

Canterbury Community Newsletter

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From the Pastor

Greetings Canterburians,



As we prepare for our 3rd annual live nativity and potluck, "How Far Is it to Bethlehem?" on Dec. 16 beginning at 4 pm, we thought it would be fun to anticipate the arrival of the event by tracking our own north star as it approaches our town center to light the way to the live nativity.

If you keep an eye out, you will see the big bright golden star moving about Canterbury (in a few front yards) ever closer to the Canterbury Center as we lead up to the 16th.

So here's your challenge: Take photos of you standing by the star and come to the live nativity evening to receive a fun prize as you share your photos with others. You can bring them on your cell phone or print them. There will be an additional special prize for most creative picture. Join in the fun!

Also, check out the schedule for CUCC's Advent and Christmas services on Page 3, in the church news section of this newsletter.

Blessings to you all
this Advent Season!

Pastor Sara

(Got a joy or concern? Contact Pastor Sara by email at mycanterburychurch@gmail.com or by phone at 783-9365.)

Classifieds

EDWARDS & ASSOCIATES, CPA — Are you a small business owner? We are a local full service firm and we don't just crunch numbers. We are progressive to help you and your family plan for the future. IRS Tax Relief specialists. Quickbooks Advisors. Give us a call! Find us on Facebook and Like our page! www.fb.com/edwardscpagroup, or call Kim Edwards 286-8000, or visit www.EdwardsCPAGroup.com

GULF BROOK RENOVATIONS "When Ordinary Just Won't Do." Bathrooms, Kitchens, Additions & more. Aging-in-place specialists. Certified Green Professional. Jim Higgins, 226-0212, www.gulfbrook.com.

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MAQ DESIGN — Offering quality custom upholstery, slipcovers that fit, and artisan window treatments. Where Quality Counts and Details Make the Difference! By appointment. maryann@maqdesign.net, 783-9640, maqdesign.net.

CENTRAL ENERGY, LLC When was your furnace cleaned last? Central Energy, LLC, "celebrating 85 years in business." Offering ductless A/C systems, traditional A/C installations and service, as well as all your oil heat needs for service, installations & annual cleanings. Oil tanks & water heaters too. Call Barry at 603-724-9603 here in Canterbury and visit us at www.centralenergy1.com.

ORGANIC MAPLE SYRUP Delicious maple syrup, a good local sweetener with some health benefits and a great tradition on those Sunday pancakes. Works well as a sweetener in any recipe. Go to our website for info and recipes, www.northfamilyfarm.com; call Jill or Tim, 783-4712, to pick up; or see us at the farmers market!

CANTERBURY HALL is a licensed assisted living facility with large private rooms and attached baths available. We offer a family style environment with home cooked meals and friendships among residents, families and staff. We consider ourselves a community that people come to in order to continue living life as fully as possible. Please call 783-9822 and speak with Cate or Ann FMI. canterburyhall.com

CANTERBURY HOME CARE Care by the hour in your home of here. Cook, clean, personal care, med reminders, walk the dog ... whatever it takes for you to stay home! Call Canterbury Hall 783-9822 and leave a message for Cate.

THE DEWEY SCHOOL at the Canterbury Shaker Village is pleased to welcome children ages 3-5 to nature-based, Reggio inspired early learning! Coming FALL 2019. www.deweyschool.net Now enrolling.

MICHAEL R. COTE, BUILDERS Custom Homes and Remodeling. Specializing in custom designed kitchens using

locally built cabinets. Call 783-4090 for free estimate.

CANTERBURY CENTER BED AND BREAKFAST "Where History meets Hospitality." 4 guest rooms open for visitors during the winter (excluding Dec. 20-28). See ccbnbnh.com or email scribnerlois@gmail.com or call 603-783-0206.

GUITAR LESSONS AT YOUR HOME OR MINE — Canterbury area. All ages, all styles of music. Berklee/New England Conservatory alum. Tony. 603-475-3471 tonyz84@aol.com

APRYLLE & REED, Flute and Guitar Elegant and Peaceful Music for Weddings, Concerts, Corporate Functions, Holiday Events, or any Special Occasion. Call 603-708-1483 for more info and/or bookings.

THE GIFT OF MUSIC — A Lifetime Present: Guitar lessons with Reed Desrosiers, DMA. Holiday Special: 5 lessons for the price of 4. All ages and abilities. Call 603-708-1483 for details.

CANTERBURY KIDS LEARNING CENTER offers a half-day preschool program with full-day child care, before/after school care and summer care for children 3-12 years. Located at the Parish House. 783-4370.

HOW TO PLACE A NEWSLETTER CLASSIFIED AD

The deadline is the 16th of each month for publication in the following issue. \$7 for 30 words or less, or \$14 for up to 60 words. Please email ad to newslettercanterbury@gmail.com and mail payment to CUCC, PO Box 216, Canterbury, NH 03224.

How can we improve the newsletter?

Hello! Thanks for the feedback on the November newsletter, which was our first as editors. We'll put the question to you again: How can we make the newsletter work better for you? We've got a couple topics on the agenda for discussion soon with the church council, but we continue to welcome suggestions.

What do you find most useful in the newsletter? What's missing? What would you like to see changed? We'd love to hear from you at newslettercanterbury@gmail.com or by phone at 783-0420.

