

Canterbury Community Newsletter

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~ A Busy Summer! ~

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Saturday, July 8: Annual Center Yard Sale, 9 am to noon. Bring your treasures to sell, a table and cash box. There will be a minimum fee for the Concord Monitor's ad. Any questions, please contact Jessie Tichko at tshot04@gmail.com.

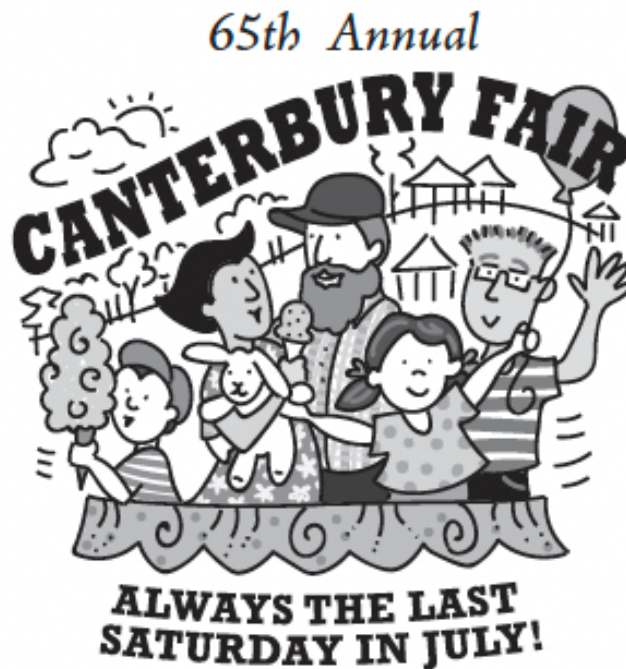
Saturday, July 15: A day of flowers and gardens! *Pages 4 and 11.*

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Saturday
July 29, 2023

**5K Woodchuck
Classic Road Race**

**2K Chipmunk
Scramble for Kids**

**40+ Artisans &
Craftspeople**

**Famous
Chicken BBQ,
Great Fair Food,
& Bake Sale**

**Morris Dancing,
Performances,
Live Music**

**Huge Used Book
& Media Sale**

**Amazing
What-Not Sale**

**Old Fashioned
Games, Friendly
Farm Animals,
& Tools for Kids**

Antique Machinery

**Demos: Basket
Making, Blacksmith,
Wood Turning**

**Historical Society
Exhibit & One
Room Schoolhouse**

**Fun For the
Whole Family!**

FAIR MONTH! It's here at last!

So much fun! It takes over the town center and fills it with great vendors, delicious food, live music and so much more!

An hour-by-hour breakdown of all the activities that await you at the Canterbury Fair this year. (You'll have to turn the page sideways to read it. Pull it out and bring it to the fair!) *Page 7.*

Would you like to help? There's always a need for volunteers. Hang out with old friends or make new ones. *Page 6.*

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Want to dance? Sure you do! Learn about the rich tradition of Canterbury's Morris dancers! *Page 6.*

Up for some time travel? Check out the historical fair photos on *Page 14*, and catch up on the Historical Society's fair plans. That's on *Page 14!*

Local Folks, Here to Serve You ...

MEADOW'S PONDS SOAPS have been made without artificial colorings or fragrances, using sustainable and/or organic oils, local plants, milks and tallow for over ten years. Bridal, wedding or baby shower favors can be created for you. Soaps, bug repellents, and balms are sold at the Canterbury Country Store, Elkins Public Library, the Canterbury Farmers market and online at www.meadowspound.breezi.com.

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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: Farm store is open daily from 7 am to 7 pm. Pre-order for pickup Tuesday-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. brookfordfarm.com.

NORTH FAMILY FARM'S 2023 certified 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 2023 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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RASPBERRY & WOOL DAY

Clough Tavern Farm ~ July 22, 9-4

Historic Clough Tavern invites you to join us in celebrating Raspberries & Teeswater Sheep.

PYO raspberry patch open - information & inspirations;

Teeswater Sheep - learn

all about an endangered breed; **Farm Shop** - woolen products, Two Sisters' Garlic blends & dips; **Demonstrations**, all about wool & window restoration plus local artisans selling wares, antiques, children's crafts; **Farm-style drinks & food** for sale; **Children's story** at 11 & 2. **No entrance fee!** More information at cloughtavernfarm.com, info@cloughtavernfarm.com, or 603-731-5574. **Please: no dogs!**



23 Clough Tavern Road, Canterbury

Follow the Raspberry & Wool signs through town!

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COLD GARDEN SPIRITS: Please join us Saturdays from 1 to 4:30, by chance, or by appointment. For online orders: coldgardenspirits.com. Tastings, sales and a cocktail if you're lucky. Email info@coldgardenspirits.com.

Remembering a Neighbor: Dr. Paul Kruzel

Dr. Paul Kruzel, DDS, a beloved husband, father, Baboo (grandfather), brother and Cubs fan, peacefully passed away on May 22, 2023. Born on November 23, 1950 in Chicago, Ill., to Lorraine and Walter Kruzel, Dr. Kruzel lived an extraordinary life full of service, creativity and dedication to his loved ones.

Upon graduating from the University of Illinois College of Dentistry in 1978, Dr. Kruzel joined the United States Army as a pharmacy technician, serving his country with distinction. His dedication to medicine led him to serve as a Captain in the Air Force, where he further honed his skills as a dentist. It was during this service that he met his beloved wife, Mary Louise McMerley.

