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News from the Selectboard

Jim Mose for the Selectboard

Summer in Hancock!

Is there a more beautiful place on the planet?

It's time to get your pasty bodies out and about, exercise and visit with your fellow Hancock citizens. Following what felt like the endless winter-mageddon to most of us, this year's series of summer community gatherings is more important than ever to the continued health of Hancock. The events of summer should be viewed as mandatory-fun, absolutely essential opportunities designed to keep us connected and engaged with each other.

School's out, turn off the TV and video games and get those Hancock kids moving – and reading.

Hancock has a new Waterfront Director, the goose poop is non-existent at Norway Pond (thanks to the concerted effort of the Recreation Committee, Kurt, and the help of New Hampshire Fish & Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services). Swimming is an essential part of every kid's summer memories and they should know how to swim - not doggie paddle around the pond. Every Hancock kid has to feel the rite of passage and personal triumph of successfully passing the "raft-test." A safe young swimmer is a happy swimmer!

The Summer Recreation program has a new list of energetic counselors eager to inspire and excite our little summer-sweatballs. For half the day,

kids play, laugh and create. This is your opportunity as Hancock parents to put your money where your mouth is and keep your kids moving.

Amy and the Library are busy, busy, busy, during the summer with programs and the summer reading program. Keep your mind as sharp as your tanned body and participate. No talk of school budgets and the future of education in America – just feed all of Hancock's hungry minds with books.

The Summer Concert Series and Farmers Market are full speed ahead. Two more great opportunities to go to town and visit with your friends and make new ones. Remember the fourth Thursday of the month is Community Supper and the organizers are always looking for volunteers and supporters. Fill your belly, as these are the best dinners in the world, and giving of your time and resources fills your heart.

Sunday, July 6! The best Fourth of July celebration in the USA! I have never met anyone who disagrees. Come and give often! Money earned through donations lessens our burden at the tax-level.

Finally, Old Home Days. Enough said.

Remember what makes us happy! Being here and being together, a community – Hancock.

Hancock Happenings Mission Statement

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Information gleaned at the Emergency Preparedness Conference

Jon GrosJean, Director, Hancock Emergency Management

Team Rubicon

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www.teamrubiconusa.org

Supplemental "Automatic Location Information" (ALI)

The purpose of ALI is to add information to the New Hampshire 911 database about a specific person or hazardous situation at a specific location. Information can be about stored hazardous materials at a specific address or:

A list of permanent medical conditions of persons residing at a specific address

A worksheet can be obtained at this website: www.nh.gov/nh911 and then click on Documents & Forms. The forms are available in normal and large print by clicking on the appropriate line. The direct link for this website is:

www.nh.gov/safety/divisions/emergservices/forms.html

New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team (NHDART)

The New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team (NHDART) provides a coordinated effort in the preparation, prevention, response, and recovery phases for any disasters or significant public emergencies involving animals. NHDART, a public-private partnership, increases New Hampshire's capability for responding to animal emergencies on the local, regional, state and federal levels.

NHDART helps communities develop trained disaster animal response teams that coordinate local resources and provide emergency veterinary services and supportive care for pets and for farm and exotic animals during disasters or emergencies that require local emergency assistance. For more information visit the website: www.newhampshiredart.org

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Dump News

Hancock Dump Committee

Operating Hours

After June 30, the burn/brush pile and demolition dumpster will no longer be open on Mondays. Brush and demolition disposal will be available anytime the Transfer Station/ Recycling Center is open:

Wednesday: 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.,
and Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Payments

For those few items that require payment (tire disposal, refrigerant-containing appliances, demolition material), only checks can be accepted for payment. We will no longer accept cash and we do not yet have the capability to handle credit cards, so please plan to bring a check if necessary.

Household Hazardous Waste

Household Hazardous Waste Collections will continue in July, but the Keene Recycling Center is still finalizing the schedule and it is not yet available. The dates will be posted on local bulletin boards, in the *Shopper News*, the Town website at www.hancocknh.org/DPW/Dump/HHWD.htm

Hancock Cemetery Trustees Report

Ken Chester, Cemetery Trustee

During Memorial Day, many people noticed the terrible condition of the grounds within the Pine Ridge Cemetery. The Trustees met at Pine Ridge on June 3, and have identified the likely cause of all the digging.

