# Canterbury Community Newsletter

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## In Celebration of Canterbury's Students!

Dear Canterbury,

In this season of testing and exams and graduations and last days of the school year, it's tempting to just push through all the important moments that go into finishing up. But let's be lavish in our recognition of the hard work and determination that allows students (and all of us) to grow into the people we are meant to be. Let's celebrate our students' learning and growing and the community of friends they've built in the process. The past two years of pandemic have not made learning any easier for anyone; students of all ages have had to be even more resilient than ever. Our students know something about what it means to hang in there even when life gets really strange!

One day, as I was cutting across the town square in a small college town in Ohio (something I had done hundreds of times racing to class), I was stopped dead in my tracks by a door. It was planted in the grass to one side of my path. It was a white, wooden door, like you might see inside any old house, with four panels and a plain brass doorknob. There was no sign explaining it — maybe it was an art installation — I couldn't tell. I walked over and turned the knob and pulled the door open. I peered through. Things looked pretty much the same on the other side: more green grass leading to another path across the square. So I walked through the doorway and looked back. Things looked pretty much the same as I remembered them being, but now I was on the other side looking at where I'd been. The open door made a frame that revealed the grass and the square and the college in the distance; but it was all, somehow, separate from me now.

Last day traditions and commencement exercises are little bit like a freestanding door in the grass; ceremony doesn't change us, but it announces that we have opened a door and walked through. Each year of education doesn't just grant skills and knowledge, but perspective. We see ourselves a little more clearly. And graduating implies new beginnings, like stepping through a door and looking back to know a little bit more about where we come from and who we are. So all of us at Canterbury United Community Church congratulate Canterbury's students on their achievements, and we wish you safe and joyful celebrations and of course, open doors ahead!

Peace, Pastor Becky A big shout out of congratulations and love to our Belmont High School 2021 graduates from Canterbury. We're proud of you and wish you well in the next chapter of your life journey!



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Sierra Bourque
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Madyson Cryans
Mya Maas-Ksiel
Thomas Mortell
Christopher Pare
Johnathan Phillips
Ryan Plaza
Hannah Scott

We're sure we missed some Canterbury graduates who attended other high schools. We'd love to honor you too! Send us their names for recognition in the July issue by emailing the editors at newslettercanterbury@gmail.com.

For a list of this year's **Belmont Middle School graduates** from Canterbury, see *Page 5*. Our fifth-grade **Canterbury Elementary graduates** are also on *Page 5!* 

**College-bound?** The Canterbury Fund offers scholarships! *Page 13.* 



The church is sponsoring a spaghetti supper at the Parish Hall on Saturday, June 4. Come eat! *Details, Page 8.* 



ALWAYS THE LAST SATURDAY IN JULY! Looking to volunteer at the Fair?

Want to learn to bake Shaker Hand Pies for the Bake Table?

Got prizes to donate for kids' activities?

Maybe contribute books to the Book Sale? Cool items for the What Not Sale?

Find out how on Page 4!

### Local Folks, Here to Serve You ...

**NORTH FAMILY FARM'S** 2022 organic maple syrup is available at local stores, the Canterbury Farmers Market or by appointment at the farm. We are sorry but our firewood is already sold out for the 2022 season! Thank you for your business! Check our website for more information: www.northfamilyfarm.com or call Jill or Tim at 783-4712.

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**CANTERBURY WOODS COUNTRY CLUB:** Open 7 days a week from 11am-8pm. Dine-in or takeout available. Tuesday and Wednesday are Canterbury Night! Show a valid ID showing your address in Canterbury, receive 10 percent off your food.

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**CANTERBURY WHOLE CHILD CENTER** is accepting waitlist applications for children 3-12yrs to nature/art based preschool & before/after school care. 603-783-4370 or CanterburyWholeChildCenter@gmail.com for more information.

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So, grab a friend and stop by for a relaxing & friendly plant shopping excursion, some unique plants and helpful advice...see you soon!

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#### Skip Hayslip

Canterbury, New Hampshire

Ellwyn F. Hayslip Jr. - Skip - died on Wednesday, May 11, 2022. Skip was a gentle soul and truly exemplified what it means to be a member of this great community.

Skip was born in Burlington, Vt., on April 3, 1951, to Ellwyn F. Hayslip and Josephine Buck Hayslip, who were both educators. His early life was spent in Johnson, Vt., and Topton, Penn., before coming to Rumney, New Hampshire, in 1961. Somewhere along the line he picked up his brother, Steven. In 1966 the family moved to Littleton, where Skip made many lifelong friends, including Russ and Rick and Rick and Jeff.