Dr. Kruzel brought smiles to countless faces throughout his career in dentistry. He began his private practice in Manchester, NH, and later moved his practice to Clinton Street in Concord. After retiring from dentistry, he became the founder of RGB Holographics, where he combined his love for science and art.

Paul's passion for service and care extended far beyond his professional life. As an accomplished artisan, he had a



profound appreciation for birch art and stained glass, often creating beautiful pieces for family and friends. This love for hands-on creativity also led him to build his home in Canterbury, a testament to his dedication and love for his family. His love for nature led him to choose a beautiful birch tree in Canterbury as the location for his home. He always took pride in personally maintaining his serene property in the woods.

Paul is survived by his wife, Mary Kruzel; his children, Sean Kruzel (wife Jackie Gold) and their children, Charlotte and Walter; daughter Sarah Duclos (husband Nathan Duclos) and their children, Colin and Alex; and daughter Stephanie Guertin (husband Shaun Guertin) and expectant baby girl. He is also survived by his sisters, Amy

Briguglio, Carol Swenson, Rita DeStefano and Mary Kosik. His family was the center of his world, and his loving spirit will continue to live on through them.

In his 72 years, Paul lived a life filled with purpose, love, and joy. His unwavering commitment to his love for his family and his generous spirit will be deeply missed by all who knew him.



Pick-Your-Own Blueberries
Opening mid-July.

Hours: Daily 7am to dusk unless closed for ripening (always check Facebook)

Payment: Cash, check or Venmo

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Our call for newsletter help has been answered — not once, but twice. **Kyle Gelinis** has begun lending his editing skills to the newsletter, and we are grateful! And **Sam** (you know who you are!), we appreciate your offer to help too, and we'll be in touch soon!

~ Mark and Brenda Travis, co-editors



Where **Nature** meets **Nurture**
Among the Gardens

Affordable, local, and educational for all ages—come explore! **Daily 9AM-6PM**

Fresh Flowers from our Gardens

Bouquets Fri-Sun at our Farm Stand. Custom designs too!

Pick-Your-Own flowers starts July 23!
Flower Arranging workshops all season.



Connecting Kids with Nature

"Spread Your Wings" spontaneous outdoor play, most Thursdays, 9-2 (**by reservation**).

"Tale Trails" Self-guided trail walks, reading a nature story along the way. **Free passes** from Elkins Public Library.

"Peter Rabbit" Live performances July 7-9 (**reserve a spot!**)

11th Annual NH Monarch Festival

Now **6 days**, 8 RESERVED sessions: 8/25-27; 9/8-10.

Trail Walks & Labyrinths (NO PETS, please)

Walk our labyrinths and 2+ miles of tranquil woodland trails, or stroll through the gardens and pollinator meadow.

Handmade Gifts on the Farm Stand porch

Leaf Stone Bird Baths, Botanical silk scarves, labyrinth jewelry, Swedish Almond Cakes, and much more!

Visit petalsinthepines.com for details on all events.

Jim & Donna Miller (603) 783-0220
126 Baptist Rd. Canterbury donna@petalsinthepines.com

At Fellowship After Church, Friendship Is the Real Food

Dear Friends,

I love to take our churching outside whenever we can. Under the Center's wide sky, shaded by two magnificent maples, it's easy to celebrate the gifts of creation and strengthen the ties of community. Freed from our pews, we can sit in a circle and see who we are. Kathy graciously lugs the keyboard outside to help with hymns, and we find ourselves enjoying old traditions in new ways. Then, it's an easy step from worship to fellowship on the grass—sharing news, coffee and tea, and of course, delicious snacks. We could call it *coffee hour*, but *fellowship* really is what we're

about; friendship is the *real* food. In fellowship we get to know each other; we connect and sympathize and encourage one another. Honestly, fellowship should be a verb. It's much more succinct: After worship, we *fellowship*!

Back in 1848, linguist and historian John Russell Bartlett (*Bartlett's Quotations*) took us to task for this very sin: *to fellowship* was a "barbarous Americanism" that we used with "disgusting frequency." Barbarous or not, it seems like a perfect verb for the inclusive kindness that the CUCC aspires to. When we *fellowship*, we build relationships, not in a status-seeking, cocktail-party way, but in a shared project, barn-raising way. Outside in good weather, Canterbury excels at fellowshiping.



Pastor Becky

Canterbury Church this summer

Sunday Worship: 9:30 am, Fellowshiping: 10:30-ish

Wednesday Walkers: Wednesdays at 9 am, meet at the Gazebo, rain or shine. All abilities welcome!

Silence in the Center: Wednesday evenings, 7 pm. Drop in for candlelight meditation and contemplative prayer.

Community Garden Tour on July 15 (*See below!*)

Canterbury Fair on July 29. (*See the front page!*)

Just perch on the Country Store's porch bench, in the gazebo, in the library's rocking chairs, or stroll through the farmers' market, and friendly connection will come to you. Summer just makes it all so easy.

This summer, I hope you'll drop by for worshiping or fellowshiping or both! Whether inside or outside, there is room for you here, no matter who you are, whom you love, or where you are on your journey. And of course, the coffee will be hot!

In Peace,
Becky

What's up? Only Parish House giving, family time, fishing fun and a flower fest!

It might be summer, but CUCC has a lot going on!

First, a most sincere thank you for the generous donations offered for the preservation of the Parish House during the NHGives campaign. A humbling 47 donors raised just shy of \$6,000 that will be utilized for updates, repairs, and energy-saving improvements. Not to worry if NHGives wasn't on your radar, there is much work to be done at the Parish House and donations to support its care as a public meeting space are gratefully accepted.