Wild turkeys are moving through the cemetery, digging for insects and dust

bathing in the dry soil. There are early signs of the same issue of turkey digging starting in Norway Plain Cemetery.

Kurt Grasset, our Sexton, will speak with James Stacy of Stacy's Landscaping about eliminating the insects. Once the food source is gone,

the turkeys will find a new place to forage for food. We all enjoy wildlife here in Hancock, but having it damage our scenic cemeteries just won't do.

The turkeys won't be harmed, just the insects on which they are feeding. Next Memorial Day, we should have the cemetery grounds back to normal.

A Memorial Day "Thank you!"

Memorial Day Committee

The Hancock Memorial Day Committee would like to thank the many who made this year's Memorial Day again successful. First, we would like to thank Rev. Judith Copeland, the Great Brook School marching band, the Sea Cadets, Boys Scouts and Girls Scouts, and the baseball teams for their active participation. We would also like to thank the Hancock Police Department. As always, they managed the traffic

without a hitch. Thank you to all who helped with flag placement, as well as with the planting of geraniums over the weekend. Additionally, thank you to those Veterans who participated in our off-site services and, of course, to those who participated in the parade itself. Without you, we would not have a parade. Finally, a thank you to the friends and families who support the parade route. It never goes unnoticed

that, despite the weather and black flies, we always have a sizable and respectful crowd on Memorial Day.

The committee is always looking for new members. If you are interested, please contact the Town offices.

See you next year!
*Andy Benoit, Kenneth Davis,
Hank Drury, Howard Weston*

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**Please come to the fireworks on
SUNDAY, JULY 6th!**

Some residents received letters mistakenly listing the date as "July 5th." Our Independence Day celebration will take place on July 6th. We apologize for the error and hope you will attend this wonderful community celebration. Please see page 8.

Pat Payne, Hancock Fireworks Committee

MERI Coordinates Photovoltaic (PV) Installation in Fitzwilliam, NH

Pierce Rigrod, Chair, Hancock Energy Advisory Team (HEAT)

On Saturday, June 14 Michelle Russell and Pierce Rigrod of HEAT (Hancock Energy Advisory Team) helped install 26 solar panels (Trina Solar TSM-230PA05 230W 29.8V Polycrystalline Solar) on a home in Fitzwilliam.

The installation was led by Greg Blake, a professional solar installer from Peterborough. The electrical work and final hookup were conducted by Master Electrician Will Wildes of Temple. The installation was coordinated by a local non-profit organization, MERI, (Monadnock Energy Resources Initiative), www.monadnockenergy.org, involved in making energy alternatives and efficiency happen at a local level. MERI coordinates both solar hot water and PV installations.

The PV installation is a daylong project with lots of hands-on learning. Usually, a dozen or so volunteers show up, along with several professionals who lead the installation. For the homeowner, the advantage of involving MERI is the reduced labor charge, leaving the panels and hardware as the primary cost. Some expense is involved with additional plumbing or electrical work; however, much of it is

done by professionals for free or at reduced rates.

On June 14, the day started with a tutorial on the installation process, the basic economics of the system (in this case presented by the homeowner), and some encouraging words about being safe on the roof.

Solar PV has dropped in price significantly over the last five years and, at the same time, panels continue to be more efficient at collecting the sun's power. In the Northeast, the average annual amount of energy used per month by a household is around 6,367 kWh (kilowatt hour = 1,000 watts use over 1 hour). One kWh costs somewhere between 8 and 9 cents. So, if you're using 500 to 550 kWh per month, your electricity bill for the power charge (not including taxes, fees, etc.) is around \$50.

