

Coffeehouse Offers “Local Color” for Next Three Concerts

Hillsborough’s Steve Schuch on December 20

Press release

Local Color” will be the theme of the coming December, January, and February “Third Friday” concerts at the Andover Community Coffeehouse.

The concerts will begin at 7 PM in the Highland Lake Grange Hall on State Route 11 in East Andover, midway between Andover Village and Franklin. The events are open to the public at no charge; donations are gratefully accepted.

The Friday, December 20, concert will feature Hillsborough’s own Steve Schuch, billed as a “classically-trained-violinist-turned-singer/songwriter-guitarist-author-storyteller” on his website. His latest book, *A Symphony of Whales*, has received a Parents’ Choice Award and a New York Times Best Illustrated Book of the Year Award. Learn much more at NightHeron.com.

The sponsor for December’s coffeehouse is Byron’s Septic Service, headquartered in Andover, whose logo is “Flush With Pride.” Sponsors and audience contributions help the Coffeehouse to cover room-rental fees, headliner compensation, advertising, equipment purchases, and other expenses.

On Friday, January 17, the headliners will be Boston-based Kat and Brad (Kat Parks and Brad Bensko). According to their website at KatBradBand.com, “Drawing from ‘50s and ‘60s pop, American Songbook standards, and much more, this happy duo channels and fuses these influences through two voices, a guitar, mandolin, and violin to bring you a mixture of original songs and dusted-off covers from the past.”

Sponsor is local photographer Jay Fitzpatrick, who operates a photography business called F8 Photography. His work is shown at Facebook.com/f8photographynh.

Both concerts will also feature appearances by up to a dozen open-microphone performers. Doors to the Grange Hall open at 6 PM for simple supper food and beverage purchases and for open mic sign-ups on a first-come, first-served basis.

Coming up, on Friday, February 21, also hailing from Boston, is “local jazz and blues legend Louise Grasmere, who has hit her stride with a breakout album that will force fans of ‘Boston’s best-kept vocal secret’ to share their beloved blond powerhouse with a much wider audience.” Learn more at Louise-Grasmere.com.

About the Coffeehouse:

Now in its sixth year of offering free concerts to the public, the Coffeehouse is managed and staffed entirely by volunteers. New volunteers are always needed to help with duties such as talent bookings, community outreach, audiovisual support, venue arrangements, and the like. Those interested in joining in the fun should contact AndoverCommunity03216@gmail.com.

A photographic record of past Coffeehouse performers, both headliners and open-mic participants, is shown on the Coffeehouse website at AndoverCoffeehouse.org, and on the Facebook page “Andover Community Coffeehouse.” The website also lists future bookings through the end of 2020.

Video recordings of concerts are shown on a number of community-access channels across the state, and are available for viewing anytime on Andover’s town website at Andover-NH.gov and then “Community Videos”. The videos are produced by volunteers at Andover Community Cable.

The coffeehouse is located at the intersection of Route 11 and Chase Hill Road in East Andover. The Andover Community Coffeehouse operates under the umbrella of the Andover Community Hub. 

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and recreational trail impact on wildlife
ASLPT’s Andy Deegan:

ASLPT wants to continue to offer workshops on conservation easements for landowners

ASLPT is currently working on an impressive number of easements, including properties in: Grantham (263 acres), Warner (146 acres), Danbury (7 acres), Andover (237 acres), Wilmot, Goshen (15 acres), Bradford/Hillsborough, New London (15 acres), Newbury (84 acres), Wilmot (150 acres + 201 acres)

Board has approved a new position of Stewardship Manager

Legislative Update

HB 281: Beaver Deceivers went into effect on August 24.

SB 200: state recognizes the importance of wildlife corridors

Budget

Budget hearings will take place in November and December. Upcoming expenses for 2019 include: map making of Bog Pond, NHACC conference attendance, and payments to wetland scientist for ordinance review. Other suggestions included: easements signs for conservation easements held by the Town, purchase of another tree to plant at the cemetery; purchase of tools for removing invasive species which could be checked out by landowners. Action item: Jenny will prepare a proposal for tools that can be used by town residents. Our 2019 budget was \$1,300, including \$300 for monitoring the forest buffer easement for the cell tower. Since the cell tower has been delayed, Mary Anne will talk to the Budget Committee about moving the 2019 \$300 into 2020. Any funds not spent in 2019 will need a warrant article to be moved to the Conservation Fund.