Swings and Donuts: Looking to meet other families with young children? Come join local families at the Canterbury Elementary School and make new friends for a playground meetup! Sunday, July 16 and Aug. 27, at 8 am. With yummy donuts, great conversation and a safe place for our kids to play, we can make some community connections this summer. This event is open to any and all families looking for a sense of summer fun and connection. For more information, contact Becca at Rebeccaturturro@gmail.com.

Summer Fishing: Sunday, Aug. 13. Enjoy learning to fish, taught by NH Fish and Game certified volunteer instructors, on a local pond (tbd) here in Canterbury. Children 5 and up are welcome with an adult guardian. No fishing license required for

this free one-day community event. Equipment provided. Register by pointing your cell phone camera at:



Flower and Garden Festival on July 15! Begin at the library with author and heirloom gardener John Forti at 10 am, then head out for an amazing flower and garden tour around Canterbury. With 13 stops and eight private gardens, it is sure to be a beautiful day full of nature's beauty, inspired art and music. Tour tickets are on sale now! Go to www.bit.ly/43z2RnE. For more information email mindy.beltramo@gmail.com or point your cell phone camera here:



Change Is Coming to the Country Store!

Hello Canterbury! We are your soon-to-be new storekeepers, Dave and Jane Balshaw!

More than 20 years ago, we came to Canterbury from Sonoma County, California, where it had become overcrowded in so many ways. We were in search of a place that reminded us of our youth: walking to school past the dairy farm, riding our bikes past orchards, vegetable gardens, horses and cattle to Cader Farms Country Egg Stand for a soda, and going to town for a Saturday donut from Joe's A-1 Bakery. When we found Canterbury we felt like we had come back home!



Dave and Jane put on their crazy hats for the opening day of the Farmers Market this year!

Now we want to give back to this amazing community by lending our experience and creativity to reimagine the tradition of the Canterbury Country Store.

You may know Jane as an artist and Dave as a mortgage loan officer, but what you don't know is our history in business. We've always been self-employed in the retail business and have restored/remodeled multiple historic buildings. As such, we are not strangers to hard work and look forward to this summer filled with multi-tasking construction deadlines, vendor sourcing and creative build-outs to give us all a new place to gather, starting in late September.

Imagine sitting with friends in the new loft with coffee and donuts, picking up a hardy housemade sandwich to take for your work day, grabbing a prepared dinner or beer on your way home or creating a party with housemade spreads and a great bottle of wine.

While we are under construction starting July 17, there will be a temporary wall and lobby across the front of the store so the post office can still be accessed, and we will be offering coffee and baked goods each morning. If you want the latest scoop, come down to chat with one of us. We will be there from 8 to 10 each morning, Monday to Saturday. Also, check out the big chalkboard just inside the door for all the latest information and be sure to leave your comments.

Please go to the Canterbury Country Store website to find more information. There you can find a video, sketches and food menu ideas at the bottom of the home page. www.canterburycountrystore.com

We thank you kindly Canterbury!

~ Dave and Jane Balshaw

Public bathroom, indoor seating, kitchen are coming; join us in thanking Toni and Joe!

Changes are happening fast to the Canterbury store property! The big news is that the store will have new storekeepers! As you may know, the store has not been profitable and the Canterbury Community Market LLC, (owner/manager of the property), and Friends of the Canterbury Store have subsidized it for years. Like many country stores, the old model just isn't profitable anymore. That, combined with the need to remove lead from the store apartment, caused the management team to look for a sustainable solution. The LLC started looking to local marketing consultants and exploring other business ideas. During this time, we were approached by town residents Jane and Dave Balshaw with a proposal for a sustainable store model. After much back and forth, we signed a lease on June 5. The transition to the new store has begun!

Toni and Joe Halla have done a great job keeping the store running all these years, through good times and bad, and we all are so grateful for their service to the community! Join the Friends of the Canterbury Store on July 1 from 6 to 8:30 pm at the Gazebo for a pre-fireworks celebration for Toni and Joe.

There will be necessary changes to the property so get ready! There will be a new ADA public bathroom, indoor seating areas and a new kitchen ... all to be constructed while the store is closed. During this time, the post office will remain open.

The store will close on July 15 and the anticipated reopening will happen in mid-September. For updated information, visit canterburycountrystore.com.

Thanks to all our townspeople for supporting the store and we look forward to a new era!

~ Canterbury Community Market LLC management team

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There's Always a Need for Helping Hands at the Fair!

The fair is all a hustle & bustle making preparations for the last Saturday of July — July 29!

Many hands make light work, and there is much to be done. You'll find all sorts of opportunities to make new friends and support Canterbury by offering your help. Whatever you are able to do to help is much appreciated.

If you like books, you'll want to contact Stephanie Jackson at (603 783-0495) or sfjackson130@comcast.net. There are ample opportunities to help transport, sort, organize, set up before the fair, or assist on fair day.

Books to drop off? There is a detailed schedule hanging up just outside the Canterbury Country Store.

What about the What-not? Sally needs lots of volunteers to move, sort, and price items. It is always a fun and great way to meet new people and catch up with old friends. There will be the big move on Tuesday, July 18 from 5 to 7 pm, and pickup trucks, flatbeds, and wagons are needed to get items from Ayers Road to CES. Once there, the sorting and pricing will begin. Have some time on the following dates? Sally needs you!