~ Mark and Brenda Travis

LOOKING FOR THE LISTING OF TOWN OFFICES AND ORGANIZATIONS? We don't blame you! They're usually on this page. We had so many Classified ads this month that we moved the listings to Page 10. That allowed us to keep all the Classifieds on one page.

Canterbury United Community Church

Advent and Christmas in Canterbury

Dec. 2: First Sunday in Advent.

Dec. 16: "How Far Is It to Bethlehem? Advent Walk, Live Nativity and Potluck Supper.

Come join us Sunday, the 16th at 4 pm for our advent walk, carol singing, and Christmas story telling in the town center, followed by a warm and comforting potluck meal in the Parish House.



From last year's event.

We will meet at 4 pm in the church sanctuary to begin our journey. Dress warmly and bring a headlamp/flashlight to read printed carols. We will walk to find the stable, the baby Jesus and animals near the creche.

Those who feel they would like to join us but need to forego the walk may join us later at the parish house where we will gather around 5 pm for a meal together at our annual potluck supper.

Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 5 p.m. Join us for a traditional candlelight worship service of lessons and carols as we welcome the newborn Christ child.

Dec. 30 Sunday Hymn/Carol Singing and Fellowship Time at the Parish House, 10 am.



Please consider supporting the church

It is that time of year when the church turns to its members and friends in a spirit of gratitude, with thanks for past support and the hope that those who share in our "We're all in this together, and isn't that great!" spirit will once again join in supporting our efforts to respond to community needs.

This newsletter is one expression of that effort. It is produced by church volunteers and mailed at the church's expense to every household in town. The church Parish House is another example. It is a hub for community and a place where vital community connections take place. And like her predecessors, the Rev. Sara Rossigg welcomes the opportunity to be present for all people of the community in times of joy or distress.

Every donation, large or small, is precious. We hope to hear from you!

For Church Records Envelope # _____
(for office use)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

For 2019 I plan to give each ☐ week ☐ month Annual Total

For our church's operating expenses: \$ _____ \$ _____

For our church's outreach: \$ _____ \$ _____

For the town newsletter: \$ _____ \$ _____

For Parish Hall maintenance: \$ _____ \$ _____

☐ Yes, I want to enroll in Electronic Transfer Funds (form enclosed)

I understand that this commitment can be changed at any time by giving notice to the pastor.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Canterbury United Community Church

5 Center Road, Canterbury, NH 03224
mycanterburychurch@gmail.com 603-783-9365

For Your Records

DATE: _____

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Our Town Abounds in Seasonal Celebrations of Faith, Past and Present

Quaker Meeting

Sing Your Heart Out

Saturday, Dec. 1
7 - 9 pm

All are welcome! Here's a chance to gather together on a cold, dark night to add some light and song to our lives. Bring your Rise Up Singing songbooks (or borrow ours) and a finger food snack to share in our break for fellowship and food. Everyone gets a chance to choose a song, and we'll all leave with lifted hearts. Quaker Meetinghouse at 11 Oxbow Pond Road. Questions? Contact Ruth Heath, 783-4401.



Intergenerational Holiday Gift Make and Take

Saturday, Dec. 8
10 am - 1 pm

Fun Crafts for all ages: Bird Feeders, Handmade Soap, Ornaments, Candle Lanterns, Wooden Boxes & More Quaker Meetinghouse, 11 Oxbow Pond Road, Canterbury Pre-Registration appreciated (not required); call Ruth Heath, 724-4343.

Donations requested at the door. All proceeds to benefit the Kakamega AIDS Orphans Care Center in Kenya.

Christmas Eve Service and Potluck

Dec. 24, 6 pm

Intergenerational New Year's Eve Game Night

Open to the public. **Dec. 31, 6 - 10 pm**

Looking for something to do New Year's Eve? Try the family friendly New Year's Eve Game Night at the Quaker Meetinghouse from 6 pm - 10 pm.

Bring a finger food snack to share and board or card games you'd like to play. Lots of food, fun, and good cheer as you join in various games -- or get a new one started.

We'll toast the New Year with non-alcoholic bubbly at 10 pm (Greenland midnight) and earlier if families need to leave earlier (Rio de Janeiro New Year's midnight is 9 pm; Azores Midnight could be celebrated at 8 pm).

At the Quaker Meetinghouse, 11 Oxbow Pond Road. Contact Ruth or Greg Heath 783-4401 for more info.



Church of the Woods

Cherishing Stillness in Advent

Dec. 16, 11 - 2 at Church of the Woods, 92 Foster Road.

Are you looking for an opportunity to slow down and share restorative time with others this holiday season? Join us at Church of the Woods as we create space for sacred stillness in the season of Advent. We will share prayer in many forms, including poetry, song, walking in the woods, and reflection, to enter more fully into this time of expectant waiting.

Indoor portions of the event will be in our heated barn; however, please dress warmly and wear appropriate outdoor clothes and footwear for walking in the woods.

Light refreshments will be served. Donations accepted, but not required. All are welcome.

For questions or to reserve your space, please send an email to Jo at info@kairosearth.org.