Monitoring

Derek has completed the monitoring and updated the conserved lands chart. His reports and the updated chart will go in the monitoring book.

We do not receive monitoring re-

ports from ASLPT or SPNH unless Andover is the backup easement holder.

Mary Anne has asked Andy Deegan, ASLPT, to make sure the three properties dropped from GRANIT are added.

Jerry has set up Newman/McKenna monitoring on October 20 at 1 PM at the McKenna house.

Mary Anne will review Derek’s reports on monitoring the easements held by the town of Andover: the Fenvale and Newman easements.

Wetlands Ordinance

Revisions from 8/22 and additional input from Sandy Crystall and Jay Aube have been incorporated.

A draft has been sent to Earle Chase, wetlands scientist.

Motion approved unanimously that we send the Planning Board a copy of a draft, knowing that there will be additional changes.

Bog Pond

Map: Eric Fontaine declined mapping. Jesse and Mary Anne will work on this.

Site visit: Jesse will set up a site visit, which will also include putting in the additional markers.

Champagne Gravel Excavation

Review of RSA 155 E: State law requires a copy of the application to be sent to the Conservation Commission.

Report from Jerry on October 7 public hearing: Jon Champagne was not present. The next meeting will be on October 22.

Jon Champagne has said he will only be crushing three weeks a year.

Beacon Articles

Lee (permitting) and Jenny (wetlands) will get copies for Mary Anne to take to the NHACC annual meeting.

Outstanding Items

Alan will try to do Beaver Deceiver research and an article for the Beacon after the new year.

Jenny will follow up on complaints and meet with Town Clerk to ensure correct distribution by the end of the year.

Barbara Richter, Director, New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions, will attend November meeting.

Wetland marking at Oak Hill: who
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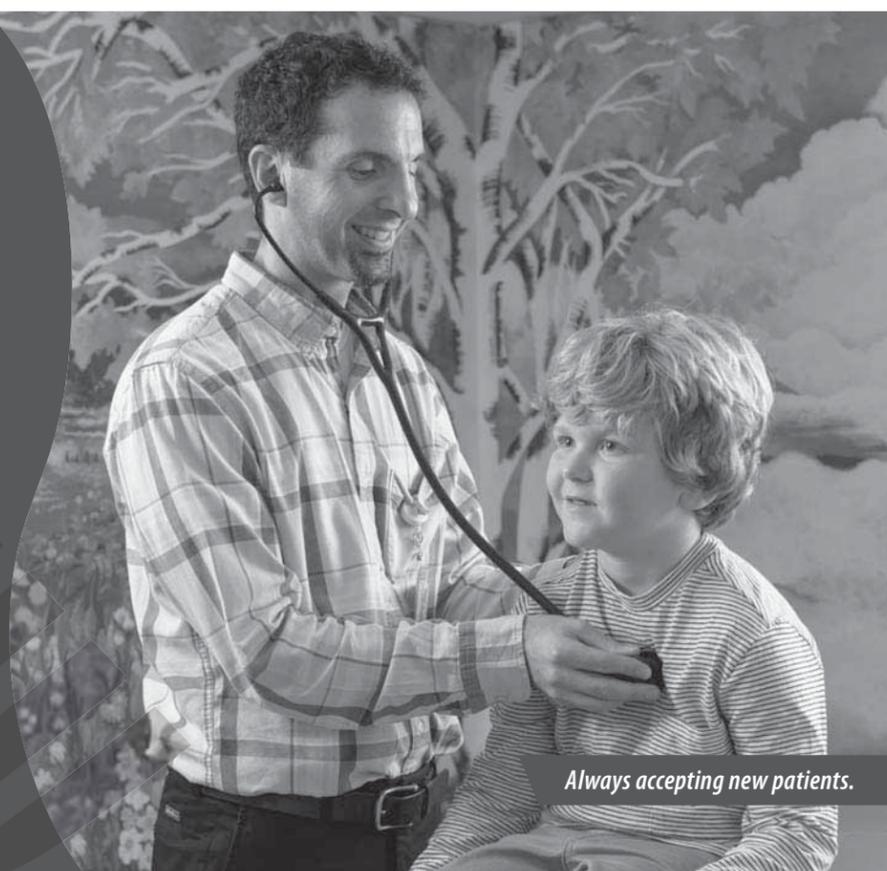
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