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The Andover Community Hub will host a Holiday Open House on Sunday, December 18; all are welcome to drop in between 3 and 5 PM for an opportunity to gather around the piano to sing carols and holiday songs. Kids will especially enjoy seeing the Santa's Village display set up by Andover resident Renee Goodwin from her collection of miniatures. There will be a few local items for sale that would make nice small gifts, and refreshments will be served.  
Caption and photo: Susan Chase

## South Danbury Church Invites the Public to *Christmas Snow*

Tuesday, December 13 at 7 PM; free

Press release

The South Danbury Church and At Eagle Pond, Inc. invite you to be with us at the church on Tuesday, December 13, for Pontine Theatre's presentation of *Christmas Snow*, adapted from a short story by Donald Hall. The church has a special connection to Don – in 1866 his forebears were among the founders of the church, and later generations continued to be active members through the years, as did Don and Jane.



The South Danbury Church at Christmastime. Photo: Linda Wilson

The event, for adults and older children, is at 7 PM at the church, which is located at 1411 U.S. Route 4 in South Danbury. There is no charge to attend, but reservations are recommended because seating is limited. Please contact at.eagle.pond@gmail.com to register.



Former Library Director Priscilla Poulin and her family celebrate her retirement at the Andover Library on October 29. An Open House was held for the public.  
Caption and photo: Janet Moore

## Priscilla Poulin Retires After 16 Years as Andover Librarian

Priscilla's granddaughter Michaela takes the reins

Janet Moore, Andover Libraries

Priscilla Poulin has been the Andover Library director for 16 years, having taken over when Tay Clark retired. In that time, she has been the cheerful and welcoming face greeting patrons, the model for learning new technology at any age, and the enthusiastic purveyor of books. "Oh, you liked that series? Try this one." "Isn't James Patterson such a

marvelous author? Well, have you read Stuart Woods?" "You'd like some picture books about animals? Go find Pete the Cat and Elephant and Piggy."

For 16 years Priscilla and her crew of volunteers from family, scouting, and the community have organized and set up the Fourth of July book sale. That doesn't count the hours spent in the library basement, unboxing and categorizing donated books. By the time July rolls around, the boxes are filled to  
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3D rendering of the planned Community Kitchen, which is part of phase 3 of the Hub's capital campaign.

## Community Kitchen is Phase 3 of Hub's "Come On In" Campaign

\$35,000 in additional funding needed

Larry Chase

Andover Community Hub

Phase 3 of The Andover Community Hub's "Come On In" capital campaign is about to launch. We are hoping to raise approximately another \$35,000 in order to continue construction of a

community kitchen and to cover additional operating costs associated with keeping Andover's old town hall open for longer hours.

Phases 1 and 2 of the "Come On In" effort have been completed. Replacement of the asphalt roof was accomplished in June, and construction of the universal-access ramp was completed  
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## Town Administrator Marjorie Roy Retires; Search in Progress

Other updates given about Town entities

Michelle Dudek

Andover Select Board

Andover Town Administrator

The search is on! With the retirement of long-time Town Administrator Marjorie Roy, the Select Board has appointed a hiring committee to review

applications, conduct initial interviews and reference checks, and bring top candidates to the Select Board for final interviews. The committee, Jane Hubbard (chair), Elita Reed, Mark Stetson, Robin Boynton, Kim Hallquist, Meghan Foley, and Dana Swenson, bring diverse and skilled backgrounds to this process.  
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