail Trail (FNRT) is planning a Golden Spike Celebration for Sunday, July 31, in the center of Danbury, about mid-point on the completed rail trail, at the junction of Route 4 and High Street. The ceremony, with state officials and guests in attendance, will begin at 11 AM at the site of the old railroad station next to mile marker 31.6 on Route 4 and will be followed by refreshments, entertainment, tours of the 100-year-old Blazing Star Grange hall, and rides/walks along the trail.

In addition, a drive for in-kind donations to the Danbury Food Bank will be solicited. For more information on the rail trail, downloadable maps, membership opportunities, and details about future events, visit FNRT.org.

Firecracker 5K

On Monday, July 4, the Firecracker 5K race will start at 9 AM from Blackwater Park off Lawrence Street in Andover. Registration forms are available online beforehand at FNRT.org or in person on race day beginning at 8 AM.

National Trails Day

On National Trails Day, June 4, the Friends of the Northern Rail Trail in both Grafton and Merrimack counties and the Upper Valley Trails Alliance

got in motion to celebrate the Northern Rail Trail. They organized a series of bike rides ranging from 8 to 28 miles along the 46-mile completed length of the Northern Rail Trail between Lebanon and West Franklin.

Steve Rayno of Franklin biked from Franklin to Ice House Lane; Tom Frantz of Andover led a group from Potter Place to Webster Lake and were greeted and accompanied by a snapping turtle; Mike Loomis of Newbury biked with his wife and daughter to Blackwater Park; Alex Bernhard of Andover led a group of six from Potter Place to Danbury, where they enjoyed the new benches at the Danbury General Store.

Lindy and Craig Heim of Wilmot covered two directions, from Eagle Pond Road to Potter Place and to Danbury Center. John Taylor of the Upper Valley Trails Alliance went from Canaan to Danbury; Ken Warren of the Grafton Friends biked from Enfield to Canaan, and Grafton Friend Amelia Sreen went from Lebanon to Enfield.

Some from as far away as Vermont and as close as Meredith and Manchester rode under bright sun and blue sky. Even the weather celebrated the Rail Trail that June Saturday!

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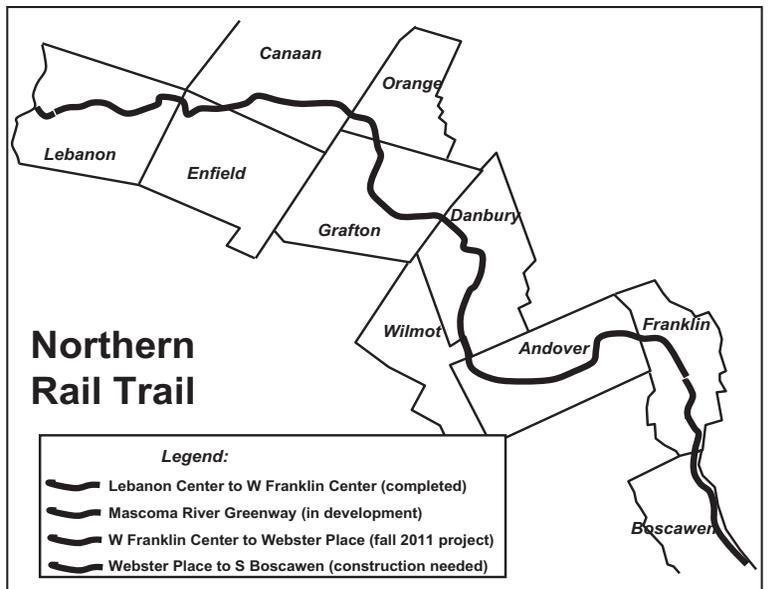
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Gardening Workshops Continue In Boscawen

BAC press release

The Boscawen Agriculture Commission (BAC) announces a new series of gardening workshops for the summer. The workshops are held at 116 North Main Street in Boscawen, upstairs in the Community Room.

Monday, July 18, 6 PM: Beneficial Insects. Dot Perkins of the UNH Cooperative Extension will discuss beneficial insects in your garden and how to attract them.

Monday, August 1, 6:30 PM: Integrated Pest Management. Dot Perkins will discuss how to rid your garden of bothersome pests with integrated pest management.

Monday, Sept. 12: Cooking From Your Garden. Learn how to make healthy meals with your garden bounty.

Monday, Oct 3, 6:30 PM: Root Cellaring. Learn how to preserve and store your garden bounty.

Monday, Oct. 24, 6:30 PM: Putting the Garden to Bed. A Master Gardener will cover the end of gardening season practices that will give you a jump on next year's growing season: soil testing and amendments, lawn care, mulching, harvest fall vegetables, clean-up, and composting.

For more information and to register, e-mail Agriculture03303@gmail.com or call Elaine at 796-6241.

Friends of the Northern Rail Trail

June 15

Condensed from draft minutes

Present: Larry Chase, Steve Darling, Tom Frantz, Charles Martin, Peter Southworth, Bob Ward.

Correspondence: We received a Merrimack County Savings Bank letter, and it was noted that the foundation has supported non-profit organizations in the past.

Old Business

Andover Fourth of July: Tom requested \$100 to pay the Trails Bureau event fee. Approval for the expenditure was passed. Costs are up this year (professional timing, t-shirts, trail fee, etc.), and Tom does not expect we will raise as much as past years. We allocated \$100 prize money for the event. Tom could still use help with registration and picture taking. In addition to the race, we will continue to hold our bicycle raffle and will need volunteers to staff our table and sell tickets.

Golden Spike event in Danbury: The July 31 event celebrates the joining of the Merrimack and Grafton Rail Trails. We discussed what state, federal, and local politicians and dignitaries to invite in hopes of attracting media coverage. We approved \$500 for music (Bob will contact the Kearsarge Community Band) and refreshments. We discussed to whom we should give golden appreciation spikes and plaques (six, mounted with a brass plate). We approved money for plaques, not to exceed \$250. Larry will contact Harvey Best about the spikes and a mounting board.

Maintenance issues: We have a estimate of \$1,260 to mow both sides of 21 miles of trail from John Schoeller and Jim Shaw. Their charge is \$60/hour. Spraying costs from Prescott Towle are as follows: to spray both the road bed and the edges of the trail for a distance of 10 miles would cost approx. \$3,450.

In addition, hiring a tractor with tanks is \$80/hour, the smaller 4-wheeler spray unit is \$50/hour, the chemical for the edges is approximately \$130/mile, and chemical for the road bed is approximately \$45/mile. Prescott would need to submit and apply for two state permits.

Charles suggested we treat four miles of our oldest trail, starting from Potter Place, but others felt we need more information and more Board involvement before we proceed with spraying expenditures.

Peter made a proposal to treat the grass and weeds currently encroaching on the trail bed west of Bridge Street plus spot-treat poison ivy, not to exceed \$300. The motion was approved. Peter will follow up with Prescott about this. *June 22 addendum: approval to allocate \$1,260 for mowing was proposed and approved via e-mail.*

Technology Report: Steve spoke briefly about posting maps on the Web site.

Signage: Larry shared a sheet listing the precise distances of road and bridge sections as well as parking notes for the Andover trail. Larry showed us laminated cards he had made (for 75¢ each) to post at trail heads. He also told us that *The Andover Beacon* is willing to publish the trail mileages. There was unanimous support and appreciation for Larry's work, which runners and walkers will especially appreciate.

New Business

Upcoming events: The next meeting is Wednesday, July 20.

September 28 strategic planning meeting: What preparation is required? Bob reported that Leila Mellen has agreed to help our strategic planning and will attend this meeting.

The Lakes Region Planning Commission meeting is on Monday, June 27. Bob will be attending the meeting and will coordinate with any other FNRT attendees.



On June 17, in the first of three summer water-collecting sessions on Bradley Lake, volunteers joined Anna Sullivan of the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services to gather samples from various lake locations and depths. The samples will be analyzed for water quality by a state laboratory, and the results will be included in the statewide Voluntary Lake Assessment Program. (L-r) Paula Higgins, Mike Vercellotti, Stan Boyd-Robinson, Susan Chase, Anna Sullivan (back), and Larry Chase.

Photo: Dot Skeels

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turtle on Route 11 in East Andover.

At the end of July and in early August, when the moon will be in a waxing phase, we have a good chance of seeing the Delta Aquarid meteor shower. Look for the meteors, which appear to radiate from the southern sky, an hour or two before dawn.

Please remember to send me your observations, photographs, and nature tips at AndoverNaturally@gmail.com so I can include them in next month's column.

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Wilmot Farmers Market Celebrates Its 10th Season

Wilmot Farmers Market press release

The Wilmot Farmers Market began its 10th season on June 25 on the green at the Wilmot Town Offices. The market will continue, rain or shine, every Saturday from 9 AM to noon through September 24. Performing on June 25 was Richard King, with old-time songs, Americana, and contemporary folk music.

Presently, 17 vendors have signed up for the market in addition to some non-profit organizations. Representing Andover will be Spice 'n' Cheese Emporium, run by Joe Stearns. He brings spices, rubs, seasonings, marinades, oils, and barbecue sauces. Peter Zak and Mary Lloyd-Evans, from Highland Lake Apple Farm, will be providing vegetables, small fruits, tree fruits, potted flowers, and strawberries, jams, jellies, and honey products. Amy Fec-

teau will be selling her creative hand-stamped greeting cards and tiles.

From Danbury, Phil and Donna Sprague from Huntoon Farm will be selling baked goods, meat, maple syrup, and prepared foods. From Salisbury, Bernard Joly and Ruth Chase of Emma Chase Designs will bring their fine jewelry. Other vendors are from Springfield, Sutton Mills, Grantham, Plainfield, Bristol, Wilmot, and Pembroke.

The market has become a community, where people return week after week and season after season to enjoy the sights, sounds, and tastes and the opportunity to buy local. Many will come to enjoy a hot breakfast or lunch and socialize with neighbors while listening to talented area musicians.

For further information, visit WilmotFarmersMarket.com or contact Manager, Mary Lloyd-Evans, at 735-5058.

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Kearsarge Co-op press release Hope for Lyme Disease

On Monday, July 11, at 6 PM, the Kearsarge Cooperative Grocer will present Linda Howes, CN, HHP and Laura Piazza, the author of *Recipes for Repair*, in a program to give hope to sufferers of Lyme disease. Laura will share her personal experience with Lyme disease and how this experience led her and her mother to write and self-publish a cookbook for those with Lyme and other inflammatory illnesses.

Like many Lyme patients, Laura was misdiagnosed for years, and she will explain why this disease can be so difficult to detect and diagnose. She will also share strategies for living with Lyme and important lifestyle changes that are essential in conjunction with treatment.

Linda will provide the viewpoint of a practitioner, discussing far-infrared sauna, ionic footbaths, bio-energetic testing, homeopathy, and more. Linda feels that "nutrition and detoxification

are the foundation of every effective healing strategy."

Natural Sun And Bug Safety

Join herbalist Carolyn Kelley on Monday, July 25, at 6 PM as she presents safe, natural solutions to sun and bug safety for the whole family. She will present simple, sensible ways to be safe outdoors, clearing up confusion about UV rays as well as what sunscreen additives to avoid.

Carolyn will discuss herbs, oils, essential oils, and flower essences for sun, bug, and poison ivy protection and healthy skin. She will also talk about the vital importance of vitamin D3 and healthy antioxidant foods.

Registration

Each program is free, though space is limited and reservations are required. To register for either class, call the Kearsarge Cooperative Grocer at 526-6650 or sign up at the store, located at 52 Newport Road in New London. For more information, visit KearsargeCoop.coop.



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ASLPT Holds Dragonfly Walk

ASLPT press release

Did you know there are more species of dragonfly and damselfly in New Hampshire than there are in California? Ausbon Sargent Land Preservation Trust (ASLPT) is holding a walk on Friday, July 29, from 2 to 4 PM on the Deming property in New London, and we will try to find some of them.

The walk will be led by ASLPT's land protection specialist, Andy Deegan, and will include information on the life history of local dragonflies and

damselflies. The walk will be easy and is open to everyone – including children of all ages.

Bring normal hiking attire and an insect net if you have one. We will be catching individual "dragons" for identification purposes and releasing them once photos are taken. Light refreshments will be served.

Please let us know you plan to attend by contacting Nancy Smith at 526-6555 or ASLPTnancy@tds.net.



Kris Johnson (l) gets some fresh organic vegetables from Two Mountain Farm's Kat Darling at the Farm Stand in Potter Place.

Staff photo: Charlie Darling

Potter Place Farm Stand News

By Charlie Darling
Beacon staff

Despite all the strange weather this spring, the Farm Stand on Main Street in Potter Place is off to a good start for the season. The stand is open on Wednesdays from 2 to 6 PM.

Two Mountain Farm is back again this year with seasonal fresh vegetables and cut flowers, as well as garlic, raspberries, and eggs from pastured hens.

Huntoon Farm is excited to have its commercial food license to begin the season. "We will be offering items to tempt the palate in the summertime heat, like deviled eggs, cream puffs, and cream pies, along with marinated beef and our usual assortment of breads, cookies and pies," says Donna Sprague.

