

Canterbury Community Newsletter

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Canterbury Fair!

Saturday, July 30 ~ 9 to 4 ~ Town Center



After a two-year hiatus, due to Covid, a beloved town tradition — the Canterbury Fair — is back for 2022!

New to town? Here's what you'll find there ...

A 5K road race!
Great vendors!
All sorts of live music and dance!
Children's games!
What Not Sale!
Book Sale!
Chicken BBQ!
Demonstrations!
Baked goods, food tent ... and milkshakes!
Your neighbors!

How can you resist? See you at the fair!



There's lots and lots of Canterbury Fair news as we draw closer to the big day.

You'll find volunteer opportunities, What-Not and Book Sale dropoff info, registration info for the Woodchuck Classic 5K and more on Page 4!

Here's what you'll find if you join us for a church service!

Dear Canterbury Friends,

Are you working on some summer resolutions like painting the house or finishing a book or spending time with a friend you've been missing? Even if our 9-5 or 8-6 doesn't change much, or we're working extra hours on the farm, we may still feel that summer call to do something new, to dip our toes into a project or adventure that's been tickling us for a while. For school-age kids, the days' rhythms shift: morning may be slower and bedtime later. We may meet up at a playgroup or soccer game or fair committee or at the store, but we may also miss our usual connections during July and August.



Pastor Becky

~
Sunday services:
9:30 am

If you've never come to church or have been away for a while, summer might be just the time to visit Canterbury United Community Church for a Sunday service. We welcome all persons regardless of background, ability, gender, sexuality or heritage, and we welcome all ages from newborns through nineties.

Here's what you'll find. Folks gather at 9:30 for about an hour. Some dress for comfort (jeans or shorts and a T-shirt), and some dress up. A friendly greeter will welcome you and help ...

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Local Folks, Here to Serve You ...

GRAND VIEW FARM: Field grown cut flowers sold at the Concord Farmers' Market on Saturdays or at the farm by request. 35 Fife Road, Rebecca Davis or Ruth Mann 603-520-6901. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram: Grand View Farm Flowers.

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CANTERBURY COUNTRY STORE: Open 6:30 to 6 on Monday-Saturday, 8 to 5 on Sunday. You'll find quality local foods and products (and your Canterbury neighbors) as well as a variety of convenience store items – and it's the season for fresh-picked produce from local farms. If you don't see something you'd like, ask! Call us at 783-9933 if you'd like items bagged for pickup.

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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. Prime rib every Friday night!

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

BROOKFORD FARM: Our farm store is open daily from 7 am to 7 pm. Pre-order for pickup Tuesday through Sunday. CSA subscriptions and bulk meat orders available too. Organic vegetables, krauts, aged meats, 100 percent grass-fed beef and dairy, pastured chicken, eggs, pork and lamb. Find out more at our website: brookfordfarm.com.



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Open Farm Day: Stop and smell the cut-grown flowers ... and much more!

Canterbury Cut-Flower Growers
"Open Farm" Day
Sunday, Aug. 7, 8 am to 1 pm

Do you enjoy field-grown flowers? Want to support local farmers ("grown not flown")? Follow the flower trail to the three flower farms in Canterbury, and meet the women who run them! Informative sessions, demonstrations and refreshments at each location.

Yes, it's on a Sunday — we're selling at markets on Saturday. Yes, it starts at 8 am — because flowers like to be picked in the cool of the day (and it's the best time to photograph them too!)

White Rock Farm, Donna Vandewater
362 Hackleboro Road

- Build-Your-Own Bouquet Bar
- Tips on Extending Vase Life
- Dish Gardens for sale
- Nature Painting Demo w/ Janet King 11A-1P
- Free mini bouquets for kids!

