

Service Club Unveils New Brochure on its Activities

Bank of America match tops \$2,200

Eileen Mackey, Andover Service Club

The Andover Service Club held its first meeting of the new year on February 12 at the Grange Hall. Among the topics discussed was the new Service Club brochure prepared by Anne Hewitt, Nancy Tripp, and Robin Boynton. They produced a beautiful little booklet which outlines all the club's activities, the organizations we support, the purpose of the club, when we meet, and other information about the club. The brochures will be available at the Thrift Shop and other venues around the area. Be sure to pick one up. As always, we welcome any ladies who are interested in joining our group.

The club has many activities to raise funds, and we also receive donations from individuals and other groups who wish to help us in our charitable work. One of the businesses which is very active in donating funds to charities such as the Service Club is the Bank of America. Every year in order to encourage and reward their employees who give their time and service to causes important to them, the Bank of America (BOA) Charitable Foundation awards volunteer grants to the eligible charitable organizations that they serve.

BOA matches their employees' time in community service with a monetary contribution. To date, the BOA Charitable Foundation has contributed over \$2,200 to the Andover Service Club, matching the volunteer hours donated by their employee Nancie Jacobson of Andover.

Nancie contributes over 100 volunteer hours per year to the ASC Thrift and Gift Shop, Slices for Scholarships, Proctor Cakes, and other events coordinated by the ASC. Nancie retired from her career in Human Resources at BOA last year, but as a retiree still receives this awesome benefit from the bank to help local organizations.

The ASC was very fortunate to have someone like Nancie move to Andover and join us with her expertise and willingness to give of her time to our worthy cause. Nancie says that "volunteering has always been a big part of my life, starting in my teens. When my husband and I relocated to Andover, I was very happy to find such a wonderful opportunity with the Andover Service Club to contribute to my new community and meet some wonderful new friends."

If there are other like-minded people like Nancie out there, please come and join us. Like Nancie, you will be doing a rewarding activity and will gain many new friends.

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Things look in order, they appear to have all the right permits.

Outstanding Items

Beaver Deceiver article: Alan spoke with people at Proctor. They have trapped one beaver. John Ferris, Proctor Business Manager and CFO, has been in contact with Skip Lisle of Beaver Deceiver, LLC. Skip has said that the deceiver needs to be resized this spring. Skip is the person who does the maintenance on the Beaver Deceivers.

Stephen Cline at Proctor will be the new main contact person. Stephen is in the maintenance department and does the trapping. Action item: Alan will contact Vicky to learn more details, and encourage Vicky and Skip to attend a CC meeting. Alan will check out the Beaver Deceiver on Elbow Pond Road.

Wetlands Ordinance

Waiting to hear from Planning Board. Jesse has spoken with Nancy Teach. Jesse and Nancy will make sure that both groups (CC and PB) are in good communication with one another. We do not have time this year to introduce the wetlands ordinance. Jesse will work with Nancy to see if the draft is acceptable. Her initial impression is that it is too long to take to the Planning Board. We will work on condensing it. We will aim for it to go into the '20-'21 calendar.

Champagne Gravel Permit

Site visit attended by Mary Anne and Jerry. Nancy, Jesse, and Jerry were at the January 14 Planning Board meeting. There will be a conditional approval by the PB, depending on the conditions from the state.

Future Mapping Demos

Jesse: DES One Stop Mapping tool, to be done at our February meeting. Action item: Lee will check to make sure an appropriate venue has working internet/wifi.

Alan: Andover Wetlands map with buffers (produced by Colby Sawyer). It is on our website.

Harvey Pine, a professor at Colby Sawyer and an Andover resident, will get back to us this spring. Action item: Alan will be in touch with him, to see if he can come earlier and work on the maps.

Other Business

Nancy: Rotate responsibility for agenda and leading the meetings. Could we use a generic agenda, so items/topics don't get lost? Jesse and Nancy will work on this.

Need to find a better location for the Puller Bear Pro. Action item: Lee will

look into finding a safer and more secure location by this spring.

Do we want to have a table at Town Meeting to demonstrate mapping programs, etc.?

School Board

January 7

Condensed from approved minutes

Board Present: Dean Barker, Brian Gilman, Theresa Georges, Adam Jones, and Aimee Menard

Administration Present: Mark MacLean, Robin Heins, Jane Slayton and Judith Turk

Public Present: Tina Cotton
Board Chairperson's Report

Dean thanked everyone for their participation in various activities including the budget preparation process and committee and interview involvement. He encouraged attendance at the budget meeting to be held at the Town Hall on January 8. He wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Principal's Report

Jane thanked the community for their generosity and contributions to the families of AE/MS during the holiday season. She gave a special thanks to Gail Parenteau who facilitated the distribution of the donations in a confidential manner. The Ski/Skate Program is underway. The Spelling and Geography Bees will be held within the next couple of weeks. The fifth grade will be participating in the Kid Governor Inauguration Event on January 17. Graduation is scheduled for June 18.

2020-2021 Calendar

Discussion took place regarding future voting days and potential alternate locations for the community. Dean advocates to continue to pursue Blizzard Bags for inclement weather days. Aimee motioned to approve the AE/MS 2020-2021 proposed school calendar as presented. Brian made the second and the calendar was accepted.

Proctor Gift

A \$15,000 donation was presented from Proctor Academy that will be utilized to provide mental health/wellness, substance abuse prevention and awareness education, and professional development opportunities. This will include the continuation of the Project Success program for middle school students and bringing in guest speakers regarding these issues. The AE/MS community and Andover School Board are grateful for this gift to support the students.

Superintendent's Report

Mark stated that the new teacher meetings are almost completed. Checks are focusing on offering support and feedback regarding orientation, the mentoring program, and other questions, concerns, and challenges. Mark hopes to extend this opportunity to high school seniors. He also spoke of the current busy budget season.

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Mar 15: Rev. EMILY BURR – "Faith and Works"

We covenant to affirm and promote our 7 principles. If we truly want to promote our values we must reach outward beyond ourselves with action.

Mar 22: Rev. DICK DUTTON - "Fruits of the Spirit"

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Mar 29: KATHLEEN RUSNACK – "Jesus: Jewish Carpenter & Fence Builder"

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