Also back in the lineup for Huntoon Farm is pumpkin, banana, and zucchini bread. "We have been unable to make any items containing banana, pumpkin,

and zucchini over the last several years, after the New Hampshire Food Protection program changed its regulations. We look forward to seeing everyone at the stand," says Donna.

New this year at the Farm Stand will be ice cream products made by Audrey Pellegrino's Cornucopia Bakery and Deli in Bristol.

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Clockwise from top left:
 Jenn (l) and Billy Coffey took an early vacation to celebrate their up-coming 20th wedding anniversary. Here they pose in the Atlanta (Georgia) Botanical Gardens with a particularly literate frog.
 Peter Zak and Mary Lloyd-Evans on vacation at The Villages in Florida, staying with Jane and George Diven.
 Leighton Terwilliger took the *Beacon* to the Monster Mile at Dover International Speedway in Delaware for a NASCAR race.
 Alex Bernhard and grandson Alex Bernhard of Brooklyn, New York catch up on Andover news in front of the Capitol in Washington DC.



GRADUATED Emily Laro

Emily Laro, daughter of Roger Jr. and Kimberly Laro of Andover, has been accepted to the University of New Hampshire.

Emily is a 2011 graduate of Merrimack Valley High School and will be attending the College of Life Sciences and Agriculture, majoring in Biomedical Science: Medical and Veterinary Science.



Christopher Champagne, son of Nan Champagne and Roger Champagne, formerly of Andover, graduated from Southern New Hampshire University on May 21. Christopher is a member of Alpha Sigma Lambda, which is the oldest and largest chapter-based honor society for adult students. Christopher will be continuing his education in the Masters program in the fall.
 Photo and caption: Nan Champagne

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GRADUATED: Kimberly Heath, Trent Bourgoine, and Trinity Delaney

Timothy and Rita Heath of Franklin proudly announce the 2011 graduation of their daughter, Kimberly Rose Heath, formerly of Andover; grandson, Trent Michael Bourgoine; and granddaughter Trinity Winn Delaney.

Kimberly received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a focus on Management/Leadership from Hesser College on May 22. She graduated with Summa Cum Laude honors and was a 2011 inductee into the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society, New Hampshire Theta Chapter. She had the honor of giving the student address at the commencement ceremony held at the Verizon Wireless Arena by earning the unanimous faculty vote out

of the 20 candidates nominated from 1,000 graduating seniors.

Kimberly's son Trent graduated from the eighth grade at Merrimack Valley Middle School on June 16. He was a member of the fall cross country and spring track teams. His current aspirations are to become a video game designer someday. He will be attending Merrimack Valley High School in the fall.

Kimberly's daughter Trinity graduated from the East Andover Village Preschool on May 25. She takes dance lessons at the Concord Dance Academy and would like to be a princess or a cowgirl when she grows up. She will be attending Andover Elementary School in the fall.

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Linda Barnes, owner of The Constant Quilter, and some of the prizes quilters can win during the Scenic Summer Shop Hop. Photo: Sharon Darling



John David Warren, born May 29, joins big sister Abigail and Granny Janet Moore on the steps of his house in Newton, Massachusetts. Proud parents Tassy and Setti Warren are adjusting to life with two kids and a US Senate campaign. With a generous maternity leave, Tassy, Abigail, and John (a.k.a. "Bug") will be firmly attached to Granny and Aunt Vick (Vicky Mishcon) for the summer. Photo and caption: Janet Moore

Area Quilt Shops Stage Scenic Summer Hop

Scenic Summer Hop press release

The New Hampshire Quilters' Scenic Summer Hop will take place from Thursday, July 14 through Saturday, July 16 from 9 AM to 6 PM. Participating in the Scenic Summer Hop are The Constant Quilter in Andover (735-4100); The Country Heart Quilters in Plymouth (536-6320); Golden Gese Quilt Shop in Concord (228-5540); Lizzystitch Quilt Shop in Warner (456-2351); Pine Tree Quilt Shop in Salem (870-8100); and The Quilting Corner Quilt Shop in Tilton (286-3437).

For a sizzling summer shop hopping experience, register at one of the participating quilt shops. Your \$7.50 registration fee gets you a shop hop guide with passport and a charming Laurel Burch zipper bag in either a dog or a cat pattern.

Visit each shop, have your passport stamped, and enter to win daily door prizes. There will be an extra prize drawing for block hunt participants. Completed passports will be entered into the Grand Prize drawing for a Singer sewing machine, an Apple Ladder (for displaying quilts), and a filled

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The Andover Stingers girls softball team won first place in their tournament in Hill. They won 1-0 against Hill on June 14 and 5-4 against Franklin's Piche Sports team on June 16. The game ended with a game-winning catch by Maddie Jewell. Congrats to all the girls for playing a great game! Back (l-r): Coaches Melissa Barton, Linda Perry, Elizabeth Perry. Front: Julianna Baptiste, Breanna Tilton, Lily Menard, Maddie Jewell, Ayla Caron, Haley Dukette, Sadie Barton, Katie Bent, Lily Furtkamp, Jazlyn Perkins, Triana Caron, Rylee Sweeney. Photo and caption: Melissa Barton



The Andover Giants, one of Andover Youth Baseball's minor league teams, had an undefeated regular season but unfortunately lost in the semi-final round of the playoffs. Team members (l-r) are Hayden Buswell, Koty Lorden, Jason Lewis, Todd Holman, Ronan Walsh, Riley Keezer, Myles Powers, and Jack Newton. Missing: Jared Frost. Thanks to Coaches Dave Powers and Pat Frost for a great season! Photo and caption: Becky Walsh



The Andover Slammers girls softball team finished in second place in their tournament this year on June 12 in Andover. They lost 24-22 in the final game against the Newfound Angels after a win against Franklin's Dougherty Electric. It was a great weekend of softball despite the rain and cold weather. Great job, team! Back (l-r): George French, Ashlee Dukette, Dedo Barton, Alyssa Shaw, Danika Kolesar, Judi Casey, Katelyn Barton. Front: Tori Braley, Maddy Brayshaw, Alexis Cate, Kathryn Thompson, Hannah French, Sophia Weber. Photo and caption: Melissa Barton



The Andover Indians, Andover Youth Baseball's major league team, won the Kearsarge Valley Cal Ripken Major League Championship for the second year in a row! Team members are (front row, l-r) Finn Weber, Alan Thompson, Adrian Bolte, Reilly Walsh, Kasu Kidane, Luke Weber; (middle row) Alex Crucitti, Matt Braley, Ryan Barton, Austin Marceau, John Maynard; (back row) coaches Nate Crucitti, Mike Barton, and John Braley. Missing: Mike Salo. Photo and caption: Becky Walsh

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Northern Exposures II
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Andover & East Andover Libraries

An eight-week exhibit of photos by Andover-area residents displayed in Andover's two libraries. Article: page 2.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Ice Cream Social

Sat, Jul 2, 7 PM
East Andover Fire House

To benefit the Highland Lake Protective Association. \$4 per person for a big sundae.

Andover Library Book Sale

Sun, Jul 3, noon to 3 PM
Stone Chapel, Village Green

"Early Bird" book sale by the Andover libraries for Andover residents and their families. Article: page 3.

Highland Lake Boat Parade

Sun, Jul 3, 4 PM
Highland Lake, East Andover

All boats, large and small, are invited to join the procession around the lake. Best decorated boat wins \$50.

Lighting of the Flares

Sun, Jul 3, 9 PM
Highland Lake

Lighting of the flares around the lake.

Fourth of July Celebration

Mon, Jul 4, 7 AM to dusk
Village Green

Complete schedule of events on page 1.

Andover Town Offices Closed

Mon, Jul 4
The Town Office and the Town Clerk's Office will be closed on July 4.

Swim Program Sign-Up

Tue, Jul 5, 9 AM to 10 AM
Highland Lake Beach

Article: page 7.

Swap Day

Sat, Jul 9, 8 AM to 2 PM
Transfer Station

Rain date: July 16

Andover High School Reunion

Sat, Jul 9, 10 AM
Ordway Recreational Area,
South Danbury

Bring a chair, a pot luck dish, a beverage, and your memories. Rain: meet at the old Andover High. Article: page 35.

Tucker Mountain Schoolhouse

Sun, Jul 10, 1 PM to 3 PM
Tucker Mountain Road, East Andover

Featuring toys and games from the 1800s. Article: page 13.

Blackwater Grange

Thu, Jul 14, 7:30 PM
Masonic Hall, Potter Place

Highland Lake Protective Assoc.

Sat, Jul 16, 10 AM
East Andover Fire House

Annual meeting. The winner of the photography contest will be announced. Article: page 3.

Friends of the Northern Rail Trail

Wed, Jul 20, 7 PM
Andover Fire House

Andover Fish & Game

Tue, Jul 26, 7:30 PM
Clubhouse, East Andover

EAFD Chicken Barbeque

Sat, Jul 30, 5 PM to 7 PM
East Andover Fire Station

A good meal, good conversation, and a very pleasant place to eat. Ad: page 22.

Old Time Fair

Sun, Aug 7, 9 AM to 2 PM
Potter Place

Andover Historical Society's Old Time Fair with auction, flea market, plant and bake sales, and much more. Live music. Ad: page 27.

East Andover Elementary School Reunion

Sat, Aug 27, 2 PM to 4 PM
Andover Fish and Game
Clubhouse, East Andover

For students who attended around 1960. Bring your own food and drink. Article: page 35.

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ON-GOING EVENTS

Wilmot Farmer's Market

Saturdays, 9 AM to noon
Village Green, Wilmot Flat

Rain or shine. 735-5058. Article: page 20.

Toastmasters

1st & 3rd Mondays, 5:30 to 7:30 PM
Franklin Public Library

Develop oral communication and leadership skills. Stacey@SteppingStonesStrategies.com

Franklin Rotary

Tuesdays, 7 AM, Soda Shoppe,
901 Central Street, Franklin

Blood Pressure Clinic

Tues and Thurs, 9 AM to noon
VNA, New London

Storytime with Miss Rachel

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9:30 AM
Franklin Public Library

Free story time and craft project for preschoolers.

Franklin Area Lions Club

1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 5:30 to 6:30 PM
Soda Shoppe, 901 Central Street

Volunteer and/or financial assistance to Greater Franklin (including Andover) community. All welcome. 768-3617.

Northway Bank Knitting Group

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6 to 8 PM
Franklin Public Library

Learn to knit or crochet. Make beautiful scarves and mittens to be donated to local schools. Info: 455-3916.

New London Market on the Green

Wednesdays, 3 PM to 6 PM
New London Town Green

Rain or shine. Farm products, arts, crafts, prepared foods, live music. MarketOnTheGreen.com. Ad: page 20.

Bereavement Support Coffeehouse

Wednesdays, 4 PM to 5:30 PM
The Stone Church, Newport

A Lake Sunapee VNA program. Register: 526-4077 x233. Ad: page 40.

Foot Care Clinic

Thursdays, 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM
VNA, New London

Call 526-4077 to sign up.

New London Rotary

Fridays, 7:30 AM
Rockwell's, New London Inn

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Granite State Stompers

Fri, Jul 1, 6:30 PM
Bandstand, New London

Free band concert on the New London Common

Chicken Barbecue

Sun, Jul 3, 4 PM to 7 PM
King Solomon's Lodge, Elkins

Chicken Barbecue plus the Tammy Jackson Band (5 to 8 PM). \$13 per meal, reservations requested. Ad: page 26.

Nevers Second Regiment Band

Fri, Jul 8, 6:30 PM
Bandstand, New London

Free band concert on the New London Common

Intertribal Powwow

Sat, Jul 9 & Sun, Jul 10
10 AM to 5 PM Sat, to 4 PM Sun
Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum,
Warner

One Circle, 1000 Stories. Ad: page 22.

Hope for Lyme Disease

Mon, Jul 11, 7 PM
52 Newport Road, New London

Free. Register at 526-6650 or sign up at the Kearsarge Cooperative Grocer. Article: page 20.

Hopkinton Town Band

Fri, Jul 15, 6:30 PM
Bandstand, New London

Free band concert on the New London Common

PEO Yard Sale

Sat, Jul 16, 8 AM to 1 PM
New London Historical Society,
Little Sunapee Road, New London

Professional Education Organization yard sale. Free admission. All proceeds go to loans and grants for women in college and tech schools.

Beneficial Insects

Mon, Jul 18, 6 PM
116 North Main Street, Boscawen

Dot Perkins will discuss beneficial insects and how to attract them. 796-6241. Article: page 19.

Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Fridays and Saturdays,
Jul 22 to Jul 30, 7:30 & 9:30 PM
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Antique Show & Sale

Sat, Jul 23, 9 AM to 4 PM
New London Town Green

New London Garden Club's fundraiser for scholarships and beautification projects. Donation: \$5. Early Birds (8 AM): \$20. 526-2579. Ad: page 27.

Sun & Bug Safety the Natural Way

Mon, Jul 25, 7 PM
52 Newport Road, New London

Free. Register at 526-6650 or sign up at the Kearsarge Cooperative Grocer. Article: page 20.