Petals in the Pines, Donna Miller
126 Baptist Road

- Pick-Your-Own and pre-made bouquets
- Picking Techniques & Bouquet Arranging
- Flower Photography & Editing with Your Smartphone w/ Arabella Dane, check for time
- Free floral nature crowns for kids
- Leaf Stone Bird Baths & Botanical Scarves

Grand View Farm, Rebecca Davis & Ruth Mann
35 Fife Road

- Pick-Your-Own and pre-made bouquets
- Farmhouse floral-themed gifts for sale
- Learn about flower varieties as bouquet components
- Picnic space available, BYO lunch/snack
- What a view! Make sure to take pictures here.

Visit all three farms and receive a \$5 coupon redeemable at any of these farms during the remainder of the 2022 season. Be sure to pick up your card at the first farm you visit, and get it stamped at each location.

Each farm is on Facebook and Instagram, or you can visit whiterockfarmnh.com or petalsinthepines.com for more details.

Are you interested in joining these great local advertisers? For rates and options, email Mark and Brenda at newslettercanterbury@gmail.com!

This joint issue of the newsletter covers both July and August. It's our summer break. We'll miss you! But we'll be back with our September issue before you know it.

Here's the Latest from Canterbury Fair's Organizers

It takes a village to put this on and here's your chance to shine!
We need volunteers for the following:

Set-up on Friday the 29th from about 9 to noon. We could use 10 or 12 people, at least a few with strong backs. To volunteer, call Bob Drew at 603-848-8303.

Take-down from the close of the fair till about 7 pm. We need another 10 people or so. Call Bob Drew to volunteer for this too.

What-Not Sale: Sally Hayslip needs a dozen or so dedicated volunteers. Give her a call at 603-783-4167 or email sfh1957@me.com.

Food Tent: Chris Cornog needs about a dozen or so volunteers for shifts. You can reach Chris at 603-496-8733 or chris@paxtoncommunications.net.



Can't you just smell the chicken?

Demonstrators: Dave Emerson would love a few volunteers to help. You can call him at 603-783-4403 or 603-715-4713.

Chicken BBQ: Jim & Kim Wieck are back doing the Chicken BBQ, cooked with the usual flair by the Sunset Mountain Gun Club. Contact the Wiecks for volunteer opportunities.

Calling all bakers! Please contact Debbie Snow at mmequilt@comcast.net if you would like to donate baked goods or help us out that day.

What-Not Sale schedule for drop-offs is posted at the Canterbury Country Store.

Books for the book sale may be dropped off at The Byre (112 Southwest Road) from June 25 through July 15 from 1 to 6 pm. Please leave them on or near tables marked with a "BOOKS" sign. We also accept DVDs or CDs with audiobooks, or film/TV shows. After July 15, books and media may be dropped off at the Town Hall on Saturdays, July 16 and July 23, from 9 am to noon, and Wednesday, July 27, from 4 to 7 pm.

If you want to learn how to **bake a Shaker Hand pie** and lend a floured hand to the Bake Sale, meet in the Parish House kitchen on June 30 or July 2 at 9 am. I know Bob Drew will buy nearly all the strawberry rhubarb hand pies we can make!

We're excited to have all sorts of music and dance, from Suzuki students in the church to Lunch at the Dump in the gazebo to our Morris Dancers and Mr. Aaron on the library porch!

Our next fair planning meeting is July 6 at 7 pm in the Parish House. Come see what all the fuss is about.

~ Rick Crockford

Runner? Walker? Watcher? Start your day with the Woodchuck Classic 5K!

Whether you run, walk or crawl, the Canterbury Woodchuck Classic 5K is a great opportunity to show support for our community. The 27th Annual Race will be held on Fair Day, July 30, at 9 am. This year the Chipmunk Scramble returns, allowing young runners to show their stuff by completing a 2K Fun Run. The Woodchuck Classic kicks off the Canterbury Fair and is a major fundraiser for the Canterbury Fund, which supports our community in many ways.

We are pleased to have many local businesses as sponsors including Canterbury Ale Works, Canterbury Woods Country Club, The Edwards CPA Group, P.C., Magoon Tree, Aries Engineering, Loft OCR, Fox Country Smoke House and Brookford Farm. We appreciate their support. Please check them out and support our local economy.

