

# Canterbury Community Newsletter

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## Miss Town Meeting?

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## Fair News!

Everyone is welcome to work on preparations for the Canterbury Fair! We meet in the Parish House at 7 pm on Wednesday, April 13. Masks recommended for the unvaccinated. There is always work to be done. We'd love to find someone to continue the delicious Chicken BBQ tradition as well as all sorts of other jobs that need doing either in preparation for the fair or on fair day itself. Come see what all the fuss is about and have a great time on the last Saturday in July!

~ Rick Crockford and Bob Drew

## This Lent, May We All Go Deeper

Dear Canterbury,

The last snow is going, and we're in that brown season, mud season, now. Though we know we might see another snowstorm, we're pretty confident the snow won't last. Along the stone walls and warming foundations, we see green shoots poking up a little farther each day. We shed our winter coats, at least during daytime, and let the warm wind mess our hair. It feels so good! Even as we slow down for frost heaves and potholes, we know we've made it through another one.



This is the season of Lent in the Christian church, when some take on spiritual challenges or disciplines for 40 days before Easter. Lent recalls Jesus's 40 days of temptation in the wilderness, and since ancient times, Lent has been associated with penitence or sacrifice. Perhaps you or your friends grew up giving up meat on Fridays, or giving up swearing or gum for 40 days! But *giving up* isn't the heart of the matter. It may be more helpful for us to think of this season as a time for *making room* or *going deeper*, for learning about ourselves and our relationship with what is real, what is true.

Though the world is racing around us and even in Canterbury the pace is picking up with town elections and tax season and summer plans, the mud keeps us from racing ahead. Our hearts break with the news of war in Ukraine; we want to help, to protect, to stop the violence. We worry that the pandemic will spike again. We worry about tomorrow, but Lent and mud season compel us to slow down, to look around, to take our bearings before the thrill of spring rushes into summer. The fair volunteers are meeting; soon the farmers' market will start up. But just like a healthy garden, full of potential, we can't bear good fruit, whether that's kindness or beauty or a satisfying day's work, unless we occasionally slow down and reckon with what is most fundamental for us right now.

Blessings,  
Becky

## Please join us in observing Easter!

**Palm Sunday:** April 10 in the Canterbury United Community Church, town center, 10 am

**Maundy Thursday Tenebre:** April 14, 7 pm in the Parish House, a service of shadows

**Good Friday:** April 15, 6 to 8 pm, CUCC Sanctuary, meditation and prayer

**Easter Sunday:** April 17

**Sunrise service:** 5:45 to 6:15 am, Canterbury Shaker Village

**Easter celebration:** 10 am, CUCC

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**Would you like to order Easter flowers this year?** You'll find more information and an order form on *Page 12.*

*You're also welcome to attend any Sunday service! They begin at 10 am.*

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~ Mark and Brenda Travis, co-editors



# What Can We Do But Laugh As We Slide Into Spring?

## Muddin'!

Back when mud season was mud season

I don't remember there being a lot of big fun for kids here in Canterbury back in the late fifties. But if you had an old beater aggie pickup truck come mud season you could have some real good fun.

My truck had no windshield wipers and the brakes only worked sporadically. But brakes were a handicap for muddin'. If you slowed down you were instantly mired – both the truck and you. If you didn't have your boots laced up real good the mud would suck them right off your feet as soon as you stepped out of the truck.

You had to get a running start and maintain your momentum. Slowing for curves didn't work out well. I couldn't see them anyway for all the mud on the windshield. The ditch waited. You knew you'd hit good muddin' when you could feel the mud sucking on your tires and throwing the truck from one side to the other, the steering wheel almost useless. If you slowed down it was all over. Maintaining, or preferably, if possible, increasing your speed became critical. Time enough to slow down if you made it through. Then you could drive around proudly, showing off your truck, so thoroughly coated with mud that its original color was unrecognizable. If you got stuck you could hope the mud would freeze up sufficiently overnight so you could drive out the next day, or find a farmer with an



*Oooey gooey Foster Road. Yes, there are much worse spots in town. We stopped here because we didn't want to get stuck!*

available tractor. If he had a daughter your age you hoped she wasn't home to see you in your mud-coated condition.

