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News from the Selectboard

Erik Spitzbarth, Chairman for the Selectboard

ORGANIZATION / ADMINISTRATION: The Selectboard has approved the hiring and training of Hancock's newest part-time police officer. Shane (Joey) Sweeney has accepted our offer and will start training at the NH PSTC 269th Part-time Officer Academy on August 15th. "Joey" is a "home grown", born and raised in Peterborough, New Hampshire native. He is a ConVal graduate, with an Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from NH Tech Institute. Please extend a "Welcome to Hancock!" when you see him.

This was an open, duly funded, position that has been approved in the town budget.

MEETINGHOUSE WINDOW RESTORATION: Winn Mountain Restorations, LLC has been awarded the contract for the restoration of the windows on the Meetinghouse. The \$82,886.00 includes the restoration of eight 16 over 16 windows, twenty-nine 12 over 12 windows, sash restoration for 24 lite fixed sashes, 10 lite side sashes, 12 lite fan sashes, and restoration of the oculus window at the peak of the south side (an 8 lite vertical window). (NOTE: That's a lot of pane in the glass) Expenses are supported by the \$69,267 recently awarded by the Land & Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP), the generous support of the Hancock Improvement Association (HIA) Capital Campaign Grant in the anticipated amount of \$16,464, and a grant of \$4,930 from the Citizens Bank/Grant Foundation. Much gratitude and thanks goes out to the team that made this possible and their diligent processing of the required documentation.

No funds from taxation are earmarked for this project.

NEED FOR SPEED: The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NH DOT) State Traffic Engineer has recently advised the BOS of the results of a Special Speed study completed this April along the Route 202 corridor, some of which is intersected by Hancock roads: Forest Rd. and Peterborough Rd (Rte 123). Various speed limits of 40, 45, 50, and 55 are noted. Using the accepted practice of considering the 85th percentile as the "reasonable and prudent" speed, the prevailing data and subsequent recommendation is to change the speed limit to a consistent 50 mph through these intersections. We will be meeting with Mr. Lambert (Traffic Engineer/Administrator) to further discuss the recommendation and other improvement suggestions.

WHERE'S MY YELLOW TRUCK? After a competitive quote process, the Master Lease Purchase Agreement (\$149,920.00 for 6 years at 2.69%) from Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. has been approved and signed for the 2015 International 6 wheel Dump Truck. Yes, it is yellow: :) Final adjustments and accessory mounting for town use are being performed by Fairfield in Keene and you should be seeing this truck on a street near you soon.

This lease was approved by Warrant Article at the 2015 Town meeting.

Please see pages 16 through 20 for all activities pertaining to Old Home Day

This year's theme is "New Life for Old Treasures"

Hancock Happenings Mission Statement

Hancock Happenings is the monthly newsletter of the Town of Hancock, established in 1999 for the purpose of publishing news articles by Town Departments and local organizations. The publication is self-supported through the sale of block and classified advertising. *Hancock Happenings* is not a forum for opinion pieces of any nature, political advertising and political columns; any such submissions will be edited or rejected.

Hancock Fire & Rescue

Nevan Cassidy, Chief, Hancock Fire Department

Open Flames...

Just a reminder to be careful when dealing with any sort of open flame, be it a candle on your mantel, or a big propane fired weed-burning blowtorch. Fire can spread quite quickly, as a resident of Old Dublin Road found out in late July. This woman didn't want her name in Hancock Happenings, but this incident is what Mom would have called a teachable moment, so I'll just call her "Rhonda" Rhonda was using one of those weed burners to knock down the crud growing around her garage. The flame from the torch apparently got in under the building and probably smoldered for a time before spreading and burning the



entire place to the ground. Rhonda's little car went up in smoke, as well as a kayak that was in the building. (We had to take her word about the kayak, as there was not a trace of it to be seen.) Peterborough

Fire Dept. had a very similar call not long ago; same cause. Don't put any kind of flame anywhere near any combustible material, period. Tom Bates suggested using an herbicide like Roundup for killing weeds.

Don't forget the legendary Hancock Fire Department Chicken Barbeque is coming up. It's our part of Old Home Days, Saturday, August 15th, from 4-6pm. \$10 gets you a big heaping plate of food and drink, and it also helps out our Association as one of our fund raising efforts. Come join us on the Common under our big green and white tent.

On a personal note, MaryLou and I have to brag a bit about our first grandchild- Ryan Therriault was born on July 2nd to Lauren and Charlie Therriault in Concord. He is a cute little kid and we can't wait to spoil him, as grandparents like to do. If you've been in town for some time, you may remember Lauren as the high school kid working at the Dump or mowing the town fields and cemeteries. (She now works as a Speech Pathologist.)

July Raffle Winners:

The Rogozinski family, \$40;

Dan Frigulietti, \$20;

R.C. VanHorn, Peg McLeod, Don Lussier, \$10 each.

