

CANTERBURY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER ~ DECEMBER, 2009

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Tues., Wed., Thurs. mornings.
Please call first.

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For aid: Wed. & Thurs. 10am-6pm,
30 Chichester Rd., Loudon

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Mon. 2-8 pm, Tues. 12-6 pm
Wed. & Thurs. 9 am - 8 pm
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Mon. 9am-3pm, Tues. 11am-6pm
Thurs. 4 - 8:00 pm
FAX: 783-0501
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Mon., Wed, & Fri., 9 am - 1 pm
canterburyselectmen@myfairpoint.net
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Jim Snyder, 783-9033
CanterburyBI@aol.com

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Post Office 783-4158

Mon. - Fri., 8:15 am - 5 pm
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Sat. 8:30 am - NOON

Canterbury Store 783-9933

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Sat., 7 am - 7 pm
Sun., 8 am - 5 pm

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Mon.-Sat. 5:30 am - 9:00 pm
Sundays 5:30 am - 7:00 pm

Canterbury Police Office

(non emergency): 783-0433
Tues.-Fri. 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

Concord Police Dispatch

(non emergency): 228-1010
Get call back from on-duty officer

EMERGENCIES – 911

Pastoral Perspective

One of the common threads in the stories of the birth of Jesus is the reassuring words of God's messengers: "Fear not." In fact, during His life and ministry Jesus himself often said to his disciples and others, "do not be afraid." It looks like, for most of human history, being afraid has been a basic human trouble. Fear of physical harm, fear of rejection or ridicule, fear of failure, fear of aging, fear of death, fear of the unknown, fear of disaster, fear of punishment, even fear of success. Parishioners have occasionally expressed fear about me riding my bicycle on the windy hills of Canterbury. Now some are fearful of what might happen to me on my motorscooter! TV, movies, news, and marketing all play on this human condition.

Faith is about finding courage or insight beyond yourself to overcome or face fear. If fear is the great immobilizer, faith is the great surmounter. Often in crisis situations, individuals find themselves strangely empowered to face adversity or show courage or strength they never knew they had. This overcoming of fear is not an act of will, but rather an infusion of encouragement or assurance from some mysterious source.

Faith is about naming the source of this "grace" or "holy confidence." The cliché on our coins is a deep truth: "In God we trust." People who have faith have that trust in the holy source of goodness and right. In that trust they are empowered about both little fears and big fears. Our friends in the United Churches of Christ in Zimba-

we face fears you and I can scarcely imagine, but Sue Heppenstall tells us of their amazing faith that overcomes fear. Instead of focusing on the threats and troubles, they live out of a sure confidence that God has been good to them and will carry them through whatever danger may lie ahead.

The message of Christmas is a strong message to all of our society who want to make us afraid, play on our fears, and divide us into good and evil. "Do not be afraid." "With God all things are possible." Your enemy is a child of God and potential friend. "Not even death can separate us from the love of God." You will be able to forgive your neighbor "seventy times seven times." Learn from Mary and Joseph. And may your holy days be filled with joy and righteousness.

In faith,

Pastor Mel Burrowes



**Holiday Poinsettia Order
Form on next page.
Deadline Dec. 9**

C.U.C.C. Holiday Poinsettia Orders – Deadline Dec. 9

Check payable to Ann Fifield (783-4441). Check/cash to 112 Southwest Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224.

Your Name/Phone: _____

RED Qty: _____ @ \$11 ea. = _____

WHITE Qty: _____ @ \$11 ea. = _____

PINK Qty: _____ @ \$11 ea. = _____

TOTAL: _____

I would like flowers purchased in memory of someone (see below).

Name(s): _____

Please check one of the following:

I will pick up my plant after the Christmas service.

I would like my plant delivered to me after the Christmas service.

I would like the flower committee to deliver my plant to someone else in Canterbury (see below).