Following a meandering college career Skip graduated with a degree in unlimited potential. Soon after, while working as a lift attendant at Gunstock, he met Sally Fortier, who became the love of his life. They moved to North Carolina to begin their careers. In 1978 they married. In 1980 they got homesick. In 1981 they returned home to Concord, where Sally began a 24-year career at Concord Hospital. Skip was lucky enough to fall in with Pete Hodgkins and together they developed Audio of New England into a thriving Main Street business.

In 1986 Skip and Sally moved to Canterbury, where they made their home. Two wonderful people soon joined them, Ellwyn IV, born in 1989, and Graham, born in 1991. The boys learned early on how wonderful living in a small town can be.

In 1991 Skip joined Bankers Life and Casualty, where he worked for the rest of his days. During his career at Bankers, he was fortunate enough to have the help and friendship of many people, especially Dave Tinkham.

Skip loved the Red Sox and the Bruins, hiking (all 48!), cooking, Tom Petty, Warren Zevon and mid-priced cabernet. He was a very active volunteer, involved in many town activities and projects. He loved living here. No one has been as lucky as he to have had such wonderful sons and a caring wife. They can do anything. He loved them with all of his heart. Other family members include Steven M. Hayslip up high in Oak Creek, Colo.

There will be a Celebration of Life on Saturday, June 25, at 2 pm at his home, 596 Northwest Road. (After all, Sally does love a party.)

Many thanks go out to Dr. Peter Crow and Dr. Julia Burdick and the caring staff at Bayada Hospice. If you wish to donate in his memory please donate to the GoFundMe Campaign for the Canterbury Country Store. Enjoy every sandwich.

### It's So Exciting to Have the Canterbury Fair Back!

#### We hope to see you at the Fayuh!

For you new to town in the past two years of its absence, a reminder: The Canterbury Fair is always the last Saturday in July! This year it falls on July 30 from 9 to 4 in the Town Center.

Come join us for **great foodstuffs**: the fair's famous Chicken BBQ; the wonder-full Bake Sale with many kinds of baked goods (the Shaker Hand Pies usually sell out early); the Frappe Bar, fresh fruit cups, hamburgers and hot dogs, the fresh lemonade tent and ice cream!

This year we have lots of **new artisans and crafts folks** offering their talents and wares.

The **Book Sale** is in the Town Hall. (Make sure to drop off books at The Byre from June 25 to July 16. It's located at 112 Southwest Road, on the right if you're heading south. Look for the "Byre" sign!)

Don't miss the day-long Children's Activities!

And thank goodness the **What Not Sale** is back again! Just imagine all the valuables collecting dust during the pandemic!

This is a family fair, so come one, come all. Fair day is usually hot and sunny so it is wise to leave pooches at home! There is lots of pedestrian traffic moving about Fair Day and it can be a lot for a dog to manage!

For photos from past fairs and information about this year's, keep an eye on our Canterbury Fair page on Facebook!

What makes small-town life so great? This, right here!

See you at the Fayuh!

~ Bob Drew and Rick Crockford, co-chairs, and Lisa Carlson, craftspeople, artisans and vendors coordinator



#### You too can bake Shaker Hand Pies!

Did you ever want to learn how Shaker Hand Pies are made? The opportunity is here to get your hands in the dough — literally! On June 30 (Thursday) and July 2 (Saturday) at 8 am, a small group of dedicated bakers will be meeting at the Parish Hall to once again make dozens of these delectable treats to sell at the Canterbury Fair. Please contact Judy Nelson (603-493-4207) if you are interested in participating, indicate which day you prefer, and leave a contact number in case of changes. A big thank you to all who have helped in the past!

#### Donations for kids activities welcome!

We're looking for new or near-new prizes for the kids games and activities: small toys, cool pencils, stickers, etc., you may have to donate. Please contact Adrienne at 603-783-4370 or adrienneart212@gmail.com to make arrangements! Thanks so much for supporting your local community events!



#### What's up? The What Not Sale schedule!

What Not Sale item collection runs from June 18 through July 16 daily at The Byre, 112 Southwest Road, from 1 to 6.

Moving items from the Byre to Canterbury Elementary takes place Tuesday, July 19, from 5 to 7 pm.

Collecting, sorting and pricing at CES takes place on Saturday and Sunday, July 23-24, from noon to 5 pm (items accepted!), Monday-Thursday, July 25-28, from 4 to 7 (items accepted) and Friday, July 29, from 9-5 (no item drops!)

### It's End of School Year and Graduation Season!

# Thanks to our nurse, farewell to Mrs. Blanchette and congrats to fifth-graders!

**School Nurses Day:** Canterbury Elementary School celebrated our fabulous school nurse, **Karen Decker-Gendron**, on May 13. We appreciate Mrs. Decker-Gendron and all of the ways she takes care of us.