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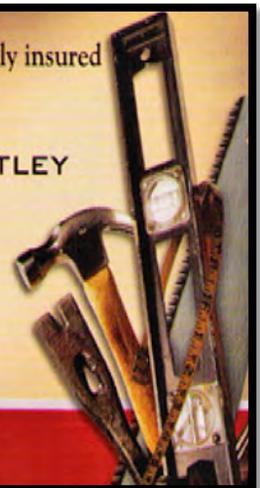
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Dump News

The Future: Somewhere in his office at the Department of Public Works, Kurt keeps a crystal ball that has a mind of its own: without prompting, it looks backward and advises him, “I told you so!” A few minutes later it tells Kurt, “There is a change coming and you are going to have to make it work.” Kurt has advised the dump committee that one of the changes on the “future” list is the likelihood that burning of the brush pile at the Hancock Recycling Center will no longer be allowed. There are some pretty strict regulations about what materials are allowed to be put into the brush pile, and Public Works is very judicious about choosing favorable weather conditions for burning in order to avoid degrading air quality in the immediate area. Even with all our precautions we still receive air quality complaints that limit our ability to burn effectively. Modern air handling equipment pulls in air from the outside, so even burning in the winter months can affect the air quality in nearby buildings. It is a cheap (but *not free* or healthy) way to convert a large brush pile into a much smaller mound of ash, but air quality regulations are tending toward stricter standards. At Public Works and in the dump committee, alternative means of brush disposal are being talked about, and there are varying degrees of complexity and cost. Eventually, burning will simply no longer be allowed, and if the dump is to continue to provide the service of accepting brush, changes must be made in how it is disposed of. Many towns and cities have already found methods other than burning to handle brush, and Public Works will be working to come up with the most cost-effective solution to the foreseeable changes while meeting the needs of residents. Watch for updates in coming months.

**TOWN OF HANCOCK
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DATES
SUMMER and FALL 2015 at the KEENE RECYCLING CENTER:**

Saturday August 8 th	Wednesday August 12 th	Saturday August 22 nd
Saturday September 12 th	Wednesday September 16 th	Saturday September 26 th
Saturday October 3 rd	Wednesday October 14 th	Saturday October 24 th

Hours: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

The FINAL COLLECTION DATE for 2015 is Saturday, October 24th. Next collection for household hazardous waste will resume in March 2016 at the Keene Recycling Center.

WHAT TO BRING:

PRODUCTS MARKED TOXIC,
POISON, CORROSIVE, IRRITANT,
HAZARDOUS, FLAMMABLE,
DANGER, or PRODUCTS
CONTAINING MERCURY

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

EMPTY CONTAINERS,
LATEX PAINT,
AMMUNITION, FIREWORKS,
RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS,
MAKE-UP, or TOILETRIES

All collections take place at the Keene Recycling Center off Route 12 North of Keene. Containers must be labeled and not larger than 5 gallons. Do Not Mix Materials. Rechargeable and wet cell batteries are accepted. No pre-registration is required – just take your material to the Keene Recycling Center on any of the days listed, 8am to 1pm. There is NO CHARGE for residents of Hancock, but bring your driver’s license or registration.

To get to the Keene Recycling Center at 55 Old Summit Road, Keene, NH: go North on Route 12 from Keene (toward Walpole). The entrance is at the top of the hill on the left. Questions? Call 525.4087.

Submitted by Dennis Caldwell

Hancock Woman's Club News

Hancock's Main Street was a 'buzz' this past Saturday, July 18th! "Visit Hancock Gardens" was happening and folks were everywhere despite the threatening skies. A big 'Thank You' to all who came to view Hancock's gardens.

The garden tour chair committee would like to thank the gardeners for all the time and effort they put in to making their gardens look so beautiful, even on a cloudy day. We couldn't have done it without you! And, to the garden tour committees who worked hard at making sure we had what was needed, great team work!

We hope everyone will enjoy the rest of the summer. **October 14th at 2 pm** will begin another Hancock Woman's Club year, so please mark your calendars! Be sure to join us and invite a friend or neighbor.

The club is open to all women in the area, so come by and check us out!

Submitted by Gertie Kanner



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Hancock Woman's Club Scholarship Lauren Stacy Awarded

Lauren Stacy has been awarded the Hancock Woman's Club 2015 Scholarship of \$1,000. Lauren has completed her first of three years in the part-time Masters in Nursing Program at Rivier University which will prepare her to work as a Family Nurse Practitioner. The major of her nursing experience is in Critical Care. The past two years she has worked in the out-patient setting, in Cardiac Rehabilitation. She describes this setting as a perfect fit for her to educate patients regarding their disease process and how to modify their lifestyle to reduce their cardiac risk factors. A majority of her studies this year have focused on the development of patient-centered care techniques to help improve patient motivation and participation in goal-directed risk factor modification. As a Family Nurse Practitioner, she would be able to act as a provider to further develop and refine tools such as goal-directed care which would be beneficial to all patients with chronic diseases.