Deliver to Name/Address: _____

SHAKER VILLAGE IN DECEMBER

Museum, Store, & Restaurant Hours

Shaker Village Museum and Exhibits will close for the season on October 31 and reopen mid-May, 2010. However, the Museum Store and The Shaker Table Restaurant will remain open during the winter season according to the following schedule:

Museum Store

Until December 31 open 7 days a week 10am-4pm
(Closed at 1pm on Christmas Eve, Closed Christmas Day)
January 1 – mid-May open Fridays – Sundays,
10am-4pm

The Shaker Table Restaurant

November 1 – mid-May, open for Lunch & Dinner on Fridays & Saturdays 11:30-4pm; Brunch on Sundays 9am-4pm

The Shaker Table will also hold its annual New Year's Eve Dinner on Thursday, December 31, 5pm-9pm, and New Year's Day Brunch

Reservations recommended 603.783.4238
www.theshakertable.com

December 12, Christmas at Canterbury**

This is our 2nd annual Christmas at Canterbury event! Stroll the Village grounds amid hundreds of luminaries; enjoy sleigh and wagon rides, magic and puppet shows, hot cider, and musical entertainment. Craft and candy demonstrations, food sampling, children's crafts & activities. We are also hosting our Annual Gingerbread Showcase! Shop at the Museum Store for unique, handmade gifts. Admission: \$17 Adults; \$8 Children 6-17; \$42 Family (two adults and two or more children);

Members and children 5 and under are free!

***Sponsored by Merrimack Savings Bank
and NH Council on the Arts.



**For a full schedule of events,
go to www.shakers.org**

Church News

Sunday, Dec. 13 5-6:30pm

Christmas caroling to shut-ins and elders followed by popcorn & hot chocolate at the Parish House

Sunday, Dec. 20, 4pm

Annual Christmas Pageant and family potluck supper in the Thunberg Room. Bring your own place settings to reduce trash and plan to be inspired by the young people of the church.



Christmas Eve Worship Services:

4:00pm Family Service of Carols and Candlelighting w/ special music, nursery care available 8:00pm Traditional Service of Carols and Candlelighting w. music by the CUCC choir

This year's annual Christmas offering

will be given equally to the NH National Guard Chaplains' Emergency Fund and the Loudon Food Pantry.

Sunday, Dec. 27 10am

All-Church informal worship in the Thunberg Room with a theme of mission outreach. Amy Lamb will share her experience with the Ngobe tribe in Panama in 2009.

Save the date: Sunday, Jan. 17

10:00am Our 3rd Annual Heritage Worship. We will revisit the Great Fire that destroyed the Congregational Meeting House in 1943.

The library will be closed for the holidays on Thurs. Dec. 24 through Sat. Dec. 26 and Thurs. Dec. 31.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is Mon. Dec. 7 at 7:00.

Story Hour will be on Wed. Dec. 16 and Thurs. Dec. 17 at 10:00. Come have some fun!

The Book Discussion Group is meeting a week early this month on Tues. Dec. 8 at 7:00. Pick up your copy of Maeve Binchy's, "This Year It Will Be Different," a collection of short stories dealing with the holidays. Since it is a busy season, we will focus on the story that has the same title as the book. Please consider bringing your favorite holiday story to share.

The Knitting Group continues meeting Wed. evenings at 6:30 by the fireplace. Bring your holiday projects in to finish and join our friendly group. Please note there will be no knitting Wed. Dec 23.

Elkins Library Gift Shop returns with a variety of handmade craft items such as jewelry and cat nip mats; as well as gift bags with recipe cards & cookie cutter; seasonally scented trivets; tile & wood party servers; cookbooks; note cards; numbered Canterbury Fair prints; window crystals and more. Shop locally and support your library!

FAMILY PASSES

SEE Science Center – Manchester

The Fells – Newbury (John Hay National Wildlife Refuge)

Currier Museum of Art – Manchester

Museum of NH History - Concord

Christa McAuliffe Planetarium -Concord

Download audio books at home! Download audio books on CD; I-Pod; OMC or MP3 Players from home. A high-speed connection is required. If interested check out the website <http://nh.lib.overdrive.com> for more details and then contact the library if you would like to register for this service and receive the required code.

Thank you to the pie bakers and eaters. We sold 38 delicious pies!

Happy Holidays from the Staff & Trustees and heartfelt thanks for all the support we've received during this busy year!



New Titles

Knit the Season *by Kate Jacobs*

No Less Than Victory *by Jeff Shaara*

The Price of Malice *by Archer Mayor*

On Thin Ice: Changing World of the Polar Bear *by Richard Ellis*

The Silent Spirit *by Margaret Coel*

CES SCHOOL NEWS

The next CES PTO meeting will take place on Monday, December 7th. Middle School principal Aaron Pope will be the guest speaker and he will talk about transitioning to the Middle School and the Middle School Program. As always, everyone is welcome.

Reminders: The CES PTO will be selling Christmas Trees in the town center on first two Saturdays in December. Trees may be purchased from 10:00 to 4:00 or at the Canterbury Store. Also, don't forget the PTO Holiday Fair on Friday, December 4th from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M. in the school gym.