Of course there are other ways to enjoy mud season – otherwise known as spring. Now I keep lists of the times of arrival of various flora and fauna. Global warming has made this more interesting as ETAs have become less predictable.

*~ Dave Emerson*



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# A Busy Month at Canterbury Elementary!



Art teacher Katie Van Cura with, from top to bottom, **Cameron Walsh** (Grade 2), **Josephine Shoemaker** (G4), and **Julianna Lemay** (G5). Other students whose work was displayed are **Eva Ashworth** (G5), **Aubrey Drouin** (G5), **Zafirah Allard** (G4), **Annabelle Shoemaker** (G4), and **Kinley West** (G2). Way to go, everyone!



**Kindergarten Registration:** Do you have an incoming kindergartener for the 2022-2023 school year? Registration for the fall is now open! You can register online at [sau80.org/resources\\_\\_\\_/regostratopm](http://sau80.org/resources___/regostratopm) or stop by the office for a packet. Please send any questions to Mrs. Blanchette at [lblanchette@sau80.org](mailto:lblanchette@sau80.org). We are so excited to welcome our new kindergarten friends. Fall will be here before we know it!

**Kids Heart Challenge:** Mrs. Doucette recently completed a jump rope unit with the physical education classes. A school-wide goal was set to raise \$2,000 for the American Heart Association. CES students exceeded this goal, raising a total of \$2,735.72! The top earning classes were Ms. Hebert's class, Mrs. Briggs's class, and Mrs. Whitney's class. In celebration of their efforts, we held a dance party for the K-2 students and a staff vs. students scooter hockey game for the students in grades 3-5. Thank you to everyone who supported us in raising funds for this worthy cause!

**Youth Art Month:** March was NH Youth Art Month. Art teacher Katie Van Cura, along with art teachers from several NH schools, created a display of student artwork, which was highlighted all month at the Red River Theatre in Concord. We are very proud of our student artists, and extremely grateful to Mrs. Van Cura for her work with our CES learners!

**Welcome, Mr. Dzengelewski:** Last month we welcomed our new music teacher, Chris Dzengelewski, to CES. Mr. D comes with a wide range of music education experience. He is teaching our band, chorus, instrumental lessons, and general music classes. A special thanks to Cate McDonald and Brian Miles, who have helped us to continue our band program, as well as to Hannah McCauley, without whom we would not have been able to continue our choral program.

~ Erin Chubb, Principal

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# Preserving – and Passing On – Canterbury's History

## One Room School House program returns

The Canterbury Historical Society's One Room School House program will be held this year!

Last year we had to have a limited program because of the pandemic (and the year before, none). Now, with the tremendous support and commitment of our elementary school teaching staff, it will proceed.

The program began in 2007 and has focused on respective time periods in our history, such as the Civil War, the Depression, the Revolution, schooling in Canterbury, etc.

The program was designed to provide our students with experiencing what it was like to attend a one-room schoolhouse with only one teacher teaching all grades 1 through 12, having no running water, using (unheated) outhouses, wood stoves, no electricity (for the first 100 years) and no buses until 1956.

The children love the program and are left with lifelong memories through this special and unique educational experience.

~ Bob Scarponi, President



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# So Much News for a Small Town!

## Town website, emails on the move!

Thank you to all who attended the two sessions of town meeting this year. The results of both sessions are available on the town website. We were glad to be back inside for the second session. I want to personally thank the Town Office staff and the Board of Selectmen for their help with the town report and their support at town meeting.

We are in the process of migrating the town website and email to a .gov domain. The new address will be [Canterburynh.gov](http://Canterburynh.gov). We will retain the -nh.org domain so there will be no interruption in service. If you email us at the old address the email will be forwarded automatically. We will post the effective date of change.