The Hancock Woman's Club Scholarship Committee:
 Shirley Kane, and Eleanor Fillebrown and
 Eleanor Falcon, co-chairs

FOR SALE

Schrok cherry bathroom items:
 •• 42" cherry bathroom vanity: Swanstone countertop/sink, Delta faucets, \$150
 •• Wall cabinet 24Wx30H, \$40

**Hunter-Douglas
 2-cell honeycomb blinds, beige**
 •• 69-5/8W x 78L for slider, 2 blinds on 1 mount - \$50
 •• 59-3/8W x 62L, 1 blind on 1 mount - \$35

**Sears Lifestyler 3000RX
 Rowing Machine - \$40**

Call 525.4061, to see a photo of items,
 go to: <http://www.sdsLtd.com/ForSale.htm>

2015 Hancock Summer Concert Series

The 19th annual Hancock Summer Concert Series has begun, and here's the line-up:

July 30th - Li'l Bee Dee & the Doo Rites

August 6th Rich Greenblatt Sextet

August 13th - Celticladda

Concerts are held on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30pm on the Common, and are free to the public. In the event of rain, concerts will be held in the Meeting House (next to the Vestry).

For further information, contact Deb at 525.4952 or porterhayes@comcast.net.

Hancock Happenings

From the Editor

Traditions can make us feel connected to the past. And what a great tradition Old Home Day is! It is one of my favorite days of the year, although this year I will be feeling a bit of sadness too.

I will enjoy watching the parade from my usual spot in front of the Vestry with my childhood best friend and her family (She comes back to Hancock every year for OHD). But this year I will not be able to search the crowd across the street, as I used to do, to find my Aunt Virginia. Neither will I be able to work my way over to her after the parade to ask how she is doing. She passed away last year.

I miss her everyday, but I will be thinking of her during the tradition of our Old Home Day parade and I will feel connected to her.

THANK YOU NOTE

We would like to thank our friends in Hancock for all their support over these past few months. Your calls, cards, visits, food, and outpouring of support are helping us through a very difficult time in our lives. Please know all your help is very much appreciated.

Sincerely, Jill Hickox, Jacqueline and Annika Madeja

If you need to reach me, email is the best way:

happenings@hancocknh.org or 525.9459

Jaime Donovan, Editor



BULLETIN BOARD



Community Supper

As usual, there will be no supper in August due to Old Home Day. See you in September.

Submitted by Donna Coty

Many have noticed the Walk Box near the coffee supplies at the Hancock Market. It is a recreational walk sponsored by the American Volkssport Association. On Sunday, August 16th, at 10am, our local AVA club is planning a group walk of the Hancock Walk. Anyone who wishes is welcome to join us and find out more about volkswalk. For questions contact Cindy Gray at 525.3606 or email crwgray@comcast.net.

Submitted by Cynthia Gray



Another "Tale From Home" at www.herb-gardner.com

Chinami sent Sam out to buy some ice cream for the kids. He asked, "What flavor?" She replied, "On Sale!"



This summer, enjoy a series of "pop-up" farmers's markets on the lawn behind The Hancock Inn.

Join the fun! Bring the family!

August 1st

August 22nd

September 12th

3-5 pm

Shop the region's finest vegetables, eggs, meat, prepared foods, syrup, art and other handmade goods, enjoy a round of croquet, listen to music, swing in a hammock or recline on a lawn chair. See you there!

Hancock Post Office Bulletin Board
Since our Hancock Post Office Bulletin Board is small, we ask that you please make sure to follow the rules posted here (and on the BB) in order to give all posters an equal chance at placing their information on a maximum 8.5 x11 flyer. Lately there have been several oversized posters (11x17 and 17x24), as well as some double postings. Items that don't meet the requirement below will be removed.

- **ONE** 8.5 x 11 (max size) per cultural, social, civic organization
- No tear-offs or pick-up copies
- Postings must be within 30 days of event
- On-going human services programs: 3-month time limit
- **NO** commercial, political (issue/candidate) or personal posting

The left side of the BB is for Hancock postings only. The right side is for Hancock overflow and other towns.

Thank you in advance for being considerate and helping organizations get the word out about their events.

Submitted by N. Sherman,

PO BB monitor for the Selectboard



Surprise Birthday Party for Bessie Hanson Jones

Former Hancock resident Bessie Hanson Jones will be celebrating her 100th birthday August 9th. A surprise open house party will be held for her at the United Church of Penacook NH from 2-4 pm. No gifts but cards or a handkerchief would be appreciated and sent to her **after August 9th** at 49 Charles St., Penacook NH 03303. For questions, contact her daughter Arbie Bowe at 568.5228.

Submitted by Nancy P. Adams

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Hancock Town Library Events

Amy Markus, Hancock Library Director

<http://hancocktownlibrary.blogspot.com>

Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00 to 6:00pm

Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00am to 7:00pm

Saturdays 10:00am to 4:00pm

New Book Club Coming in September! Pick up your book in August...

Books Sandwiched In will start September 17th at 12:30pm in the Daniels Room and will continue once a month on the third Thursday of the month. Bring a brown-bag lunch and come enjoy a lively discussion. We'll get multiple copies from other libraries so you don't have to do a thing but pick it up, read it, and return it! Our first book will be *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry* by Rachel Joyce. Books will be available at the front desk beginning August 15th. Our book club facilitator will be Joyce Perry, a long-time book club enthusiast. Joyce taught literature in Philadelphia and at Simmons College in Boston and throughout her life has been a passionate advocate for public education and literacy. She looks forward to meeting other Hancock readers and helping to create a group that reflects our personal and our community interests. This is free and open to all but you must have a Hancock Town Library card in order to borrow the books. Please register this first time only so that we know how many will be attending. Call us at 525.4411 or stop by the library.