Canterbury Shaker Village

Christmas with the Canterbury Shakers (Dec. 6, 7, 9, 1, & 14, 6:30 pm & 7 pm) Visit Canterbury Shaker Village for a guided candlelit tour highlighting the Shakers' Christmas traditions. During the 200 years that Shakers lived at Canterbury Shaker Village their Christmas traditions evolved and changed. Explore the evolution of the Shakers' Christmas celebrations – from simple religious services in the 19th century to holiday decorations and elaborate theatricals in the 20th century – on this 60-minute guided tour, which ends with cookies and hot cider in one of our decorated historic buildings.

Christmas at Canterbury (Dec. 8 & 15, 3 pm - 8 pm)

Christmas at Canterbury is a chance to experience the delights of Christmas in a simpler era. Join us inside the historic Shaker buildings to watch an old-time 19th Century magic show, meet Father Christmas, make Christmas-inspired crafts, admire a toy train display or listen to fiddlers. Enjoy hot cider and singing Christmas carols as we light the Village Christmas tree. This event is a family favorite that will become a yearly tradition!

In addition, the Museum Store is open 10 am-4 pm, Tuesday through Sunday, through Dec. 23. More information about all of our events is available at shakers.org.

Elkins Public Library News

The library will be closed Tuesday, Dec. 25, with a delayed opening Wednesday, Dec. 26, from 12-8 and closed Monday, Dec. 31, and Tuesday, Jan 1. The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is Monday, Dec. 3, at 7.

HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

Elkins Library invites you to a Night Before Christmas celebration. Please join us on Saturday, Dec. 1, from 10 to noon for jolly fun for all ages. Create an ornament, decorate a cookie and enjoy the savory and sweet delicacies provided by FOEPL (Friends of Elkins Public Library). There may be more than a few mice stirring as the original poem, *The Night Before Christmas*, is read by the fireplace and later as fiddle music and dance by Jacqueline Laufman fills the air at 11. Wear your stocking cap and nightshirt or whatever frock you choose and come make merry with friends and neighbors.

STORY HOUR: Tuesday, Dec. 4 and 18, at 10 - Songs, stories, dancing and craft for children ages 3 – 6. Meet new friends and have some fun! We have been having record numbers of children and families!

ROCK N' READ: Tuesday, Dec. 11, at 10. Enjoy learning rhythms, songs and activities for babies and toddlers. Each program incorporates routine songs and rhymes in addition to new ones that incorporate the chosen theme for the day.

TODDLER TOWN: Let us celebrate this wonderful play space! Come in ANY TIME to play and spend time at your library. We would like to thank the Friends of Elkins Public Library for funding our new toys. We have a new set of wooden blocks, a wooden set of building, cars and people. We have new Tinker Toys and Lincoln Logs and a new voice amplifier. We are lucky to have these new playthings for young library friends!

LEGO CLUB meets Tuesday, Dec. 4 and 18, at 4 - Children and families are welcome to come and build together with Lego bricks. There is no sign up necessary – come drop in and spend an hour building and creating.

YOUNG READERS BOOK GROUP!! Come on Monday, Dec. 17, at 3:30 pm for this exciting program for readers ages 9-12! Come eat a delicious snack, enjoy time with your friends. Let's watch a movie together.

TEEN TIME READ: Monday, Dec. 17, at 6 pm. Grades 7 and up. Make a holiday snack and chill out with friends. We can watch whatever movie you would like.

VROOM: Come learn more about Vroom, an initiative to support families with young children. Your child's brain grows the fastest from birth through age 5. Helping them learn now gets them ready for school, friends, and life.

THE ZEN OF ADULT COLORING: Every Thursday at 1:30 pm. Bring a friend; enjoy some refreshments while coloring designs with gel pens and colored pencils to relaxing music.

OMBBC (Old Man Boring Book Club) Readers come together to share their thoughts and opinions of nonfiction, historical and biographical selections recently read. Please join us and tell us about the titles you've enjoyed. Thursday, Dec. 6, at 7 pm.

BOOK GROUP: Meets Tuesday, Dec. 19, at 7 to discuss Mr. Dickens and His Carol by Samantha Silva. Copies are available at the library for anyone that would like to join us.

ELKINS LIBRARY KNITTERS meet in December on Wednesday the 5th and Thursday the 13th and 20th. After the holidays we'll resume on Thursday, Jan. 10. See you at 6:30!

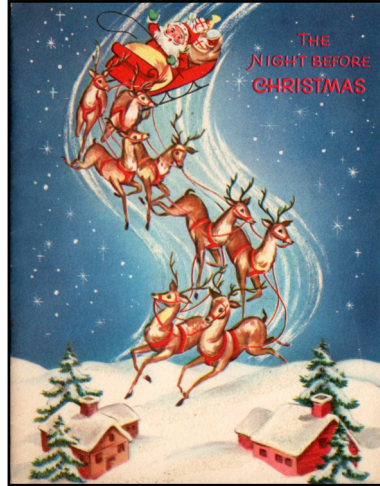
PUZZLE SWAP: All puzzles should be at least 500 pieces and in very good condition.