Caregiver and Care Partner Support Group

Thu, Jul 28, 1 PM to 2:30 PM
VNA, New London

Dragonfly Walk: Deming Property

Fri, Jul 29, 2 PM to 4 PM
Deming Property, New London

ASLPT's Andy Deegan will include information of the life history of local dragonflies and damselflies. Sign-up: 526-6555. Article: page 20.

The Brass Connection

Fri, Jul 29, 6:30 PM
Bandstand, New London

Free band concert on the New London Common

Golden Spike Celebration

Sun, Jul 31, 11 AM
Route 4, Danbury

A ceremony, refreshments, entertainment, tour of Blazing Star Grange Hall, and rides/walks on the trail. Article: page 18.

Integrated Pest Management

Mon, Aug 1, 6:30 PM
116 North Main Street, Boscawen

Dot Perkins will discuss how to rid your garden of bothersome pests. 796-6241. Article: page 19.

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ON-GOING EVENTS

Walking Group

Mon & Wed, 9 AM to 11:15 AM

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Line Dancing

Mondays & Fridays, 10 AM

Chair Exercises

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 10 AM

Bingo

Tues & Thurs, 12:15 PM

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Thursdays, 11 AM

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Fridays, 11 AM to noon

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SCHEDULED EVENTS

Fourth of July Cook-out

Fri, Jul 1, 11 AM

Hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream, entertainment, and raffles

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Mon, Jul 4

Stairlifts and Ramps

Fri, Jul 8, 10:30 AM

Shawn Gookin from Stairlift Headquarters will talk about stairlifts and ramps for the private home.

Bus to Concord

Mon, Jul 11

Wheelchair-accessible, 18-passenger bus. Go bowling, shopping, or to an appointment. Donation, \$2. Sign up: 934-4151.

Mystery Lunch

Wed, Jul 13, 11 AM

Surprise destination. Pay for your own lunch. Transportation, \$2. Sign up: 934-4151.

July Birthday Celebration

Thu, Jul 14, 12:15 PM

Cake and ice cream for all! Bring your family. Sign up: 934-4151.

National Blueberry Month Dessert Contest

Mon, Jul 18, 11:30 AM

Bring in your favorite blueberry dessert to share with everyone after Cafe Bienvenue. The dishes will be judged, and prizes will be awarded. Sign up: 934-4151.

National Hot Dog Month

Wed, Jul 20, 11:30 AM

Hot dogs plus chili, cheese, sauerkraut, peppers, onions, relish, mustard, and more. Sign up: 934-4151.

Long Term Support Counseling and Medicare

Thu, Jul 21, 10:30 AM

One-on-one appointments with specialist Wayne Blanchard.

Franklin Historical Society

Thu, Jul 21, 10:30 AM

Steve Foley will talk about the role of the Historical Society in Franklin.

Medicare Info & Assistance

Tue, Jul 26, 9 AM to 11 AM

Medicare information and enrollment assistance.

Blood Pressure Testing

Tue, Jul 26, 10:30 AM

Provided by the Franklin Visiting Nurse Association.

Medicare Advantage, Part D

Tue, Jul 26, 10:30 AM

One-on-one appointments with specialist Anita Oelfke.

Visiting Nurse Association

Tue, Jul 26, 10:30 AM

One-on-one appointments with the nurse.

Webster Lake Picnic

Wed, Jul 27, 10:30 AM
Griffin Beach, Webster Lake

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Mondays, 10 AM

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Duplicate Bridge

Mondays, 1 PM

Bidding boxes

Outdoor Recreation for Seniors

Tuesdays, 10 AM

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Poker

Tuesdays, 2 PM

Walking at NLOC

Mondays, 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM
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Duplicate Bridge

Wednesdays, 9:15 AM

Walk-in Painting

Tuesdays, 1 PM to 3 PM

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Hand and Foot Card Game

Wednesdays, 1 PM

A fun and simple card game

Tai Chi

Wednesdays, 2:30 PM

New London Presbyterian Church

Contract Bridge

Thursdays, 9:30 AM

Genealogy Workshop

2nd and 4th Thurs, 10 AM to noon

Receive assistance with your genealogical research.

Dominoes

Thursdays, 1 PM

Learn How to Play Chess

Thursdays, 2 PM to 4 PM

Brush up on or learn how to play chess. Call to sign up.

Bike Group

Thursdays

Places and times varies. Call for info.

Women's Discussion Group

Fridays, 9 AM

Get to know your neighbors over a cup of coffee.

Scrabble

Fridays, 1 PM

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Blood Pressure/Glucose Screening Clinic & Ask a Nurse

Fri, Jul 1, 10:30 AM to noon

VNA Foot Care Clinic

Fri, Jul 1, 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM

\$20 (\$25 for diabetics with doctor's order). Call for appointment.

Parkinson Support Group

Tue, Jul 5, 1 PM

Long-Term Care Planning

Fri, Jul 8, 10:30 AM

Learn more about your options for long-term care with Wayne Blanchard from ServiceLink. Call to register.

VNA Foot Care Clinic

Fri, Jul 8, 1 PM to 3 PM

\$20 (\$25 for diabetics with doctor's order). Call for appointment.

Computer Questions

Sat, Jul 9, 9 AM to 11 AM

Half-hour individual appointments to answer your questions. Call for appointment.

Breakfast Club Book Discussion

Tue, Jul 12, 9:30 AM

Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot.

Movie and Pizza Night

Fri, Jul 15, 5 PM

We Are Marshall. Call to sign up.

Questions About Medicare

Tue, Jul 19, 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM

Anita Oelfke answers your Medicare questions. Register: 526-6368

Conversations with Lunch

Mon, Jul 25, noon

First Baptist Church, New London

Dr. Susan Borchert, Counseling Associates of New London. What is therapy all about? What works, who might benefit, and how. Call to register.

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New London

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Josh Parks (l) and CJ Racine catch a break between pizzas, subs, salads, and Italian dinners at Andover's Pizza Chef. Staff photo: Charlie Darling

2488. ElliesCafeAndDeli.com

Four Corners Grille & Flying Goose Pub: Brew pub and restaurant featuring local beers – smoked dishes a specialty. Monday through Saturday, 11:30 AM to 9 PM. Sunday, noon to 8 PM. 40 Andover Road. 526-6899. FlyingGoose.com

Hole in the Fence Cafe: Gourmet pizza, sandwiches, wraps, salads. Monday through Saturday, 11 AM to 9 PM. Sunday, 11 AM to 3 PM. 420 Main Street. HoleInTheFenceCafe.com

Mackenna's Restaurant: Traditional breakfasts, burgers, sandwiches, salads, pies, ice cream, and other favorites. Monday and Tuesday, 7 AM to 2:30 PM; Wednesday through Saturday, 7 AM to 8 PM; Sunday, 8 AM to 2 PM. 526-9511.

Millstone Restaurant: An American bistro and wine bar featuring hand-cut meats, fresh seafood, game and poultry, main dish salads, and light fare. Monday through Saturday, 11:30 AM to 9 PM. Sunday, 11 AM to 8:30 PM. 526-4201. MillstoneRestaurant.com

Peter Christian's Tavern: New American fare, burgers, sandwiches, homemade soups, tavern entrees. Monday and Tuesday, 11 AM to 8 PM. Wednesday through Saturday, 11 AM to 9 PM. Sunday, 11 AM to 8 PM. 195 North Main Street. 526-4042. PeterChristiansTavernLLC.com

Rockwell's at the Inn: A formal

dining room or a more casual tavern dining area. Fresh ingredients found locally and beyond. 353 Main Street, in the New London Inn. 526-2791. RockwellsAtTheInn.com

Traditions at the Lake Sunapee Country Club: 100 Country Club Lane. 526-0260. LakeSunapeeCC.com

Salisbury The Grain Box Restaurant: Foods prepared whenever possible from local products: eggs from farms in Salisbury, maple syrup from trees along your drive to get to the store, meats home-grown and lean. In The Barn Store at 96 Old Turnpike Road (Route 4). 648-2888. BarnStoreOfNewEngland.com

Warner Charlie Mac's Pizzeria: Pizzas, calzones, salads. Monday through Thursday, 4 PM to 9 PM. Friday and Saturday, 11 AM to 9 PM. Sunday, noon to 8 PM. 456-2828. CharlieMacs.com

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July

July 5-10 and 12-17: *Guys and Dolls*

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July 8: Children's Storytelling Session, *Twinderella*, 10 AM at Tracy Memorial Library, sponsored by New London Barn Playhouse and featuring the cast of the upcoming Children's Series production. Storytelling, art activity, and snack. Free admission.

July 8: *An Evening Affair with Guys and Dolls*, New London Barn Playhouse's Annual Fundraising Party.

A fun-filled party celebrating the Barn's 79th season. Enjoy great food, music, and entertainment by the Barn Playhouse Company. On the grounds of the New London Historical Society, 5 to 8 PM. For tickets, call Wynne DeMille at 526-6572 or visit NLBarn.org.

July 14: *Twinderella* - Children's Theater Series

The beloved fairytale with a modern twist. Cinderella and her twin brother Bob, along with their Fairy Godmother, The Godfather, and their enchanted gerbils, hope to win the hearts of the Prince at his baseball game and the Princess at her ball. 11 AM and 2 PM. Kids 2 through 12, pay your age. Kids over 12

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July 19-24 *Almost, Maine*

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July 22: *A Midsummer Night's Dream* - Children's Series

Shakespeare's timeless romantic adventure of love, magic, and mistaken identities. A children's adaptation that takes us through the adventures of our four young lovers, the fairies watching over them, and the actors who just want to put on a play. 11 AM. This will be presented free to the public at a TBA outdoor location. Bring a picnic!

July 26-31 and August 2-7: *The Drowsy Chaperone*

The Drowsy Chaperone is an instant classic! Winner of five Tony awards, this show boldly addresses a great unspoken desire in all of our hearts: to be entertained. It's a musical within a comedy. Tuesday-Saturday 8 PM and Sunday 5 PM: \$32 (under 16: \$22.50). Wednesday matinee, 2 PM: \$26 (under 16: \$17.50).

July 29: Children's Storytelling Session, *Charleston!* 10 AM at Tracy Memorial Library, sponsored by New London Barn Playhouse and featuring the cast of the upcoming Children's Series production. Storytelling, art activity, and snack. Free admission.

For information on any of these events, visit NLBarn.org or call 526-6710.



Meetinghouse Readings: Love, Language, And American History

Meetinghouse Readings press release

The Canaan Town Library presents the 2011 Meetinghouse Readings: four evenings of storytelling and poetry by great authors. This year's edition features outstanding poets Major Jackson and Carol Westberg; the go-for-broke short stories of Creston Lea; and the deep family drama of Katharine Britton's debut novel, *Her Sister's Shadow*.

Groundbreaking narrative histories by Neil Goodwin and Tom Powers retell, respectively, the Revolutionary War raid on Royalton, Vermont and the end of effective Native American resistance in the far West with the killing of Crazy Horse. Cultural historian Howard Mansfield looks at how time and place are coming undone in our ultra-mobile Internet era, and Sally Brady's memoir, *A Box of Darkness: The Story of a Marriage* looks at ties that bind even when trust is broken.

It's going to be a great season of readings at this unique, grassroots literary festival. Join us!

July 7

Major Jackson: *Holding Company*:

Poems

Howard Mansfield: *Turn and Jump: How Time & Place Fell Apart*

July 14

Creston Lea: *Wild Punch*
Neil Goodwin: *We Go As Captives: The Royalton Raid and the Shadow War on the Revolutionary Frontier*

July 21

Katharine Britton: *Her Sister's Shadow*

Sally Brady: *A Box of Darkness: The Story of a Marriage*

July 28

Tom Powers: *The Killing of Crazy Horse*

Carol Westberg: *Slipstream*

The Meetinghouse Readings are held at 7:30 PM in the 1793 meetinghouse in Canaan's historic district, opposite the beach on Canaan Street Lake. Come enjoy superb entertainment by some of the nation's finest writers, plus free admission and refreshments. To download a schedule, get directions, and more, visit Meetinghouse.us or call the Canaan Town Library at 523-9650. You can also follow us on Facebook.



Mount Sunapee Hosts Four Special Dinners

Mount Sunapee Resort press release

Mount Sunapee Resort will be hosting four themed dinners on Thursday nights throughout the summer. The Summit Lodge, with a spectacular 360-degree view including Lake Sunapee, kicked off the events with a clam bake on June 30. The fun continues with a Family Fun Night on July 7 and a Wine Pairing Dinner with Southern Wine and Spirits on July 14. September 1 will be a Beer Pairing Dinner with Harpoon Brew-

ery mountainside in the beautiful Sunapee Lodge.

The clam bake on June 30 was a traditional New England clam bake complete with littleneck clams, lobster, and corn on the cob. The Family Fun Night on July 7 will feature fare for the whole family as well as a scavenger hunt and other activities prior to dinner for the kids.

On July 14 there will be a wine pairing hosted by Southern Wine and Spirits. A variety of wines and dishes ranging from appetizer to dessert will be served tapas-style by Mount Sunapee Executive Chef Joe Cole and a sommelier from Southern Wines and Spirits.