- Saturday/Sunday, July 22 and 23, noon to 5 pm
- Monday-Thursday, July 24-27, 4-7 pm
- Friday, July 28, 9-5 pm

Any amount of time is appreciated. No need to stay the entire day, unless of course you want to. And then there is fair day, Sally has four shifts that need to be covered that won't cramp your fair-day fun! Shifts from 7 to 10 am, 10 to 1 pm, 1 to 4 pm and then clean up from 4 to 6 pm. Connect with Sally to offer a hand! (603-848-6408) or sfh1957@msn.com

Do you like to bake? Ever wondered about the legendary Shaker hand pies? Bake some yourself at the Parish House, June 30 and July 1 from 7:30 am to 12:30 am. If you have other baked goods for the fair, please bring them, individually wrapped, bright and early, on July 29 to the Bake Sale Tent ready for "grab and go."

Ready to shop? This year we not only have many returning vendors, but also many new ones. You'll find a great combination of both traditional and unique gifts. Shop for jewelry, pottery, baskets, hand-painted items, framed art/prints, bath soaps/lotions, wooden decor and much much more. Enjoy all of our wonderful vendors and happy shopping!

Food for the pantry! Welcoming back the Loudon Food Pantry, we encourage everyone to stop by their booth with a financial or canned food donation. This is our chance to give back to an organization that supports our community year-round.

Don't know much or wondering about the fair? Check out the website at www.canterburyfair.com. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram. Look for the bright yellow advertisements and brochures at the library and store! There is a little bit of all

Canterbury Morris dancers hope to keep their rich and joyful fair tradition alive

The Canterbury Morris Team (Side) started with children, The Morris Minors. Michael Winograd watched them and said hey, let's put together an adult team. So, the

Canterbury Morris Dancers grew from that. Michael played the tambourine and it became the "in thing" to join the side. At one point we had 10 men,



18 women, (some of them formed a garland team), eight teens, girls, with their own kit, and 14 children. Fifty dancers, all from Canterbury. It was the largest mixed (men and women, boys and girls) side in the world, all from one town.

Michael suggested we go down to dance at Quincy Market, but I said no, that's New Cambridge Morris's turf. So, Michael said okay, let's go to England and dance there. We didn't, but shortly after that the Bampton side, the oldest Morris team in the world, came over from Oxfordshire and danced at the Canterbury Fair. Michael took one look at them and said, "Did I say we were going to England?"

We've had some ups and downs since then, faltering close, but Ruth Heath and Polly Camire got us going again. Then came Covid. In 2021, the full Canterbury Morris side came in full blue and white kits. Nobody was in town to watch. Last year, a team came garbed in tie-dye T-shirts. They were pretty good, but not as good as us!

We are having some difficulty in lining up the Canterbury side for this year's fair. There is the possibility that we can arouse some of the old Phoenix Morris Dancers, decrepit as they may be, to help keep a tradition alive. If you're interested in joining us, call me at 603-783-4719.

~ Dudley Laufman, dance caller, musician and poet

things wonderful and dear that make this such a special family tradition.

Oh, and we'll be having a photo contest between 9 am and noon. The winner will be announced at 1 and will win a free chicken dinner! Snap a shot that captures the essence of this historic fair and tag the fair's Instagram account, #canterburyfairnh, to win.

~ Mindy Beltramo, for the Fair Committee

2023 Canterbury Fair, Sat., July 29, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

9 a.m. ~ Church Bells Ring

Official Start of the Fair

9 a.m. ~ 5k Woodchuck Classic

2k Chipmunk Scramble

Part of the Capital Area Race series. Sign in 8 a.m. up the hill at the Canterbury Elementary School. Registration forms and information can be found at www.CanterburyFair.com

9 a.m.-Noon ~ "Say cheese!"

Snap pictures of the fun you're having and post them to the Fair's Instagram [#canterburyfairnh](https://www.instagram.com/canterburyfairnh). We are looking for one picture that captures the old-time essence of the Fair. The winner, announced at 1p.m., gets a FREE chicken dinner!!

10-10:30 a.m. ~ Morris Dancers

Enjoy the bell ringing, stick clashing and hankie waving of this old English dance! Look for them on the paved area between the gazebo and the church.

Other Live Performances

- 11 a.m.: Mr. Aaron, Named Best Children's Performer of 2020 by NH Magazine! Gather by the front porch of the Elkins Library.
- 12 Noon: Suzuki Strings: Students will perform on violins of many sizes, based on their study of the Suzuki method. At the gazebo music tent.
- 1:15p.m.: North River Music offers toe tappin' Americana sound! At the gazebo music tent.

11 a.m. - 3 p.m. ~ Famous Chicken BBQ

Featuring Sunser Mountain Fish & Game Club's super secret BBQ sauce. Chicken has been slow cooking since 6 a.m.! Eat in the Parish House or get it "to go." Buy tickets at the announcer's booth or in the Parish Hall. Cash or check.

Bake Sale & Shaker Hand Pies

The Benevolent Society started the Fair 65 years ago to support the Parish House. Visit their Bake Sale early before the Shaker hand pies sell out!

More Great Food

Check the food tents for burgers (*beef or veggie*), hotdogs, sausage grinders, fresh fruit cups, ice cream sundaes, frappes, and fresh lemonade.

40+ Artisans & Craftspeople

Shop for jewelry, pottery, baskets, framed art/prints, candles, hand painted items, photography, bath soaps/lotions, wooden decor and more!

Used Book & Media Sale

Located in the historic Town Hall. Thousands of books from contemporary to classic, Fiction, non-Fiction, children's books, cookbooks, how-to, audio-books, and more!