RUG BRAIDING! Kate Goegel will teach rug braiding on Tuesday, Jan. 8, 15, 22 & 29. There is no cost for the class; there will be a small fee for the materials for beginners. If you have an unfinished project from one of Kate's previous classes, this is the perfect time to complete it. The class is limited to 6, so sign-up is required. Please contact Sue at 783-4386. Kate will contact you about supplies needed.

FAMILY PASSES: The library provides family passes to: SEE Science Center and The Currier Museum of Art in Manchester. FOEPL has donated a three-month pass to the Children's Museum of N.H. in Dover to carry through February school vacation. This pass provides 50 percent off the cost of admission for up to four people/day.

The staff and Trustees would like to express our gratitude to **FOEPL (Friends of EPL)** for a very successful Extravaganza and silent auction, running the book sale and the Frontier Soup fundraisers, improving the garden, and providing funding, assistance and baking for programs. There are many new activities in Toddler Town, as well as afterschool materials, a Bluetooth Voice Amplifier and Family Passes to N.H. Parks and the Children's Museum of N.H. Please consider joining this dynamic group!

Warm Holiday Wishes from the Staff & Trustees of EPL and heartfelt thanks for the donations, participation and suggestions we've received during this full and active year.



Town of Canterbury

Board accepts Town Clerk and Tax Collector Ben Bynum's resignation

The Board of Selectmen accepted a letter of resignation from Ben Bynum, Town Clerk/Tax Collector. The Board will be appointing an interim Town Clerk/Tax Collector. An election will be held in March to replace Ben.

The septic systems for the Parish House and Store/Post Office have been repaired and both are now connected to the leach bed behind the Town Office. Because of the early arrival of winter, the final landscaping will be completed at the Sam Lake House in the spring.

The Town Office will be closing at 11 am on Dec. 24 for the employee Holiday Party.

The Board of Selectmen and staff at the Town Office wish everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator



Firefighters respond to 2 fatal accidents

The Canterbury Fire Department operated at two major motor vehicle accidents in the past month on Interstate 93. Both events involved occupant fatalities. These high-speed accidents required the use of our auto extrication tools to free the occupants. Members had trained with these new tools this summer on donated vehicles and instructors that came in from other agencies. The new tools and the training did help us in accomplishing these difficult extrications in a safe and effective operation. I have much appreciation for the members from Canterbury Fire, Tilton/Northfield Fire and Penacook Rescue that worked these difficult incidents.

As the Holiday Season approaches, a few things to remember to keep your family safe.

Candles: More than half of December home decoration fires were started by candles, compared to one-third in January to November. The top three days for home candle fires were Christmas, New Year's Day, and New Year's Eve. Do not leave candles unattended and make certain that they are out before leaving a room or going to bed.

Holiday cooking: Cooking equipment was involved in 19% of home decoration fires. This can happen when a decoration is left on or too close to a stove or other cooking equipment.

Use pot holders and keep small children away from the stove to prevent burns. Keep a pot lid close by to cover a burning pan and maintain a fire extinguisher for the kitchen.

As you start to set your personal goals for next year, consider joining a community organization that can help you develop new skills and abilities, give you an opportunity to give back, become part of a brotherhood/sisterhood, develop leadership and communications skills. If these things interest you, consider joining the Canterbury Fire and Rescue Department. Stop in or email me at gnewbery@canterbury-nh.org

The members of Canterbury Fire Department wish you a safe Holiday Season!

~ Guy Newbery, Fire Chief

Energy audits available from NHSaves

On Oct. 22, the Canterbury Energy Committee hosted an event called "Button Up" sponsored by NHSaves. NHSaves is composed of Eversource, Unitil, Liberty Utilities, and NH Electric Co-op. Topics covered included ways to improve home energy efficiencies in order to save both natural resources and money.

NHSaves provides rebates for Energy Star appliances and will provide a home energy audit for \$100 if your home needs energy efficiency improvements. You can test your home (you'll need to know how much heating fuel you used over the last 12 months) by visiting NHSaves.com. If your home is not energy efficient, the program will pay for 50% of eligible energy improvements up to \$4,000. If at least \$100 of the suggested improvements are made, the net cost of the audit is \$0.

Remember Town Ordinance #1 when shoveling!

The Members of the Police Department would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.

Please give yourself some extra time when traveling this holiday season, winter is unpredictable especially with the changing weather conditions. Also, please be cautious and aware of those walking along the roadway and vice-versa, to those walking along the roadway please be aware of the vehicles and let us not forget that wildlife is also out along the roadways.

The department would also like to remind everyone as the snow has finally arrived, Town Ordinance #1 takes effect: It shall be a violation of this ordinance to put, place, or store or cause to be put, placed, or stored snow or ice in or across any road in Canterbury during any private snow removal activities.

And State law also requires you to keep your car clear of snow so that it won't fly off your roof and hit the car behind you.

A reminder: To reach a police officer you need to call 228-1010 which is our 24-hour dispatch line. If it is an emergency, 911 is the best way. The 783-0433 number is for business such as requesting reports, pistol permits, or looking to leave a message for a particular officer by listening to the automated prompts.

~ Chief Michael P. Labrecque

Your Public School News

Canterbury Elementary School

CES students, under the direction of music teacher Carlos Martinez, will perform the Holiday Musical "The Elves' Impersonator" on Wednesday, Dec. 12, beginning at 6 pm. This story, set to music by Teresa Jennings, is described as "A Rockin' Holiday Fantasy for Young Voices."