On June 13, the CES PTO will host a playground party at 3:30. We will also unveil the new Canterbury Community Playground sign at 4:30. All are welcome! A special thank you to the town of Canterbury and Shaker Regional School District for coming together to sponsor the new sign, as well as to local artist Jayne Hastings for her work in creating a beautiful design that encompasses our learners' visions!

Our fifth-grade promotion night will be held on Monday, June 20, at 6 pm. Please join us in celebrating our wonderful scholars. For our planning purposes, please contact the school office to RSVP at 603-783-9944. This will be an indoor event. Congratulations to Eva Ashworth, Kayla Chandler, Tyler Chandler, Rhythm Cochrane, James Cole, Aubrey Drouin, Abel Hopey, Julianna Lemay, Devlin McPherson, Haven Rivera, Jackson Slayton, Allieanna Steele and Nicholas Wright. I am so proud of each of you.

Mrs. Blanchette's retirement: Mrs. Lynn Blanchette will be



Mrs. Blanchette, Mrs. Morrison (back for a visit!) and Principal Erin Chubb.

retiring at the end of the school year. Lynn has been employed at CES for 33 years. She has supported students, worked in the library and served as our school secretary. Mrs. Blanchette has chaired our Sunshine Committee and been actively

involved in school events and activities every step of the way. She is always welcoming and gracious, and her sense of humor is second to none! Lynn's contributions to the learners of Canterbury Elementary School are immeasurable, and I wish her all the best in her retirement.

**End of the year:** We have several fun end-of-year events scheduled, such as a field day and some outdoor field trips. We are excited to be returning to a special school tradition, the whole school field trip. On June 17, we will head to the Montshire Museum in Vermont.

As we look forward to the last weeks of the school year, CES staff members continue to remain focused on supporting students and helping them to achieve their best. I wish you all a healthy, happy summer.

~ Erin Chubb, Principal

#### Way to go, BMS graduates!



Congratulations to Canterbury's Belmont Middle School graduates! You've persevered through difficult circumstances, and done great. It's on to high school!

Josephine Bernard **Maple Cochrane Andrew Cryans** Adleigh Dickinson Milo Dowling **Evelyn Ellis-Haines Hadley Esty-Lennon Brady Jewell** Samantha Johnson **Nicholas Makris Brittnee Matott Theodore Perron Ethan Rivera** Lulu Sachetta Samuel Slayton **Meg Soucie Avery Taylor** 



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## Canterbury: a Small Town ... With a Lot to Offer!

#### Bees, butterflies and a better planet!

**Gardening for Pollinators** 

Tuesday, June 14, 6 pm

Town Hall

Elkins Library Speakers Series

Insects such as bees and butterflies are helpful, in some cases essential, in pollinating many of our food crops, such as apples, berries and vegetables. In recent years there has been a significant decline in the populations of these wild pollinators. Planting patches of flowers, wildflowers, grasses, shrubs and flowering trees with an emphasis on the use of native plants can encourage and support natural pollinators as well as enhance backyard landscapes. At this talk, recommendations will be presented on creating a pollinator habitat in your yard.

Additionally, you'll learn about the new Pollinator Garden Certification program sponsored by UNH and UMaine Cooperative Extension. Once established, you can apply to have your garden/property certified and help spread the word about the importance of pollinators.

Our speaker is Donna Miller of Canterbury, an Advanced Master Gardener specializing in pollinators and native plants.

#### Fireworks, the 4th and a party at the store!

The Canterbury Country Store & Friends of CCS are holding a **Pre-Fireworks Family Fun** event on July 2 from 6:30 to 8:30.

The CC Store and the Friends are organizing an evening for family and friends to gather in the center, spread out your blanket or lawn chairs, listen to music, and have hot dogs, ice cream and watermelon on us. The store will be open until 8ish for drinks, chips or whatever snacks you want.

We will have corn hole set up for a pickup game or two or bring along any yard game you may have! So come on down, visit with neighbors and then settle in for the big fireworks show!

#### Help wanted with children's games on the 4th

Independence Day help with children's games still needed! Anyone interested in helping to look after the prize table and another two folks to help with the games would be great! We'll be celebrating on the lawn of the church on the 4th. Doesn't get any more wholesome than this! Let Rick Crockford know at rick.crockford044@gmail.com.

#### In case you're wondering about the fireworks ...

The fireworks at Canterbury Elementary School will be held on Saturday, July 2. Once again, JPI Pyrotechnics will provide the show.

~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator



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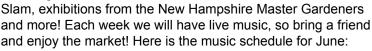
### A Page That's All About the Food ...