The July dinners will be at the Summit Lodge at Mount Sunapee. Guests will be transported to and from the 2,743-foot summit on the Sunapee Express Quad chairlift. In addition to a great meal, guests can take in the views of New Hampshire, Vermont, and Lake Sunapee.

A beer pairing, hosted by Harpoon Brewery, will be held on September 1 mountainside at the beautiful Sunapee Lodge. A variety of beers and dishes ranging from appetizer to dessert will be served tapas-style by Mount Sunapee Executive Chef Joe Cole and a master brewer from Harpoon Brewery.

Reservations are required and can be made at 763-3500. More information, pricing, and menus are available at MountSunapee.com.



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Library Trustees, Staff Pick Great Summer Reads

By Diane Rice
Andover Libraries Trustee

The Trustees and the Directors of the Andover Libraries love books. We love non-fiction books, historical novels, mysteries, love stories, cookbooks, do-it-yourself books, health books, and manage-your-wealth books! Some of us are grandmas and especially love books for children.

So we thought that it would be fun to share with you, for your summer pleasure, some of our current favorites that you might enjoy, too. Choosing just a very few from the many favorites on our lists was not an easy task, but one that gave each of us a lot of pleasure. So when you have a few minutes, come to the libraries, choose a title, savor a few moments by the beach or on a porch, and do let us know what you think of our choices. Happy summer from us all.

Summer Reading Suggestions

At the top of Robin Boynton's list for adults are these: *The Outlander* series by Dana Gabaldon and the wonderful story *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford. For the little ones, Robin says anything *Curious George*.

Sandra Graves suggests for adults *A Long, Long Way* by Sebastian Barry; *The Flanders Panel* by Arturo Perez-Reverte, *The Princes of Ireland* by Edward Rutherford, and the very popular *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese. For the younger set, books by Madeline L'Engle and JRR Tolkien topped her list, along with *The Quiltmaker's Gift* by Jeff Brumbeau and Gail DeMarken.

For adult readers, Janet Moore's top three picks are *Prodigal Summer* by Barbara Kingsolver, *World and Town* by Jen Gish, and *Adam and Eve* by Sena Jeter Naslund. It took only seconds for her to come up with books for

the younger set, some of which follow: *City Dog, Country Frog* by Mo Willems, *Grandfather Twilight* by Barbara Berger, *The Relatives Came* by Cynthia Rylant, *Tar Beach* by Faith Ringgold, and the well-known *Trumpet of the Swan* by EB White.

Marj Roy's current favorites turned out to be *Saint Maybe* by Anne Tyler, *The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd, and *The Dive from Clausen's Pier* by Ann Packer. For the little ones, her top choice was *Purple, Green, and Yellow* by Robert Munsch.

Diane Rice is into series. She loves the Maisie Dobbs series by Jacqueline Winspear, the Kurt Walleendar mysteries by Henning Mankell, as well as anything Alexander McCall has written, with his latest being *Corduroy Mansions*. She also couldn't resist suggesting an older but riveting book, *Devil in the White City* by Erik Lawson. As for the little ones, she said to just try reading *Skippyjon Jones* once without wanting to read it again immediately!

Michelle Bengivengo, librarian at the Bachelder Library, suggests for adults *The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold, *A New Earth* by Eckhart Tolle, and *Seat of the Soul* by Gary Zukav. For the younger readers, Barack Obama's *Of Thee I Sing* and *The Legend of the Old Man of the Mountain* by Denise Ortakalas topped her list.

Andover Library librarian Priscilla Poulin couldn't recommend highly enough Debbie Macomber's new book, *A Turn in the Road*; Hannah Kristen's new book, *Night Road*; and for those who love mysteries, James Patterson's *Tick Tock and Toys* and Robert Parker's *Six Kill*. As for her selections for children, Priscilla reports that there are so many great books for children that it was too hard to choose one that was extra-special!

Andover Libraries Need Book Donations

By Janet Moore
Andover Libraries Trustee

As you all know, the Andover Libraries collect books all year long in order to have a ready supply for our major fundraiser, the annual Fourth of July book sale. Held in the Stone Chapel on the Village Green, the book sale features a broad variety of reading materials, from children's picture books to biographies and everything in between. You can find lost copies of your favorite author's books and discover new enjoyment in armchair, or preparatory, travel information.

The book sale, as do the Libraries, strives to serve the entire Andover community and is generally quite

a success. We also do a smaller but equally brisk business the night of Town Meeting.

Therefore, we ask that you deposit any books you don't want or need any more in the libraries' growing store as the year goes on, especially now that the Fourth of July looms on the very near horizon. Just pop them into a bag or box and drop them off at either the Andover or Bachelder Library. Surely, your discards will turn into someone else's purchases, ensuring that books recycle themselves among the highest possible number of readers, for a small donation of course, and keep the libraries running.

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Andover Service Club Awards Scholarships

By Lois Magenau
Andover Service Club

The Andover Service Club has just completed its scholarship program for the 2011-2012 academic year, and we are pleased to announce that a total of \$5,000 was given out to five very deserving students. The recipients are listed below.

To be considered for a scholarship, an applicant must have a close tie to Andover, and they are chosen based on their academic performance, character attributes, and community involvement.

Diane Rice, my co-chair, and I would like to thank all of those who applied for a scholarship and also the Andover Service Club members for their help in implementing our scholarship program. Thank you, too, to all of those community members who support our Club's projects. That's what makes our scholarship program possible!

The Andover Service Club wishes our recipients the very best of luck in

their academic endeavors.

2011-2012 Andover Service Club Scholarship Recipients

Meredith Cline: Meredith graduated this month from Proctor Academy and will be attending the University of New Hampshire in the fall.

Rebecca Lance: Becca graduated this month from Merrimack Valley High School and will be attending Emmanuel College in Boston in the fall.

Karen Lynn Niemyer: Karen will be continuing her education at Granite State College.

Haley Peters: Haley graduated this month from Proctor Academy and will be attending Marlboro College in Marlboro, Vermont in the fall.

Sophie Viandier: Sophie graduated this month from Proctor Academy and will be attending Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts in the fall.

Hope to see you on the Fourth of July on the Village Green for our "Slices for Scholarships" pie sale!

Andover Lions Club News

By Bill Leber
Andover Lions Club

The Andover Lions Club, in the early 1970s, established scholarships along with the families in memory of Steven Jewett, who lost his life in the service of our country in Vietnam, and John Thompson, who lost his life in an accident here in Andover. The third scholarship was established by the Club to assist students who chose a vocational study track.

The Lions scholarship awards were announced at the schools' awards night or graduation. The Club received six applications, and the committee of three Lions – Richard O'Connell, Joyce Egge, and Duncan Coolidge – reviewed and rated the requests, overseen by Committee Chairman Jim Goody. All applications were excellent, but only three could be approved.

The winners from Newfound Regional High School and Danbury are Zacchaeus Graf, who received the Steven Jewett Memorial, and Sarah Rogers, who received the Andover Lions Vocational. Both were presented by Lion Jim Danforth. From Proctor Academy and Andover, Haley Peters was presented with the John Thompson scholarship by Lion Margie Leber. The Andover Lions Club wishes the students great success in their future field of studies.

Fourth of July

The Lions Pancake breakfast on the Fourth of July is on, and the Lions will be on the Village Green during the day with food and drink. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Andover Lions Calendar Sweepstakes goes on sale on Friday, July 1, and will be available at the Fourth of July events.

As the Club winds down toward the end of the Lions' year, we look forward to the coming year. On June 27, the Li-

ons held the Installation Dinner at the Homestead Restaurant in Bristol to install new officers for the 2011-2012 year. The officers are:

President	Jim Danforth
1st Vice President	Bill Egge
2nd Vice President	Kris Ordway
3rd Vice President	Tom Schwendler
Secretary	Joyce Egge
Treasurer	Margie Leber
Tail Twister/Tamer	Judy Evans
Directors	Jim Goody
	Skip Powers
	Dick O'Connell
Membership	Eula Epperly
	Don Kaplan
	Howard George

Various awards were presented at the dinner in recognition of outstanding efforts by individuals to benefit the Club and the community as follows:

The Lions Sight and Hearing Foundation of New Hampshire Granite State Fellow was presented to two community leaders who have served our community with dedication and selflessness: Greg Hamel of Blackwater Junction Restaurant and Charlie Darling of *The Andover Beacon*.

The Lions International Foundation Melvin Jones Fellow was presented to a Lion who has served the Club, the District, and the Foundation with distinction for over 20 years: Chris Seufert.

The President's awards went to Secretary Jim Goody and Treasurer Howard George for outstanding service during a critical time of our club's existence.

Also selected as the Lions Rookie of the Year was Judy Evans.

And the very special selection of Lion of the Year for exceptional work, dedication, and doing a lot of things to keep the club intact and moving forward went to Ron Evans.

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(L-r) Frank Richards, Cynthia Phelps Alley, and Stephen Smith are helping organize a reunion for people who attended East Andover Elementary School around 1960.

E. ANDOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REUNION PLANNED

By Frank Richards
EAES graduate

There will be a reunion for the East Andover Elementary School circa 1960 on Saturday, August 27. It will be held at the Andover Fish and Game Club from 2 to 4 PM. It is organized on a "bring your own food and drink" basis. A grill will be available.

There is a bathroom, easy parking, and a good sitting area at the Andover Fish and Game Club. We are planning to take a short walk at about 3 PM to visit the old school building.

We are sending invitations to the sixth grade class of 1960. However, anyone who attended the East Andover Elementary School at around that time is cordially invited. We'd love to see anyone we knew from back then. "We" are Frank Richards, Cynthia (Phelps) Alley, and Steve Smith.

Last year, Cynthia my childhood friend and next door neighbor, "friended" me on Facebook. She noticed I was "friends" with a character named Andy

Hatt, who she also "friended." Then she tracked down Stephen Wollmer, who none of us had seen since 1962. Then, "friends" Nancy (Burney) Rondeau, Lillian (Jurta) Blalock, Susan Huntoon, Norman Crisp, and Peter Chamberlain all appeared out of the cyber ether.

I know these names are unfamiliar to most readers of the *Beacon* today. However, 50 years ago, we were the kids in town. I think I can accurately state that we were some happy to reconnect after all these years. I think it was Steve Wollmer who originally suggested the reunion, although I am not completely sure.

Andy Hatt provided the scanned photo we used to identify our former classmates. We are still missing contact information for Robert Downs, Lawrence (Jumbo) Prentice, and Robert Wilson.

My e-mail address is Frank04989@gmail.com. I'd welcome any contact information that people may have.



Top (l-r): Nancy Burney, Andy Hatt, Betty Champney, Brian Shaw, Lillian Jurta, Jerry Hersey. Row 2: Cynthia Phelps, Bruce French, Sherida Keyser, Frank Richards, Beverly Miller, Ralph Gove, Barbara Corliss. Row 3: Robert Currier, Carlene Longfellow, Larry French, Ray Streeter. Row 4: Steve Smith, Robert Wilson, Pio "Pete" Champney, Mark Thompson, Wyman Ordway, Lance Ford, Robert Carpenter. Bottom: Charles Decateur, Loring Ford, Robert Jurta, Steve Wollmer. Not shown: Susan Huntoon, Lawrence Prentice, George Barton, Robert Downs.

ANDOVER HIGH REUNION

By Judy Perreault
Andover High School '53

I had an e-mail from Harold Crane '49 in regard to the yearbook and when the Blue Crest was adopted. He believes that it originated with the class of '49. He recalls drawing the Crest Emblem from a source that he didn't remember. He also said theirs was the first class to have the yearbook professionally printed with a hard cover.

In 1941 it was professionally printed with a soft cover and – surprise! – it had the Crest Emblem, which is probably where the class of '49 found it.

I am missing yearbooks for the years 1942, '43, '44, '45, '47, '48. I am not sure if a yearbook was printed during the war years or before 1941. If anyone has these years and wishes to part with them I would be happy to add them to our collection or at least would like to copy them.

I have yearbooks consecutively from 1949 to 1963, and Harold's e-mail prompted me to take a closer look at them. The only one that looks like it was done in-house was 1946, which I wrote about last month. It had two graduates (capped and gowned) on the front and said "Andover High School" and the year.

From 1949 to 1963 the yearbooks were professionally printed with hard covers and called *The Blue Crest*, except for 1952, which was a soft cover and titled *Memories*. The cover featured

a graduate and a book.

Of the 17 books that I have, 11 were white and the rest blue, and six of these featured the Crest Emblem.

Cover designs varied: 1950 had an open book, inkwell, and feather; 1956 featured two graduates standing at a four-way corner post; 1957 had a shield-like design with scholarly inserts; 1958 had various student silhouettes doing different activities; 1959 was somewhat the same as 1958; 1960 sported an eagle; and 1962 and 1963 showed geometric designs. As far as I can see the Blue Crest did originate with the class of '49, as did the hard cover. It was interesting to compare the years and see how each class wished to personalize their yearbook.

Reunion!

The yearbooks that I have, as well as other memorabilia, will be on display at the reunion on Saturday, July 9. We'll gather at 10 AM, then hold a brief meeting and take pictures starting at 11 AM. The place is the Ordway Recreational Area in South Danbury, off Route 4. Watch for the blue and white balloons. We'll have the coffee ready. In case of rain, we will meet at the old high school.