Other district concerts this month include the Belmont High School Winter Band Concert on Thursday, Dec. 13, at 7 pm. The Belmont Middle School Holiday Concert will take place on Thursday, Dec. 20. Fifth and sixth grades begin at 6 pm. Seventh and eighth grades begin at 7 pm.

The CES PTO will be selling Christmas trees from 10 am to 4 pm at the town center on Saturday, Dec. 8, and on Dec. 15 if there are any trees left.

The next regular PTO meeting will be held on Monday, Dec. 17, at 6:30 pm.

The fall food drive will continue this month and we will be collecting non-perishable food items through Dec. 14. Contributions will go toward providing families in need with two weeks of food along with a complete holiday meal. All donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the school any time during the school day.

Shaker district schools will be closed for the holidays from Dec. 24 to Jan. 1. Classes will resume on Wednesday, Jan. 2.

Reminder: The CES PTO will host a Holiday Fun Night on Friday, Dec. 7. Activities that evening will include face painting, crafts, food, awesome raffles, cookie decorating, games and Santa.

Happy Holidays from the staff and students at CES.

Dec. 11.....School Board at CES 6 pm
Dec. 12.....CES Holiday Musical 6 pm
Dec. 13.....BHS Winter Band Concert 6:30 pm
Dec. 17.....PTO 6:30 pm
Dec. 20.....BMS Holiday Concert
(Grades 5 & 6 begin at 6 pm, Grades 7 & 8 begin at 7 pm)
Dec. 24 to Jan. 1.....Holiday Vacation No School

~ Mary Morrison, Principal — mmorrison@sau80.org

Belmont Middle School

December is a busy and festive month for BMS!

Holiday dance for 7th & 8th graders

Dec. 7, 6 to 8 pm

Belmont Middle School-wide Geography Bee

Dec. 13, 1:30 pm

BMS Holiday Concert

Dec. 20

5th & 6th grade at 6 pm, 7th & 8th grade at 7 pm

Holiday Break Dec. 24 - Jan. 2

Have a safe and joyous holiday season!
Remember, in the new year... **2019**

Open Library is available Mon.-Thurs. from 2:40 pm to 4:50 pm

Homework Club is available Mon. & Wed. from 2:40 pm to 3:30 pm - 6th grade wing

(Permission slips are available for both.)

Breakfast is available in the Cafe from 7:15 to 7:45 am daily.

Winter Boutique is available to those who may not have winter coats, boots, etc. (See nurse.)

~ Jan Cote - BMS Staff

Destination Imagination

Fundraising for SHAKER destination imagination TEAmS clothing & SHOE drive

Place bagged items in the Ecosmith Bin in the BHS parking lot

Clothing items: Tops (T-shirts, blouses, shirts, tank tops), Sweaters, Sweatshirts, Dresses, Outerwear (coats, jackets, blazers), Bottoms (pants, slacks, jeans, sweatpants, skirts, shorts), Suits, Socks, Pajamas, Slips, Bras, Underwear.

Household linens: Sheets, blankets, Towels, Curtains/Drapes, Aprons, Dish cloths, Cloth napkins, Table linens, Comforters, Throw rugs, Placemats.

Items NOT allowed: Non-textiles, Wet and oil-soaked textiles, Contaminated textiles, Rugs and carpeting, Pillows, Mattresses, Furniture.

All proceeds to benefit Shaker Destination Imagination teams tournament expenses

For more information contact Heidi Chaney, 765-200-0394

Heidi can pick up items people wish to donate or they can drop them off at her house, if needed.

Around and About Our Lively Town

Anyone ready for a couple parties?

Push back the table and chairs for The Ride!

At the Town Hall, 4:30 pm Jan. 1. All are welcome to join the one of a kind Canterbury tradition created and led for nearly five decades by National Heritage Fellow and "Johnny Appleseed" of New England contra dancing, Dudley Laufman.

Dudley shepherds an impromptu troupe of musicians, dancers and players in grand Olde New England style right into a big holiday party at the Town Hall on New Years Day! You and your whole family will be swept up in the enchantment of the season, with dancing, singing and theater. Please byob and finger foods to share. More at www.laufman.org.

Contact Steve with questions: canterburyaleworks@gmail.com

Boxing Day Dance (on a fifth Saturday)

Saturday, December 29, 7:30. At the Laufman house, 320 Shaker Road, Canterbury. Music by The Wind In The Timothy House Dance Band. Oldtime New Hampshire dances, called by Dudley Laufman.

Please leave your car on the west side of Shaker Road and walk down to house. Bring a flashlight to find your way, and a snack to share.