The Board of Selectmen have contacted the Shaker School District and Belmont selectboard and will be establishing the committee to review the feasibility of withdrawing from the Shaker Regional School District as was voted on at town meeting. We will post the committee members and meeting schedule on the town website.

The Hazard Mitigation Committee meetings are also posted on the town website. The meetings are being held via Zoom and are open to the public.

Our Highway Department has been working hard to keep our dirt roads passable to all traffic during the mud season. Please let them know if there is a road that needs attention.

This month's Board of Selectmen's meetings will be on April 4 and April 18.

~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator

**The office of the Town Clerk-Tax Collector will be closed on Wednesday, April 27.**

~ Sam Papps, Town Clerk-Tax Collector

## Trustees to hold hearing on resuming burials in Meeting House cemetery on Baptist Hill

The Canterbury Cemetery Trustees will hold a public hearing to provide information and receive input regarding the resumption of burials at Shell Meeting House Cemetery on Baptist Hill Road. A trustees' recommended addendum to the town cemetery rules and regulation for the burial of cremains at SMC and the establishment of new interment fees will be presented. Cemetery rules and regulations can be viewed on the town website. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, April 12, at 9 am at the Meeting House.

~ John Goegel

## Need rocks? Help the Conservation Commission!

The Conservation Commission is looking for assistance in removing very large rocks from the Robert S. Fife Conservation area (from the field, not the stone walls). We'd ideally barter the rocks for labor to remove them. Anyone with appropriate equipment for digging and hauling and availability to do the work by Aug. 30 should contact the CCC with their proposal by April 30. If a barter cannot be arranged, we will contract for the work. Either way, please contact Ken Stern at [kenstern2@comcast.net](mailto:kenstern2@comcast.net).

## 4H Rascals take up knitting, tree identification

The Canterbury Rascals have been meeting on the first Monday of the month in the Parish House. We held workshops on Tree Identification and Knitting. Looking forward to the county 4H Presents event in May. We hope to be present at some farmers' markets this summer. Contact [canterburyrascals4h@gmail.com](mailto:canterburyrascals4h@gmail.com) to learn more. We are looking for more leaders and members!

~ Laura Crockford

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**Pre-pandemic, Independence Day** was celebrated with a parade, music, speeches *and* games on the church lawn. I would love to pass the baton to someone willing to organize and run the games this year. Please contact Rick Crockford at [rick.crockford044@gmail.com](mailto:rick.crockford044@gmail.com) or 496-2255 for more info.  
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# Look ~ Even More News From Around Town!



## Save the date for cleanup day and Dreamcatcher workshop at the village!

### Village Clean Up Day

Saturday, April 23, 9 am to noon

Gather with a community of volunteers and be a part of the effort to get the Canterbury Shaker Village grounds looking their best. Cleanup efforts include raking, pruning, clearing debris, weeding, and more. All ages are encouraged to help, and families are welcomed! Please wear comfortable work clothes, appropriate shoes, and bring your own tools/materials such as gardening gloves, rakes, and shovels.

For questions about volunteering for Village Clean Up Day, please email Jill Lessard at [jlessard@shakers.org](mailto:jlessard@shakers.org) or call 603-783-9511 x 202.

### Make Your Own Dreamcatcher

Saturday, April 30, 2 to 3:30 pm



Create your own dreamcatcher in the Ojibway web tradition under the tutelage of Native American artist Lenny Novak at the village. Novak has given classes for more than 40 years at museums, schools, and requested locations both indoors and out. After sharing a bit of history about the dreamcatcher – its meaning, stories, and lore – he then guides participants through the process of working with their materials: natural wood hoops, webbing, beads, and feathers.

Cost for this workshop is \$40, \$25 for village members. All materials are provided and all proceeds will benefit the

village. Register at [www.shakers.org](http://www.shakers.org).