Bring a chair, a pot luck dish, a beverage, and memorabilia. And think about coming for the Fourth of July celebration on the Village Green in Andover and staying on for the reunion. Don't miss all the fun!

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New Hampshire Circle Of Home And Family

By Judy Perreault
NHCHF

The focus for the June meeting of our local chapter of NHCHF was on the home front in World War II, which many believed was the war to end all wars.

Unresolved issues from World War I, a depression, and expansionist policies in Germany, Italy, and Japan were factors leading up to World War II. The US was drawn into the war with the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941. This prompted many young men to enlist and not wait to be drafted.

The women's military was also organized at the start of the war. All four branches trained women for home front missions.

Patriotism ran high, and Americans came together as never before to support the war effort. With so many men serving in the military, women entered the workforce in factories, shipyards, and on farms. Rosie the Riveter was a famous poster urging women to join the workforce.

Citizens too old or too young for active service served in other capacities. Civil defense as wardens, plane spotters, and other activities were each a way to contribute. At school, children were urged to collect scrap metal and paper as well as to buy war bonds. War bonds were one of the ways that the war was financed. I remember getting a little booklet that you filled with dimes until you reached \$25, and then you got a war bond.

Many food items and goods were rationed. Books of ration stamps were issued, allowing you to buy only a certain amount of rationed commodities. You weren't supposed to, but everyone swapped stamps. If you didn't have a car, you didn't need gas stamps, so you exchanged them for something you did need.

All waste fat was saved, as was scrap metal, paper, and tin cans. My job was to remove the top and bottom of the can, slip these into the can, and flatten it.

To save on fabric, pants became cuffless, and skirts were shortened. Black-out curtains were required, so no light

was visible at night. Streetlights were a thing of the past, as they could provide a possible bombing target. People got along with flashlights.

War brought great strides in medicine, with many new surgery techniques and medicines being discovered.

For entertainment, people found things to do at or near home, as gas and tires were rationed and hard to come by. My father sold the tires on our car and put it up on blocks in the garage for the duration of the war.

Movies were used as propaganda as well as entertainment. *Bataan, Guadalcanal Diary, Buck Privates, and Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo* were some classics. Almost every city had clubs or canteens to provide a place for servicemen to eat and socialize.

After the war was over, it was not an easy adjustment to a peacetime economy. Returning soldiers could not find jobs, as factories were geared to producing goods for the war. Many went to college on the GI Bill.

Women had changed during the war. They were used to working, managing money, and making the decisions. They had a taste of independence and weren't anxious to return to their previous positions.

World War II brought us out of the Depression, but it left us with a huge national debt. One good thing to come out of it was the establishment of the United Nations. It was hoped that this organization could settle disputes before they erupted into global war.

Our NHCHF group, the Halcyon Seekers, really enjoyed this program. We remembered things like bomb shelters, airmail letters, stars in the windows of families that had men in the service – blue for active, gold for deceased – and all of the items we had to do without or find a substitute.

Perhaps you would like to share some of your war memories in the *Beacon*.

Halcyon Seekers do not meet in the summer. There is a state trip to the Remick Museum in Tamworth. For more information about our organization, call 735-5493.

INDIAN MUSEUM FREE TO MILITARY FAMILIES

MKIM press release

The Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum (MKIM) in Warner is one of more than 1,300 museums across America partnering with the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and Blue Star Families to offer free admission to military personnel and their families this summer from Memorial Day through Labor Day. Leadership support has been provided by MetLife Foundation through Blue Star Families. The complete list of participating museums is available at Arts.gov/BlueStarMuseums.

MKIM Director Shawn Olson said, "American Indians have the highest per capita rate in the nation for military service. In their honor, the museum is proud to host all active duty military personnel and their families again this year. I would have loved a program like this to help keep my children busy and our minds off our soldier when he was on active duty in Iraq a few years ago."

Active military personnel and veterans will also be honored each day at the Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum's 12th Annual Intertribal Powwow on Saturday, July 9, and Sunday, July 10. (See ad on page 22.)

"Blue Star Museums may be the program at the NEA of which I am proudest," said NEA Chairman Rocco Landesman. "Blue Star Museums recognizes and thanks our military families for all they are doing for our country, and simultaneously begins young people on a path to becoming life-long museum goers."

"Last year, the success of the inaugural year of the Blue Star Museums program showed that partnerships between the nation's museum and military communities are a natural," said Blue Star Families Chairman Kathy Roth-Douquet. "We are thrilled that 300,000 military family members visited our partner museums in the summer of 2010. We hope to exceed that number this year as the military community takes advantage of the rich cultural heritage they defend and protect every day."

This year, more than 1,324 (and counting) museums in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and American Samoa are taking part in the initiative, including more than 500 new museums this year.

The program runs from Memo-

rial Day through Labor Day. The free admission program is available to active-duty military and their immediate family members (military ID holder and five immediate family members). Active duty military include Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, active-duty National Guard, and active-duty Reserve members. Some special or limited-time museum exhibits may not be included in this free admission program.

Other NEA programs for the military have included Operation Homecoming; Writing the Wartime Experience; Great American Voices Military Base Tour; and Shakespeare in American Communities Military Base Tour.

Mount Kearsarge Indian Museum

Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum, Education and Cultural Center, is dedicated to connecting people of today with 20,000 years of ongoing Native American cultural expression. The Museum embraces cultural diversity and encourages responsible environmental action based on respect for nature. Through exhibitions and programs, the Museum seeks to challenge and inspire all of us to improve the quality of our lives and our world.

Blue Star Families

Blue Star Families is a national, nonpartisan, nonprofit network of military families from all ranks and services, including guard and reserve, with a mission to support, connect, and empower military families. In addition to morale and empowerment programs, Blue Star Families raises awareness of the challenges and strengths of military family life and works to make military life more sustainable. Membership includes military spouses, children, and parents, as well as service members, veterans, and civilians.

To learn more about Blue Star Families, visit BlueStarFam.org.

National Endowment for the Arts

The National Endowment for the Arts was established by Congress in 1965 as an independent agency of the federal government. To date, the NEA has awarded more than \$4 billion to support artistic excellence, creativity, and innovation for the benefit of individuals and communities. To join the discussion on how art works, visit Arts.gov.



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Danbury Grange Membership Award Ceremony

Blazing Star Grange #71 press release

On June 9, six members of Danbury's Blazing Star Grange #71 received membership awards for their continuous membership in the Grange.

Most notable of these is Audrey Curren, a retired school teacher, who received a citation from the National Grange President, Ed Luttrell, for her 80-year membership. Audrey joined the Grange when she was a student. At 14 years of age, her signature is in the membership book under her maiden name of Audrey Wells.

John "Willie" Wentworth, also a member since he was 14, was presented with his 70-year award. There are two photos on the walls of the Grange Hall that are meaningful to Willie. One is a picture of him in the Junior Grange, which was formed for youngsters under 14. And the other is a photo of his father and other officers of the Grange at the time the new hall was built in 1911. This picture is being used on a brochure for the 100th anniversary of the hall this year.

Florence Blay, who currently holds the office of Lecturer for the Danbury



John "Willie" Wentworth and Audrey Curren
Photo: Mary Fanelli

Grange, was on hand to receive her 55-year award.

Other members who earned awards, but were not present at the meeting, are: Marie Bennett, 65 years; Forrest Powers, 55 years; and Terry Taylor, 40 years.

After the ceremony, guests were invited to partake in refreshments, and members enjoyed talking to award recipients about their past experiences in the Grange.

Danbury Grange Citizen Of The Year Award

Blazing Star Grange #71 press release

On June 9, Danbury businessman William Wallace was presented the annual Blazing Star Grange Citizen of the Year award.

This award is presented to a Danbury resident who has contributed to the welfare of the community in a special way, and Bill Wallace is a fine example of a dedicated citizen.

Owner of a pre-fabrication company that supplies high quality custom pre-fabricated building components to local and regional builders throughout New England, Bill has served Danbury in many capacities, including current membership on the Danbury Planning Board, where he generously donates his time and building expertise.

A testimonial was read by Charlotte McIver, a Grange member who sits on the Danbury Planning Board with Bill:

"When Danbury's Independence Park was in need of more picnic tables, Bill was right there to provide them. He has also made numerous contributions to both our police department and our fire department.

"In 2008, Bill was selected by Extreme Home Makeover to work on

a project for the Voisson family in Manchester, rebuilding their home that had been lost in a flood. His performance on that project was so outstanding that he was asked in 2009 to assist with a project in Lyme for a family whose son had leukemia.

"When a single mom needed more



(L-r): Charlotte McIver, Tricia Taylor, Florence Blay, and Bill Wallace.

Photo: Mary Fanelli

space in her home for her child who has Asperger's Syndrome, Bill was right there providing assistance.

"In short, Bill came to the aid of anyone or any organization that asked for his help. He is well deserving of the Danbury Grange Citizen of the Year award."

Bill's name will be added to a plaque in the Danbury Town Hall listing all who have received the Grange's Citizen of the Year award.

Dinner And A Concert At Wilmot Bandstand

Wilmot Ladies Aid Society press release

The Wilmot Ladies Aid Society (WLAS) will be serving dinner on the last two Saturdays in July at the Wilmot Bandstand in Wilmot Flat from 6 PM until 8 PM, while some of New England's favorite performers entertain the crowd.

On Saturday, July 23, the WLAS will offer a complete chili dinner for the Long Tail Monkeys and Nick's Other Band concert and a pulled pork sandwich supper on Saturday, July 30, for the Sferes and White concert.

Known for their home cooking, the

Wilmot ladies will offer complete \$6 suppers of chili, slaw, lemonade, and a home-baked dessert at the first concert. The menu changes to a complete \$7 pulled pork sandwich dinner on July 30, consisting of a great BBQ pork sandwich, slaw, lemonade, and a home-baked dessert.

Hot dogs, popcorn, soft drinks, and water will also be available on both occasions. The performance and dinner will both move to the Wilmot Town Hall in Wilmot Center at Route 4 and North Wilmot Road in case of rain.

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The Excitement Of Homecoming

By Sue Christiansen
Beacon volunteer

Some of you may already know that my son Alex Green is home from his year-long deployment to Iraq. Well, home to Georgia anyway – which is right next door compared to being in Iraq!

He will be home in Andover in July, and boy, oh boy, we can't wait! I'm so excited to have both of my boys not only in the same country, but in the same town!

As I write this, it is the eve of the birthday of my oldest son, John. I'm thinking back to when he was born and all of the excitement and unknown that goes into having a baby. All of the careful planning and classes can't prepare you for that "Holy cow, it's time!" minute that arrives out of nowhere. The next thing you know, you are holding a wonderful person you knew you would see someday. Welcoming home a soldier is much the same.

I flew to Georgia to greet Alex and about 500 other of his buddies. We had a date, a "due date" for lack of better words. But because some very excited family member had posted the date and time of the arrival, it was changed. We were now "overdue," not fun when you are pregnant or waiting for your soldier to come home.

Finally, my cell phone beeped with the message, "I'm in Savannah, just landed." It was like watching a bunch of clowns running around. We jumped up and grabbed the Welcome Home signs, flags, and other items needed to give our troops a warm welcome. Picture the scared new dad grabbing the suitcase and almost driving to the hospital without the expectant mom!

The gym where the ceremony was to take place was filling up with other

excited families carrying banners and flags and little kids with signs saying, "Daddy I'm right here!" with a big arrow pointing down at themselves. Super cute!

Soon the band arrived, and we knew we were in business! On the screen in the front of the gym, a multimedia show about the troops and all they had done in support of Operation New Dawn played over and over. The cheering became so loud, I could feel it in my chest, and it was awesome!

Before we knew it, literally hundreds of troops began to march in and stand at attention at the front of the gym. There were rows and rows of strong, tired men before us – what a beautiful sight it was!

I watched closely as every soldier walked through the door and, sure enough, right in the middle of the pack was Alex! I began to yell his name and hop up and down. I don't know why I thought he would hear me, but it seemed like a good idea at the time.

What a great time of exhilaration, pride, and joy! The time had finally arrived and my youngest son was within my grasp. There was a prayer of thanks for their safety, the National Anthem, singing of the *Dogged-Face Soldier* song, and the Army song. Then it was a free-for-all for the soldiers and families to find each other.

One of Alex's buddies grabbed me by the arm and started making his way through the crowd shouting, "Green!" to help me to find him. Then before my eyes was Alex. He was tired and dirty and so excited to be home!

If you have a loved one from Andover serving in the military, please contact Military@AndoverBeacon.com so we can send him or her a free subscription to the Beacon.



Frank Haley Tops His Own Fundraising Record

By Laretta Phillips
For the Beacon

Frank Haley topped his own fundraising record this year as the highest individual donor for the Blind Awareness Walk-a-Thon, produced each year for the past eight years for the New Hampshire Association for the Blind.