#### Opening Day for the Market is June 1!

Mark your calendars for opening day on Wednesday, June 1, from 4 to 6:30 pm. We have a great mix of new and returning vendors to provide the best local produce around. Our traditional Opening Day Gardening Hat contest will take place

on the 1st. Come to the first market of the year with your most creative and funky gardening hat yet! We will select one lucky winner to receive some market goodies.

This year we are bringing back children's activities and demonstrations! Keep an eye out for an updated calendar of events featuring the beloved Sandwich



June 1: Kyle Masterson & Amanda Jennison

June 8: Tim Gurshin June 15: Bow Junction

June 22: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki & Jim Prendergast

June 29: Katie Dobbins

In preparation for opening day, 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 at the Info tent when you shop. For more information, visit our website at canterburyfarmersmarket.com. The support from members makes our market feel like no other. The sense of community that each of you contributes makes this market possible and welcomes us all to gather around local food. With that, we thank you and will see you this summer!

~ Emily Sullivan

# The "girls" on Sloping Acres Farm hope you've got milk on your mind!

June must be the best month of the year. The days are long and warm, school lets out for summer, strawberries ripen and ... it's National Dairy Month! Beginning in 1937, National Dairy Month is a celebration of dairy cows, farmers and the delicious products they supply consumers with. Now, more than 80 years later, it's still an excellent excuse to throw an extra slice of cheese on your burger, justify that larger ice cream cone or just get a little more enjoyment out of a tall cold glass of milk.

The good news is that there is never a bad time to enjoy dairy products. We all know milk is good for our bones, but it's also packed with protein, energy, vitamins and electrolytes. That's probably why it's quickly replacing sugary sports drinks as the recovery drink of choice for professional and young athletes.

What's even better than fueling your body with great nutrition is the knowledge that you're doing it with a fresh local product that is environmentally sustainable and ethically sourced. Milk is highly perishable, so it is typically hitting a grocery store shelf within two days of leaving the farm. That doesn't leave much time to burn fuel trucking it around the country. Many people don't realize that many of the brands available locally are probably from farms in their own neighborhoods.

And the cows? Research has proven time and again that cows who are healthy, comfortable and stress-free produce more milk at a higher quality. Basically, if we take good care of our girls, our girls take good care of us – simple!

So, if you enjoy supporting local agriculture while supporting your own health, don't forget to add milk to your June grocery list. We, and all our girls here on West Road, hope you do!

~ Nicole Glines, Sloping Acres Farm, for the Canterbury Agriculture Commission

#### Food pantry supports 273 neighbors in need

In April 2022 the Loudon Food Pantry gave out enough food to 273 individuals for them to prepare 5,795 meals. Of these people, 129 were age 60 and older (47 percent), 41 were age 18 or under (15 percent), and 103 were between those ages (38 percent).

**Time off:** The pantry will be closed and unavailable from June 20-June 24. (Please do not leave any donations outside our door.) We will reopen on Tuesday, June 28. As usual, we will feed our patrons double their food allotments the week before.

**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! **For our location, hours and full contact information, see our listing at the bottom of** *Page 13***.** 

~ Sue Houck

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### The Church and Parish House: At the Heart of Things!

#### The Benevolent Society is here to serve

The Canterbury Benevolent Society, formerly the Ladies Benevolent Society, has a long and distinguished history of contributing to the welfare of our local community and to the world beyond. As stated in our purpose, we "Cultivate the spirit of Christ beginning with our own lives and reaching out into homes and communities and the uttermost reaches of the world." Summarized below are some of the past actions that CBS members have undertaken to fulfill that purpose.

Each year, with the exception of the pandemic years, its members have supported the Canterbury Fair, primarily by baking all sorts of goodies for the Bake Sale table. The Fair, in turn, supports the Canterbury Fund, helping students in college and any of our Canterbury neighbors in need. CBS also contributes funds to support our school nurse who, at her discretion, may use the money to purchase socks or mittens or any other items for a child in need.

In the past, contributions have been made to a Concord Homeless Shelter, an Alton church (after a devastating flood in their town), a Berlin church (following lumber mill shutdowns) and to many other local charitable organizations. We reach out into the world beyond our comfortable situations to help those less fortunate by assembling Health Kits that go to Church World Service, whose mission it is to distribute kits of all types (health, school and cleanup, for example). Cleanup kits are especially needed after flooding disasters.

When there is a life to celebrate within our community, CBS members offer their services by providing a funeral reception at the request and direction of the family. This is a free-will offering service.

We welcome all persons who subscribe to our purpose to join us in our work in making our community and our world a better place. For more information, you can contact Denise Sojka at 603-783-9209.