~ Dudley Laufman, 783-4719

Many hands contributed at the Center B&B

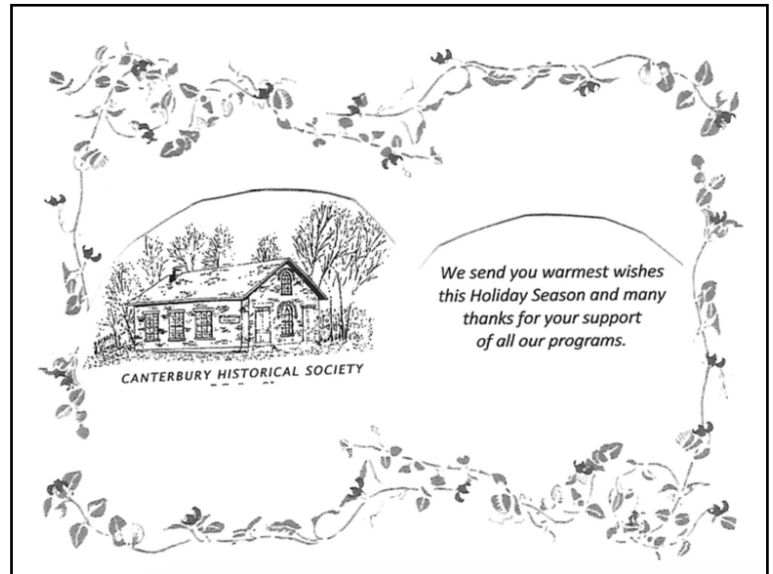
Thank you to the several residents of town who offered bulbs and shared their plant thinning for the new driveway on Hackleboro Road and car park garden.

Thanks to Lynn Reyes of Two Crafty Cluckers for the July 4 pot display that is still flowering, indoors! Kate Goegel offered several perennials, lilies, daisies, and more; Bob and Linda Poitras offered many kinds of lilies; Kathy and Scott Doherty offered daffodil bulbs, as did Kathy and Hubs Smith; Jen Hopkins shared rocky perennials; Mary Kerwin and Paul Lepesqueur donated black eyed Susans, daisies and rhubarb.

The landscaping work by Kevin Bragg is drawing to a close now as winter threatens to come early. When spring arrives Kevin will bring back some of the original bulbs and perennials tended by Nola Stokes decades ago. These have been saved up by the stone wall on Baptist Road and are headed for garden space by the front door porch.

It is hoped that the many plantings will yield colors and shapes next year and may be seen by their donors. It's all a work in progress! We are appreciative of help in that process.

~ Lois Scribner and Howard Moffett



Clough Tavern Christmas by the Seashore

Ends on Dec. 31

Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays 9-5; Weekdays 10-4

Join us as we conclude 10 days of holiday shopping through one of Canterbury's historic homes. Five decorated rooms offer a diversified and eclectic collection of 44 local NH artisans, confectionaries, authors, antiques and special 2018 "Seaside" themed items.

23 Clough Tavern Road, Canterbury
twosistersgarlic@gmail.com 783-4287

Notice by Massage Therapist Judy Nelson

Body and Soul have dictated that I will be officially closing my Massage Therapy Business on Dec. 31. Any gift certificates purchased prior to that date will definitely be honored in the New Year. In 20 years of practice, I have been honored by your trust and faith in my ability to assist you in your own healing. Thank you. If you need a referral to another therapist, please contact me at 493-4207.

Strength and Stretch Class: continues to meet from 9 to 10 on Monday and Friday mornings at the Parish Hall in the Town Center. All are welcome and classes are FREE. Exercises are modified for those who need to use a chair. There are a few weights available for use, but one needs to bring a mat and a small pillow or towel. Instructions are provided for each exercise with an emphasis on form and not speed.

A Wednesday morning class will be added in January at the same time with an emphasis on stretching and flexibility.

Please call for more information.

~ Judy Nelson at (home) 783-9658 or (cell) 493-4207

Even More About Our Town!

Canterbury 4-H



We had our November meeting on Nov. 5. Thanks to everyone who helped carve pumpkins for the Halloween celebration.

Santa's Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, Dec. 8 from 8 am to 10 am in the Parish House. Come see Santa and have a breakfast of pancakes and bacon. There will be a crafts table as well.

We are finishing our fundraiser for our candy bars and calendars. See Laura or a member if you are interested in buying either.

The Merrimack County Honor's Evening took place on Nov. 2. This event was for ages 12 and up. Fifteen current or former 4H members were recognized. Our club's President, Emma Galonski, was one of the National 4H Trip Recipients. She will be attending the Healthy Living Summit in Maryland in February 2019. One of our members, Cecilia Condi, was awarded the Alice J. Thompson Award. This award is given to an outstanding home economics 4H member in Merrimack County. Upcoming projects are beaded earrings, card making class, advanced knot tying, and outdoor education.

Our next meeting will be held on Dec. 3 and will include a light meal at 6 pm, business meeting to follow.

Please contact Laura Crockford at 540-9877 or canterburyrascals4h@gmail.com with any questions.

~ Josie Bernard, Reporter



Indoor Farmers Market

Sat, Dec. 15, CES Gym, 10 am to 1 pm

This is the last Market for the 2018 season! Come stock up on a great assortment of cold weather fruits, greens, squashes, and root veggies to ensure good n' local eating far into the cold weather months. With just a little planning, you can still be eating tasty bison pot roast, butternut squash, and roast garlic mashed potatoes when spring rolls around again!



You can expect many of the vendors you have come to know over the summer months, plus a few new faces, and more crafts. There will be plenty of items, both edible and useful, for holiday gift giving. We look forward to seeing you, and wishing you all the joys of the season!