~ Rae Easter

## State reps plan April 16 listening session

The state representatives for Canterbury-Loudon (Merrimack District 9) have scheduled a Legislative Listening Session for Saturday, April 16, at the Canterbury Meeting House from 9:30 to 11:30 am.

~ Reps. Mike Moffett, Howard Pearl and Jose Cambrils

## Thanks for supporting transfer station work!

The Solid Waste Committee would like to thank the voters at town meeting for overwhelmingly approving the warrant article to upgrade the electrical system at the transfer station and purchase a new baler. We especially appreciate that the selectboard members who were present as well as the town manager voted for the measure. A special thanks to committee member Kim Scamman for doing all of the technical work. Also to committee member Emily Burr for gathering petition signatures and spreading word about the project.

Which reminds me. There are so few committee members to thank because there are so few committee members. It is only Kim, Emily and myself. We'd like to invite interested town folk to join the committee. It is entirely advisory in nature; we suggest changes and look into problems. There are going to be some interesting projects to work on in the coming years.

We would like to follow through on our promise to come up with a proposal to replace the packer truck with an electric compactor at next year's town meeting. We could look into whether or not the bag prices should be raised. Maybe we ought to put solar panels on the transfer station roof. We have some ideas on possibly alleviating the staffing shortage. The selectboard may want to look at the building and storage areas and they might want our input. Or there may be ideas that you have that we have never even thought of to make the system work better. At town meeting someone asked why we stopped putting the recycling totals in the town meeting report. Mostly it just fell through the cracks. Perhaps you'd like to help with that.

I think the protocol for getting on the committee is to contact a selectboard member and let them know of your interest.

~ Stephen Rasche

## Thanks to voters from the Fire Department

I would like to thank the community for its support of the warrant article to replace one of our aging fire trucks. This truck, manufactured in 1996, is not as dependable as we need an emergency vehicle to be. I have requested federal assistance in the form of a grant to assist us with this purchase. If we are not successful in receiving the grant, we will not spend the money from this warrant article and will revisit the issue later this year.

~ Mike Gamache, Fire Chief

# Get Your Town Meeting Voting Results Here!

## Candidates for town office

### SELECTMAN

Three Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Ruesswick, Kent* ----- 222

*Todd, Calvin* ----- 198

### PLANNING BOARD

Three Years

Vote for not more than (2) two:

*Gordon, Joshua* ----- 358

*Schneider, John* ----- 316

### CEMETERY TRUSTEE

Three Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Papps, Samuel* ----- 408

### TREASURER

Three Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Edelstein, Albert* ----- 372

*Mary Witschonke* ----- 20

(Write in)

### SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

Six Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Smarling, Pamela* ----- 386

### TOWN CLERK-TAX COLLECTOR

Three Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Papps, Samuel* ----- 416

### LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Two Years

Vote for not more than (2) two:

*Snow, Deborah* ----- 379

*Woods, Florence* ----- 365

### LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Three Years

Vote for not more than (2) two:

*Craigie, Raymond* ----- 378

*Zeller, G. Frederick* ----- 363

### TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Three Years

Vote for not more than (1) one:

*Brown, Tiffany* ----- 377

On this page, you'll find the results of ballot voting, which was held in the Canterbury Town Hall on Tuesday, March 8.

## Zoning amendments

**ARTICLE 2:** Are you in favor of the adoption of an amendment to the existing Canterbury Zoning Ordinance Article 19 Campgrounds as proposed by the Planning Board?

**Ballot summary:** This amendment is to open campgrounds to allow winter camping operation and emphasize that sites can only be used for temporary occupancy only. The amendment will remove the current operational requirement that campgrounds must be seasonal only, with an annual operation period that starts no earlier than March 21 and ends no later than November 15.

Passed:

YES 247 NO 177

**ARTICLE 3:** Will the Town vote to expand the Center Historic District to include Tax Map/Lot #107/23, also known as 40 Kimball Pond Road, also known as the Kinter property, such that the following "metes and bounds" text is incorporated into the Center Historic District zone description in Article 13 of the Town Ordinance?

