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Photos taken during the 1980 and 1981 Andover 4th of July Celebration. Who do you recognize? Photos: Courtesy of Doug Phelps

Plans Are Rolling Along Towards Andover's July 4th Celebration

Press release

Imagine you are on a roller coaster, cresting the very first hill. Hold onto your seat! You're about to start a wild ride with a soft landing on the 4th of July!

Canvassers are out and about getting advertisers for the Program. This year's Program will have a new look. You are going to love it!

We're seeing a brisk pace of registrations for vendors on the Green. The committee is working on increasing availability of electricity on the Green. Other features this year will be an activity/demonstration tent, a new Bluegrass band, and back by popular

demand, the "Where are You From" map. Last year we saw responses from coast to coast.

Other fundraising activities include our extremely popular raffle, which as of this date has 25 items. We will have as many if not more items than last year. They include gift certificates, services, and merchandise. With so many prizes, you have a good chance to win!

The first year of the Andover 4th of July celebration (July 4, 1942) was a Children's Parade. Once again this year, our 77th year, the Children's Parade will follow the Color Guard at the front
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If you haven't donated to The Andover Beacon yet in 2019, then watch your mailbox in May for a letter asking you to donate. It's important!

Photo: Charlie Darling

Beacon Mails Appeal to All Who Haven't Donated in 2019

Andover Beacon Board of Directors

If you've already donated to Andover's non-profit community newspaper this year, thank you! If you haven't, then watch for a letter in mid-May asking you to do your part to help the Beacon continue in its vital role of knitting the community of Andover together.

The Andover Beacon delivers news of your community that you can't get anywhere else. We deliver that news in your mailbox...online at AndoverBeacon.com...and on Facebook at facebook.com/AndoverBeacon.

But we can't do all that without your donations! A large chunk of our annual budget has to come from the community that enjoys and benefits from the Beacon; sadly, less than 4% of Andover households have donated to the Beacon so far this year.

If you receive a letter from the Beacon in mid-May, we sincerely hope you can support the Beacon in 2019. We promise to make your tax-deductible gift go a long way toward keeping Andover a place in which we're all proud to live!



The Andover Highway Department was hard at work recently, finishing up the replacement of the bridge on Last Street. Last Street is just west of the Franklin Town Line. The old bridge structure was completely removed leaving only the abutments, which were used to support the new bridge.

Photo : Steve Foley



Learn about the many ways of tapping into solar energy at Solar Saturday on May 4 at Andover Town Office Building.

Andover Energy Group Presents Solar Saturday in Andover

May 4 at Andover Town Office Building

Press release

Do you have an interest-even a remote one-in generating electricity on your own property via a solar-electric (or photovoltaic) system, and thereby lowering your carbon footprint, saving energy, and saving money?

If the answer is yes-or even maybe-then plan to drop in at the May 4 "Solar Saturday" event in Andover, being offered by the Andover Energy Group, between 10 AM and 2 PM, in the meeting room in the Town Office Building at 31 School Street. During that time, you'll be able to:

learn about Solarize Kearsarge, a
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