#### That's right, it's a spaghetti dinner!

Saturday, June 4, 5:30 to 7 pm

In the Parish House, located behind the Country Store

Adults: \$10 Children: \$5

Under 4 years: Free Families: \$25 (up to 4)



This event is hosted by the Canterbury United

Community Church. Dinner includes spaghetti, sauce, meatballs (Italian or vegetarian), garlic bread or Italian bread, tossed salad, dessert and beverage.

#### Please join us for Stretch and Strengthen!

Stretch & Strengthen classes continue at the Parish Hall on Mondays and Fridays beginning promptly at 8:30 am during the summer months. (9 am in the mid-fall and winter.) The class is one hour of guided exercises with minimal chit chat. Each person brings his/her own weights and works to the level at which he/she feels comfortable. A towel and some kind of floor mat is also needed.

The classes are free and safety protocols for the Parish Hall are followed. If interested, just come. (Enter via the ramp entrance at the back of the Parish Hall.) If you have any questions, please contact Judy Nelson, 603-493-4207.



### The Latest from Your Town Officials

#### Property tax bills are out and due July 5

July 2022 tax bills will be mailed out on May 20. They will be due Tuesday, July 5.

The Town Clerk-Tax Collector office will be open Friday, July 1, from 9 am to noon; closed Monday, July 4; open Tuesday, July 5, from noon to 7 pm; open Wednesday, July 6, from 9 am to 3 pm; and open Thursday, July 7, from noon to 7 pm

The office will be closed the week of July 10-16. Normal business hours resume Monday, July 18.

~ Samuel Papps, Town Clerk-Tax Collector

#### Staffing shortage means less mowing

In the past we have been inclined to mow our cemeteries on a two week (more or less based on weather) rotation. Many towns, including Canterbury, are currently facing a manpower shortage. This dilemma, which may result in less frequent mowing, can be viewed in a positive light. A nationwide initiative of delayed mowing, "No Mow May," and subsequent less mowing through the summer and fall can bring our environment into increased "harmony with nature."

Studies have looked into how reducing the frequency of mowing throughout the growing seasons impacts bees and other pollinators. Bee abundance increased when lawns were mowed every other week. Mowing every three weeks resulted in more than double the number of flowers available (mainly dandelions and clover) and increased bee diversity. Lawn mower noise and potential air/water pollution is also reduced with a less frequent mowing schedule.

We are thus asking for your understanding and tolerance as we attempt to resolve the current situation.

~ John Goegel for the Cemetery Trustees

#### Steenson represents board on Shaker study

The Hazard Mitigation Committee is still working on the revised plan. There is a link to a survey on the town website, canterbury-nh.org, for anyone that has information about past events that they would like to share.

Selectmen Chair Bob Steenson is representing the board on the committee to explore the feasibility and suitability of withdrawing from the Shaker Regional School District. The meeting schedule will be posted on the town website.

The gate at the Riverland Recreation Area is open from 7 am to 8 pm. Please remember that the river current can be unpredictable and use safe swimming practices.

The Board of Selectmen meetings are June 6 and June 20.

~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator

### Two calls for participation!

Transfer Station's future: Every so often in the life of a small town, the community hits a bump in the road and I believe we are at one now. The Transfer Station needs help from the citizens of town if it is to continue to serve future generations of residents.

Do we go forward with only limited information on what to do with our "town dump"? Do we continue with practices established years ago? We need to develop a plan that addresses our present needs and also builds for the future and identifies the features we need going forward.

Here is an excellent opportunity to participate, for both young and old. The Solid Waste Committee, chaired by Steve Rasche, is planning on meeting on the fourth Thursday of the month at 3:30 in the afternoon at the library. If you have never served on a town board, and you have an interest in this facility; if you want to know how we handle the materials you no longer need at your house; if you want to assist in determining what happens to it and how we pay for this service, please join us. Committees are where community direction is found; make a difference, volunteer!

If you have not felt included in the workings of the town, or wondered if there was something you could get involved in, please, join us. You can call the town office (603-783-9955) or contact me, 603-731-8863.

~ Kent Ruesswick, Selectman

Master Planning session: The Canterbury Planning Board, other commissions in town and the staff of the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission are working to update the 2010 Master Plan, also known as the Plan for Tomorrow. This work was disrupted by the pandemic during 2020 and 2021.

If you would like to know more, or want to share views and aspirations for the future of the town, please join the board and planning commission on Saturday, June 18, between 10 and noon in the Town Center buildings. Refreshments will be available. There will be six breakout groups: Land Use and Economic Development; Natural and Cultural Resources; Transportation; Agriculture; Housing; Community and Recreational Facilities, Utilities and Internet and Energy.

It is hoped to have some remote access in the Meeting House for people unable to attend in person.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact the Planning Board secretary Lois Scribner at planningboard@canterbury-nh.org.