The Friends of the Hancock Town Library's annual book sale is coming up starting Friday night August 14th. Be sure to drop off any donations (gently used books, CDs and DVDs only) BEFORE AUGUST 8th! This is the Friends' only fundraiser so please be sure to drop by the sale to purchase some treasures. Lots of wonderful choices this year!

The Summer Reading Program is going like gang-busters. As of July 20th the grown-ups in town have read 405 hours, just slightly edging out the children & teens who are at 395 hours. Grown-ups can win a dinner for two at the Hancock Inn (thanks to Marcia & Jarvis Coffin) so be sure to come in and fill out a raffle ticket for every hour you've read a library book!

Monday August 3rd & Thursday August 6th 10:30 am til Noon Learn to Draw with Brenna Manuel

Learn the basics of drawing from life – training your eye, creating form, and defining space. You will need to bring a drawing pad and good drawing pencils. The fee is \$10 per class and is appropriate for ages 10 to adult. Brenna Manuel has a BFA in Painting and an MFA in Sculpture with 20 years of experience as an artist in New York City and abroad. Please call Brenna to register for these classes: 718.594.0554.

Friday August 14th 5:00 – 8:00 pm Early Bird Book Sale!

Be the first to buy from our 2015 collection of gently used books, CDs and DVDs. Free to all who are current members of the Friends of the Hancock Town Library, otherwise there is a \$10 fee to enter.

Saturday August 15th 9:00am – 4:00pm Book Sale! Come in and buy some books from our huge collection! Free admission to all. Bring your friends and family!

Sunday August 16th 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

The Book Sale Continues with our Bag Sale!

First time we'll be open on the Sunday of Old Home Days. Lots of great titles will still be available and you can fill a bag for only \$5.00!!

Monday August 17th thru Thursday August 20th Book Sale Continues During Library Hours

And the bag sale continues! You'll be amazed at all the good books that remain. Please stop by!

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From the Children's Room

Callie Faucher, Children's Librarian

Summer Reading!

I'm happy to report that as of July 20th, the kids and teens have read 395 hours since the beginning of July! I know many of you are working on your reading logs ~ remember to turn them in once they are completed to pick a free book and get a raffle ticket towards the grand prizes! You can fill as many reading logs as you can. Also, continue to play Bingo for additional raffle tickets.

Keep up the great reading everyone!

Every Thursday at 10:30am

Story Time for infants to age 6

Parents & Caregivers are invited to bring their little ones to story time! We always have fun hearing stories, singing songs, dancing and playing. Be sure not to miss the following special story time event:

August 6th at 10:30am

Community Heroes and Touch-a-Truck Event!

Come meet Hancock's community heroes after a special truck-themed story time! Kids will get to meet members of the Fire, Police, and Public Works Departments. They will be able to touch and take pictures with all sorts of trucks and vehicles. There will even be a K9 demonstration. Bring your cameras!

Every Tuesday at 2:30pm Movie Tuesdays

Beat the heat this summer! Some awesome movies will be shown on the big screen in the Daniel's Room at 2:30pm. Popcorn will be served. July 28th : *Finding Nemo*.

August 4th : *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. **Please**

Note: The previously advertised August 11th screening of Frozen is cancelled due to book sale preparations in the Daniel's Room.

July 29th, August 5th, August 12th from 2-3:30pm

"Heroes in the Story of Art" Creative Workshops with Melody Zahn Russell, Sign Up Today at the Library! Space Limited.

We have been having so much fun this summer with Ms. Melody, Hancock's own experienced art educator in our specially designed program Heroes in the Story of Art. There are still 3 weeks left to participate ~ Da Vinci inspires our inventions with recyclables (July 29th waiting list only), Michelangelo inspires our sculptures in clay (August 5th waiting list only), and finally, Costume Creation for the Old Homes Day Parade (August 12th space available).

P.S. from Melody Zahn Russell, "On our last session, Wednesday August 12th we will create costumes for ourselves based on a favorite hero or heroine from a favorite book. We will use recycled dress-up, curtains, hats, props, really anything! Then whoever wants to join us in the

Old Home Days Parade held on Saturday August 15th will be ready to go! The theme this year for Old Home Days is "New Life for Old Treasures" which combined with our summer reading theme "Every Hero has a Story" equals YOU in your own story!"

A huge thank you to the Hancock Woman's Club for sponsoring this program!

July 27th, August 10th August 24th Monday afternoons from 3:15-4:15 ~ Read to Coffee

Saturday August 15th from 11AM-12PM ~ Read to Toven

Don't let your reading skills slip this summer! Practice reading out loud to one of our very sweet and friendly registered reading therapy dogs when they come visit the library! If you bring a few canned goods for the food pantry, you may pick a stuffed animal graciously donated by Douglas Cuddle Toys to take home!