**Ballot summary:** The proposed change is requested by the property owners, the Kinters, and is supported by the Historic District Commission and Board of Selectmen and was approved by the Planning Board at the public hearing on December 28, 2021.

Passed:

YES 355 NO 63

**ARTICLE 4:** Are you in favor of the proposed amendment to Canterbury Zoning Ordinance Article 8.1.A?

**Ballot summary:** Canterbury's Variance Ordinance was adopted at a time when there was a distinction between "use variance" and an "area variance" and provided for both. Since then, the New Hampshire Legislature eliminated area variances and required that all variances follow the standard for use variances. This amendment makes Canterbury's ordinance comply with the state law and provides a single variance standard.

Passed:

YES 384 NO 30



# And Your In-Person Town Meeting Results Here!

The in-person gathering in the CES gym picked up where ballot voting left off: with Article 5 in the town warrant. What follows is the actual language of the articles along with the voting results.

**Article 5.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Million One Hundred Five Thousand Eighty-One Dollars \$3,105,081 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately. (Majority vote required). Recommended by the Selectmen.

***Passed as amended at \$3,105,373  
(raised by \$292 to increase treasurer's salary)***

**Article 6.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Fire Truck. Three Hundred Twenty Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Seven Dollars (\$323,837) to come from an assistance to firefighters grant, and Three Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand One Hundred Sixty-three Dollars (\$326,163) to come from the Fire Truck Capital Reserve Fund. No amount shall be expended unless the grant funds are secured. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 7.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$14,000) to purchase ceiling fans for both the Highway and Fire Department garage bays. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Tabled***

**Article 8.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$7,250) to purchase a Mig Welder and Plasma Cutter. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 9.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three dollars (\$41,143) to pay principal (\$35,000) and interest (\$6,143) on the Gold Star Bond, said amount to be removed from the Town's Unassigned Fund Balance. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 10.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000) to replace the flooring in the Police Department. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 11.** To see if the Town will modify the provisions of RSA 72:39-a for elderly exemption from property tax in the Town of Canterbury, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$75,000; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$80,000; for a person 80 years of age or older \$115,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 3 consecutive years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married to each other for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$32,500 or, if married, a combined net income of less than \$45,000; and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000

**On this page, you'll find the results of the in-person town meeting, which was held in the Canterbury Elementary School on Friday evening, March 11.**

excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority vote required). Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 12.** To see if the Town will modify the provisions of RSA 72:37-b, Exemption for the Disabled from property tax, based on assessed value for qualified taxpayers to be \$75,000. To qualify the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years, own the real estate individually or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such person's spouse, they must have been married for at least 5 consecutive years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$32,500 or if married, a combined net income of not more than \$45,000, and own net assets not in excess of \$75,000 excluding the value of the person's residence. (Majority vote required) Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 13.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Dollars (\$173,000) to be deposited into the following Capital Reserves: 4915.3 - Highway Equipment, \$10,000; 4915.4 - Highway Truck, \$30,000; 4915.5 - Highway Grader, \$30,000; 4915.18 Rescue Truck, \$12,000; 4915.19 - Fire Truck, \$50,000; 4915.24 - Landfill Closure, \$1,000; 4915. 30 - Highway Loader, \$30,000; 4915.31 - Highway Backhoe, \$10,000. Recommended by the Selectmen. ***Passed***

**Article 14.** To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000) to upgrade the Transfer Station power service from 100 A to 400A, to upgrade the building wiring to accept the 400 A service and bring it up to code, to purchase a 60 inch vertical baler, and to purchase a variable frequency drive (VFD). Petitioned Warrant Article. ***Passed***

**Article 15.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the school board to form a committee pursuant to N.H. Rev. Stat. 195:25 to initiate a review of the feasibility and suitability for the Town of Canterbury to explore withdrawing from Shaker Regional School District and pursue agreements with surrounding towns (including Belmont) to provide multiple options for educational, athletic and extracurricular activities for Middle and High School students, Canterbury has a small student population and is surrounded by towns that offer more options to meet our students' needs within a closer proximity at a potentially lower cost per student. Petitioned Warrant Article. ***Passed***

# Elkins Library: Where Memory Boxes Are Made

The next trustee meeting is on Monday, April 18, at 7 pm in the library.