If you are interested in running, please go to runcarsnh.com/canterbury-woodchuck-5k. This year we will have race day registration but we encourage you to register early. We cannot guarantee T-shirts/syrups for those registering after July 1.

If you are interested in volunteering, sponsoring or just have questions please contact Brandyn and Michelle Lewis, race directors, at lewis4nh@comcast.net. Looking forward to seeing all of you on race day. And thank you for your support!

~ Brandyn and Michelle

Historic photos featured in Fair Day exhibit!

Come see the Canterbury Historical Society's new exhibit at the Elkins Memorial Building on Fair Day! We will have framed photographs on display and sale, each chosen by the society's trustees from the unique and historic Luther Cody Canterbury Collection. Come visit the show and enter your name to win one of these prized, framed photographs. There could be no better gift to have, or to present, to anyone who loves Canterbury!

Visit the Center Houser One Room Schoolhouse, too!

Canterbury's historic schoolhouse, built in 1843, served as one of 12 schoolhouses located around town. It served its purpose until 1956 when our elementary school was opened. There is so much special about this building! Just ask any Canterbury student K-5, since they all attended the one room schoolhouse this year! Parents! Grandparents! The whole family! Come visit with them on Fair Day! They would love to show it to you — and to show you where they sat!

~ Bob Scarponi, President

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



Enjoy fresh local food and live music in the Town Center every Wednesday!

The Canterbury Farmers Market gathers every Wednesday from 4 to 6:30 pm right in the center of town. We have a great mix of vendors this summer to provide you with the best local produce around. You can use cash or purchase wooden tokens with your credit card at the Info Tent to use at all of our vendors' booths. We are a rain or shine market and only cancel when thunderstorms and lightning are on the radar.

We have Sandwich Slams happening on July 20 and Aug. 17. There will be exhibitions from the New Hampshire Master Gardeners on July 13 and Aug. 10. Check out our website at canterburyfarmersmarket.com for more information on these events! Each week there is live music, so come and bring a friend and enjoy the market!

- **July 6:** Speed the Plow
- **July 13:** Don Bartenstein
- **July 20:** Chris Bonoli
- **July 27:** Don Severance
- **Aug. 3:** Teen Night
- **Aug. 10:** Audrey Drake & Jarrod
- **Aug. 17:** The Sweetbloods
- **Aug. 24:** Mark Dionne
- **Aug. 31:** Paul Luff & Tim Gurshin

Supporters of the market can renew their membership by visiting us right at the Info Tent when you stop by to shop, and our lovely volunteers are ready to assist! For more information about this, visit our website.

The support from our members is what makes our market feel like no other. The sense of community that each of you contributes is what makes this market possible and welcomes us all to gather around local food and support our mission.

~ Emily Sullivan

Want to know what's where around town? A new folding map has the answers for you!

For fans of Tales and Trails and anyone who may like to have a map of Canterbury! A folded map (same as the one in the library, only smaller, so it will be easy to carry in your pocket) will be available at the end of the month.

It is one-sided, glossy, has cemeteries marked and is 17x22. Cost is \$8 and it will be at the store, the library and the town clerk's office.

~ Ginny Litalien and Jacqueline Laufman

It's here: the annual Town Center 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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~ Donna Vandewater

Town Administrator and Town Clerk Check In

Fireworks are on for July 2 at CES!

The annual Fireworks show will be held at Canterbury Elementary School on Saturday, July 2. JPI Pyrotechnics has promised another great show with several new fireworks!

The Town Office will be closed on Monday, July 4.

Mowing on the town roadsides will begin the first of July.

Paving this summer should begin sometime in mid-July. The eastern end of the paved portion of Baptist Hill Road will be reclaimed and paved. Shaker Road from Baptist Hill to the town line will be paved.

Selectmen's meetings will be held July 18 and Aug. 1 and 15.

We have two new part-time employees. Chris Senter is working at the Transfer Station on Saturdays and Boden Gendron is working as a seasonal employee mowing and maintaining town and cemetery lawns. We are still looking for a Full-Time Transfer Station Manager/Highway Employee. The job posting is on the town website.