Another advantage is that you can generate solar power credits and bank that credit with your utility (PSNH). Any surplus kilowatt hours in a month can be carried over for use in subsequent months. The PSNH bill will indicate the amount of kilowatt-hours that have accumulated

in your "bank" for future use. For small customer generators, these banked kilowatt-hours can be used to reduce all kilowatt-hour-based charges in subsequent months. - See more at: www.psnh.com/RenewableEnergy/For-Home/Net-Metering-FAQs.aspx#whatis

The Fitzwilliam house is a rental vacation home, so energy use is much higher than average. These 26 Trina panels will generate up to 5,500 watts of energy and are estimated to save up to \$120 per month on the electrical bill. This panel design uses micro-inverters on each panel to convert DC power generated by the panels to AC power.

The homeowner indicated his cost was approximately \$18,000 (all in, but with "free labor"). Coupling a state rebate of \$3,750 with and a federal tax credit of \$6,700 that can be taken over a period of years, his resulting net cost is around \$7,500. Since he will be saving around \$1,200 in avoided energy costs per year, in six years he should break even. After that, this homeowner is saving thousands on future energy costs. The event was recorded and uploaded to YouTube (search MERI) if you would like to check it out.



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Hancock Recreation Committee

You will find the Recreation Committee report on page 22 and the Summer Swim and Summer Camp registration forms on pages 21 and 23.

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Meetinghouse Restoration Update

Hancock Meetinghouse Restoration Committee

The Hancock Improvement Association, Inc., is pleased to announce receipt of a \$25,000 grant from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, on behalf of the Putnam Foundation. These funds will be used to support the costs for roof structural repairs and slate roof replacement for the Hancock Meetinghouse, as part of the \$864,956 Hancock Meetinghouse Restoration Project. To date the Hancock Improvement Association has raised \$295,805 in grants, private donations, and pledges. The Association is continuing to work on several grant opportunities and is looking forward to receiving additional contributions. The funds being raised from the donations will be used to reduce the taxpayer's cost for this important community project.

The staging is up and will be used when the new slate roof is installed, as well as for installation of the new storm windows, and painting of the exterior. The storm windows have been ordered.

Work in the crawlspace to install new footings, posts, and repair/replacement

of beams is almost completed. This was a particularly challenging task due to the very low headroom. Cedar trees that were cut on the north side of the Meetinghouse were milled into posts and used for the repair work. With the posts and beams being installed, the uneven flooring in the old bathroom area has now been corrected.



Photo: Byron Niederhelman

The former office space is now being transformed with the framing for the handicapped bathroom and "lift" shaft to the second floor sanctuary.

It is anticipated that the roofing work will begin around the end of June with removal of the slate installed in the 1880s and the original wood

shingles which are still under the slate. Any repairs to the roof underlayment boards will be done at this time as well.

The abatement of asbestos in the windows and flooring in the old bathroom is complete.

The old air blower for the organ has been removed. A new, more efficient blower will be installed as a replacement.

New electrical and plumbing work is being roughed in.

A chain link fence is on order to be installed as a perimeter around the building for safety purposes.

If you have not sent in your donation for 2014 as shown on your pledge form, we urge you to do so as soon as possible.

Please mail to:

The Hancock Improvement Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 112, Hancock, NH 03449

SAFETY NOTICE

For the public's safety, a chain-link fence will be installed around the perimeter of the work site. It is very important that only authorized personnel enter the work area after obtaining prior permission from the construction supervisor.

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Hancock Fire Fire & Rescue News

Nevan Cassidy, Chief, Hancock Fire Department

I Got Nothin'

Well, Nahida is telling me it's the deadline for Hancock Happenings, and I don't have much news to report. I could once again harp about the need to clearly post your street number so we can find your house, but I have a feeling that the folks who read Happenings are the ones who have already done that, so I won't beat that horse anymore.

Members of the Fire Department have attended five training sessions hosted by the Peterborough Fire Department at a big old house on Route 137. The former Monadnock Cooking School place is being dismantled, and has proven to be a great building for us to practice drills in. I've got some good videos of my wife and other firefighters bailing out a window

headfirst. Thanks to Peterborough Fire and contractor Mark Schaal for providing us with this opportunity.

My wife told me years ago that if you forget about the eggs you put in a pan on the stove to hard-boil, after an hour or so, they will explode and shoot across the kitchen. Not that I don't believe everything MaryLou says, but a Hancock resident did just that recently, and sure enough, the eggs flew across the kitchen. We can all have a touch of A.D.D., but you need to pay attention to anything cooking on your stove or grill (says the guy who burned all the knobs off his stove with a bacon grease fire).