Aluminum can tabs need to find a new home

Aluminum can tabs will no longer be picked up by Ruth Mann. If you want to give them to the folks at the transfer station, maybe they can recycle them and use the income for their use. Thanks for your help, y'all.

~ Ruth

Trail Notes

Lots has been going on in the **Bachelder Town Forest** on Youngs Hill Road over the last year and a half. The Loudon Trails Sub-Committee of the Loudon Conservation Committee has been building hiking trails off Youngs Hill Road. The trails are almost complete and consist of two loops connected by a bridge over Bumfagon Brook. The first loop is a shorter and easier 1.2-mile walk. The second loop that starts on the other side of the bridge is 1.55 miles, a little hillier and more of a workout, but passes through beautiful woods and by several vernal pools.

Last year a group of volunteers was assembled to research the possibilities of creating trails within Loudon. The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission worked with our group to find an appropriate location for our first trail. Back in 1992, the Bachelder Town Forest, consisting of over 150 acres, was generously given to the Town by Albert Bachelder. This property was chosen as it is a beautiful piece of land with very interesting sites to see. Harry MacLauchlan has also generously allowed the use of a parcel of his property for parking and for the trail.

This project has been a community effort with many individuals

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Canterbury United Community Church

Office hours: Tues., Wed., Thurs. mornings. Call first. 783-9365. mycanterburychurch@gmail.com

Parish House: Call Judy Patterson to reserve, 783-4419

Online: canterburychurch.org
facebook.com/
MyCanterburyChurch

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

Canterbury Fair:
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Town Crier

Lois Scribner posts Canterbury happenings Sundays in the Concord Monitor. Deadline is noon every Wednesday. Email Lois at scribnerlois@gmail.com

Town Email List

Laura Crockford 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: 5 am until midnight daily; 783-4305

Services

Loudon Food Pantry: 30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon. Intake by appointment only on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Office hours and donations accepted Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10 am to 4 pm. Please call to donate outside these hours. Closed Mondays. For more, go to loudonfoodpantry.org, email info@loudonfoodpantry.org or call 724-9731.

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

Elkins Public Library: Mon., 1 to 7 pm; Tues., 9 am to 6 pm; Wed. and Thurs., 9 am to 8 pm; Sat., 9 am to noon. 783-4386. elkinspubliclibrary.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: Mon. 9 am to 3 pm; Tue., 3 to 7 pm; Thur., noon to 7 pm. 783-0153. Emails: taxcollector@canterbury-nh.org townclerk@canterbury-nh.org

Selectmen's Office and Assessor's Office: Mon. and Wed., 9 am to 1 pm; Thur., 10 am to 2 pm; 783-9955. Emails: selectmen@canterbury-nh.org assessing@canterbury-nh.org

Town Administrator: 783-9955 kfolsom@canterbury-nh.org

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

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

Monthly Meetings: All held at Meetinghouse.
- **Planning Board:** 2nd Tue., 7 pm; 4th Tue. as needed
- **Conservation Commission:** 2nd Mon., 7 pm
- **Selectmen:** 1st and 3rd Mon., 6 pm
- **Solid Waste Committee:** 4th Mon., 6 pm
- **Zoning Board:** As needed.
- **Energy Committee:** 1st Tues., 6 pm

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volunteering, as well as many companies donating materials. Trailwrights, Inc., a non-profit volunteer organization that promotes environmentally sound techniques of trail maintenance and safe ethical hiking practices, guided us in laying out the trails and environmentally sound techniques for building them. The trails have been cleared and blazed, the bridge is complete, and the parking lot on Youngs Hill Road was graded, drained and is ready for vehicles. The Bachelder Town Forest Trails sign designates the parking area. A kiosk, being built as an Eagle Scout project, will contain a map and other trail information as well as a list of all who have helped make this trail possible. Trail signage will be completed soon.



Our hope is that the public will enjoy hiking on these trails and get to know the beauty of this Loudon forest. We are always looking for more volunteers and hope to come up with other areas for creating future trails. The Trails Subcommittee meets on the fourth Monday of the month, 4 p.m., at Charlie's Barn in Loudon Village, feel free to join us! If you have any of the following tools you'd like to donate, please contact Sandy Blanchard: pick axes, pry bars, rakes, loppers and pulaskis.

When hiking, please remember to 'carry in/carryout' any trash, feel free to move any fallen branches to the side of the trail, and wear orange or bright-colored clothing during hunting season. Please remember that motorized vehicles are not allowed on the trail. Happy and Safe Hiking!

~ Sandy Blanchard 724-3768

Joe and I have enjoyed working on the above trails and highly recommend them. ~ Dave Emerson

The Meadow Pond Trail at Shaker Village has received the maintenance and improvement it deserves. The original entrance to this very popular trail, directly behind the brick Trustees Building right at the top of Shaker Hill, had become blocked by a tangle of downed trees with no alternative access.

Now it has an inviting new access opposite the space between the horse barn and the building just south of it, with a new sign. From the range way there's a diagonal trail southwest to the road from the original entrance. It's a well blazed (blue blazes) trail through interesting open woods.