The town email addresses have changed from Canterbury-nh.org to Canterburynh.gov. Any emails sent to the .org address will be forwarded to the .gov address for one year.
~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator

Heads up!

Property tax bills are due on July 5 ...

July 2022 tax bills, which were mailed out May 20, and are due Tuesday, July 5.

Town Clerk-Tax Collector July office schedule:

- Friday, July 1: Office open 9 am to noon.
- Monday, July 4: Office closed in observance of Independence Day.
- Tuesday, July 5: Tax bill due date, office open noon to 7 pm.
- Wednesday, July 6: Office open 9 am to 3 pm.
- Thursday, July 7: Office open noon to 7 pm.

The Town Clerk-Tax Collector's office will be closed the week of July 10 through 16. Normal business hours will resume Monday, July 18.

I will be attending educational training in August, and the office will be open amended hours the week of Aug. 1 through 4: open Monday 8/1, Tuesday 8/2, Wednesday 8/3 and Thursday 8/4 from 5 pm to 7 pm.
~ Samuel Papps, Town Clerk-Tax Collector



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Considering Canterbury Today ... and Tomorrow

Thanks to the 50 residents who joined us in discussing the town's future!

The chairs and members of the Canterbury Planning Board, the Agricultural Commission and Conservation Commission wish to thank all the town residents who attended the Master Plan vision session on Saturday, June 18. Along with Mike Tardiff, the director of the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission and his staff, we had almost 50 residents come to participate in discussions about the town's character and future development. A few of those participating represented the folks under 40s in town.

Members of the Planning Board made strawberry shortcakes and had bagels and coffee ready for participants and it was really heartening to see such a good attendance on a Saturday morning in June.

Many issues were raised, including the aspects of Canterbury that most people value, such as its rural nature, as well as the constraints the town faces for development, such as lack of infrastructure and aging demographics. Discussions were lively and very efficiently conducted within the time allotted.

There will be a full report produced by the CNHRPC office summarizing the discussions and issues raised. It will be shared around town when the Planning Board receives it. It is hoped that a further session can be arranged, offering remote access, to allow people unable to attend in June to have an opportunity to share views. That would be advertised in the newsletter, town email and online forums too.

Ultimately, all this work contributes to the redrafting of the Town's Master Plan, or Plan for Tomorrow, which provides guidance for any changes in zoning and regulations that might be implemented in the next 10 years.

What's big and what's small when it comes to Canterbury's family farms?

When does a small family farm become big enough to be considered a large commercial agricultural operation?

The Canterbury Planning Board is tasked with updating the Town's Master Plan (aka The Plan For Tomorrow) every 10 years and is now working through the process. The Planning Board invited the Agricultural Commission to participate and asked that they provide feedback and input to the portions of the plan pertaining to agriculture. Primarily, this has meant addressing concerns about use restrictions and zoning limitations which may have a detrimental impact on the local farming community. Similarly, the Conservation Commission was also asked to provide input and suggestions on conservation lands and lands that should be considered for future conservation protection.

While there are mutual goals shared by both commissions, there are also occasions when, although amicable, differing opinions have appeared. An interesting discussion arose recently regarding the number, size and scale of the farms currently operating in town. There was agreement that some language should be included in the Master Plan describing the present level of farming activity.

The suggested statement proposed by the Conservation Commission was, "There are a few large commercial agricultural businesses and many smaller agricultural operations in Town." The Agricultural Commission proposed, "There are a couple of small family owned and operated farms in town as well as several small family operated seasonal agricultural pursuits."

Which of the two statements better describes Canterbury's existing agriculture is probably a matter of perspective and opinion, and both could be correct.

Someone with a half-dozen chickens who sells surplus eggs could technically be considered a small commercial agricultural operation, so comparatively, there are a few large commercial agricultural operations in town. But there are also dairy farms in New Hampshire with herds of more than ten times the size of the herd on the largest Canterbury farm. In the Midwest farms with herds of over 15,000 milking cows are not unusual. By those two comparisons, Canterbury farms are tiny or small at best.