Thursday, July 30th from 1:30-2:30

Outdoor Fun Water Balloon Games

Let's have some fun in the sun! We will be playing a few different water balloon games on the library lawn behind the back parking lot. Please sign up at the library so we know how many balloons to fill! Elementary school aged kids and up please.

Wednesday, August 5th from 5-6

Teen Cupcake Decorating

Cupcakes and all the toppings will be provided for teens to decorate their own! For kids entering grade 5 and up, please. Sign up at the library.

Friday, August 7th at 6pm

Insurgent DVD Release Party for Teens

Calling all *Divergent* fans! Come watch the newly released *Insurgent* on the big screen at the library! Wear the colors of your favorite faction if you want! Popcorn and other snacks will be provided. Ages 12 and up please. Sign up at the library.

Tuesday August 11th 7pm

Summer Reading Finale - Grand Prize winners will be announced!

Concert with the Toe Jam Puppet Band

Mark your calendar for this wacky and zany concert that kids (and grown-ups) will love! *The Toe Jam Puppet Band* has been entertaining for nearly 15 years with a unique combination of original songs, masterful shadow puppetry, storytelling and just plain old good fun. All ages are welcome! Don't miss this one! ***Please note: the show will be held in the Hancock Meeting House Hall as the Daniels Room will be filled with boxes of books for the upcoming book sale. Free and open to all!***

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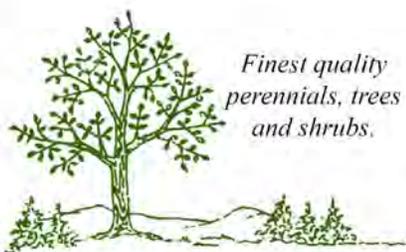
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Poetry, Painting, and Sculpture

The work of Hancock artist Scott Cunningham will be exhibited in the Daniels Room from August 22nd to October 1st. His show, "This Sculptor's Path: Poetry, Painting, Sculpture," will highlight a group of poems that relate to his welded steel sculptures.

"Most of the poetry is about the process of making art as well as impressions I have in the workshop and meditative discoveries in the field," Scott writes "Taken together, these elements will somewhat temper the gap between the visual and the verbal. I would like to think that they illuminate each other, adding further dimension to this sculptor's path."



Forge Flare

By Scott Cunningham

A reception in the Daniels Room is planned for Sunday, August 23rd, from 4:00-6:00pm.

The exhibit can be viewed during regular library hours: Monday and Wednesday, 2:00-6:00pm; Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00am-7:00pm; Saturday, 10:00am-4:00pm. The library is closed on Friday and Sunday.

Because the Daniels Room is sometimes reserved for community meetings, please call the library (525.4411) before traveling any distance to make sure the room is available for public viewing.

Submitted by Sandy Taylor

HANCOCK DEPOT

ASSOCIATION



The Hancock Depot is a unique character in our town with its own interesting history. Hancock would not be the community it is today if it were not for the railroad helping to build and maintain its economic foundation. The Depot serves as a **memorial to the industries that shaped our town** and much of the Monadnock Region.

In the early years, trains left from the Hancock Depot for Boston carrying apples and sheep and other goods to market. The returning trains brought back the recycled wooden crates marked with the names of the farms to which they belonged, to be picked up back at The Depot and filled again for another trip. And of course the summer tourists relied on the trains to carry them from the hustle and noise of the big city, to the cool quiet of the Monadnock Region.

Alas, our local railway system could not withstand the harsh storms and flooding, or the fickleness of industry. In 1934 the rail to the Hancock Depot was abandoned. In the 1970's a group rescued The Depot building from demolition and its initial restoration granted it new life as an historic building being of service to the general public. Over the years the Hancock Depot has served as the location for various events and exhibits; and the seat for countless happy celebrations such as, birthdays, anniversaries and weddings.

Sadly, in recent years this landmark has fallen into a state of neglect.

A brand new Board of Directors has been assembled and is eager to revitalize this vestige of our town's history, with the purpose of making it available, once again, to the community for gatherings and new memories.

Your good will is essential to achieving that goal. The Depot Association desperately needs funds and energetic friends to restore and maintain The Depot building. The Hancock Depot is sustained only by its supporters and benefactors. With the aid of our community it will be enjoyed for many generations to come.

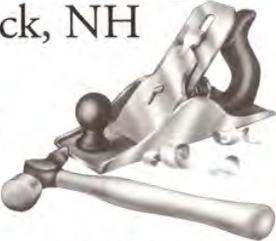
We are appealing to your generosity to help us preserve this historic cornerstone of our beautiful town. **Please join us as we begin a new chapter.**

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Submitted by Kristen Bernier

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When: Thursday, August 6th

Where: Holistic Health Professionals Center

123 Prospect Hill Rd.

Hancock, NH

Cost: Free of charge / open to All

Time: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

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Contact: Rose Bochicchio 603.831.2027

e-mail: rogodbo10@yahoo.com

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Congratulations to the graduates of the SomaEnergetics Sound Therapy - Phase I class of July, 2015!