The Walk-A-Thon is a 3K walk throughout Concord's historic district to the State House. Every year for weeks prior to the walk, Frank and his wife Ann spend a great deal of time driving around and seeking donations. Frank said, "People are usually pretty generous, and without their donations I would not be able to do this." Frank's wife Ann and often his grandchildren and daughters-in-law walk with him.

June 4 was the eighth annual Walk-a-Thon. For the past six years, Frank has been the top individual fundraiser. This year makes the seventh. Frank reached his goal of beating last year's figures by

raising \$5,931, bringing his total for the seven years to \$27,044.

Proceeds from the Walk-a-Thon will help to support the many rehabilitation services provided by the New Hampshire Association for the Blind. The New Hampshire Association for the Blind provides vision rehabilitation services for New Hampshire people of all ages who are blind or visually impaired.

Frank wishes to thank the Andover community, his friends, and his family for their support. Without their generous donations, he could not have reached his goal, and many people in the blind community would be missing many of the benefits that are brought to them by the New Hampshire Association for the Blind.

For more information about the New Hampshire Association for the Blind or to make a donation, contact them at 224-4039 or Services@SightCenter.org.



Annual Motorcycle Ride Against Cancer **BRENDA'S RIDE**

LRGHealthcare press release

The ninth annual Brenda's Ride with Friends: Fighting Cancer One Mile at a Time will take place on Saturday, August 20, starting at 10 AM sharp from the Weirs Beach Lobster Pound. Hundreds of motorcycles will depart together on a beautiful ride to the Country Cow Restaurant in Campton. The convoy will arrive back at the Lobster Pound around noon for a cook-out and afternoon festivities.

Come one, come all – a motorcycle is not required! Arrive by bike, car, boat, or foot. If you're not one to ride,

plan to join us at noon up on the deck at the Lobster Pound to welcome back the hundreds of bikers. Stick around for a cook-out, raffles, and a line-up of live bands including Root 3 and Endangered Species.

The entertainment will continue into the evening, bringing in a crowd and raising funds to benefit local cancer survivors and the LRGHealthcare Oncology Department. What better way to enjoy a fun Saturday afternoon while giving back to a great cause!

"It's always a very emotional day, but in a heartwarming, good way," says 13-year breast cancer survivor Brenda Ganong. "We hope to have another huge turn-out this year to raise awareness and some funds for a very important cause. We encourage everyone to join us, and we can't thank enough the Lobster Pound and the many supporters and volunteers for their support."

The cost to ride is \$25 pre-registered or \$30 the day of the event and includes food and live music. If you do not plan to ride but want to stop by for the cook-out and a bite to eat we just encourage a small donation.

If you would like to register for Brenda's Ride, please contact Brenda Ganong at 581-6992 or visit www.LRGH.org to download a registration form.



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Where Are They Now?

Jill C. Graves

By Mary T. Ofenloch
Andover Service Club

Jill C. Graves, daughter of Andover Service Club (ASC) member Sandra Graves and her husband, John, received a \$750 Andover Service Club Merit Scholarship Award in 1986. "I was the grateful recipient of an ASC scholarship, and I used this toward my first year of college at Georgetown," Jill said recently.



Then ...

Jill attended Merrimack Valley High School from 1983-84 and spent her junior and senior years (1985-86) at Northfield Mount Hermon (NMH) in Massachusetts. Her course of study during those years included participation in soccer and track. She studied ballet from grade 4 through grade 11 and became a student of various forms of arts and crafts. Jill also worked as a waitress, food service worker, snack bar attendant, and Sunday school teacher.

While at NMH, Jill was exposed to a wide range of subjects, students, and activities, in a liberal environment which was devoted to the well-rounded education of the student. "One of the subjects which intrigued me was the Mandarin Chinese language," Jill remarked. In 1985, during her junior year at NMH, she spent the summer in China at Fudan University. "I would go into Shanghai, where I would be stared at because I was a foreigner."

After graduating from NMH in 1986, Jill spent four years at Georgetown University in Washington, DC, where she majored in Mandarin and minored in linguistics. She spent her junior year in Taipei and traveled through parts of Southeast Asia. Because of the massacre of pro-democracy students at Tiananmen Square, a planned trip through China had to be canceled. The year was 1989.

When asked how she felt upon hearing of the protests in China at that time, knowing her daughter was there, Sandra said, "Jill was with her school, and I felt pretty secure until the incident at Tiananmen Square. Then I was a little nervous. The students had very good chaperones who took care of them and were good role models."

Jill remained in DC for another year after graduation from Georgetown, later moving to New York. Sandra, Cordelia Graves (Jill's grandmother), and Jill's Aunt Ann taught her how to sew, to improvise with found fabrics, and other skills that led to a position in a fashion

clothing manufacturing company in Lower Manhattan.

Because of her love for languages, and with help from an instructional book, Jill began to teach herself Gaelic – the native language of Ireland. A mutual friend introduced her to her future husband, Paul, who is Irish. In exchange for lessons in Chinese history and culture, Paul taught her vocabulary and pronunciation of his native tongue. Jill then started a long apprenticeship to become a film costumer.

In 1994, Jill and Paul moved to Ireland for four years, spending time in Galway and Dublin. Jill became a trainee costumer in Ireland's booming film industry, working in the wardrobe departments of films such as *Saving Private Ryan*, *The Matchmaker* with Janeane Garafolo, and *This is the Sea* with Gabriel Byrne.

Jill and Paul returned to East Andover in 1995 for their wedding under the beautiful birches on the lawn at her grandmother Cordelia's home. It was September, and the valley was ablaze with color. Paul wore Gabriel Byrne's shoes, which were donated by the production company. They returned to Ireland for three more years, returning to the US in 1998.

Upon moving back to New York, Jill attended the Fashion Institute of Technology, receiving an Associate's Degree in Textile Development and Marketing. She returned to film and TV, working for three seasons on the NBC dramedy series *Ed*. During this period, her sons, David and Rory, were born. Jill supervised



... and now: (front, l-r) David and Rory Power; (back) Sandra Graves, Paul Power, John Graves, Jill Graves Power.

vised costuming for the film *The Savages* and was set costumer on *Law and Order: Special Victims Unit* and a range of other productions.

"The environment, history, and traditions of Andover are still very dear to me, and I know that my two boys are absorbing it, too. They enjoy spending as much time as possible with their

See Jill on page 40

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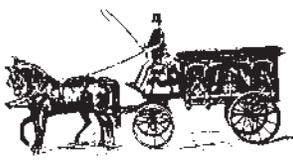
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OBITUARIES

MARILYN A. (BACON) LEE, 80, of Wilmot, died Friday, June 17, 2011, at Concord Hospital surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Somerville, New Jersey, on September 22, 1930, the daughter of Achilles J. and Viola A. (Wiesner) Bacon. Marilyn moved to Wilmot in 1946. Years ago, she worked at the soda fountain in the old Market Basket in New London. She also worked for Della Robia Wreath House in Wilmot in the early 1960s.

Marilyn owned and operated a seasonal flower shop in Wilmot and also worked for New London Florist for many years. Since 1980 she has owned and operated Forest Cone and Evergreen Shop on Kearsarge Valley Road in Wilmot.

She used to enjoy being in plays put on by the Wilmot Community Association and played leading ladies for about 10 years. She and her late husband ran a teen counsel group in town for several years, and they enjoyed square dancing together, traveling all over New England for a good Saturday night square dance.

Marilyn found great pleasure working in her flower gardens and loved to watch the birds. Family was her greatest joy, and most recently she was very

excited to be able to spend time with her three new great-grandchildren.

She was predeceased in 2008 by her husband of 60 years, Robert E. Lee; and two siblings, Richard H. Bacon and Patricia J. Lee.

Members of her family surviving include her son and daughter-in-law, Richard E. and Theresa Lee of Wilmot; her daughter and son-in-law, Robin A. and David Atwood Sr. of Wilmot; three grandchildren, Dara and her husband, Ralph Gove III, David Atwood and his partner, Sharon Wheeler, and Kelsie Lee; three great-grandchildren, Lynlee, Landen, and Mya; a sister, Gail F. Barton and her husband, Paul S. Barton, of Andover; a sister-in-law, Marilyn P. Bacon of Bradenton, Florida; and nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Friends called at the Chadwick Funeral Home in New London on June 21. A graveside service was held on June 22 in Pine Hill Cemetery, Wilmot, with Marilyn's nephew, James E. Lee, officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Wilmot Bandstand Committee, PO Box 72, Wilmot 03287; or to the Lake Sunapee Region Visiting Nurse Association, PO Box 2209, New London 03257.



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grandparents. They never met their great-grandparents, Cordelia and John, but they are learning about their lives as farmers in Andover by staying in their house and hearing stories from the rest of the family."
Jill continued, "The Service Club was always a very tangible facet of my life, as my grandmother, Cordelia, and my mother were active members throughout my childhood and into my adult years. My hope is that the Service Club will continue to survive so that other lucky children from the town will benefit, as I have, from its immense generosity."



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Toddler Teacher Karen Farrington (holding Issac Norris), Liz Currier, and Infant Teacher Linda Colton enjoy a busy summer morning at Imagination Inn.

Photo: Doreen Perreault

IMAGINATION INN

By Doreen Perreault

Owner/Director, Imagination Inn

I am excited to announce the opening of a new child care program located at 45 North Street, right here in Andover across from AE/MS. After 10 years as the Director of The East Andover Village Preschool, I have had the exciting opportunity to open a new child care facility called Imagination Inn.

Imagination Inn is an early enrichment center open year round from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Doing our best to meet the needs of our busy families, we are open during snow days, teacher workshops, school vacations, and many holidays. Imagination Inn is an affordable enrichment center that offers both full- and part-time care for children six weeks to 12 years old. We offer morning preschool programs, after-kindergarten care, and afterschool care (for children in grades one through three).

We are open during the summer, preparing the program and getting ready for another great school year. Infant teacher Linda Colton, toddler teacher Karen Farrington, and infant/toddler helper Liz Currier are spending the summer with our summer "campers" and helping to get the preschool ready for the return of busy little hands and busy little feet that will arrive before you know it.

Imagination Inn is a hands-on, fun-filled program. Your child's day will be filled with play dough, finger painting,

and splashing around in the water table. Our story time will come to life with puppets and flannel-board characters. We will be singing to music, tossing bean bags, and shaking the parachute. Children will be learning and playing their way throughout the day.

We are looking forward to the many exciting opportunities that are available to the children. Thanks to the Proctor community, we will be visiting the sheep located just a few steps away from our door. We hope to get a few Spanish lessons from our local teachers and, later this winter, visit the ice rink and explore the wonderful grounds right outside our door. We will be enjoying story time at the town library, just a few steps away, and some one-on-one reading time with the AE/MS fifth graders. We will be utilizing the many resources found right outside our door.

Though Imagination Inn will be new to the neighborhood, we are fortunate to be surrounded by so many wonderful families, community members, and neighbors who help enrich the lives of our very youngest children.

I look forward to learning, exploring, and creating with so many new families and children. We are presently accepting enrollment for the 2011-2012 school year. To find out how you can become part of this wonderful new program, call 735-5900. Come laugh and learn and simply have fun.

East Andover Village Preschool

By Michelle Dudek
East Andover Village Preschool

East Andover Village Preschool has been a busy place the last few weeks. We saw seven Preschool II students graduate onto kindergarten, said goodbye to Ms. Doreen, had nine Preschool I students "step up" up to Preschool II, and closed the doors on the 2010-2011 school year.

Now we are kicking off our fundraising for the 2011-2012 school year with a cotton candy and lemonade stand at the Andover Fourth of July cel-

ebration! Please stop by to say "Hi" and grab a sweet treat. Parent volunteers and board members will be making the cotton candy, and our preschoolers will be serving up the lemonade.

We have also just unveiled our new EAVP Web site – check us out at East-AndoverVillagePreschool.weebly.com. We will continue to develop the site with current news and EAVP happenings, pictures, and important information.

We look forward to seeing our friends, old and new, in the fall. Happy Summer, everyone!

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NLRA press release

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shade of mighty evergreens, and then embark on NLRA's Eco-Tour vessel *Madeline* as part of a scientific expedition to learn about the world of water in crystal-clear Newfound Lake.

Water Wednesdays run from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM on Wednesdays during July and August. Cost is \$10 per person (\$8 for New Hampshire Audubon members) for land-based programs and \$10 per person (and good weather) for lake programs. For more information, contact Tyler at 744-3516 or TDurham@NHAudubon.org, or Nikki at 631-2213 or NLRA.Nikki@metrococast.net.

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Theater Award for Excellence in Dramatics.

Truman Fleming received the Robert M. Downey Award for Excellence in Graphics and Digital Editing.

Sam Johnson was the recipient of the Weitzman Technology Award for Videography.

The Fine Arts Award went to Jackson Bicknell, while Story Southworth received the Photography Award and the Athletic Council Award. Sophie Viandier took both the Ceramics and Dance Awards. Meredith Cline received the Green Key Award for providing excellent campus tours to visitors.

John Howard, from Salisbury, received the Stanley V. Wright Award for Excellence in History, the Lee Carvalho Award for Excellence in Mathematics, and the Babe Ruth Sportsmanship Award.