So, when does a small family farm become a large commercial agricultural operation? The answer is ... it's a matter of opinion.

~ Mark Stevens, for the Canterbury Agriculture Commission

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News from Here and There About Canterbury

Check out Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki performing at the Shaker Village!

The Music on the Garden Barn Green series of Sunday concerts at the Canterbury Shaker Village continues July 3 with the Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Trio! Jordan, who's from Canterbury, is an Emmy award-winning composer and fiddler-singer.



Other highlights in the series include Connecticut State Troubadour Lara Herscovitch, who performs on Aug. 6 and returns for her second summer, the Seacoast-based River Sister, Jim Dozet, the Wholly Rollers, and The Mink Hills Band. On Sept. 11, the series concludes with a special ticketed concert featuring cellists Jan Fuller and Harel Geithem, who were the first musicians to play for The Village's newly created music series in 2020.

Music on the Garden Barn Green concerts run from 4 to 5 p.m. every Sunday with a suggested donation of \$20. Tours of The Village will be available before the series with a reservation, and visitors are welcome to explore the grounds. To learn more about the series or the village, including upcoming programs and events, visit shakers.org.

Pre-fireworks party at the Country Store!

The Canterbury Country Store & Friends of CCS are holding a Pre-Fireworks Family Fun event on July 2 from 6 to 8. Come enjoy an evening for family and friends 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!

Congrats, Nathan, and best wishes!

Nathan Gendron graduated cum laude with a B.S. in Economics and a minor in Global Business from Suffolk University on May 22.



Food Pantry provides for 291 individuals

In May 2022 the Loudon Food Pantry gave out enough food to 291 individuals for them to prepare 7,099 meals. Of these people, 134 were age 60 and older (46 percent), 40 were age 18 or under (14 percent), and 117 were between those ages (40 percent).

Our appreciation: When we publish our "Needs List," it is wonderful to see those that shop from the list when donating food. I only put food on the list we absolutely need. When receiving USDA food or shopping the NH Food Bank, I can get cases of the same types of food. Not much variety. The "Needs List" provides the needed variety. The food pantry and the people who come here for food appreciate the donations and the help that is received. Thank you for your donations!

The Canterbury Fair is back! The food pantry will have a booth set up to answer any questions and sign people up to get food. Our cash collection bins, and our new food collection bins will be there as well! Hope to see you there!

Canterbury Community Farmers Market: The market has been very helpful in assisting our Canterbury patrons in receiving fresh fruits and vegetables each year. Our patrons are very grateful for the opportunity.

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 hours, etc., see our listing on Page 11.

~ Sue Houck

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Of, At and About the Community Church!

What you'll find if you join us for a service

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... you get settled. People will say hello. As worship begins, we spend time in quiet meditation, music, and prayer. Kids can play or color quietly in the pews or stretch their legs outside. We consider passages from the Bible and sometimes some contemporary writing or art. We sing. I offer a brief sermon, and we pray for our community and the world. We take a free will offering to support the work of the church; giving is entirely your call. After worship we gather in the Parish House or out in the yard for coffee, conversation, and delicious snacks.

Though we often pray and sing together (that's our Congregational heritage), our beliefs are diverse. At CUCC, you'll find yourself among people in various stages of faith and doubt—the Jesus-lovers sitting with the Jesus-curious. We seek to understand ourselves and God's will through life in community. We differ in our backgrounds, our biblical interpretation, and our sense of calling, but we agree that loving God means loving our neighbor and the stranger, that love requires serving, and that all people and all creation are precious to God.

Summer is a perfect time to try something new. Why not dip your toes into Community Church one summer morning? The welcome will be authentic, the music will be uplifting, and the coffee will be hot!

Peace,
Becky

Stretch & Strengthen at the Parish Hall

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.

Free folding chairs and part-time cleaning work!

We still have about 50 folding chairs that need a new home. Free for the taking!

Also, we are looking for someone to do a general clean-up of the Parish Hall and the sanctuary. About 4 hours weekly at \$25 per hour. Great opportunity for high schoolers. Make your own hours!

