

Andover Real Estate January and February 2020

Three properties sold in Andover

Ty Morris, Coldwell Banker Lifestyles

Roland Levesque sold a 3.8 acre parcel of wooded land on Bridge Road to Jonathan and Michelle Pettinato for \$27,000. This buildable lot features level ground and a babbling brook.

Mary Embree sold 828 Franklin Highway to Abraham Grover for \$164,900. This 2 bedroom and 2 bathroom New Englander with an attached one-car garage has 1,254 square feet of living space and sits on .75 acres. Donna Tully of Tully Real Estate Solutions represented the sellers, and Jessica Robichaud of Bean Group Franklin represented the buyers.

Peter Zak and Mary Lloyd-Evans sold 50 Maple Street to Brian and Wendy Connolly for \$285,000. This beautiful 1890s colonial has four bedrooms and two bathrooms, 2,673 square feet of living space, and 2.3 acres of gar-

den and orchard. The property was previously known as Highland Lake Apple Farm. Susan Bedard of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles represented the sellers and Ty Morris of Coldwell Banker Lifestyles represented the buyers.

Welcome to our new Andover homeowners, and congratulations!

Andover Real Estate Trends

Over the last 10 years, the gap between houses listed and houses sold in Andover has closed significantly. This data implies a wonderful sellers' market.

In a small town like Andover, one or two exceptional sales can alter the statistics drastically. For example in 2015, three waterfront homes in Andover each sold for over \$600,000 and a home on Old College Road sold for over \$2,000,000 – the only home in Andover to sell for over \$1,000,000 in the last decade.

Statistical information from 1/01/2010 to 02/14/2020 derived from The New England Real Estate Network.

Planning Begins for Andover's Fourth of July Celebration 2020

A lot of preparation is needed

Press release

Sitting next to the wood stove is almost as good as a 90-plus degree Fourth of July! But of course, it's a far cry from the excitement we all experienced in 2019.

As with every year, the Fourth of July Committee is putting together the events for 2020 and some good ideas have come to the surface already.

The July Fourth Benefit Concert will happen again in 2020 on Wednesday, June 10. The line-up for entertainment is still in the works and will be announced as soon as possible.

We've made arrangements with a local Civil War re-enactment group to set up a display on the Village Green. Bring your questions, as two people in

uniform will be available to provide insight and information about America's most costly war.

Back by popular demand:

- Oxen demonstration spearheaded by Mariah Haley
- Muchachos Marching Band
- Bob Ayotte with Tommy the Train Ride
- Reading of *The Ragged Old Flag* to music, leading up to the parade

Start making your plans for a family float. Remember, there's a Grand Prize for the winner, as well as other prizes.

There's a lot of preparation work to do. The committee welcomes people who can help with the planning and also just on the day of the event. Simply message us on our Facebook page or give us a call: Doug Phelps (802-310-1045); Donna Smith (735-6131); or Beth Frost (455-2882).



The Andover-Danbury-Salisbury Republicans will meet on Tuesday, March 31 at the Andover Community Hub, at 6:30 PM. The guest speaker will be the Honorable Steve Negron, who is running for the United States Congress.

Pot of Gold at the Andover Thrift & Gift Shop

Choose a gold coin to reveal your discount on Thrift items!
Drawing for \$20 Gift Certificate!

Artisan Jewelry, Totes, Garden Art, Glass Ornaments,
Cheeseboards, Lavender Sachets, Silk Scarves, Woodcrafts, Note Cards
Beautiful Gently Used Women's & Children's Clothing
Open Tues. Wed. Thurs. 10-4 PM, Sat. 10-2 PM
Located beside the Andover Elementary/Middle School 735-5269

What's Up at The Hub in March?

The Andover Community Hub 157 Main St., Andover

For more information, contact The Hub at: TheAndoverHub@gmail.com or 735-5509

Restorative Yoga Workshop: Sunday, Mar. 29, 3–5 P.M. Great for recovering from an injury or just working out the kinks. \$25. Pre-register at julie@somavana.com.

Ukrainian Easter Egg Decorating: 4 Tuesdays, beginning Mar. 17. \$10 for the series. Bring six blown-out eggshells and pre-register with Gisela Darling at 735-5681.

Knitting Circle: Thursdays, 6:30–8 P.M. An informal knitting group organized by Andover resident Karen Lang. Just for fun, to share patterns and to learn new knitting skills.