Wilmot's Caleigh Erickson received the Theodore Parker Farr Award for

Excellence in French. Maddie Schiess of Wilmot, and New London's Kali Stevens shared the Athletic Council Award.

At Commencement on June 4, Meredith Cline, Haley Peters, and Sophie Viandier were presented Andover Science Club Scholarships by club president Robin Boynton. Margaret Leber presented the Andover Lions Club's John Thompson Memorial Scholarship to Haley Peters. Haley also received the Robert S. Livingston Community Service Award.

Will Henriques was recipient of the Alice S. Fowler Award, which goes to "the student in the graduating class who best exemplifies strength of character, personal dedication, and commitment to the Proctor community."

All three senior speakers at commencement were local students! Will Henriques delivered the Salutatory Address, in which he asked seniors to consider how Proctor shaped the way they think and perceive the world. Selected by his classmates to be Essayist, Canon Brownell spoke of the qualities that comprise an essential person. As Valedictorian, Salisbury's John Howard reflected on how a history lesson illuminated how odds and probability function in the world affairs.

Many in attendance stated that this year's Commencement was the most inspirational and fun graduation in memory. Congratulations to all who contributed!



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AEMS Band Director Paul Hubert, twelve band members and one graduate participated in Wilmot's annual Memorial Day commemoration, attended by a large number of veterans and family members. The ceremony began in Wilmot's community building with patriotic words, songs and band selections. The group then marched to the war memorial for the laying of a wreath, a 21-gun salute, taps by Mr. Hubert and bagpipe.

Photo and caption: Alan Hanscom

AE/MS 2010-2011 Music: All Missions Accomplished

By Paul Hubert
AE/MS Music Director

It seems as if this spring at AE/MS there was music everywhere, which is a good thing, as the weather had a tendency to "dampen" our spirits a bit.

On May 26 the music department presented its Spring Band and Choral concert. Two bands were represented (the fifth grade and the middle school) as well as the newly-formed AE/MS Chorus.

After the Middle School Band marched in and played *The Star Spangled Banner*, the show got off to a rousing start as the Fifth Grade Band entertained with *La Cucaracha*; *Wipe Out*; a cowboy medley consisting of *Git Along Little Dogies*, *Great Grandad*, and *Goodbye Old Paint*; and *The Hey Song*.

Next up, a clarinet trio composed of Cope Makechnie, Jaqui Morris, and Annika Johnson performed *La Donna e Mobile* by Giuseppe Verdi, the perfect lead-in to *Sakura*, a Japanese folk song played on flute by Betsy Abrahamson.

Representing AE/MS in the Middle School Chorus were Molly Comrie, Erin Hanscom, Cope Makechnie, Jaqui Morris, Alyson Mullet, Bailey Powers, Reilly Walsh, and Annika Johnson. They presented a program including the *a cappella* rounds *Joy and Temperance* and *Black Socks*; popular favorites *My Favorite Things* and *I Can See Clearly Now*; the gospel gem *You Gotta Sing*; and the contemporary choral selection *Shooting Star*. This year was the first for our AE/MS Chorus, and from the sound of this performance it certainly appears to have been a success.

Nick Terwilliger was the next up on stage to play *The Throne Room* from *Star Wars* by John Williams on tenor sax. Nick has been entertaining us for several years now with new installations of *Star Wars* music. He will

leave a huge gap in our programming when he moves on to high school (lucky MVHS!), but he's not gone yet. More on that in a moment.

Finally, the perfect conclusion to the evening was provided by the AE/MS Middle School Band. Their selections included *Linus and Lucy* from *Peanuts*; *Shenandoah*; *Peace of Mind* (by Boston); and *Pomp and Circumstance*. The program highlighted various strengths in our young musicians, but the favorite was definitely *Peace of Mind*. It rocked!

2011 Andover Idol

As if the Spring Concert wasn't excitement enough, the next day dawned as the Eighth Annual Andover Idol Talent Contest. The usual "rogues gallery" of judges were in place, with "The Cruncher" (Mr. Murphy) crunching the numbers in place of the "Mathter Blather." Talent included dancing, singing, and choreography, and the results were:

2nd runner up: Alyson Mullett
1st runner up: Maya Haynes
and, for the second time, your 2011 Andover Idol is ... (drum roll, please) ... Kelsie Berry!

Kelsie won singing *If I Ain't Got You* by Alicia Keys. Congratulations to all participants. You are all winners.

Memorial Day

On May 30, members of the AE/MS Middle School Band participated in the Memorial Day Ceremony in Wilmot. Students gathered at the Wilmot Community Center, where they performed *When Johnny Comes Marching Home Again* for a packed meeting room. Then they marched with the veterans down to the monument and back. Guns were fired and *Taps* was played, finishing up back at the Community Center for a delicious buffet.

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Back (l-r): Coach Nick Fairall, Kelsey Allen, Bailey Powers, Thaddeus Bicknell, Carl Hubbard, Emma Davis, Steven Hall, Ngawang Dickinson, Austin Hawks, Eli Shedd, and Jeff Bates. Middle: Annika Johnson, Kaitlyn French, Mackenzie Donovan, Taylor Duquette, Reilly Walsh, Josiah Wagner. Front: Curtis Chamberlain, Cope Makechnie, Alicia Barry, Griffin Merriman, Noah Berry, Kevin Barry, Jared Duquette.

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- Steven Hall
- Jeff Bates
- Thaddeus Bicknell
- Austin Hawks
- Bailey Powers
- Kelsey Allen
- Ngawang Dickinson
- Eli Shedd
- Josiah Wagner
- Emma Davis
- Reilly Walsh
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- Noah Berry
- Mackenzie Donovan

Even the weather this year, with all the rain, could not dampen the spirits of the athletes. They practiced and ran many meets in rainy, cloudy weather. Every member of the team improved in

whatever event they competed in.

This year a select few from the team were able to compete at the state level in the small-school division. The small-school division consists of 17 schools. The top 24 from schools around the state compete in their events.

AE/MS walked away from the state meet with great success. Our ladies relay team, consisting of Cope Makechnie, Alicia Barry, Bailey Powers, and Kelsey Allen, came in fifth out of 17 teams. The Eagle boys relay team placed fourth out of 17 teams. The boys team consisted of Jeff Bates, Thaddeus Bicknell, Austin Hawks, and Reilly Walsh.

The following list shows the event and our placements. It is based on 24 participants from around the state.

- Austin Hawks: 11th, long jump
- Thaddeus Bicknell: 5th, boys high jump
- Kelsey Allen: 5th, girls high jump
- Ngawang Dickinson: 6th, boys shot put
- Taylor Duquette: 7th, girls shot put
- Alicia Barry: 8th, girls 1,600 meter
- Bailey Powers: 1st, girls 200 meter
- Alicia Barry: 1st, girls 100 meter
- Jeff Bates: 1st, boys shot put
- Jeff Bates: 1st, boys discus

By Jane Slayton
Principal, AE/MS

AE/MS school nurse Christine Frost trained and certified both eighth grade classes in CPR through the American Heart Association before the school year ended. Students had received First Aid certification previously.

The kindergarten students participated in a graduation ceremony on June 13 and magically became first grade students when sprinkled with special glitter by Mrs. Pellegrino. Parents and friends were greatly entertained by the students as they performed *The Three Piggy Opera*. Cupcakes and punch were enjoyed after the ceremony.

Kindergarten teacher Mrs. Pellegrino graduated her last class from AE/MS. She has been the only kindergarten teacher that Andover Elementary students have known, as Mrs. Pellegrino was the first teacher when the school district began a public kindergarten program. AE/MS faculty members Jane Slayton, Gretchen Hildebrand, and Julie Gaudette sprinkled Mrs. Pellegrino with special glitter as part of her own graduation from AE/MS kindergarten and presented her with flowers. Mrs. Pellegrino, Mrs. Fadden, parents, and students went to Squam Lake Science Center the following day.

Thirty-two eighth grade students graduated from AE/MS on June 16.

Many of them will go in different directions for their secondary education. Staff members would agree that this was a very special group of students, and their absence will certainly be noticed. It will be interesting for us to follow their educational and career paths.

The last school day was June 17, and although outdoor field events were hampered by the rain, the day was still packed with fun, celebration, and farewells. The AE/MS PTO and our school kitchen staff put on a feast for students, staff members, and volunteers. Snow cones are always a treat, and this year ice cream cones were an added surprise!

Andover's Long Tail Monkeys once again performed to close out the school year. Logan Marcus, Max Barrett, Sam Barrett, and Tyler Holman are absolutely amazing. They are our favorite rock band! Mr. Hubert was invited to play with the band.

Andover Idol winners performed, and several students were recognized for perfect attendance. Thanks and gratitude were shared with students, staff members, and volunteers. Goodbyes were said to Mrs. Pellegrino and Ms. Fitzpatrick, both of whom are retiring this year.

The AE/MS school doors will open again on Monday, August 29, to welcome a new school year!

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Students participating were Erin Hanscom, Bailey Powers, and Jacqui Morris on clarinets; Cope Makechnie on bass clarinet; Nick Terwilliger and Max Barrett on saxophones; Alicia Barry on baritone horn; Jeff Bates, Eli Shedd, Kevin Barry, and Will Cox on drums and percussion; and Logan Marcus on guitar and percussion. We were also happy to be joined on the flute by AE/MS alumna Becca Lance.

The end of the school year is always a time of joy tinged with a hint of sadness as we say goodbye to our eighth graders who are moving on to new heights in high school. The following Band/Chorus students will surely be missed: Erin

Hanscom, Bailey Powers, Alyson Mullett, Nick Terwilliger, Vincent Bolte, Alicia Barry, Jeff Bates, Eli Shedd, and Molly Comrie. Most have been a part of the AE/MS music program since fourth grade and have gone from beginners to proficiency on their instruments. We wonder where they will take it next.

Finally, Nick Terwilliger played *May the Force Be With You* at the Eighth Grade Graduation Ceremony on June 16. Nick has a knack for making good programming choices – he suggested the arrangement of *Peace Of Mind* for the Middle School Band – and I would like to join him in wishing this year's AE/MS eighth graders the best of luck and good fortune ... and "May the force be with you!"

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Docent Chris Norris shows Mr. Jensen's fourth grade class the new Secret Garden that the Andover Historical Society has created in the cellarhole of Richard Potter's place. "How long since Potter's Place burned down?" Chris asked the students. "What evidence can you see?" (Note the big tree on the right growing in the cellarhole. Photo: Don Gould

Fourth Grade Visits Area Historical Societies

By Michael P. Jensen
AE/MS Fourth Grade Teacher

On Thursday, June 2, Andover fourth graders participated in their annual "Round Robin Historical Society Field Trip." All three town historical societies – Andover, Salisbury, and Webster – did an outstanding job presenting the rich and important history of each specific town. A good time was had by all.

Salisbury

We started off our day in Salisbury, where we were whisked back in time to colonial and post-colonial New Hampshire. Standing around the cemetery were famous Salisbury "residents" of old. They told their stories, complete with the challenges and facts of their particular time period. Each person of historical significance was portrayed realistically, while still captivating the audience of interested fourth graders.

We were then given a tour of the surrounding buildings and old-fashioned artifacts. It was evident that a great deal of care and preparation had been set forth by our good friends from Salisbury!

Webster

Next, we made our way to Webster, where we were given a very interesting and thorough account of the town's history. It was there that this writer learned of the actual relocation of The Old Meeting House in the early 1900s by use of two horses and a turnstile. How fascinating!

Andover students listened eagerly to absorb the wealth of information provided by the wonderful folks from Webster. There were plenty of old tools and artifacts to observe and learn about. The children and chaperones alike felt very fortunate to have the opportunity to learn so much.

Following our informative time in Webster, we made our way back to Salisbury to enjoy a shared picnic-

style lunch with the fourth graders from the other two towns. We enjoyed lunch, had lemonade, cookies, and some World Famous Salisbury Iced Tea. Then all of the kids gathered together to play old-fashioned games such as hoop and stick rolling, ring toss games, and stilt walking.

Andover

We ended this fabulous day with our own Andover Historical Society's presentation. What a gloriously interesting and entertaining time we had learning about the Potter Place Railroad Station, the Post Office and General Store, and Richard Potter's old residence (which is now a beautiful woodland garden area). We played some more old-time games and enjoyed hearing stories of Andover's rich and fascinating history.

It was especially enjoyable to spend time in the beautiful post office and general store. We also thoroughly enjoyed spending time in the caboose and learning all about the bustling atmosphere that once existed at our own Potter Place. How fortunate we are here in Andover to have such inspiring individuals who obviously care so much about our town that they work tirelessly to keep these important facts and memories alive.

It was truly amazing and insightful to hear all of the historical accounts of our incredible town. It was really a great experience for me as a teacher to listen carefully and learn about my town's rich and diverse history. It amazes me that we have so many people who are so committed to our town. This is one of the many aspects that make Andover such a special place!

Next year, when I go back to teaching second grade, I will truly miss the Historical Society Round Robin Field Trip. Thanks so much to everyone who made this one of the best days of the year.