June Raffle Winners:

Sue Koziell, \$40; Maddy Shippee, \$20; Gertie Kanner, Lorraine Harrington, Arthur Hixson, \$10 each.



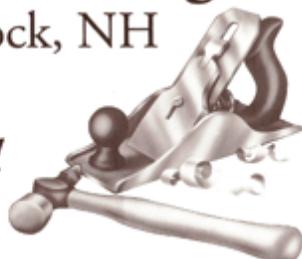
*Eric Aldrich training in Peterborough
Photo: Hancock Fire Department*

Hancock Summer Concert Series

- **July 10** Fiddlin' Quinn & His Big Folks Band
- **July 17** Otis & the Elevators
- **July 24** Easy Street On the Bayou
- **July 31** Li'l BeeDee & the Doo-Rites
- **August 7** Skip Philbrick Blues Band

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Celebrating Hancock Old Home Day 135 Years

Preparations for this year's Hancock Old Home Day are picking up speed. The weather is getting warmer and anticipation is building for the OHD Committee. Thank you to all who submitted artwork for this year's Official Hancock Old Home Day T-shirt design. We loved seeing your ideas. As in the last few years, T-shirts will be available for purchase at our Town's Independence Day celebrations on July 6, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., during the Ice Cream Social.

In an addition to the T-shirts, we will be adding something new to help raise funds to offset the cost of Old Home Day. This year, we will have a dunk tank and will make available the opportunity to dunk some of our town officials for a small fee. Fire Chief Nevan Cassidy and Selectperson Jim Mose have already graciously offered their dignity for the cause. Come and put your money down and see who else you might be able to get all wet.

In addition to the dunk tank, already lined up are the climbing wall, the Friday evening movie on the Common, and the OHD parade representing "Old Home Day, Past, Present, and ... Future?" Look for a full schedule of events in next month's *Happenings!*
Submitted by Siobhan Martin

Art and Photo Show

Calling all Hancock area artists and photographers for the Old Home Day Art and Photo Show on Saturday, August 16, in the Vestry. Letters will be going out to all previous exhibitors giving the particulars.

If you do not get a letter and would like to show your work, please call Sue Francis, at 525.3313, after June 25. If you would like to display photographs, please call Ellen Kidd, at 525.3474.

Submitted by Sue Francis

"Hancock Has Talent"

Calling all Musicians, Singers, Dancers, Poets, and Comedians
Do you have a special talent you'd like to share? Or maybe you're a closet exhibitionist looking for a spotlight? Sign up to perform in the Annual "Hancock Has Talent" Show. Contact Kristen Bernier at 525.4455 or email kmbernier@comcast.net to sign up now. And even if the stage isn't for you, come to the Meetinghouse Friday, August 15 at 7:30 p.m. (after the Ice Cream Social) to enjoy the generous performances by your friends and neighbors. It is a variety show experience you won't want to miss.

Submitted by Kristen Bernier

Friends of the Hancock Town Library Old Home Day Book Sale



We are busily sorting your donated books in the library, and we love finding new bags and boxes there whenever we go into the Library! Keep bringing in your gently used books, CDs and DVDs, and we will continue getting them ready for the giant Old Home Day Book Sale.

Please don't give us your musty or outdated medical, law or computer books, or your VHS movies! We will continue to collect books till August 9, so you still have a few weeks to clear off your shelves and make room for all the books you will buy in the sale! Thanks so much!

Submitted by Jane Richards-Jones

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Old Home Day
August 15, 16 and 17, 2014
www.hancocknh.org/OHD/OHD.htm

America's birth certificate: www.archives.gov/exhibits/charters/declaration_zoom_2.html

Fund-raising Raffle



The Meetinghouse Committee is sponsoring a fund-raising raffle to reduce the taxpayer funded appropriation. This 12" x 16" painting of the Meetinghouse by Cynthia Niederheman will be raffled off on Old Home Day, Saturday, August 16, 2014. **Tickets are \$5:00 each or 3 for \$10:00** and are available at Fiddleheads Café, the Hancock Market and the Hancock Inn. The painting can be seen at the library.