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Every Day Is An Exciting Day at Elkins Library!

The next Trustee meeting is on Monday, July 18, at 6 pm in the library. There is no Trustee Meeting in August.

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

Library passes: Thanks to generous donations from The Friends of Elkins Public Library and our loving library fans, we are able to offer quite a few passes this year. We have the NH State Parks Day Pass, Currier Museum of Art, Squam Lakes Science Center, The Childrens Museum of NH and Canterbury Shaker Village. Each pass comes with its own requirements and restrictions that we will explain when you call to reserve.

Have you taken a look at our website lately? Head over elkinspubliclibrary.org and see the new pages. We have a new tab for Canterbury Trails and an entire page dedicated to the Rita Braskie Memorial Garden. Take a look at the hard work of the Friends of Elkins Public Library Gardening Committee.

Friends of Elkins Public Library is always looking for members to get involved with the exciting work of the Library. Come in to the Library to get more information and a sign up form OR go to the website to print off a membership form and get details on the fun projects they are working on.

Programs

Social Issues Book Group: Enjoy reading nonfiction books that deal with current social issues? Consider spending some time with this new book group. Come and share your titles and reviews with like-minded readers. We are currently working on coming up with a time slot for this program. Stay tuned!

Evening Book Group: We will meet on Wednesday, July 20, at 6 pm to discuss *The Summer of '69* by Elin Hilderbrand. Copies are available at the library and download from Libby and Hoopla. This group takes an August vacation and will come back on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at 6 pm. Check in at the Circulation Desk over the summer for the September book.

Murder, Mayhem and Misadventure will meet throughout the summer on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 2. We try to do something different each month related to MMM, so join us or drop in once in a while. You never know what lies around the next corner! Tuesday, July 26, and Tuesday, Aug. 23.

Musical Monday: On Monday, July 11, come watch a musical on our big screen at 2 pm. Splish, splash ... it's the summer reading theme of Oceans of Possibilities! We will be watching the 1965 movie, *Beach Blanket Bingo*. (We normally meet on the first Monday of the month, but in July it's a holiday.)

Restoring Harmony: Thursday, Sept. 1, at 2 pm. The thoughts, concerns and beliefs that keep us awake at night and follow us through the day may lead to dis-ease in the body when not

Two nights reserved just for teenagers

Teens age 13 through high school are invited to participate in a couple events just for them. You must sign up for these events so the library will have enough materials available; sign up on our Facebook page or by calling the library.

Teen Paint Night: Wednesday, July 13, at 5:30 pm. We will follow step-by-step instructions to create a Seahorse masterpiece.

Pizza Movie Night: Monday, July 25 at 5:30 pm. We will be showing the summer classic, *Jaws*. Bring a candy bar for our Candy Bingo game to end the night.

released. Susan LeClair, experienced in Reiki and CranioSacral Therapy, will teach simple methods that you can utilize to restore harmony to your mind, body and emotions. Handouts will be provided to continue using these tools on your own. We will conclude with a calming meditation and discussion.

The Summer Reading Program, Oceans of Possibilities, is in full swing! When you visit the library this summer, let us know how many books you read during the week (starting June 25) and help us add fish to our "circulation desk aquarium!" Let's fill the aquarium this summer!

Story Time: Story Time will meet on Wednesdays at 10 am through July 27. Join us as we sing sea shanties, read themed stories and make a take-home craft. This program is best suited for children birth to 5.

Tunes, Tales and Tumbles: The 3T's will meet on Thursdays at 10 am through 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!

Special Summer Programs

These programs are for children of all ages – bring your whole family and have some fun!

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

The Elkins Public Library's Street Fair, with crafts provided by the Children's Museum of NH, will be held on Saturday, July 23, at 10 am. Join us for crafts, games and special treats to celebrate the end of a successful summer reading program.

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

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.gov

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

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.gov, assessing@canterbury-nh.gov, kfolsom@canterbury-nh.gov

Building Inspector: 783-9033 buildinginspector@canterbury-nh.gov

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

Planning Board: 848-2059 planningboard@canterbury-nh.gov

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

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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.