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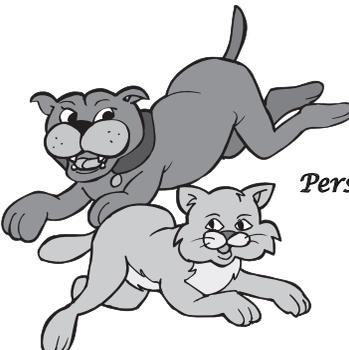
AE/MS press release

Thanks to the New London Rotary Club's Literacy Committee, each AE/MS kindergarten student received a copy of *Amazing Eggs*, a book from the popular *We Both Read* series. First graders were each given a copy of *About Pets*, part of the same highly-acclaimed series.

We Both Read books are designed for a child to take turns reading aloud with an adult. Diane Rice, a member of the New London Rotary Club's Literacy Committee, visited the kindergarten and first grade classrooms in June as part

of the "Rotarians Read in the Schools" program to share with the kindergartners *How Rocket Learned to Read* by Tad Hills and with the first graders *Finn Throws a Fit*, by David Elliott, an award-winning writer from Warner. A copy of each was given to the classroom libraries by the Literacy Committee.

AE/MS would like to express its appreciation to the New London Rotary Club for these special gifts to the students as part of its project to support literacy skills and the enjoyment of reading for all.



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AE/MS Honor Roll

2010/2011 - Third Trimester

- | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Grade 5 • High Honors | • Will Cox |
| • Betsy Abrahamson | • Logan Marcus |
| Grade 5 • Honors | • Alyssa Smith |
| • Scout Armstrong | • Josiah Wagner |
| • Aiden Cox | • Ben Yusko |
| • Danika Kolesar | Grade 7 • Honors |
| • John Maynard | • Adrian Bolte |
| • Collin O'Donnell | • Emma Davis |
| • Koby Perreault | • Keith Davis |
| • Luke Weber | • Max Kolesar |
| Grade 6 • High Honors | • Austin Marceau |
| • Kevin Barry | Grade 8 • High Honors |
| • Hunter Bonk | • Kelsey Allen |
| • Carl Hubbard | • Alicia Barry |
| • Annika Johnson | • Vincent Bolte |
| • Cope Makechnie | • Erin Hanscom |
| • Jacqui Morris | • Olivia Henriques |
| • Reilly Walsh | • Bailey Powers |
| Grade 6 • Honors | Grade 8 • Honors |
| • Noah Berry | • Kelsie Berry |
| • Matt Braley | • Thaddeus Bicknell |
| • Curtis Chamberlin | • Olivia Blodgett |
| • Jared Duquette | • Molly Comrie |
| • Kristofer Feehan | • Daisy Elwell |
| • Deklan Friedrich | • Austin Hawks |
| • Maya Haynes | • Alyson Mullett |
| • Alisha Smart | • Shelby Perreault |
| Grade 7 • High Honors | • Eli Shedd |
| • Riley Anderson | • Fiona White |
| • Max Barrett | • Amy Wittel |

AE/MS Perfect Attendance

2010/2011 School Year

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| Kindergarten | Grade 6 |
| • Brandon Dukette | • Hunter Bonk |
| Grade 1 | Grade 7 |
| • Colby Jones | • Ben Yusko |
| Grade 4 | Grade 8 |
| • Jason Lewis | • Shannon Haley |
| | • Fiona White |

MVHS Honor Roll

2010/2011 - Term 4 • Andover Students

- | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2011 • High Honors | 2013 • High Honors |
| • Henry Bendel | • Jason Ashburn |
| • Michael Donovan | • Alexis King |
| • Jacob Frost | • Mariah Lansdown-Howard |
| • Zoe Stoddard | • Kristi Perreault |
| 2011 • Honors | 2013 • Honors |
| • Shawna Barton | • Marissa Laro |
| • Brianna Keniston | 2014 • High Honors |
| • Rebecca Lance | • Katelyn Ashburn |
| • Emily Laro | • Skyler Smith |
| 2012 • Honors | • Rebekah Stearns |
| • Chantal Caron | 2014 • Honors |
| • Edie Corey | • Haley Adams |
| • Ashleigh Fife | • Erin Frost |
| • Elise Goodwin | • Emily Lance |

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Berry's talented voice as she sang *Say Hello to Goodbye* for the crowd. Kelsie was a two-time winner of the Andover Idol contest.

The crowd was very impressed by Nicholas Terwilliger, who played *May the Force Be With You* on his saxophone. Both musical presentations were fitting for the occasion.

Fiona White and Shannon Haley received an award and gift for their perfect attendance records this school year. This is quite a feat considering the various germs that are shared in a school over the course of a year.

Several students were recognized for earning the Presidential Award for Academic Excellence and Achievement. Assistant Principal Julie Gaudette announced the recipients and shared a letter from President Obama regarding the award and sharing best wishes.

2011 Merrimack Valley High School graduate Henry Bendel addressed the graduates and shared his wisdom from experience. Four years ago Henry had sat on the same stage for his eighth grade graduation from AE/MS. Henry was chosen to come back and address the graduates because he is an example of one who gives back to his community. Henry had a successful four years at MVHS and managed to participate in just about every activity offered.

Superintendent Michael Martin, ac-

companied by Andover School Board members, bestowed praise, handshakes, and certificates upon the group. Joining Dr. Martin and Principal Slayton on stage was Mr. Don Gould, Mrs. Katie Keyser, and Mr. Charles McCrave.

All enjoyed the slide show put together by Mrs. Hildebrand and Ms. Connor that chronicled the students from toddler years through the eighth grade.

As Principal Slayton introduced the High School Graduating Class of 2015 to the crowd, the students received a standing ovation. The recessional music, *Wherever I Go*, began, and the students paired off and marched and skipped to the back of the gym to form a receiving line and to enjoy the slide show together.

Congratulations and best wishes to Olivia Blodgett, Erin Hanscom, Kelsey Allen, Ngawang Dickinson, Jesika Heath, Tristan McNeel, Vincent Bolte, Jeffery Bates, Thaddeus Bicknell, Kelsie Berry, Dustin Holmburg, Taylor Duquette, Alyson Mullett, Olivia Henriques, Beven O'Donnell, Elijah Shedd, Steven Hall, Bailey Powers, Shelby Perreault, Molly Comrie, Daisy Elwell, Nicholas Barton, Hannah Munson, Nicholas Terwilliger, Fiona White, Nicole Barton, Hannah Vienotte, Austin Hawks, Amy Wittel, Shannon Haley, Alicia Barry, and Adam Mock. All of us wish the best for the graduates as they embark their secondary school adventure.

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Students participating at the Creative Movement Workshop. Photo: Holly Gagne

AE/MS STUDENTS ENJOY CREATIVE MOVEMENT WORKSHOPS

By Holly Gagne
AE/MS Special Education Teacher

On June 6, AE/MS was very fortunate to have Kelly Doremus-Stuart spend the day working with students, challenging them with a variety of movement experiences. Kelly is an experienced dance instructor and choreographer who has taught from the preschool to the college level. She is presently teaching at New England College in Henniker. She has served on many boards including the Very Special Arts of New Hampshire and has

been an artist-in-residence at schools throughout New Hampshire.

At AE/MS, Kelly worked with all grades, providing activities designed to match their age and interests. Many activities were based on books read in class and on math and science concepts. Students had the chance to work individually, with partners, and cooperatively in small groups. Even teachers joined in!

We hope Kelly will come back and to share more of her knowledge and talents with us in the future.



With help from Two Mountain Farm, the school garden at AE/MS is going strong. Showing off the beautiful lettuce are (l-r) Jazlyn Perkins, Maddie Jewell, Ethan Meyerhoefer, Jarrett Benson, Kyleigh Fanny, Ruth Anderson, and Cedar Kiedaisch. Photo: Gretchen Hildebrand



Becca Lance (left), wearing the prom dress she made of duct tape for her Senior Project, and Shawna Barton (right) are escorted into the MVHS prom by Ben Higman of Loudon. Both Becca and Shawna were among the Andover students recognized at Senior Awards night. Article: page 48.

Photo: Katherine Stearns



On June 9, the AE/MS fourth graders performed the play *Jack and the Three Sillies*. The play is about a young man named Jack, played by Nelson Makechnie, who sets out from his home in a search for people who are even sillier than the three sillies he already knows. To his great surprise, he finds more than three sillies.

Some people he meets on his journey are: seven milkmaids who don't know how to count, an innkeeper who pretends everything, three men who can't put on their pants properly, and many more. The fourth graders were great actors who put on a great play! Pictured here as the seven silly milkmaids are (l-r) Jason Lewis, Ezra Jenifer, Jack Newton, Jared Frost, Keygan Sweeney, Chase Davis, and Aidan Kellogg.

Caption: Britta Johnson

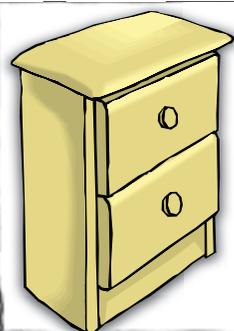
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At the MVHS graduation, the Andover members of the Class of 2011 gathered before the ceremony for a photo for the *Beacon*. (Front, l-r) Rebecca Faith Lance, Emily Ann Bentley, Emily Rose Laro, Norbu Dhondup Dickinson, Zoe Morgan Stoddard, Elizabeth Ashley Daneault. (Back) Derek Michael Barton, Jacob Patrick Frost, Michael Robert Donovan, Shawna Lee Barton, Jonathan-James Santiago, Henry Joseph Bendel, Brianna Marie Keniston.

Photo: Brinkley Matulaitis

MVHS Senior Awards

Andover students were well represented at MVHS' Senior Awards night.

Principal's Award for Academic Excellence

(Students must have maintained a minimum of 5.2 GPA for all four years.)

- Shawna Barton
- Rebecca Lance
- Emily Laro
- Henry Bendel
- Michael Donovan

National Honor Society

- Shawna Barton
- Henry Bendel
- Rebecca Lance

National Art Honor Society

- Shawna Barton
- Brianna Keniston
- Emily Laro
- Zoe Stoddard

In addition, the following students earned individual awards and scholarships:

Derek Barton: Eric Swenson Memorial Scholarship

Shawna Barton: Franklin VFW Ladies Auxiliary's Don Fogg Memorial Scholarship; DAR Good Citizen Award; a Colby-Sawyer College scholarship. Shawna was also ranked fifth in the class of 2011 and was Class Secretary.

Henry Bendel: Horace Chase Lodge's Charles MacGregor Scholarship; a Westminster College scholarship; a three-year varsity pin

Jacob Frost: Warren "Skip" Kingsbury Award

Rebecca Lance: an Andover Service Club scholarship; a Franklin Savings Bank scholarship. Becca was also ranked sixth in the class and was Class Treasurer.

Emily Laro: Robert "Eli" Whitney Scholarship; a three-year varsity pin

AE/MS Track & Field Shines At State Meet

By Jim Tucker
Coach, AE/MS Track & Field Team

Andover Middle School Track completed another season full of fun and great success. Once again the team was blessed with the presence of Coach Nick Fairall to guide them through training sessions.

The team consisted of 10 eighth graders, three seventh graders, and 11 sixth graders. The team traveled to several

meets this year, competing against such schools as Bow and Merrimack Valley. At each meet the students showed great skill and hard work that had been perfected during practice.

The team had a great turn out this year with many returning from last year's team.

Alicia Barry
Taylor Duquette

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Bruce Clough, Trey Lima, and Gabe Merriman gather around Mrs. Pellegrino as they prepare for their performance in *The Three Little Piggy Opera* as part of their kindergarten graduation ceremony. Photo: Gretchen Hildebrand

AE/MS GRADUATES 32

AE/MS press release

Thirty-two eighth grade students graduated before a standing-room-only audience on June 16. On the front of the stage were the words "Reach for the Stars." All agreed this is a special group of students with potential to make big differences in the world.

Principal Jane Slayton welcomed the parents, friends, family members, and community members to the graduation. She shared a few memories and heaped well wishes on the stellar group of eighth grade students.

The members of this eighth grade class have been the leaders in the school community. They have taken key responsibilities in student leadership roles

and school assemblies. They have been excellent role models for the younger students. The eighth grade students were incredible in their recent *School House Rock* performance, whether singing, dancing, or working behind the scenes. They will be leaving AE/MS staff members and students with great memories. Their daily presence will be missed.

Several students took advantage of the opportunity to thank their parents, teachers, and classmates in speeches. Middle School faculty members presented academic awards to several students in their subject areas.

Once again we were treated to Kelsie
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Canon Brownell delivered an address as Essayist during Proctor Academy's commencement ceremonies on June 4. He also received the Theater Award for Excellent Performance. Canon heads to Ithaca College in the fall.

Photo: Chuck Will

Area Students Honored At Proctor Commencement

By Chuck Will
Proctor Academy

Proctor Academy students from Andover and vicinity received several prizes and awards at Senior Dinner on June 3 and Commencement on June 4.

At Senior Dinner, Andover's Will Henriques received the Clara May Currier Award for Excellence in English,

the Connie Appel Award for Writing in the Social Sciences, the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, and the "Doc" Howard Memorial Award for Athletics.

Haley Peters received the June and William Noble Award for Excellence in Creative Writing and the Academy
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