### Elkins Library: Oceans of Possibilities This Summer!

The next Trustee meeting is on Monday, June 20, at 7 pm in the library.

**Hours:** Mondays and Tuesdays, 9 to 5; Wednesdays and Thursdays, 9 to 7, and Saturdays, 9 to noon. Check our website and Facebook page for more information about our expanding services and safety protocol.

#### **Programs**

**The Old Man Boring Book Club** will meet on Thursday, June 7, at 6 pm. This group of interesting men and women bring titles to share and discuss. It is one of our largest programs.

**Evening Book Group:** In May we will be reading *The Last Night In London* by Karen White, a story of friendship, love and betrayal that moves between war-torn London during the Blitz and the present day. We will meet to discuss the book Wednesday, June 15, at 6 pm. Copies are available at the library or on Libby, but not on Hoopla.

**Murder, Mayhem and Misadventure** will meet on Tuesday, June 28, at 2. Our guest is Mark Travis, a longtime journalist and Canterbury resident. He'll be talking about writing a mystery. He's working on his second, set in Concord during the Civil War. For an excerpt to read in advance, contact the library.

On Pins and Needles: This handiwork group will take a summer break for June, July and August. Join us in the fall as we work on a charitable knitting (or crocheting) project.

**Elkins Café.** Join Rachel by the fireplace on the first and third Thursday of each month at 2 pm for an hour. We start the time with fellowship and refreshments and then work into our program. This month's programs:

**June 2:** Artists' Miniature Books from the collection of Gay Ayers. As a miniature book collector, Gay will speak about and show many artists' books, exploring the idea of a book as art. She will give us the history of these fascinating tiny treasures.

**June 16:** New author and former Canterbury resident Mary Jane (Rogers) Lavoie will talk about her memoir, *An Only Child No More – Discovering My New Family at 54*. Many long-time residents may remember her parents, Linwood and Ruth Rogers. Mary Jane will describe her journey and share photos related to her book. This program will be in the Meeting House.

**Musical Monday:** On the first Monday of every month, come to the library to watch a musical on our big screen at 2 pm. We are having such fun with this program! On Monday, June 6, we will feature the 1951 classic, *An American in Paris*.

**Story Time:** Regular Story Time will continue on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 10 am through June 15. Please join us June 14 and 15 for a Teddy Bear Picnic, rain or shine. After reading stories and playing games, we'll have a picnic to celebrate the end of our "school year." Please bring a picnic snack for you

#### The library is swimming with summer fun!

Elkins will kick off the Summer Reading Program, Oceans of Possibilities, on Saturday, June 25! Join us at the



library as we host Squam Lake Science Center's program Aquatic Critters at 10 am. Please sign up for

this event on our Facebook page or by calling the library.

The following programs are for children of all ages, so bring your family and have some fun! Check our Facebook page and website for more info.

Steve Blunt visits us on Saturday, July 9, at 10 am.

The Street Fair, with crafts provided by the Children's Museum of NH, will be Saturday, July 23, at 10 am.

We are offering three Teen Nights for those entering middle school and high school. You must sign up on our Facebook page or by calling the library so we have enough materials available. The events begin at 5:30.

Wednesday, June 29: Ocean in a Ball craft Wednesday, July 13: Paint Night Wednesday, July 27: Candy Bingo/Movie Night

and yours (we will not be sharing food) and the library will provide juice. After a short break, summer Story Time will meet on Wednesdays at 10 am from June 29 to July 27. Come prepared to sing sea shanties, read themed stories and make a take-home craft. This program is best for children birth to 5.

**Tunes, Tales and Tumbles:** The 3T's will continue meeting on Thursday mornings at 10 am through June 16. Please join us June 16 for a Teddy Bear Picnic. (For details, see the Story Time entry!) After a short break, 3T's will meet on Thursdays at 10 am from June 30 to July 28. If wiggling is your thing, come to this program for children ages baby through preschool, for a program filled with music, stretching, rhymes, stories and fun!

Story Time and the 3T's are drop-in programs so feel free to stop by and check them out.

Phone: 603-783-4386 Website: elkinspubliclibrary.org

**Material requests:** 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.)

### A Page for the Past, Present and Future!

# Historical Society, library sponsor program on Shaker Village's future

Please join us on Tuesday, June 7, in the Town Hall at 7 pm for a special program co-sponsored by Elkins Library and the Canterbury Historical Society featuring Leslie Nolan, executive director at Shaker Village, who will present a program titled, "The State of the Village: Plans and Opportunities for Growth and Community Engagement." Come! Bring your questions and discover what's happening at Canterbury's beloved landmark. All are welcome and refreshments will be served.