The CES Holiday Concert will be held on Thursday, December 17th at 6:30 P.M. Music director, Carlos Martinez will lead the chorus, band and classroom groups in a variety of lively seasonal selections. Other district concerts include the Belmont Middle School Winter Concert on Tuesday,

December 15th at 7:00 P.M. and the Belmont High School Concert on Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00 P.M. December 16th will be the snow date for the concerts.

There is still time to contribute to the CES Food Drive. We will continue to collect non-perishable food items through December 18th. Our donations will be part of holiday packages that will be delivered to families throughout the Capital area. Each package will include a special holiday meal plus two additional weeks of food. Donations can be dropped off at the school any time.

Canterbury Elementary School will be closed for the Holidays beginning Thursday, December 24th through Friday, January 1st. Classes will resume on Monday, January 4th. Warmest holiday wishes to all from the staff and students at CES.

Dec. Calendar

Mon., Dec. 7

PTO Meeting 6:00 P.M.

Weds., Dec. 9

BHS Holiday Concert 7:00 P.M.

Thurs., Dec. 10

School Board CES 6:00 P.M.

Tues., Dec. 15

BMS Winter Concert 7:00 P.M.

Thurs., Dec. 17

CES Holiday Concert 6:30 P.M.

Weds., Dec. 16

Concerts Snow Date

Thurs., Dec. 24 through Fri., Jan. 1

NO SCHOOL — Holiday Vacation.
School Resumes Mon., Jan. 4

POST OFFICE NEWS

Canterbury Post Office will be closed on Fri., Dec. 25, Christmas and Fri., Jan. 1, New Years. We will be open our usual hours each Saturday after the holiday. For the past two years the Postal Service has closed most Post Offices at noon on Christmas and New Year's Eves. I can't tell you now if that will be the case this year. As soon as I know any change in hours, I will post a notice at the office.

With temperatures in the 60's it is hard to focus on the upcoming holidays. The Canterbury Post Office has what I hope is a good supply of stamps for the holidays. The contemporary Christmas stamps (Winter Holidays) has pictures of a snowman, a reindeer, a gingerbread man, and a nut cracker. The traditional stamps have a painting of a Madonna and Sleeping Child. I also have new designs of the Hanukkah and Kwanzaa stamps. The breast cancer awareness stamp seems like an

appropriate choice at this season since all the extra cost is donated to research to find a cure for breast cancer.

Some mailing dates for military and International packages:

- Africa, Central and South America, APOs starting in 093 – Dec. 4
- All other International and APO/FPO addresses – Dec. 11
- International express mail – Dec. 17

Domestic mail:

- Parcel Post – Dec. 14
- Priority mail - outside New England – Dec. 21, New England – Dec. 22
- Express mail – Dec. 22 or Dec. 23 depending on destination.

We do have some mailing supplies in the office. Picking up mailing supplies and forms for special services before your mailing date will make it easier on both of us. The more that you have ready before you come in, the shorter the time will be required for your transactions. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call. I would rather deal with questions ahead of time than try to correct problems after the fact. I am looking forward to helping with your mailing needs during the holiday season.

My wish for the season is to be able to concentrate on the things that are important – family, friends, and community. I hope the spirit of goodwill to others will reign and I hope to maintain that in my operating our local Post Office.

— Ted LeClair Postmaster
Canterbury NH 03224



Open House, Dec. 29, at the School for the Art of Living

Stretch your body mind & spirit in the new year at The School for the Art of Living at Providence Place, 24 Morrill Road, Canterbury. Practice yoga, study a course in miracles, explore the Urantia Book, watch "What the bleep do we know!?" be in stillness, and more. Open House Tuesday, Dec. 29, 4-7pm.

Schedule begins January 2010. No Fees, Limited Enrollment. Call Brenda for more info 783-8352.

Try Losing – It's Fun!

Local Area Resident, Kim Edwards has launched two 12-week non-profit courses that offer diet and exercise with a hint of competition and a lot of fun. The course is based on TV's "The Biggest Loser" but done locally to help the community. Edwards has a vision to help 2000 local area residents adopt healthier habits, lose weight and keep it off for good with the help of the challenge! For more information call 800-308-8746.

Canterbury Rascals

The Canterbury Rascals next meeting will be on Monday, December 7 at 6:30 PM. The meeting will be held at the Parish House. Club members should bring finger foods or dessert to share for our Christmas party.