**Hours:** Mondays and Tuesdays, 9 to 5; Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 7, and Saturdays, 9 to noon.

**Elkins Library is mask optional.** If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask, we encourage you to do so and we have them available in the entryway. Curbside service is always available and our programs have a virtual option. Our building is equipped with two Clean Air-Curtain air purifiers that remove 99 percent of harmful substances from the air and we clean surfaces all day long. You can feel safe at your library.

## Programs

**The Old Man Boring Book Club** will meet on Thursday, April 7, at 6 pm. This group of interesting men and women bring titles to share and discuss. So many new books are discovered by the suggestion of others.

**Evening Book Group:** Wednesday, April 20, at 6 pm. We'll be reading *The Midnight Library* by Matt Haig. A line from the book reads, "somewhere out beyond the edge of the universe there is a library that contains an infinite number of books, each one the story of another reality." Sounds interesting, doesn't it? Copies are available at the library and can be downloaded on Hoopla and NH Downloadable Books. Rose leads this group.

**Murder, Mayhem and Misadventure:** Tuesday, April 26, at 2 pm. Mary Ellen facilitates this group of readers who enjoy books that capture our imagination about murder (meaning quite clear), mayhem (violent or damaging disorder; chaos), and misadventure (an unfortunate incident; a mishap). We will share what we have read and get recommendations from each other about our favorite books and authors.

**On Pins and Needles:** Bring your knitting, crocheting, embroidery, felting or other fiber craft along and join Cheryl by the fireplace at 2 pm every Wednesday. Beginners welcome! We have a lovely group of people that enjoy this time together.

**Musical Monday:** On the first Monday of every month, come watch a musical on our big screen at 2 pm. On Monday, April 4, we will feature *The Music Man*. Come see what many consider to be one of the greatest musicals of all time. Snacks are provided.

**Story Time:** Record numbers of families are having fun with Miss Cheryl in the Children's Room every Tuesday and Wednesday at 10 am for stories, songs, finger plays and a craft. This program is best suited for children birth to 5. Stay after the program for a craft to keep for years to remember this time in your little one's life.

**Tunes, Tales and Tumbles:** If wiggling is your thing, come to this program for children ages baby through preschool. This new program incorporates the five early literacy skills – read,

## Come hang out at the Elkins Café!

Join Rachel by the fireplace on the first and third Thursday of each month at 2 pm for an hour (April 7 and 21) for the Elkins Café. Come and enjoy a coffee or tea and sit together. This is a time of group led discussion and activity. We start the time with fellowship and then work into our program. Adults of all ages are welcome.

**On April 7, we will be making "Memory Boxes."** Go through your things to find those old ticket stubs, brochures and photos that you may want to use to decorate your box to remember a special trip or time in your life. All materials are provided.

**On April 21, Granite VNA hosts a program focused on health and wellbeing.** Brooke from Granite VNA will introduce us to the many special programs they offer.

sing, talk, write and play – that are so important in preparing your child for reading. Join us Thursday mornings at 10 am for a program filled with music, stretching, rhymes, stories and fun!

**1000 Books Before Kindergarten:** Register for Elkins Public Library's 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program. This is a parent-led program that's easy and fun to do and has such positive results! Stop by the library for more information and to pick up your child's first reading log.

**Summer Reading:** Get ready for a summer of fun! This year we celebrate "Oceans of Possibility" and explore the mysteries of the deep. (Stay tuned!)