Research/Accession Center: The historical society has set up a work area in which to continue the process of sorting, indexing and then accessioning archive material into the society's database. Materials to be worked on include the Canterbury Women's Club, church records and town records, some covering several decades. You can help in this project. While there is no pay, you can be sure to feel gratified that you have helped in making our archives searchable and accessible for all. For more information contact our archivist, Sam Papps, or email us at canterbury.nh.historical.society@gmail.com.

~ Bob Scarponi, Historical Society President



#### Music on the Meeting House Green

June 26 through Sept. 11, Sundays at 4 pm

This summer, Canterbury Shaker Village brings back its Sunday outdoor concert series with an exciting new lineup of performances. From folk to classical, Music on the Meeting House Green offers something for everyone, culminating in a celebration of the arts for all to enjoy.

The series begins on Sunday, June 26, and continues through Sept. 11. Each concert is from 4 to 5 pm. Suggested donation for each performance. Bring a picnic, bring a chair and enjoy a series of concerts. All concerts are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather. Concert cancellations will be updated on shakers.org the morning of each performance date.

#### Three opportunities to support the village!

#### **New Hampshire Gives**

Tuesday, June 7, and Wednesday, June 8

Canterbury Shaker Village is participating in New Hampshire Gives on June 7 and 8. NH Gives, an initiative of the NH Center for Nonprofits, is a statewide 24-hour online fundraising event. This year, with the help of matching funds from two anonymous donors, the village will be raising funds to purchase a new truck to help with maintenance of the buildings and grounds as well as snow removal and other seasonal needs.

#### Simply Shaker Online Auction

Friday, June 10 through Monday, June 20

Bid on a range of exciting items and experiences, from sommelier-selected wines to getaway packages and exclusive tours to special artisan wares. The bidding opens at 9 am on Friday, June 10, and closes at 5 pm, Monday, June 20. Every bid helps support the village! Register at shakers.org.

#### Simply Shaker Annual Fundraiser

Thursday, June 23, 5 to 8 pm

Enjoy a summer evening benefiting Canterbury Shaker Village. Held outside on the Garden Barn Lawn overlooking Turning Mill Pond, this event will feature a Shaker-inspired buffet dinner, live

#### New this summer: science for students

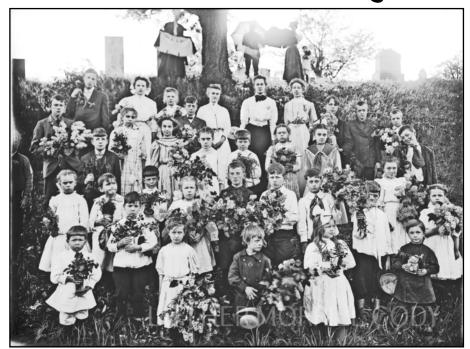
This summer, a new program for students grades 8 to 10 at Canterbury Shaker Village will channel the inventive spirit of the Shakers themselves. Developed by the N.H. Academy of Science, Introduction to Scientific Research will be presented in two sessions on July 18-22 and July 25-29 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm daily.

Full-price tuition is \$750 with half-price scholarships of \$375 available on a first-come, first-served basis. The scholarships are made possible by a recent grant award. Tuition includes lunch. To register at shakers.org, use promo code SHAKER50. To pay by check, enter code, CHECK, at checkout. Learn more at shakers.org!

music by the Jared Steer Trio, and a preview of the new visitor orientation film, Holy Ground, by SALT.

The event will also include the Inaugural James Garvin Award presented by Howard Mansfield and Sy Montgomery, a presentation by SALT filmmakers Matt Boulton and Liz Myers, as well as a live Fund-the-Need auction, supporting the ongoing restoration of the Schoolhouse. Tickets are \$100 per person. Visit shakers.org to purchase tickets.

## Canterbury, As It Was ...







More from the
Historical Society's
Luther Cody photo
collection! Top left:
Memorial Day. Top
right: Fishing!
Bottom right: An
unknown (but nicely
dressed!) little girl.
Bottom left: a lawn
party! (Precursor to
the Canterbury Fair?)





North Country HVAC, LLC, whose ad is above, was founded by James and Mickey Chandler, longtime residents of Canterbury!



Got news to share? Want to join the advertisers you see here? Email us at newslettercanterbury@gmail.com!

