

The **Andover Beacon**
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Jeff and Kathy Sweet are another Andover household to go solar this year. Their 7.2 kw system of 30 panels and two inverters is sized to handle 100% of their electric needs over the course of the year. "ReVision Energy did a remarkable job on our installation," says Jeff. "I can't say enough about their excellent workmanship and professionalism. And it only took them a day and a half for the whole installation!" Photo: Charlie Darling

Solarize Kearsarge Helps Homeowners Save

Attend October 18 launch event in New London



Larry Chase, Andover Energy Group

Are you interested – even remotely – in installing solar panels to provide electricity for your home or small business?

If so, and if you own property in Andover, New London, or Wilmet, be

sure to attend the launch of Solarize Kearsarge on Saturday, October 18, at 10 AM in the Ivey Science Center at Colby-Sawyer College in New London.

Solarize Kearsarge is a 15-week project. See Solarize on page 5

Thank You!

The Andover Beacon couldn't be celebrating 10 years of serving Andover without all the help of:

- Our Loyal Advertisers
- Our Generous Donors
- Our Amazing Volunteers!
- Our Supportive Local Organizations
- Our Diligent Board Members
- Our Hard-Working Staff
- Our top-notch printer, Upper Valley Press
- The great folks at the Andover post offices

It's up to **ALL OF US** to **HELP KEEP THE BEACON GOING!**

Major Fundraising Push Starts on October 6

200 households aren't enough to keep the *Beacon* going!

The *Andover Beacon's* vital fall fundraising campaign gets underway on October 6! That's when our volunteer canvassers will start picking names of Andover residents who haven't donated to the *Beacon* yet this year. If this is the first you're hearing of this new initiative and why it's vital to keeping the *Beacon* going, here's a quick "guided tour" of what's at stake and how you can help.

What's all the fuss about? In brief, we've tried for 10 years to achieve stable, sustainable finances for the *Beacon*. We're not there yet, and we're running out of time to get there.

To get there, we have to increase the number of Andover households who make an annual donation to the *Beacon*. For all the thinking behind this, visit AndoverBeacon.com/All-of-Us.

How does this affect me? If you've already donated to *The Andover Beacon* this year (or if you get a donation

to us before a canvasser calls you), the fall fundraising campaign doesn't affect you at all! Otherwise, a volunteer canvasser will contact you to ask if you would make a donation for 2014 to help keep the *Beacon* going.

What's the goal for this campaign? The ultimate goal, which it may take a few years to reach, is to increase the number of Andover households that donate each year to the *Beacon* from 200 to about 650. That should put the *Beacon* on a stable and sustainable financial footing, so it can continue serving Andover into the indefinite future.

I've got more questions. We've tried to answer every question at AndoverBeacon.com/Donor-FAQ. But if that page doesn't help, please contact me at Charlie@AndoverBeacon.com or 735-6099.



Scan this gizmo on your smartphone to donate now!



Finn and Kurt Weber head for the finish line of one of the races during the Rail Trail Run and Ride for the Special Olympics, held on September 27 at Proctor's Carr Field in the center of Andover. The weather was perfect for the many runners and bicycle riders who turned out, and food supplied by community organizations was plentiful and delicious. Photo: Rich Tilton

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