Joe and I have flagged the whole trail and did the chainsaw work. Sandy Blanchard, Deb and Dennis Proulx and I blazed it and finished brushing and tread way clearing. The north connection to Shell Church Road has a well beaten trail-through the old log landing thanks to much use.

~ Dave Emerson 783-4403

Loudon Food Pantry

We are located in Huckleberry Business Park, 30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon, 03307.

Extended donation, volunteer and office times: Tuesdays 10-6, Wednesdays 10-1, Thursdays 10-4, Fridays 10-4

Service hours: By appointment only. Tuesdays 10-6, Wednesdays 10-1, Thursdays 10-4

If these hours work, we will make them permanent Feb. 1. Please call Sue at 724-9731 with any questions.

Inventory Time

We will be closed the week of Christmas and because of inventory, we will not reopen until Tuesday, Jan. 22. As usual, we will make sure those that come to the pantry for assistance will be given enough food to hold them over. We will not be at the pantry to receive donations from Saturday, Dec. 22, to the end of the year, so please drop off any donations before then. As always, any donation mailed by Dec. 31 will be included in the donation letters that are issued in January. Thank you!

Thanksgiving Boxes

This year we handed out 61 Thanksgiving Boxes. Meadow Ledge Farm donated all the apples, Poultry Products Northeast donated all the squash and many donations came in that helped us complete the boxes. Thank you for all your contributions to making this Thanksgiving a success for so many! Also, a huge thanks goes out to all the volunteers!

LES Halloween Party

We had 151 kids attend the LES Halloween Party this year! Everyone was having fun: kids and parents alike! Thank you goes to the 31 volunteers that helped make this party a success! Loudon Food Pantry raised \$429 in funds and 843 food items as well. Thank you everyone!

October Meal Numbers

In October we gave out enough food to create 5,774 meals to 498 individuals. 131 of those were age 60 and older, 162 were age 18 or under and 205 were in between those ages. Our numbers were lower because our stock was low.

LFP Challenge Cancelled, But We Have a Solution

Holding the LFP Challenge over the years have given us some insight into what is needed for us financially and for donations received. What we found is that receiving large amounts of food and funds during a three-month span does not help to sustain us throughout the year. Also, it is after the holidays and volunteers are in short order so processing the food and getting

it onto our shelves take longer than we like. So, the challenge is not effective for us!

The solution: Just like any household or business, we need income (donations) on a monthly basis. For us, it means fixed monthly donations coming in. This allows us to work with a consistent budget to purchase food items that are not donated but needed and to keep the pantry running so we can continue to feed those in need.

On Dec. 15, we are proud to launch "The 12 Months of Giving." It costs us 50 cents per meal per person. So, a donation of \$20 helps to provide enough food for 40 meals. A recurring donation can be monthly, quarterly, etc. Any time frame helps us to feed those in need. As of Dec. 15, more information will be available at tinyurl.com/y8d96dvv. No donation is too small!

Donations Received

In November we received some large food and funds donations that allowed us to restock our shelves. Thanks goes to Loudon Elementary School and their students for the Turkey Trot, the Boy Scouts for Scouting for Food, Villages of Loudon, Loudon Young at Heart, and so many more.

50-50 Holiday Fundraiser Raffle

This fundraiser ends Dec. 15 — and as of 11/15 we have sold a total of \$105 in tickets. The more tickets we sell the more the winner gets! \$1 for 1 ticket; \$2 for 3 tickets; \$5 for 7 tickets. Tickets can be purchased using our online order form at LoudonFoodPantry.org or at Loudon Food Pantry.

Gift of Lights

The New Hampshire Motor Speedway has traded in the checkered flags for two million twinkly LED lights for the eighth annual Gift of Lights presented by Eastern Propane and Oil, running through Monday, Dec. 31. Be sure to check for days of operation, and please enter through the South Entrance.

Open from 4:30 – 9 pm, the 2.5-mile drive-thru light show features the Tunnel of Lights (the 130-foot-long infield entrance and exit tunnels will be brightly lit, giving a truly memorable experience that kids of all ages will need to see to believe), 400 displays, 60 different scenes, a s'mores pit, pictures with Santa Claus (every day Gift of Lights is open, through Dec. 23) and Milo on Saturday evenings through Dec. 22 from 5 - 8 pm.

Admission is \$20/car or bus (up to 15 people) through Dec. 14 and \$25/car or bus (up to 15 people) Dec. 15 - Dec. 31. Buses containing more than 15 people will be charged \$2/person.

Anyone bringing three non-perishable food items – (food is donated to the Loudon Food Pantry) – gets \$2 off per carload.

For more information go to nhms.com/events/giftoflights.

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CUCC Holiday Poinsettia Orders — Deadline Sunday, Dec. 9

Please make check payable to Donna Miller (783-0220). Send check/cash to 126 Baptist Rd., Canterbury NH 03224

Your name and phone: _____

RED Quantity: _____ @ \$10 each = _____

WHITE Quantity: _____ @ \$10 each = _____

PINK Quantity: _____ @ \$10 each = _____

Total in cash or check: _____

Please check one of the following:

- ☐ I will pick up my plant after the Christmas service
☐ I would like my plant delivered to me after the Christmas service
☐ I would like the flower committee to deliver my plant to someone else in Canterbury

Given in Honor or Memory of: _____