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Town of Hancock 4th of July Celebration



Sunday, July 6th

(rain date Tuesday, July 8th)

6-9pm Ice Cream Social, hot dogs, drinks-Vestry
6-7pm Bell ringing with Bob Fogg-Meetinghouse
7pm Reading of the Declaration of Independence
7:30pm Concert by Wendy Keith-Bandstand
dusk FIREWORKS-Norway Pond

donations welcome: PO Box 6, Hancock

Not a ConVal sponsored event-Town of Hancock is a non-profit organization

Please come to the fireworks on SUNDAY, JULY 6th!

Some residents received letters mistakenly listing the date as "July 5th." Our Independence Day celebration will take place on July 6. We apologize for the error and hope you will attend this wonderful community celebration. And remember, this event depends on contributions to continue. Please support it as generously as you can, so we

can look forward to a wonderful evening of food, fun, music and fireworks for many years to come.

With our thanks,
Pat Payne, Hancock Fireworks Committee

Please send donations to PO Box 6, Hancock

THANK YOU!



Despite our limited display space this year, the Hancock Women's Guild plant sale was a successful event. Many people shared the abundance of their gardens, so that others might purchase new and interesting plant materials.

Thank you all for your generosity!
Sue Francis,
Marcia Pettee
Elinor Johnson

THANK YOU!



The Norway Pond Festival Singers would like to thank all those who came to the *Pleasant Sort Of Humming* concert on June 8 and made generous donations to the group. We are very grateful for all the support you have given us.
Tricia Froling

THANK YOU!



Once again, I would like to thank the Hancock Fire Rescue, the Hancock Police and the people of Hancock. Your care and compassion, donations of meals and donations to the Hancock Fire Department were amazing and heartwarming.

Thank you again, Jean would be proud!
Sandra Levesque

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Meetinghouse Restoration Committee
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Regularly Scheduled Meetings
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The Cunningham Pond Painters

The Work of Sue Callihan
and Her Students



"Ram" by Shelley Osborne

Peterborough artist Sue Callihan and her students, The Cunningham Pond Painters, launched their group show with a festive opening on Saturday, June 21. The Daniels Room quickly filled with family, friends and fans of the artists, as well as numerous new viewers.

"For many of my students who have been studying with me for six years, this is our first public showing," said Sue, a painter for more than 25 years and one of the Monadnock Region's most recognized artists. "The students selected works using different media, and many of the paintings are favorite subjects that hold specific meaning for each artist."

Accompanying each artist's works is a brief personal description, which shares insights into the work at hand, as well as the artist who created it. The Cunningham Pond Painters include Barbara Mahar, Betty Glass, and Gerry Lawson, all of Wilton; Kathleen Calmer of Hancock; Terry Heinzemann of Manchester; and Shelley Osborne, Maude Odgers, and Bob Weathers, all of Peterborough.

The show runs through the entire month of July, but try to get to the Daniels Room early, as you'll surely want to return for another look at this inspiring and appealing collection.

A sample of the artists' works, may be also be viewed at www.hancocknh.org/BB/BB.htm#Cunningham

Art exhibits can be viewed during regular library hours: Monday and Wednesday, 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm. It is always advisable, however, to check with the library before visiting since the room is sometimes reserved for community events.

Submitted by Sandy Taylor



Community Supper

Join Kin Schilling and The Friends of The Community Supper for a Lasagne Dinner on **Thursday, July 24** at The Vestry. Serving starts at **5:30 p.m.** Join us!

Submitted by Donna Coty



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July 10 (Thurs) Film Showing: Meet the Coywolf—The Coywolf, a mixture of Western Coyote and Eastern Wolf, is a remarkable new hybrid carnivore that is making its presence known throughout the Northeast, including the Monadnock Region. In an hour-long *PBS Nature* documentary, tag along as scientists study this new top predator, tracking it from the wilderness of Ontario's Algonquin Park all the way to the streets of New York City. 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Monadnock Center for History and Culture (formerly the Peterborough Historical Society) in Peterborough. Free and open to all. For more information, contact Brett Amy Thelen at thelen@harriscenter.org or call 603.525.3394. Cosponsored by the Harris Center for Conservation Education with the Monadnock Conservancy, and the Monadnock Center for History and Culture.