On going for August:

Our Practitioners are available by appointment:

Angel Card readings and Past Life readings: Susi Marrotte, B. A., CST, RM - 603.547.7604

Soul Aura Paintings and readings: Susi Marrotte, B. A. 60.547.7604

Bowenwork - body healing sessions: Rose Bochicchio, RN 603.831.2027

Spiritual and Angel Card readings: AnnMarie Will, CST, RM - 845.800.3764

Sound Therapy healing sessions available with Susi Marrotte, BA., CST, RM and AnnMarie Will, CST, RM.

SomaEnergetics Sound Therapy Practicum for all graduates of sound therapy healing - August 13th; 6:30pm - 8:00pm at the Holistic Health Professionals Center, 123 Prospect Hill Road, Hancock, NH We invite **Volunteer Clients** to join us for these complimentary sessions and enjoy relief from pain, stress, sore muscles, low back pain. Also for your four-legged companions with joint and pain issues. More information: Arlene Smith - 603.933.3294

August 28th & 29th - SomaShare event. FREE event. Everyone is welcome to join us on Friday, August 28th from 6:00pm - 9:00pm and learn about the healing vibrations of sound. Sound Therapy demonstrations. Saturday, August 29th, 9:00am - 5:00pm come on over and attend the entire day or choose what interests you. Schedule will be posted in the September issue of Hancock Happenings and in and around the village of Hancock.

All events take place at the Holistic Health Professionals Center, 123 Prospect Hill Road, Hancock, unless posted otherwise.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene Smith

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Noelle Paradis, AuD, MS, CCC-A, FAAA and Margaret Glover, MA, CCC-A, FAAA

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Aug 5 (Wed) Nature on Tap: The Bald Eagles of Nubanusit Lake



Bald eagles have been nesting at Nubanusit Lake for almost 20 years, making this the second-longest occupied eagle nest territory in NH in the post-DDT era.

For just as long, NH Audubon's Chris Martin and local volunteers have recorded nesting successes and failures, and managed the nest area to support the eagles and their offspring. Join Chris for an

enriching happy hour of stories, photos, and Nubi eagle trivia. **5:30 to 6:30pm at the Hancock Inn.** Drinks on you, conversation on us! *Reservations are required, as space is limited.* To reserve a seat, contact Sara LeFebvre at 525.3394 or lefebvre@harriscenter.org

August 7 (Fri) Easygoing Hike On the Fitzwilliam Rail Trail

Join Ollie Mutch and Lee Baker for a trip to scenic Rockwood Pond in Fitzwilliam. All ages and abilities are welcome on this easy 4-mile roundtrip hike along a rail trail. Bring water and lunch, and **meet at 10am in the parking lot beside Ocean State Job Lot.** Back by 3 pm For more information, contact Ollie at 978 386.5318 wapack@peoplepc.com or Lee at 525.5262, snowman3137@gmail.com.

August 15 (Sat) Nubanusit and Spoonwood Paddle Canoe or kayak with Russ Daigle and Brian Bishoff on Nubanusit Lake and Spoonwood Pond, with good prospects for sightings of eagles and loons. The route will involve two portages, one very short, the other about 600 feet. Bring your own boat, water, and lunch for a picnic on Elephant Rock. **Meet at 10am at the public boat landing on Nubanusit Lake, at the end of King's Highway in Hancock.** Back by 2:30pm For more information, contact Russ at 603.477.7506 or Brian at 603.899.5770, bjbeam2@myfairpoint.com.

Aug 26 (Wed) Birding the Nighthawk Migration Join Cliff Seifer to observe one of the under-appreciated spectacles of fall migration, the annual flight of Common Nighthawks over the Monadnock Region. If it's an "average" night, we'll get great looks at a handful of these incredible birds. If it's a "good" night, we'll see hundreds of acrobatic Nighthawks feeding in giant flocks. **Meet on the Surry Mountain Dam in Surry at .**



6pm. Done by 7:30pm. Cosponsored with New Hampshire Audubon. For more info contact Cliff at clifdisc@gmail.com.

August 29 (Sat) rail Clearing on the Channing Trail Jim Orr will lead a morning of moderately easy trail work clearing brush and small blow downs on the Channing Trail along Hosley Brook. All ages and abilities are welcome. Bring gloves and loppers, or use the Harris Center's tools. **Meet at 9am at the Harris Center.** Back by noon. For more information, contact Jim at (603) 924-6934 or trailchief@gmail.com.

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Pay It Forward

Looking for a way to volunteer but not sure who needs what you have to offer? Need a hand with something but don't know anyone who has the skill or time to help? Summer is a great time to join the People's Service Exchange and get connected. Want to know more? Call Nancy at 588.2620 or visit pse-nh.org.

Fall Better Beginnings Registration: Call now for a space for the 2015-16 school year.

Better Beginnings parent-child program—Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30—Young children (to age 5) play and explore with guidance from our early childhood educators while parents “put their feet up” and talk with our parenting educator and other parents about child-and family-centered topics.