JOB WELL DONE — Leaders and members of the Canterbury Beas 4-H Club look proud as they pose with the Civil War monument they replaced recently in Canterbury Center. From left are: Leader Jerry Brill, Mark McKerley, Leader Wilbur Thompson, David Colburn, Steve Fifield (kneeling), Glen Ruesswick, Scott Ruesswick, Wayne Ruesswick, Leader Douglas Ruesswick, Kent Ruesswick, George Glines (kneeling) and Leader Oliver Fifield.

Those who made the 1968 move happen get their due!

Stories our Civil War monument could tell

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... relocated to its new and current position. Plans were being made for the construction of a Parish House which would be situated near where the Town Hall had stood. Plans were in the works for the construction of a fire department building, which is now The Meeting House. Plans were also being made to tear down the old Church Vestry building, which had somehow survived the fire.

When the Civil War Monument arrived in Canterbury about 1950 it began a zig-zag journey, bouncing around the town center trying to stay out of the way of the various buildings that were being relocated, constructed, or torn down. In 1955 the monument was located beside the Church Vestry building that stood between today's flagpole and gazebo. In 1957 the monument had migrated to the edge of the lawn in front of the church where the walkway meets the curb. There it stood for a while until it was determined to be a vehicle hazard and snowplowing nuisance so it was moved once again. This time it got relocated across the driveway and positioned next to the town hall where it sat until 1968.

In 1968, it got moved once again, this time as a civic project by the Canterbury 4-H boys oxen club, the Canterbury Beau's. The Beau's put it on rollers and towed it back across the parking lots and driveways and placed it in a new position beside the flagpole. The teenage 4H boys that orchestrated this move had names like Glines, Ruesswick, McKerley and Fifield. Some of those young men are with us today, although not quite as young as they were in 1968.

In 1988 the old Civil War Monument moved once again, this time across Center Road to the site at the cemetery where it now stands. At that time the monument was moved to make room for a new monument to be placed at the flagpole. This new monument recognizes and honors the military service of members from all wars and conflicts, not just the Civil War. Canterbury's state representative, Linwood Rogers, a WWII veteran, led the effort. A few of us in attendance today participated in that action and the dedication ceremony of the new monument and the relocation of the old one on Memorial Day in 1988.

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Canterbury's wandering Civil War monument has stories to tell

The following is an adapted version of the Memorial Day remarks delivered this year by Mark Stevens, a retired U.S. Air Force Chief Master Sergeant, during the annual observation in the Town Center on May 30.

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, was born out of the Civil War and a desire to honor the dead from that bloody conflict. It was officially proclaimed in 1868 by General John A. Logan, commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, who ordered his troops to decorate all veterans' graves "with the choicest flowers of springtime" and urged: "We should guard their graves with vigilance. ... Let pleasant paths invite the coming and going of reverent visitors, and let flowers comfort the mourners."

Here in Canterbury we have continued that tradition. At the flagpole, we have our veterans monument and historically we've decorated it with flowers or a small American flag every Memorial Day. Traditionally a veteran, a selectman, or a Boy Scout troop has placed a wreath or floral bouquet on the



monument every year.

Our Civil War Monument is located directly across the road near the cemetery, at the site of what was once the old wheelwright and blacksmith shop. This monument has two large bronze plaques that bear the names of Civil War veterans. The plaques are bolted to a solid block of granite that weighs almost two tons. This imposing monument looks as though it has been there since the Civil War ended. But It hasn't.

Our Canterbury Civil War Monument originally stood ... in Penacook. It was erected in Penacook Center in 1926 and stood there until it was in the way of a road widening project during the late 1940s. Penacook offered the monument to Canterbury and we accepted it. Coincidentally, Canterbury was rebuilding the town center after the fire of 1943 had destroyed many of the buildings in the center of our town. A new church was being built in 1947 and the old Town Hall was being ...

... For the rest of Mark's account, turn to Page 11!