Santa's Pancake Breakfast will be on Saturday, December 12 from 8:00-10:30 AM at the Parish House. Come for breakfast, visit with Santa and make a Christmas craft. It costs \$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for kids under 12, and kids under 2 are free. Or a family can come for \$10.00.

Club members have been busy learning new things. Thanks to Lydia West for teaching beginner sewing, Shannon Mathieu for teaching needle felting and Emily Brunkhurst for teaching questing.

— *Beatriz Gillespie, Reporter*

Canterbury Little League

We are gearing up for another fantastic season. We have started registration for the 2010 season on our website. For those that register online between now and January 31st, you will receive a discount (\$10 for Majors and Minors and \$5 for Coach Pitch and Tee Ball). The website is: <http://www.eteamz.com/CanterburyLittleLeague/> **An in-person registration is scheduled for March 3rd at the Elkins Library.** There are a limited number of scholarships available for families in need. Please submit a written request to: dhennessy@regencymtg.com or mail to P.O. Box 17, Canterbury, NH 03224



Registration costs are as follows:

Before January 31st (via website)	After January 31st
Majors (9-12 years) — \$45	Majors — \$55
Minors (8-12 years) — \$45	Minors — \$55
Coach Pitch (7-10 years) — \$30	Coach Pitch — \$35
Tee Ball (4-6 years) — \$30	Tee Ball — \$35

Time at the Treasure House

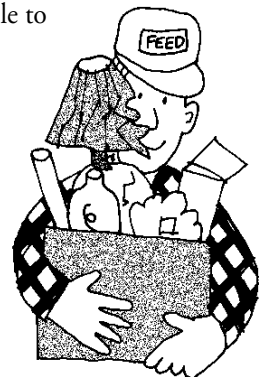
There's a saying, "when the pupil is ready, the teacher will appear." Here at the Treasure House, we see something similar all the time. When the homeowner is ready, the wallpaper appears; when the ground is ready, the fertilizer spreader appears; when the kitchen is ready, the dishes appear; when the children are ready, the Halloween costumes appear.

Our decisions at the Treasure House, as to whether items are trash or treasure, are based on both experience and personal taste, and it must be confessed we may not be entirely infallible. The thrill of power that comes from granting and denying approval would be unseemly were it not exercised in such a just cause, yet the universe intervenes in many cases where a veto has just been pronounced. Seemingly out of nowhere, comes one whose sole need is for the item just condemned, and a vindicated donor, thrilled recipient, and a surprised volunteer are all witness, yet again, to the serendipitous mystery that surrounds the Treasure House. Soon-to-be-doomed treasures seem to send out a silent, searching call for rescue, compelling their unsuspecting future owners to take a trip to the dump. If we had a dollar for every time we heard "Wow! And I almost didn't come today!" we could build the furniture wing addition the Treasure House so desperately needs. The only way to override a veto is to vote with your feet: come early and come often.

One of the rewards of staffing the Treasure House is explaining to newbies how it works: if you see something you like, you take it. Very simple. We extend our welcome to all, and suggest that if the Treasure House has been good to you, perhaps you should consider being good to the Treasure House. Volunteers are asked to be present and helpful for a two-hour shift every month, and to switch with another or find a substitute when unable to come.

An updated schedule will soon be drawn up, but there are still gaps in coverage. Call Laurie Lockwood at 783-4690 or stop in at the Treasure House if you have two hours a month to devote to keeping the magic of the Treasure House alive. Despite sometimes daunting evidence to the contrary, we continue to believe that when the position is ready, the volunteers will appear.

— *Laurie Lockwood*



CLASSIFIEDS

LOCAL BUSINESS AND SERVICES

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MAQ DESIGN offers quality custom draperies, shades, blinds, slipcovers, and upholstery. Large selection of decorator fabrics. Since 1989. By Appointment. WWW.PictureTrail.com/MAQdesign Mary-Ann Quinn 783-9640.

OLD WAYS TRADITIONS at Dave Emerson's. Antique machinery demos, steam engines, windmill, hiking trails, country and Shaker style furniture, decorative accents, art, antiques. Shaker Road, 603-783-4403 efurnitr@comcast.net, and www.oldwaystraditions.net

FOR SALE

Culvert pipe, 15" by 20' \$125. Call Jack at 286-8771

HOLIDAY SPECIALS

CUT YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS TREES, native balsam fir, \$25 each. Free tree special if you're unemployed. Open weekends in December 10:00-4:00. 3 miles up Hackleboro Road from Canterbury Center. Jen and Mark Hopkins 783-9115.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT Artemis photo greeting card gift packs include The Canterbury Collection and Canterbury Shaker Village Sets with history and recipes included. Also Fine Art prints of Canterbury Center & Shaker Village available in various sizes. Visit me during Open Doors Studio Tour Nov 7-8 to purchase, or email kathie@anrdllc.com. Kathie Fife 783-9334

BODY & SPIRIT DAY SPA is giving you 10% off all services when you bring in a non-perishable food item to the spa. All items will be donated to a local food bank for the holidays. Offer valid Nov. 1st - Dec. 15th, 2009. We are located at 254 North State St. Concord, NH. www.bodyandspiritdayspa.com Call 226-4261 to set up your appointment.