Better Beginnings for Babies—Wednesdays 10-11:30 and 1-2:30—Parents come together with their infants and young toddlers to play and talk with our early childhood educator and other parents about the joys and challenges of parenthood, including topics such as nutrition, breast and bottle feeding, crying, sleep issues (for baby and parents!), developmental expectations and more. Facilitated by Parenting Educator Nancy Macalaster MA. Parents with babies who are crawling and young toddlers meet from 10:00am – 11:30 and parents with younger babies and newborns meet from 1:00pm – 2:30. Expectant parents are always welcome. Call 588.2620 for more information.

Avenue A Club for Great Brook School students meets during the school year at Avenue A teen center Wednesdays from 2:15 to 3:45. Snacks, fun, homework help, games, pool, foosball, crafts. Registration forms are available at The Grapevine or on www.GrapevineNH.org.

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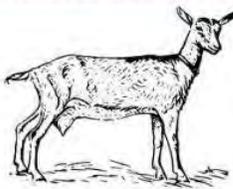
- Community Wood Bank—we're looking for summer donations of firewood!
- Child and family counseling through Monadnock Family Services

Information and assisted referral for resources to meet basic needs such as housing, home heating, food and prescriptions

The Grapevine is a nonprofit family and community resource center serving residents of Antrim, Hancock, Bennington, Frankestown and nearby towns, and located at 4 Aiken Street in Antrim, behind the Tuttle Library. For more information call 588.2620.

Tax deductible contributions are gratefully accepted at PO Box 637, Antrim, or drop by the center during our Summer Office Hours Monday through Wednesday 9am to noon or by appointment.

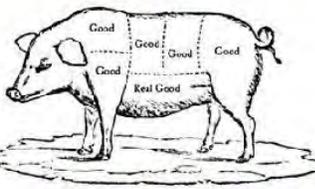
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Town Clerk – Monday 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

Wednesday 3:00 to 6:00 pm;

Town Dump and Demolition Hours – Wednesday 3:00 to 7:00pm; Saturday 8:00am to 5:00pm;

Selectboard – First three Mondays at 4:00pm; Forth Monday at 7:00 pm, Barbara E Caverly Meeting Room

Planning Board - On the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm: may hold working sessions for planning purposes. On the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:00pm: meets to process subdivisions, site plans and other applications which may legally come before the Board. Appointments can be made by calling the Town Office at 525.4441. Applications must be received prior to the end of the preceding month to be included in the schedule and satisfy notification requirements. The Planning Board may hold working sessions for planning purposes the first Wednesday of every month; Barbara E Caverly Meeting Room

Zoning Board –2nd and 4th Wednesdays as needed at 7:00pm, Barbara E Caverly Meeting Room, meetings will be noticed;

Advisory Committee – as noticed, Town Office;

Conservation Commission – 1st Tuesday at 7:00pm, Town Office 2nd floor;

HEAT Committee – 3rd Wednesday at 7:00 pm, Barbara E Caverly Meeting Room;

Historic District Commission – 4th Tuesday at 7:00pm, Barbara Caverly Meeting Room;

Hancock Library Trustees – 4th Wednesday at 1:00 pm in the Daniels Room;

Recreation Committee – 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm., Town Office;

Town Archives Committee – as noticed, Town Office Archives Room;

Water Commissioners – 4th Wednesday at 4:30 pm, DPW;

Dump Committee –3rd Tuesday at 4:00pm, DPW

Trustees of Trust Funds – as needed, Town Office;

Cemetery Trustees – as needed, Town Office

Common Commission – every other 3rd Thursday of the month at 7:00pm, Town Office.

Meetinghouse Restoration Committee – as noticed, Meetinghouse

School Board – 1st & 3rd Tuesday, Board Room



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HANCOCK OLD HOME DAYS 2015 AUGUST 14th- 16th

Hancock Old Home Day 2015 is only a couple of weeks away and we are looking forward to another wonderful day of celebrating our town with friends and family. This year we will be particularly celebrating the beauty of our historic downtown. With the recent restoration of the Meetinghouse at one end of Main Street and renovations to the Hancock Historical Society building at the other end, Hancock has never looked better. This year's theme "New Life for Old Treasures" honors our spruced up downtown. We can't wait to see the floats that this theme might inspire! This year's parade Grand Marshal was instrumental in getting the Meetinghouse restoration done. More than one member of the Restoration Committee told me that it wouldn't have happened without the hard work and persistence of Dave Drasba. Thank you, Dave and the whole Restoration Committee! It was truly a labor of love. It is Dave's wonderfully detailed drawing of the Meetinghouse steeple that is the centerpiece of this year's logo. In addition to the parade, there will be the Friday night Ice Cream Social and Talent Show, the Betty Pels Run for the Honey, the Fire Dept. Chicken BBQ, the Art and Photography show, Hospital Auxiliary bake sale, and all the other fun things to do, see, eat, and buy, that help make Hancock Old Home Day the summer celebration we look forward to. See you there!"

Submitted by Siobhan Martin

Hancock Depot Association

Local musicians and participants in the Hancock Old Home Day Talent Show, friends and neighbors, are all invited to visit The Depot after the Talent Show on Friday, August 14th at 8:30pm for an open mic with beer and soft drinks. There is no covercharge or charge for beverages, however, donations will be graciously accepted.