What-Not Sale

Take the shuttle bus or walk up the hill to the Canterbury Elementary School to hunt through a huge collection of treasures unearthed from Canterbury's finest attics and basements.

Friendly Farm Animals

On your way to-or-from the What-Not Sale, visit the Friendly Farm Animals (and reptiles, too) just across from the Canterbury Elementary School.

Kids' Activities & Face Painting

Old-time games • Pillow Challenge • Obstacle Course • Bean Bag Toss • Fishing Pond • Pirate Treasure • Spin-Art • Sand Art • Visit the Canterbury Fire Dept. truck near the library!

Historic Fun with "Tools for Kids"

Children can wash and wring out clothes the "old" way! Lots of other historic tools to use as well.

Demonstrations

Featuring indigenous Master Basket Maker Barbara Francis, who along with her daughter, will share talents learned from Penobscot Elders. Plus, enjoy watching a blacksmith, broom maker, spoon carver, wood turner, and flint knapper!

Antique Machinery...

...for adults to explore, and kids to climb on!

One Room Schoolhouse, Circa 1843

Canterbury kids enjoyed learning in the Elisabeth Houser schoolhouse until 1956! Let the "alumni" show you around.

Historical Society's New Exhibit

An eclectic display from Canterbury's past -- objects, paintings, poems, photos, memorabilia. Take the "Name This Object" challenge!

4 p.m. ~ Official End of the Fair

See you next year, always the last Saturday in July!

Accessible Parking is available (limited amount).

Tell the folks directing traffic if you need this service.

First Aid Station is in the parking area next to the Elkins Library and Town Hall, by the fire truck.

Porta-potties and hand-washing stations can be found throughout the Fair.

No ATM available. Please bring

cash. Some, but not all, craft

vendors accept credit cards.

Dogs welcome on leash only. Be mindful of the heat! In the sun, pavement can easily be over 125°.



The Food Page: Farmers Market and Food Pantry!

If you think the Canterbury Farmers Market was full of goodness in June, just wait till the heat of July and August sets in. Then the veggies really start to pop!

We invite you to browse – there's a whole lot more to the market than just veggies! Check our website, CanterburyFarmersMarket.com, for a full list of vendors. You can also subscribe to the weekly Market News. Be sure to check out our new "wall" at the Elkins Library across from the circ desk. Pictures, news, and games for kids!

We can now accept SNAP/EBT cards and we match the first \$20 of your SNAP/EBT purchase thanks to a program through the NH Food Bank. We also offer Veterans Market Dollars. Show your V.A. card or active military ID, a NH driver's license with the veteran logo, or your DD214 for \$20 in market tokens good at any vendor. You can use this benefit once in July and again in August.

We hope to see you in July at three special events ...

- We will have "Market Tea" available at the amazing program by John Forti, Saturday, July 15, at 10 am at Elkins Public Library. This is part of the CUCC Flower and Garden Festival.
- July 26 is the Super Market! Biggest market of the season with many guest vendors.
- Look for our booth at the Canterbury Fair, always the last Saturday in July!

Every week we have great live music! Here is the July/August schedule.

- July 5: Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki and Jim Prendergast
- July 12: Katie Dobbins
- July 19: Teen Night
- July 26: Mike Morris
- Aug. 2: Chris Bonoli
- Aug. 9: Audrey Drake and Jarrod
- Aug. 16: The Sweetbloods
- Aug. 23: 2nd Time Around / Michelle Sanborn
- Aug. 30: Doug Farrell

Special events: The first week of the month features a kids' activity, the second the master gardeners, the third the "Sandwich Slam," made to order, and the fourth, helping to fill Mary Ellen's Basket.

You never know when we might add a special guest, demonstration, or event. Check our schedule at CanterburyFarmersMarket.com or follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

~ Beth Blair



Food Pantry's Facebook call for help yields more than 1,500 cans of soup!

In May, the Loudon Food Pantry gave out 5,281 meals worth of food to 313 individuals, of which 184 were aged 60 and older (59 percent), 52 were aged 18 or under (17 percent), and 77 were between those ages (25 percent).

Our appreciation: When we put the call for canned soups donations on our Facebook page, we never anticipated what the response would be. Thanks to everyone that donated, we received more than 1,500 cans of soup. Our elderly guests use soup as a meal when they don't really feel hungry but know they need to eat something, or are just too tired to cook. Others use soup as a supplement to sandwiches. However they use the soup, we are very happy to have it on hand to give out. Thank you so much!

Canterbury Fair: The food pantry will have a booth set up at the Canterbury Fair on July 29 to answer any questions and sign people up to get food. Our cash collection bins and our 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.

How we feed our guests: The typical food allotment for a single person is nine meals for three days. This is under the assumption that the person also receives SNAP, or food stamps, as a supplement to the food received. Unfortunately, not everyone qualifies for the SNAP program. After reading many different articles about how pantries feed their guests, we decided to try something different. One article said that after one or two trips to a pantry, when they start to feel more secure, most guests will start to take only what they need. They will always keep a little extra in case they can't make it to the pantry that week (i.e., sick child, appointments, etc.) We did it and it works! We have guests that feel more food secure and take less than what we offered them on a weekly basis as a result. If they can't make their appointment to get food, they call and now tell us not to worry. They'll be okay for the week. With your help, we can continue helping people feel food secure!