**Discovery Book Bin:** You may have noticed a blue book bin in the back parking lot. We have teamed up with Discovery Books because our overall mission is the same. They work to protect the environment by ensuring unwanted books are sold or redistributed, not thoughtlessly destroyed, giving millions of books to literacy and community-based organizations in underserved communities. Important: Before you throw your used books in the bin, stop at the Circulation Desk and see a staff member. We heavily utilize donations to complete our collection and to replace worn out copies of existing titles. We put some books in our Book Sale and the rest in the Discovery Bin so they can serve other libraries and schools.

**Phone:** 603-783-4386 **Website:** [elkinspubliclibrary.org](http://elkinspubliclibrary.org)

**Material requests:** [elkinslibrary@elkinspubliclibrary.org](mailto:elkinslibrary@elkinspubliclibrary.org), 603-783-4386 or our catalog link on the website.

*You can book reservations for our programs on our website! (You can also give us a call or drop by.)*



## Town offices and organizations

### EMERGENCY? Dial 911

**Police Department:** Call 783-0433 for non-emergencies. Concord police dispatch: 228-1010 for non-emergencies.

**Fire Department:** Call 783-4798 for non-emergencies. Email chief at [canterburyfire@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:canterburyfire@canterbury-nh.org)

**Town website:**  
[canterbury-nh.org](http://canterbury-nh.org)

**Transfer Station:** Wed., 4 to 6:45 pm; Sat., 8 am to 5:45 pm. Call 783-9980 or email [transferstation@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:transferstation@canterbury-nh.org)

**Town Clerk/Tax Collector:** 783-0153. Mon. and Wed., 9 to 3; Tue. and Thur. 12 to 7. Email: [spapps@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:spapps@canterbury-nh.org)

**Selectmen's Office, Town Administrator, and Assessor's Office:** 783-9955. Mon. and Wed., 9 to 1; Thur. 10 to 2. Emails: [selectmen@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:selectmen@canterbury-nh.org), [assessing@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:assessing@canterbury-nh.org), [kfolsom@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:kfolsom@canterbury-nh.org)

**Building Inspector:** 783-9033 [buildinginspector@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:buildinginspector@canterbury-nh.org)

**Highway Dept:** 783-4123 [canterburyhighway@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:canterburyhighway@canterbury-nh.org)

**Planning Board:** 848-2059 [planningboard@canterbury-nh.org](mailto:planningboard@canterbury-nh.org)

**Monthly Meetings** (Check town website for details.)  
- **Planning Board:** 2nd Tue., 7 pm; 4th Tue. as needed  
- **Conservation Commission:** 2nd Thurs., 7 pm  
- **Historic District Commission:** 3rd Wed., 7 pm  
- **Selectmen:** 1st and 3rd Mon., 6 pm  
- **Solid Waste Committee:** 4th Mon., 3:30 pm (6 pm on request)  
- **Zoning Board:** As needed.  
- **Energy Committee:** 1st Tues., 6 pm

## Canterbury United Community Church

**How to reach us:** By phone, 783-9365. By email, [mycanterburychurch@gmail.com](mailto:mycanterburychurch@gmail.com)

**Parish House:** Call Judy Patterson, 783-4419

**Online:** [canterburychurch.org](http://canterburychurch.org)  
[facebook.com/MyCanterburyChurch](https://www.facebook.com/MyCanterburyChurch)

**Newsletter:** Deadline is 16th of month before publication. Editors: Mark and Brenda Travis, 783-0420, or email [newslettercanterbury@gmail.com](mailto:newslettercanterbury@gmail.com)

**Canterbury Fair:**  
[twitter.com/CanterburyFair](https://twitter.com/CanterburyFair)  
[facebook.com/CanterburyFair](https://www.facebook.com/CanterburyFair)

## Town Email List

Rachel Baker manages the Canterbury Town Email List. Join or submit by emailing [canterburytownemail@gmail.com](mailto:canterburytownemail@gmail.com)