HACKLEBORO POTTERY & QUILTS will be open weekends through Christmas between 10am and 4pm, featuring cobalt blue decorated stoneware pottery, bed quilts, wall hangings, tablerunners, hand braided wool rugs, hand painted goose eggs and more. Inquire about winter session rug braiding classes. 376 Hackleboro Road. 783-4079. <http://johngoegel.com/hackleboropottery>

HACKLEBORO ORCHARDS' farmstand in Boscawen is open, 'til right before Christmas! Apples, gifts, Christmas trees. 783-4248 or HackleboroOrchards.com for hours. Dec. sales at Canterbury by appointment or hit or miss. Happy Holidays! The Weisers

HOW TO PLACE A CLASSIFIED

Deadline: 25th of each month. \$7 for 30 words or \$14 for up to 60 words. Make checks payable to CUCC. Mail ad copy and check to Beth Blair, Box 239. All proceeds offset cost to produce and mail the newsletter. Questions? 783-4333—or—beth@casablair.com LOST AND FOUNDS ARE FREE.

Santa's Pancake Breakfast Dec. 12

Santa's Pancake Breakfast will be on Saturday, December 12 from 8:00-10:30 AM at the Parish House. Come for breakfast, visit with Santa and make a Christmas craft. It costs \$4.00 for adults, \$3.00 for kids under 12, and kids under 2 are free. Or a family can come for \$10.00.

Annual PTO Tree Sale Saturday, Dec. 5 and 12

The CES-PTO will be holding their annual Christmas Tree Sale in the town center on the following Saturdays: December 5th and December 12th. All proceeds from the Fair and Tree Sale go to support CES students.

Senior Christmas Lunch

The Seniors at The Penacook Community Center are planning their annual Christmas Lunch, December 7th at The United Church of Penacook. Make sure you have a reservation! Musical Entertainment will be provided by the Children at PCC. Please bring a donation for the Food Pantry. Call 753-9700 for a reservation.



Hackleboro Orchards In Dec.

Hackleboro Orchards in Canterbury is closed for the season. However our farmstand in Boscawen (on King Street) is still open, 'til right before Christmas! Apples, gifts and Christmas trees. Call the farm phone number for open times & info. Back at the farm in Canterbury, we can work with you by appointment or hit or miss! Lunch time the best time. Need some fresh air? The Viewdeck is always available to climb. (Dress warm!) Call or write: 783-4248 or HackleboroOrchards.com. Happy Holidays!!

— Thank you! The Weiser Family

Dance @ Da Dump 2009

The seventh annual Dance @ Da Dump, (aka Tango at the Transfer Station) took place on September 26, 2009. It was a chilly night, but the event drew some die-hard dance fans in all their Dump finery and the "hot tub" was a definite hot spot to gather and listen to the classic rock and dance LP's being spun by Canterbury's own Bob Stump. Alison Wischonke and Nicholas Lockwood won the auspicious honor of being crowned King and Queen of Da Dump, although there were a few other stunning costumes which truly captured the recycling spirit!

Many thanks to the sponsors; whose generous donations help fund the dance and ongoing community recycling education in Canterbury! This year sponsors included Brookside Pizza, The Eggshell Restaurant, Gulf Brook Home Renovations, Hackleboro Orchards, Hutchinson Family Sugarhouse, Ivory Rose Gifts, Jay R. Johnson Antiques and Collectibles, Lenn Johnson Electric, North Family Farm and Wild Wolf Studio.

Special thanks to Bob Drew for setting up the sound system and Jessica Hutchinson for making the crowns, also to Norman Bowles for his time and expertise in making the dance happen this year!