Do you need food? Call me at (603) 724-9731 to see if you qualify. The process is simple and if you have all your paperwork, you'll receive food the same day as your appointment! *You'll find our hours and location in the listings on Page 13.*

~ Sue Houck

Town News: Fireworks, New Staff & Sorting Cardboard

The new flagpole for the town center was delivered and installed in time for the Memorial Day events. Thank you to the Highway Department for their assistance in raising the new pole. Also on hand to help out was Kent Ruesswick and Pete Riendeau. Pete and I had helped the Boy Scouts with the previous flagpole, which was a spruce tree harvested from behind The Spruces 18 years ago. The new pole is aluminum and should last forever.

The annual fireworks show will be held at Canterbury Elementary School on Saturday, July 1. JPI Pyrotechnics has promised another great show with several new fireworks!

Mowing on the town roadsides will begin the first of July. Paving on Shaker Road from Hills Corner to Old Gilmanton Road should begin this summer, sometime in mid-July.

Selectmen's meetings will be held July 3, July 17, Aug. 7 and Aug. 21.

We wish Jan Stout, our administrative assistant since 1997, a happy retirement. Thank you for your 26 years of dedicated service to our community!

We have two new part-time employees. Kathleen McKay is the new administrative assistant and Jessie Lozier is the new deputy town clerk. David Bowles was promoted to Transfer Station Manager. There is an opening for a Transfer Station Attendant. The posting is on the town website.

The new baler that was approved at the 2022 Town Meeting is

Heads up! Tax bills are due July 5

The due date for tax bills is Tuesday, July 5.

The Town Clerk/Tax Collectors Office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4. The Town Clerk's office will also be closed the week of July 16 through July 22.

The office will have amended hours from Aug. 7 through 10, during which the office will be open Monday (8/7), Tuesday (8/8), Wednesday (8/9) and Thursday (8/10) from 5pm to 7pm, while the Town Clerk is at training.

finally up and running. There were delays because of the needed power upgrade to operate the baler. We are still waiting for all the needed electrical components, but Larry Martin, our electrician, was able to safely use a temporary connection to power the unit. The Transfer Station staff and Highway employees were trained on the operations of the baler and we will be moving loose cardboard from the trailer to the baler to make bales on Tuesdays.

This requires hand sorting of cardboard to remove any materials that would not be accepted as "cardboard" by our vendor. Quite a bit of "non-cardboard" had to be removed in order to make the first bale. In order to make the process of baling cardboard run smoothly we ask that only "corrugated cardboard" be placed in the trailer. All other paper products can be placed in the "mixed paper" trailer. Please see an attendant if you have any questions. In the future we will be baling plastic and mixed paper. Thank you for your cooperation and patience.

~ Ken Folsom, Town Administrator



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Starting Something New & Carrying Tradition Onward

Community Power electricity rate savings will show up on your July utility bill

There are four things to know this month about Community Power in Canterbury.

First, the crossover in June from Unitil and Eversource to Canterbury Community Power (CCP) went smoothly, quietly and overwhelmingly. Out of 896 Canterbury customers served by these two delivery utilities, 891, (98 percent), are now taking power from CCP at the low "Granite Basic" rate of 15.8 cents/kWh. Two other customers opted up to "Clean 50" at 16.9 cents, and three more to 100 percent renewable energy at the "Clean 100" rate of 19.1 cents.

Fourteen Unitil and Eversource default service customers opted out of Community Power, offset by nine Competitive Energy Supply customers who opted in.

Rate changes will appear on your July utility bill. All in all, Canterbury has given a big thumbs up to Community Power!

Second, the Community Power Coalition of NH (CPCNH) calculates that CCP will generate an estimated \$143,000 in "total community benefits" for the town's residents and businesses through the end of the current rate period on July 31. Of that total, 40 percent went to provide customer bill savings through reduced energy rates, and 60 percent (\$85,000) will go into locally controlled reserve funds to enable long-term rate stability, innovative clean energy projects and services or even further rate reductions.

Third, for PV solar customers, we can report only painfully slow progress in pushing Eversource and Unitil to provide the customer-specific data on exports to the grid that is required by law and needed by CPCNH in order to offer favorable terms to net-metered customers. Negotiations continue, but it looks increasingly as if the Public Utilities Commission will need to resolve the dispute in an adversarial proceeding – and that could take months more. Until this is resolved, we recommend that solar PV customers stay with their delivery utilities for energy supply, unless they export no net energy to the grid because they never generate more than they use themselves.

Fourth, new and lower energy rates for both Community Power and utility default energy service customers will go into effect for the next six-month period, starting on Aug. 1. Look for the new rates at www.CommunityPowerNH.gov, the PUC's rate comparison web page, or in the weekly town email, and review your options to make sure you're where you want to be.

~ The Canterbury Community Power Committee



Agriculture Commission feels the loss of George Glines, and looks forward

The Canterbury Agriculture Commission suffered a big blow recently with the sudden loss of George Glines, one of our few remaining founding members. George had served on the commission since its inception in 2008 and was well liked and respected by all. His many years of contributions to this commission will be greatly missed.



As the only active dairy farmer on the commission, George brought a unique perspective to the discussions and his observations and opinions were based on years of hands-on experience in the muck and mire. The Glines family have been prominent participants in the Canterbury farming community since before the Civil War, so it is hard to imagine any type of Canterbury agricultural activity that doesn't include a Glines farm family representative.

The Agricultural Commission now has a vacant position and is looking for volunteers who have an interest in preserving and promoting agriculture in Canterbury. If you have farming in your background or in your blood and would consider serving on this commission, please contact one of our members. We'll be happy to answer any questions you might have.