First Friday Films: Fri. Mar. 6, 2:30 P.M. "RBG," the fascinating 2018 documentary about the life, career, and legacy of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg. Plus popcorn!

That Thing at The Hub: 1st & 3rd Wed., 2:45–5 P.M. Andover 5th-8th graders can hang out, create, build, chat and snack after school. Registration forms available at AEMS office.

Morning Yoga: Fridays, 8:15–9:15 A.M. A drop-in, gentle yoga class with emphasis on core fitness & flexibility. \$10/session. Contact maris.wofsy@gmail.com for information.

German Conversation Hour: Mon. Mar. 30, 5–6 P.M. Info, Gisela Darling, 735-5681.

Karate for Kids, Teens & Adults: Ongoing classes on Mondays. Ages 6–9, 4:45 P.M., older beginners 6 P.M., intermediate 7 P.M. \$65/month. Contact Gayle Fleming, 477-3174.

VNA Senior Health Clinic: Tues. Mar. 17, 10 A.M.–1 P.M. Foot care, blood pressure screenings, etc. For appointment, call Concord VNA nurse Kerrin Pratt, 410-9834.

Bone Builders: Every Tues. & Thurs., 9–10 A.M. Men & women welcome. Free.

The Hub is Open Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30–11 A.M.

- **Stop in for Coffee**– chat, hang out or use the internet
- **Fresh Eggs & Frozen Chickens**– raised sustainably at Salisbury's Cedartree Farm
- **The Hub Closet**– stock up on donated craft supplies, free or for a small donation
- **Ping Pong and Foosball**– play a game whenever The Hub's "Open" sign is out

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shire Maple Producers Association, all within nine miles of Andover. But you may want to call ahead to be sure their doors are open.

Ragged View Farm, 111 Bradley Lake Rd, Andover, 724-7511

Trail Side Sugar House, 246 Currier Road, Andover, 748-1307

4-A Sugar Shack, 271 Rte 4-A, Andover, 848-7230

Winter Hill Maple, 7 Winter Hill Lane, Andover, 455-4980

Maple Baer Farm, 84 Forty Acres Road, Elkins, 526-8233

6 Saplings Sugarhouse, 31 Kearsarge Valley Road, Wilmot, 748-9787

Kearsarge Gore Farm, 173 Gore Road, W. Warner, 456-2319

Allenby Family Sugar Makers at Red Brook, 28 Lamson Lane, New London, 877-0043

Cochran Sugar House, 69 Shadow Hill Road, Warner, 748-2512

Stoneledge Farm Sugar House, 19 Brad Chase Road, Danbury, 413-320-3031

Kimball's Sugar House, 390 White Plains Road, Webster, 848-1866

For more information about New Hampshire maple producers, visit NHMapleProducers.com.

So Much Hard Work!

For readers who think that maple sugaring is all about sweet smells and delicious tastes, Mark Cowdrey of Ragged View Farm provides this *highly* abbreviated to-do list for producing maple syrup:

Late Fall and Winter

Finish filling the woodshed with wood to fire the boiling apparatus.

Make sure the boiling apparatus is

ready to go.

Check the tubing runs in the woods to repair any storm damage that happened during the off-season.

Mid-February to early March:

Get tapped out, hang buckets, and set out collection tanks.

Make last-minute adjustments to sugar house.

Late February to early April:

Sap runs! Often it will run for a short stretch, one to three days, when the weather is right. Then it may quit for a few days before it runs again. Hopefully there will be four to five good runs a season.

Collect it by emptying buckets and pumping tanks.

Boil sap. This is the time to visit a sugar house, to see, hear, and smell the boiling sap converted to delicious maple syrup.

Early April to early May:

As the season progresses the days get longer, the temperatures rise, the trees bud out, and the sap either quits or gets a "buddy" flavor. Time to pull the taps and clean up. This is when you find out who your true friends are.

Early May to mid-fall:

Spend time daydreaming or maybe even really planning how you are going to upgrade your systems for next year. This is after you recover from cleaning up, when you swear you will never do it again (usually about a one-week interval).
Cut, split, and stack the wood you will need for next year. Figure about 1 cord (4' x 8' x 4') for 10 to 15 gallons of syrup. Mostly pine with maybe 20 to 40 percent hardwood, if available.

For much more information about maple sugaring, visit Wikipedia.org and search on "maple syrup."