— *Adrienne Allaire*



HALLOWEEN 2009

The 6th Annual Town Halloween Celebration was a great night that even a little rain couldn't dampen. Many thanks to: Jim and Jessie Miller for providing the music and Emcee support for the costume contest; Princess of Popcorn, Pam Florissant; Janet Sanborn for the best hot chocolate and yummy cookies; Meg Kelly for cool cookie decorating. The costume contest was really tough this year as there were so many great characters! In the flurry of activity we didn't get the winners' names - so we have to do it this way - top three 5 and under - Skunk, Thing 1 and Thing 2, Frankenstein; age 6-10, A Homemade Working Candy Machine, Miss Liberty, Black Creature with Glowing Red Eyes; ages 10 to 18 - Neptune, Geisha Girl, Romeo, and a surprise entry, the Jellyfish! We had 3 entries in the Scarecrow contest, so guess what? They are all winners! Thanks to the Boy Scouts Pack 296 and Cassie & Emma Bouton (champs two years running).

New candy givers this year were Emily "Mother Goose" & Scott "A Real Race Car Driver" Brunkhurst at the store, Suzann Martin "Woman With Candy" at the apartment and Reverend Mel "Yoda" Burrowes in the Church Sanctuary - perfect he was! Also had two new readers in the library; Melanie Barker and Sarah Macey. Nice job! Thank you all for joining in!

The Spookwalk was the creation of Chris Sanborn who would like to thank his crew - Peter Chynoweth, Ethan Hutchinson, Will Folsom, Bailey Beltramo, Zack Mulet, Nick Clements, Davey Rauseo, Pat Flynn, Emmit Collins, Jordon Lacoste and the rest who hopped in at the last minute in costume and couldn't be recognized! Oh and last, but never least, his dad, Eric.

Thanks to the Highway Department (for the mowing, sand and hot tub placement), the Canterbury Community Fund, and all the generous folks who made cash donations. The party wouldn't have been nearly so pretty without all the glowing Jack-o-lanterns, so THANKS to Kiersty Scarponi and all her kids (and friend of kids) and sister, too, who she brought along to help carve them! An additional thanks to Kiersty from Beth for all her help learning the ropes of the Kids Not-Even-Close-To-Scary House so she can take over this creative extravaganza next year. Intrepid light and bat hangers Kathi Jordan and Audrey Knapp -- you're the best. Chris Blair and John Scarponi, the ever volunteerable hubbies, thanks guys!

And many Thanks to all for an outstanding job and to anyone we may have missed please, please accept our apologies, but know that we couldn't do it without all the helping hands and we thank you, too.

This was the last year of organizing this event for many of us on the committee and we'd like to thank EVERYONE who has come out to help over the years. It takes a village... There are some families in town who have stepped up to take the lead for next year so you'll be hearing from them.

The people who have been involved all six years (and more going back to the Shaker Village days) are - Beth and Chris Blair, Michael Capone, Lisa Carlson and Al Edelstein, Jessie Tichko, Audrey Knapp, Kathi Jordan, Charlie Cook, Cheryl Gordon, Jan Stout and Sue and Ted Leclair. I can't thank you all enough for pitching in from the beginning to get this started and then following through each and every year.

Special recognition must be given to the original Witches of Hackleboro Road, who worked to create the original Shaker Village event, the genesis of the Town event - Ellen Bassett, Kelly Short and Beth Blair. You Rock!

See you at the 7th Annual Town of Canterbury Halloween Celebration! I'll be the one in costume.

— *Patti Capone for the The Halloween Committee*

AROUND *(our green)* TOWN

A Bright & Efficient Holiday Season

In December we tend to fight off bleak winter nights by decorating our homes with window candles, icicles, roping, tree lights and any number of other electrified devices designed to bring cheer and brighten our holiday season. As a result, December is one of the months with the highest electricity bills. However, you can have holiday cheer without high energy use by shifting your lighting to the new LED lights.

LED lights use light emitting diodes rather than traditional incandescent bulbs. One of the reasons why they are a more efficient light source is that they don't produce excessive heat. Unlike incandescent Christmas lights, LEDs do not have a filament inside that can burn out and take the entire string of bulbs with it.

LEDs have been around for a long time, but only caught on for use as Christmas lights in recent years. Older LEDs originally came only in red and they were not very bright. Today's LED Christmas lights are very bright, and come in all kinds of shapes, colors and sizes. Some even blink!

*****A word of caution – the LED strings should not be connected to a string of incandescent bulbs. The amount of amps required for the older strings would likely fry the new LED strings.*****

As with all upgrades to more efficient devices, the question of what to do with the older models is an important consideration. In early November, The Home Depot was doing a promotion to bring in old Christmas lights and get \$3 off a string of LED lights (up to 5). It would be worth checking to see if this store or others are continuing or offering this type of deal. If not, encourage them to do so. When consumers request things often enough, retailers respond.