~ Mark and Brenda Travis, co-editors

# 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

Town website: 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

Town Clerk/Tax Collector: 783-0153. Mon. and Wed., 9 to 3; Tue. and Thur. 12 to 7. Email: 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 assessing@canterbury-nh.org kfolsom@canterbury-nh.org

**Building Inspector:** 783-9033 buildinginspector@ canterbury-nh.org

Highway Dept: 783-4123 canterburyhighway@ canterbury-nh.org

Planning Board: 848-2059 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

**Parish House rental:** By phone, 783-9365. By email, mycanterburychurch@gmail.com

Online: canterburychurch.org facebook.com/ MyCanterburyChurch

Newsletter: Deadline is 16th of month before publication. Editors: Mark and Brenda Travis, newslettercanterbury@gmail.com

#### **Canterbury Fair:**

twitter.com/CanterburyFair facebook.com/CanterburyFair

#### **Town Email List**

Rachel Baker manages the Canterbury Town Email List. Join or submit by emailing 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.

#### 56 years later, Canterbury Fund still gives

The Canterbury Fund is a charitable trust established by Alexander Standish of Canterbury on June 10, 1966. One purpose of the fund is to assist Canterbury residents who are in need of financial assistance due to hardships resulting from an emergency or health issues. The fund may make grants to organizations in Canterbury to assist in the funding of community projects which, in the opinion of the trustees, are in the best interest of all Canterbury residents.

Another use of the fund is to offer some assistance to students as they continue their studies in higher education.

As stipulated by Mr. Standish, the trustees of the fund were established to be the trustees of the Canterbury United Community Church, though the Canterbury Fund's assets are not associated with the church itself. The trust also established that a Canterbury Fund Loan and Grant Committee would work in tandem with the fund trustees. This committee receives all requests to the fund for loans or grants. The committee makes recommendations to the trustees, who may approve or disapprove the recommendation of the committee. The Loan and Grant Committee is made up of representatives associated with town organizations.

Over the years since the fund was established, the fund has grown both through interest on the principal and proceeds from the Canterbury Town Fair. Many of our Canterbury residents and the community as a whole have benefited greatly from the generosity and forethought of Alexander Standish. Mr. Standish and the continued dedication of your neighbors who help to administer the fund to care for our neighbors in Canterbury is inspiring and something to celebrate.

The Canterbury Fund is currently accepting applications with a strict deadline of June 30 from Canterbury residents for its yearly college scholarships. This year all student applicants must physically appear at a committee meeting and introduce themselves in order to be eligible for funds. Meetings will be in the evenings in June. For more information on how to apply please contact Jessie Tichko by email at tshot04@gmail.com.

#### Save the date for the annual yard sale

Saturday, July 9

On the Center Gazebo Green Rain or shine

Bring your own treasures to sell, table and your own cash box. A small charge of \$3-\$5 for the *Concord Monitor* newspaper ad collected that morning.

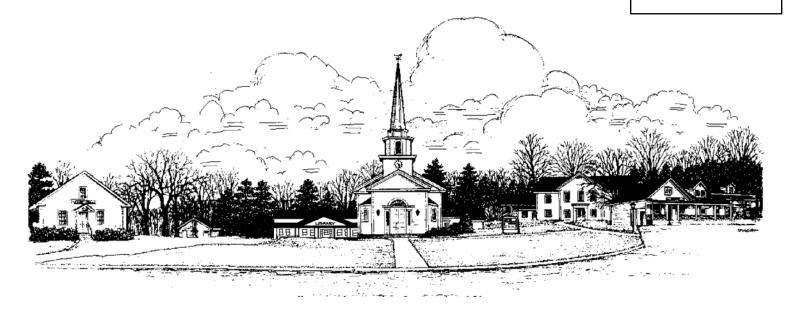
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#### Trail Notes: Appreciating wind on water, and what it can teach us

Wind on the water – all it takes is a good gust sweeping across the water to completely and instantly change the look of a pond. The water can turn from blue to black in a blink. Introduce some fast moving clouds and you've got a show that's hard to walk away from.

It's been good to remember a favorite wind and water show as we've been endlessly buffeted by spring blows. But it's been a good cloud show this spring.

I've gotten pretty well attuned to the constant nature show that surrounds me, thanks in part to Robin Wall Kimmerer. I recently finished rereading *Braiding Sweetgrass*. The library just got her first book, *Gathering Moss*.

She writes so well that she really focuses my attention. I don't want to miss anything. And this gets me into generally seeing more, which makes my mind more enjoyable to live with.

The degree I experience this has made me much more attuned to how Native Americans have been able to be so attuned to their natural surroundings. Nature speaks to them so clearly it's no wonder they understand so well how to relate to their fellow life forms.



Be one with nature. It's good medicine.

Native Americans will be coming to the Canterbury Fair and can help us attain this goal. And sometime after the fair we hope to have book groups at the library for studying and discussing Robin Wall Kimmerer's *Braiding Sweetgrass* and perhaps *The Gatherings* after that. Stay tuned. ~ Dave Emerson