July and August are good months to explore the farmers markets, and the on-the-farm farm stands for the freshly harvested fruits and vegetables now coming into season. Don't forget the eggs, meats, honey and maple syrup also being locally produced and sold. Supporting our local farmers is a good way to enjoy our rural community and keep agriculture alive in Canterbury.

~ Mark Stevens, Chairman,
Canterbury Agricultural Commission



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Summer ... and the Livin' Is BUSY at the Library

Summer! This is when our focus turns to summer reading and our children. Come in and get involved with our 2023 summer reading theme of "All Together Now," which celebrates kindness, friendship and unity. Come visit the library this month to see all that we have planned to create a summer of fun!

Story Time: Join us Tuesday mornings at 10 starting for stories, songs and a craft. This program is perfect for children from birth through kindergarten. There will be no story time on July 4 – Happy Independence Day! This program won't be offered in August.

Lego Club: The Lego Club is a drop-in program held on Tuesdays from 2 to 4 pm. Children under the age of 9 must have an adult with them. Miss Cheryl will have weekly Lego Challenges for the children and we need the community's help on voting for the creation that best fits the challenge. There will be Duplos for our younger patrons to use.

Tunes, Tales and Tumbles: Join us Thursday mornings at 10 starting on June 29 for songs, stretching, stories and more! This program is perfect for ages birth through preschool. This program won't be offered in August.

Tween Crafternoons: On Thursday afternoons from 2 to 3, tweens ages 9-12 are invited to come for an hour of craft time. The first Crafternoon will be June 29 at 2 pm. Please sign up ahead of time for this program so the library will have enough materials on hand.

Teen Night: Tuesday, July 25, from 5 pm to 7:30 pm. Program TBD.

Big Truck Day: Thursday, July 6, from 10 am to noon, join us as we celebrate our Community Helpers with Big Truck Day! Come take an up close and personal look at these vehicles and talk with their drivers. (This is a great time to thank them for what they do for our town.) Stay for the Parade of Trucks at noon. This event is rain or shine.

Steve Blunt: On Saturday, July 22, at 10 am, join us for a summer concert with Steve Blunt called Singing Songs Together. Join us as we sing and dance along to his multicultural playlist. If the sun is shining we're going to turn the concert into a beach party, so bring a towel, because you just might get wet!

Community Project: This summer, keeping with the theme "All Together Now," our community project is stocking the shelves of Canterbury Elementary School's closet! We have a list of items that would be greatly appreciated by your children's teachers. Please consider helping us fill their closets in time for the next school year. We will also continue our food drive for the Loudon Food Bank, thanks to Emily Perlet at the 4H Cloverbuds.

The Library will be closed Saturday, July 1, and reopen on Wednesday, July 5, after the holiday.

The next meeting of Elkins Public Library Board of Trustees is on Monday, July 17, at 6 pm. There is no meeting in August.

Programs for Grownups

Join us in a community reading of Frederick Douglass's "What to the Slave is your Fourth of July?" in collaboration with the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire. For the past several years, on the Saturday before July 4, the Black Heritage Trail of New Hampshire has collaborated with community leaders around the Granite State to bring people together to read Douglass's historic protest speech and to reflect on its meaning. This year Canterbury Shaker Village, in collaboration with the Elkins Public Library, will host a community reading in the 1792 Meetinghouse at Shaker Village on Saturday, July 1, at noon. Volunteer readers are needed. Please contact Rachel (mrsbaker@elkinspubliclibrary.org) if you are interested.

Elkins Public Library Speaker Series presents John Forti on Saturday, July 15, at 10 am, as we participate in the CUCC Flower and Garden Festival. John will be presenting outside in our Memorial Garden which was just certified as a pollinator garden by the UNH Cooperative Extension, thanks to the work of FOEPL. Be sure to buy your tickets for the tour which starts immediately following the presentation. (See Page 4 for more!) Thanks to Canterbury Community Farmers Market for contributing to this neat community collaboration.

The Old Man Boring Book Club: The boring old men and women will resume meeting on Thursday, Sept. 7, at 6 pm.

Evening Book Group: The Book Group will be taking July off to find new titles to bring back to the group. Rose will discuss *A Prayer for Owen Meany* by John Irving on Thursday, Aug. 23, at 6 pm as part of the Adult Summer Reading program.

Murder, Mayhem and Misadventure: This mysterious group will be taking a break in July to solve crime and sleuth. They will regroup on Tuesday, Aug. 22, at 2 pm to share notes, evidence and possible convictions.

Worried about balance? Don't let the fear of falling limit your activities. "A Matter of Balance" classes provide the tools needed to gain confidence and learn simple fall prevention strategies. This virtual program will be offered through Granite VNA on Mondays, July 10 through Aug. 28. Contact the library for times and registration information.

Calling all grant writers: We love patron-driven programming at the library. We have heard that you would like information on how to write grants. If you are interested in learning or have information that would help someone learn, please come on Thursday, July 20, at 6 pm.

Free tech help: Thursdays from 4 to 6 pm in half-hour time slots, Kal McKay offers free tech support at the library. Please schedule an appointment and give a brief description of the nature of the issue. Kal's time fills up fast, so don't wait!

Here's to the Spirit of Community!

Celebrating another high school grad!

Kylie Woody of Canterbury has graduated from Merrimack Valley High School and plans to attend Gordon College in the fall. Her family moved here last year (welcome!) and did not want to make her change schools.



And to all of you grads: How about registering to vote?

What you need to bring: proof of citizenship (birth certificate or passport) and proof of residency (valid driver's license or bill with current address).