The LED lights are more expensive than incandescent strings, but with the savings in electricity and the longevity of the product, the cost is worth it. The end result is a string of lights that use about one-tenth of the electricity of the traditional incandescent lights. Here's to a bright, and efficient, holiday season.

— Ruth Smith for the
Canterbury Energy Commission

28 Acre Parcel Donated to C.C.

All the survey and paper work has been completed and the Conservation Commission (C.C.) has received a donation of 28 acres of forest land from the Leccese family of Woburn, Massachusetts. The property offers good wildlife habitat, and is located on New Road abutting Apple Hill Farm and the City of Concord. Mary Leccese loved the land and wanted to leave it in good hands. We are truly grateful for the donation!

Hildreth Field Management Plan Finalized

Many thanks to Galen Beale and Tom Osmer of the C.C. and many of the Hildreth Field neighbors who met often this year to develop the management plan for the 49 acre property. The document spells out the primary goals of Viewshed Maintenance, Water Quality Protection and Wildlife Habitat Management. The history and description of the property is also included in the report. The plan will be available at the town offices, and at the new Conservation Commission shelf at the library.

As part of the management plan, Hildreth Field maintenance took place this fall with removal of invasive pasture roses and large saplings. Next season ongoing brush hogging will keep the field open and beautiful. Now's a good time to walk the snowmobile trails and footpaths that lead through field and woods and cross the bridge at Burnham Brook. Enjoy!

Thanks to Our Volunteers

Lots of folks take time to regularly mow and clear many of our preserved open spaces. Many thanks to Briggs Lockwood and Ken Stern who mow at Kimball Pond, Clinton Pitts who mows the Riverland Conservation Area, and Bob Fife who supervised the Hildreth Field clearing, mows Peverly Meadow, and with Mark Stevens regularly clears out the beaver work at Kimball Pond dam. Thank You to all our volunteers.

The Conservation Commission meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at the Meeting House. All are welcome.

How to Dispose of Lightbulbs

As we become more energy-conscious, many of us are replacing inefficient old incandescents with CFL and LED light bulbs. Although they mean more efficient use of electricity, it is important to remember that both types of new bulbs should not be disposed of in with regular garbage or recycled with glass! Fluorescent bulbs contain mercury, and it is illegal and dangerous to put into the waste stream.

What to do if you break a fluorescent bulb: don't panic, the amount of mercury is very small, but you should never vacuum it up. This can spread mercury particles throughout your home. Sweep it up, taking care not to touch it with your bare hands, and put it in a closed non-porous container and bring it to the recycling center. Unbroken CFLs and LEDs can also be brought to the recycling center, just ask an attendant for help. Thanks for following these safety guidelines to keep mercury out of our environment!

We at the transfer station wish you a safe and happy holiday season and joyous New Year. Thanks for taking the time to recycle Canterbury, you truly do make a difference!

— Adrienne Allaire, Canterbury Transfer Station
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In Sorrow



Helen Robinson, 61, of Center Barnstead, died November 14, at Concord Hospice House in Concord, surrounded by her loving family. Helen was a sister of Linda Seeley of Canterbury.

Gilman Hibbard, 85, died November 10, at Concord Hospital, surrounded by his family. Gilman was a lifelong resident of Canterbury. He attended and graduated from the one-room school house in Canterbury Center. Gilman worked for Rumford Press for a little more than 42 years, and Steenbeke's for 10 years. Gilman enjoyed watching NASCAR and enjoyed ice fishing and fishing. Gilman leaves his wife of 36 years, Maude Hibbard of Canterbury. a step-daughter and five stepsons, a special niece and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ruth Rogers, 87, died November 9 at Canterbury Hall in Canterbury. Ruth has lived in Canterbury since 1947. She retired in 1960 as secretary of the State Bank Commissioner. She worked as a secretary for 16 years with the Canterbury United Community Church. She was a talented Pianist and enjoyed sewing, knitting, crocheting and tatting. She is predeceased by her husband of 57 years, Linwood Rogers, in 1997. She is survived by a daughter, Mary Jane Lavoie and her husband, Martin, of Somersworth. an aunt and several nieces and nephews and cousins.