Submitted by Kristen Bernier

From the Hancock Town Library

From Melody Zahn Russell, "On our last session, Wednesday August 12th we will create costumes for ourselves based on a favorite hero or heroine from a favorite book. We will use recycled dress-up, curtains, hats, props, really anything! Then whoever wants to join us in the Old Home Days Parade held on Saturday August 15th will be ready to go! The theme this year for Old Home Days is "New Life for Old Treasures" which combined with our summer reading theme "Every Hero has a Story" equals YOU in your own story!"

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Old Home Day Art and Photo Show

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Submitted by Sue Francis

The Annual Hancock Has Talent Show - A Favorite Old Home Days Event! (...and including a special Recycled Fashion Show, to boot!)

We are calling on all talented people in the local area to come help us kick off our Annual Old Home Days weekend on **Friday, August 14th, at 7:30pm in the Hancock Meeting House, by sharing your special talent with a very appreciative audience at the Annual Hancock Has Talent Show!** There is virtually no limit to the type of talent you could share! Maybe you sing, or play a musical instrument? Do you juggle or tell jokes? Do you think you can dance? Maybe you have a stirring poem or story to share? Could there be any yodelers or pig callers out there? You get the idea, just about anything goes!

As a special addition to the talent show this year, in observance of this year's Old Home Days' theme, "New Life For Old Treasures," we are also organizing a **Recycled Fashion Show**, which is sure to be incredibly entertaining! **We are on the look out for both recycled fashion designers, and models, too!** It will be amazing to see all the wearable confections that could be created out of just about anything within the limits of imagination! A visit to the recycling center, your garage, the gardening shed, or even your kitchen cabinets, could inspire and generate some truly unique designs. And the models are sure to "wear it well!"

If you would like to take part in this year's talent show and/or recycled fashion show in any way, you may **contact this year's organizers, Monica Laskey-Rigrod at 525.9485 or 831.0092, or Melody Russell at 547-0887. Please contact us as soon as possible so that we are sure to include you in this year's program.** And for those of you who are looking for a really fun, free night out with the family, full of lively entertainment and amazing talent, please come and fill up the audience section of the Hancock Meeting House!

The Annual Kid's Market at Hancock's Old Home Days 2015

Calling all our youthful entrepreneurs, up to the age of 18, to take part in **the Annual Old Home Days Kid's Market on Saturday, August 15th!** If you are the type of kid who likes to earn your own spending money, then this is the event for you. Tables will be provided directly after the parade, (**usually around 11am-ish,**) for kids to start selling anything they have had a hand in creating. It is okay to have had help from a grown-up as long as you took part in the creation in a significant way. In the past, kids have sold things like jewelry, paintings, photo cards, terrariums, seeds, food they have either grown or cooked, and even services, such as fingernail painting,

or face painting. The sky's the limit! Usually kids sell for about two hours, give or take, depending on how long you want to stay, or if you sell out early! Parents are responsible for their own kids, and should accompany any kid who is not old enough to sell on their own. **Contact Monica Laskey-Rigrod at 525.9485 or 831.0092 if you would like a table reserved, and to let us know what you plan to sell.**

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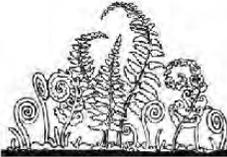
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Go to: Registration and Fees section. Please register online by Thursday August 13th. Pay when you pick up your number.

Alternate registration: Pick up an application at the Hancock Market. Send to: Ginger Smith/RFTH, 80 Longview Rd., Hancock, NH 03449

**Kids' Fun Run at 9:00am – at the Bandstand.
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**Hancock Hospital Auxiliary
Old Home Day Bake Sale**

The **Hancock Hospital Auxiliary** is preparing for their annual Old Home Day Bake Sale, scheduled for **Saturday, August 15th** at the Meeting House as part of the Old Home Day Festivities.

The members and friends of the Hancock Hospital Auxiliary will begin telephoning Hancock residents to ask for donations of home-baked Goods such as breads, cookies, brownies, pies, and other pastries for the Bake Sale. Baked goods should be brought to the Meeting House the day of the sale at 7:30am. The Bake Sale will open at 8:00am and continue until noon. The proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Monadnock Community Hospital to be used for patient related items. Those that are not able to donate baked goods; monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. **If there are any residents that have not been reached by telephone and would like to make a donation of food or money, it will be most welcomed.** Please, make all checks payable to the Hancock Hospital Auxiliary.

The Bake Sale is our only Fund Raiser. As a result of the proceeds from the Bake Sale last year, our money went toward the **"Healthy Teeth and Toes"** to purchase Pediatric Tooth Brushing Models, MirrorLite Illuminated Mouth Mirror and 50 Refill Heads, Sleeves and Battery. This can help all children where there is a need in the Conval School District to have better teeth.

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Hancock Old Home Day 2015

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Old Home Day Parade entry form:

Title of Entry: _____

Name of organization or family: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone number: _____

Return to:

OHD Parade, Town of Hancock, P.O. Box 6, Hancock NH, 03449 in advance or
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