Where to register to vote: At the voting location (usually the Town Hall) on the day of the election or at the Canterbury Town Clerk's Office in the Sam Lake House, (10 Hackleboro Road, 603-783-9955. *For hours, see Page 13.*)

To register you must be 18 by the time of the election.
~ Mary-Jane Bergman



Thanks to the town center beautifiers!

Many thanks to **Kevin Bragg** at Canterbury Plantation for donating the flowers for the trough in the center of town. Also, thanks to **Meg Miller** for planting the flowers and **Beth Blair** and **Linda Bliss** for keeping it watered through the summer. We appreciate each of you for your part in beautifying our town center. Thank you!
~ Donna Miller

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Stores

Canterbury Country Store: Mon.-Sat., 6:30 am to 6 pm; Sun., 8 am to 4 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.

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@canterburynh.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@canterburynh.gov

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

Selectmen's Office, Town Administrator, and Assessor's Office: 783-9955. Mon. and Wed., 9 to 1; Thur. 10 to 2. Emails: selectmen@canterburynh.gov
assessing@canterburynh.gov
kfolson@canterburynh.gov

Building Inspector: 783-9033
buildinginspector@canterburynh.gov

Highway Dept: 783-4123
canterburyhighway@canterburynh.gov

Planning Board: 848-2059
planningboard@canterburynh.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:** Monthly on 2nd Monday, 3:30 pm, Library, or as needed.
- **Zoning Board:** As needed.
- **Energy Committee:** 1st Tues., 6 pm

Shaker Corner: What could be better than the Jordan-Tirrell Wysocki Trio?

Music on the Green at the Shaker Village kicks off on Sunday, July 2, at 4 pm with the Jordan Tirrell-Wysocki Trio.

Held outside in a natural, intimate setting, the Music on the Green series is an annual concert series that features various types of music for all ages and runs every Sunday from July 2 to Sept. 17. Admission is free with a suggested donation of \$20. Music on the Green is sponsored by CCA Global Partners, New Hampshire Dance Collaborative (NHDC), and Kathleen Belko, Trustee.

Village tours are available with a reservation before Music on the Green performances, while visitors are always encouraged to explore the extensive trail system on the village's nearly 700-acre property.

To purchase tour tickets or learn more about the village, which interprets Shaker life through tours, exhibits, buildings, gardens, and programs, visit shakers.org. Beginning July 1, the village will be open for tours at 11 am and 1 pm every day, and the village store will be open Monday through Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm.

For more information, take a look at the new website at shakers.org/

Questions? Contact Rachel Baker.



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New Historical Society exhibit features a little bit of everything Canterbury!

Visit the Elkins Memorial Building on Fair Day to see our new Canterbury Historical Society exhibit that will feature items from our collection not seen in years, and some never seen at all! The show is called "Historical Society Eclectic" and will have items dating from the Civil War including the identification tag which belonged to Canterbury soldier Henry McDaniel; several contemporary paintings/watercolors featuring the Canterbury Country Store and Shaker Village; a Shaker style rocking chair made by Canterbury master woodworkers Brian Braskie and Lenore Howe along with Brian's "Shaker Finial Puzzle Board" (which we challenge you to solve); the Worsted Church, farm tools made in Canterbury in the mid-19th century; William Hubbard's postmaster appointment certificate signed by President Eisenhower, a letter signed by President Eisenhower congratulating townspeople on building the elementary school through volunteer labor – and so much more!

One Room School House open Fair Day! Make it a point to visit the Houser Center One Room Schoolhouse on Fair Day. It was built in 1843. Come and experience what attending school was like in Canterbury before 1956, when our elementary school was built. All are welcome!

Visit canterburyhistory.org: We are in the process of uploading photos taken from the albums of all the productions of the Canterbury Players Gilbert & Sullivan shows presented in the 1980s and 1990s. Many folks have fond memories of attending these shows featuring Canterbury residents performing (as best they could). With proceeds going to build the bandstand on the green, this is a perfect example of Canterbury folks coming together. You will see many familiar faces, some of whom have sadly left us. It will be a great visit!
~ Bob Scarponi, President

Parting is such sweet sorrow!

But cheer up. We'll be back! There will be no separate August newsletter. It's our one month off! We will return with a September issue, we promise. In the meantime, enjoy the summer, and we'll see you at the fair!

~ Mark and Brenda Travis, co-editors

Exactly what is Canterbury? For 67 years, it's been Family for me

The picture of me at the Canterbury Fair in the last newsletter was about 40 years ago.



Here's the photo of Dave again, in case you missed it last month.

Canterbury has been my home for 67 years, not 63 as I said in last month's piece, so I have that much more to thank Canterbury for. (Plus an earlier three months when I was in fourth grade at Center School, a good memory.) Eighth grade at Kezar Seminary was also a special memory, during which I had an unnecessary but worthwhile fight with Donny Stone. Donny, Dicky Dickson and I rang the church bell Halloween

night. Nobody heard it.

So, thanks, y'all. And thanks for giving me the excuse to make another list. (See last month.)

High on the list has to be my six years backcountry backpacking in the Whites with those wild country Boy Scouts. Working for friends doing residential remodeling was very satisfying until I aged out of it, about the time that picture of me turning free ring baby rattles at the fair was taken.

My list of Canterbury gritudes is, of course, endless. Doing the farmer's market sustains me, as does my trail work. The Braiding Sweet Grass group has been like the best of family discussions.

And soon, the store will once again have a true family gathering place. Anne and I look forward to joining others there to share our 57 years of family memories.

Canterbury is Family.

~ David Emerson