Paul Hufstader, 97, died October 31 at Harris Hill Center in Concord. Paul spent many years at Eastwood Lodge , Maine, where he was a superintendent. He also worked at Frederick's Garden Center in Portland. Paul enjoyed his retirement spending time with family and friends. He could make anyone smile. Paul was predeceased by his wife of 68 years, Grace Hufstader, who died in 2004. He is survived by his son, Robert Hufstader and his wife, Diane, of Canterbury, two grandsons, and a great-granddaughter.

Ann Marie Frary, 74, died October 26 in Concord. When Ann Marie married Donald Frary, they lived in Canterbury where she was known as the "Avon Lady" and was supervisor of the checklist for many years. In 1986 they bought the Chichester Country Store. In 1999, the store was bought and she retired back to Canterbury. Ann Marie was predeceased by he husband, Don Frary of Canterbury. She is survived by a sister, daughter and three sons. Also five grandchildren and nieces and nephews.

Patricia Inman, 81, of Webster, died October 27 at home surrounded by family. She is the grandmother of Catherine Masterson and husband, Kyle of Canterbury.

Hello, Baby!

Pastor Mel and Linda Burrowes are pleased to welcome their newest grand-daughter to the family! Baby Mika arrived in fine fashion just before Thanksgiving. Susane and Iku Ottaski are the proud parents, and Hana is the happy older sister of baby Mika!

Happy Birthday, Katherine!

Happy belated birthday to Katherine Morrill (currently of Boscawen), who turned a stately 101 years of age on October 24!

Kudos to Tugboat and Art

Congratulations to "Tugboat," an Australian Shepherd dog, and his owner Art Landry. They placed second in the ducks & geese category of the National Australian Shepherd Dog Club of America dog trials in Greely, Colorado this past summer. Art has been training this dog since Tugboat was 9 months old. Tugboat is in his prime at 4 years of age. Tugboat and Art competed in the sheep & goat, ducks & geese, and cattle competitions. They placed in the top finalists in all three categories!

Working dogs like Tugboat have been an integral part of agriculture for many years assisting farmers in managing livestock. Watch for working dog demonstrations at local fairs next fall. Tugboat and Art are already training their next competitor, "Whipper-snapper," who will be ready for competition soon.

Great Job, Lorrie!

We know her as the Canterbury Store weekend "hostess," but Lorrie Carey has a greater claim to fame! Business and Professional Women New Hampshire (BPW/NH) celebrated National Business Women's Week October 22, and announced Lorrie Carey as its 2009-2010 Woman of the Year. Congratulations!

The BPW's platform is: Supporting, advocating and advancing a woman's right to pay equity, flexibility in the workplace and leadership roles in business and communities. For information about BPW visit www.bpwnh.org

Dear Fall Neighbors,

It seems our roadways are unseasonably cluttered with trash. As you walk or job please take with you bags to pick up the occasional papers, cans, bottles or what nots. Clean byways is what makes living in Canterbury such a treat.

— *Thanks from Lisa Carlson*

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Thanks to Kinko's of Concord for their ongoing commitment to the quality and cost-effectiveness of the newsletter!

Historical Society Hosts Annual Meeting

55 members attended our Nov. meeting, when Pam Jackson, Brian Titilah and Sandy Scripture were elected to the Board of Directors. Ella Mae Cochrane will fill the board position being vacated by Diane Modugno. The Society would like to express its appreciation to Diane for her efforts in the Archive Project and is thankful she will continue to assist us in this important task.

Mark Stevens Presents...

Each individual who attended his program entitled, "The Ruptured Ducks of Canterbury, NH," WWII Stories, was impressed with Mark's knowledge, scope of research and profoundly touched by the range of experiences that our Canterbury Veterans and their families faced during this time. Mark's work honors them and could not have been more appropriate as we celebrated Veteran's Day. BRAVO! We are doubly thankful that because of a generous, anonymous gift of a video cam/corder, we were able to video the entire program for our archives.

Congratulations to Benton Beltramo...

...on the great occasion of having achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. We were pleased to have witnessed the presentation of his award on Nov. 21. We thank him for choosing the painting of the interior of the Elkins Memorial Building as his Eagle Project and the wonderful job he did in marshalling the forces to accomplish the task.

Antique Day was successful — we raised \$945!

Thanks to Steenburgh Auctioneers and sponsors Michael Cote Builders, Dwight Keeler & Co., Durgin's Plot Antiques, Bob Buchholz & Maxine Little and Bob & Ellen Scarponi, and to all who helped!

****Note: The Society has changed its rules - now every Canterbury resident is automatically a member, without dues! We do depend on donations for funding. We are a 501-C3 corporation, so contributions are tax deductible. (PO Box 81). Thank you! ****