## Post Office

**Hours:** Mon.-Fri., 10 am to 5 pm (closed 12:30 to 1:30 pm); Sat., 8:30 am to noon; 783-4158

## Stores

**Canterbury Country Store:** Mon.-Sat., 6:30 am to 6 pm; Sun., 8 am to 5 pm; 783-9933

**Brookford Farm Store:** 7 am to 7 pm daily; 783-4084

**106 Beanstalk:** 6 am until midnight daily; 783-4305

## Loudon Food Pantry

**Hours:** Open for donations and volunteers Tues. 10-6, Wed. 10-1, Thurs. 10-4.

**Service:** By appointment only at same hours as above.

**Location:** Huckleberry Business Park, Unit D, 30 Chichester Road, Loudon.

**Contact:** 603-724-9731, on Facebook at LoudonFP, or on our website: [loudonfoodpantry.org](http://loudonfoodpantry.org).

## Holding hope, providing help in Zimbabwe

Despite another delay in my travels, my people in Zimbabwe are making sure fees are paid and that shoes, uniforms and school supplies are purchased. Plus our monthly food program for the most vulnerable continues.



This photo shows a sewing machine plus art supplies made possible by a generous donor to the special needs class taught by my friend Mrs. Khosah, shown here.

For information about our nonprofit, A Light for Zimbabwe, or to donate, visit [alightforzimbabwe.org](http://alightforzimbabwe.org).

~ Sue Heppenstall, President

## Time to renew your Market membership!

Spring is here (at last)! Mark your calendars for opening day for the Canterbury Farmers Market on Wednesday, June 1, from 4 to 6:30 pm. In preparation, supporters of the market can renew their membership by visiting our website and mailing a check payable to CCFMA to PO Box 3, Canterbury, NH 03224. You can also fill out a membership form right at the Info tent when you stop by to shop! The support we receive from our members is what makes this market possible and continues our mission in connecting people to delicious, local produce. For more information, visit our website at [canterburyfarmersmarket.com](http://canterburyfarmersmarket.com).

We are also accepting vendor applications for the 2022 season! If you or someone you may know would like to apply to become a vendor, please reach out to our market manager, Julie Dewdney, at [canterburyfarmersmarket@gmail.com](mailto:canterburyfarmersmarket@gmail.com). You can also find more information about becoming a vendor on our website.

The Downtown Concord Winter Farmers Market is open until Saturday, April 30. The market is located at 7 Eagle Square in Concord and runs on Saturdays from 9 to noon. In addition, the Canterbury Country Store also sells many local products.

~ Emily Sullivan

## One month, 4,000 meals for the food pantry

In January the Loudon Food Pantry gave out enough food to 239 individuals for them to prepare 3,976 meals. Of these, 116 were age 60 and older (49%), 32 were age 18 or under (13%), and 91 were in between those ages (38%).

Do you need food? Call Sue at 603-724-9731 to see if you qualify. The process is simple and if you have all your paperwork, you'll receive food the same day as your appointment! You'll find our hours, location and contact information directly to the left.

~ Sue Houck

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## Easter Flower Order Form

### **\$10-\$12 per plant, \$25 for Bulb Basket**

(Bulb Basket is a combination of hyacinth, tulip, daffodil and crocus!)

Easter Lily (\$12/plant) \_\_\_\_\_ Hyacinth (\$10/plant) \_\_\_\_\_ Bulb Basket (\$25) \_\_\_\_\_

Tulip (\$10/plant) \_\_\_\_\_ Daffodil (\$10/plant) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to Donna Miller. Mail them to her at 126 Baptist Road, Canterbury, NH, 03224

**DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, APRIL 10!**

### **Please check one of the following:**

\_\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my plant after Easter Service

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like my plant delivered to me after Easter Service

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like the flower committee to deliver my plant to someone in the community

Order placed by (your name): \_\_\_\_\_

Given in Honor or Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_