July 11 (Fri) Hike on the Cadot Trail—All ages and abilities are welcome on this moderately strenuous, 3-mile hike led by Ollie Mutch and Lee Baker. We will hike from Old Dublin Road to the summit and back. Meet at 10:00 a.m. in the parking area beside Ocean State Job Lot in Peterborough (at the intersection of Routes 101 and 202). Back by 3:00 p.m. For more information, contact Lee at 603.525.5262.



July 12 (Sat) Dragons and Damsels of New Hampshire Pam Hunt will provide an overview of the biology and ecology of dragonflies and damselflies. She will

show us a few of New Hampshire's notable species, as well as some results of the "New Hampshire Dragonfly Survey," a volunteer-based project that documented the distribution of these insects across the state. After a one-hour presentation, we will head to a nearby wetland to see

what species we can find. Bring waterproof footwear and an insect net if you have one. (The field trip will not occur if it is raining.) 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Harris Center. For more information, contact Eric Masterson at masterson@harriscenter.org.

July 19 (Sat) Ashuelot Pond Kayak—Join Russ Daigle and Brian Bishoff for a paddle along the Ashuelot River to scenic Ashuelot Pond. Good opportunity for wildlife sightings, possibly including loon and beaver. Meet at 10:00 a.m. at the boat landing at the end of Washington Pond Road in Marlow (next to Christmas Tree Inn). Back by 2:00 p.m. For more information, call Russ at 603.477.7506.

July 20 (Sun) Silver Lake Hike and Dip—Join Rick Brackett and Eric Masterson for a moderately easy 3-mile exploration of an area of major conservation focus on the western shores of Silver Lake, with hundreds of acres of land under easement to several different organizations. We will loop through moose-browsed woods to the shore near Loon Island. Bring swimwear and a towel, and meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Silver Lake boat launch (off Breed Road on the southern end of the lake) to carpool. Back by 1:00 p.m. For more information, contact Eric at masterson@harriscenter.org. Cosponsored by the Harris Center for Conservation Education with the Monadnock Conservancy.

July 27 (Sun) Honey Hill Hike—Join Russ Daigle for a moderately easy, 3-mile round trip hike on Honey Hill in Swanzey. The trail runs through conservation land, and offers good views of Mount Monadnock from the summit. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Golden Rod Grange in Swanzey Center (Route 32). Back by 1:00 p.m. For more information, contact Russ at 603.477.7506.

Submitted by Margaret Baker

Hancock Depot Association



The Hancock Depot Association held its annual meeting. The following officers were elected: Nancy D. Adams, President; Dan Harper, Vice President; Scott

Daniels, Secretary; Emily Daniels, Treasurer. Transition with outgoing president, John W. Bowes, will take place over the next couple of weeks and I hope to have a board meeting shortly thereafter. Eleanor Falcon thanked Jack and his wife Anne for the many years that they volunteered tirelessly for the Depot Association.

We are all excited to bring the Depot back to its former beauty and have some plans for upcoming events. Stay tuned for more information to follow in the next issue of *Hancock Happenings*.

Submitted by Nancy D. Adams



**Hancock
Farmers Market**
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The Hancock Farmers Market will hold a raffle drawing on the first Saturday of every month. Benefits will go to the Hancock Community Supper.

- **Saturday, July 5** – Goat Milking demonstration by Don Lussier of Hancock
- **Saturday, July 19** – Yuke Society of Antrim, USA

Submitted by Susan Beers



Kristen Vance, Director

Exciting News—The Grapevine is the beneficiary of this year's Uplift Music Festival on Saturday, July 26, at Oak Park in Greenfield! Visit www.upliftmusicfest.org for more information. The Grapevine is grateful to the Uplift organizers for their generosity. This is a family event, so don't miss this great day of local music and a wonderful opportunity to support The Grapevine.

Happenings at Avenue A Teen Center—Greetings from Avenue A! With summer here, we are extending open hours on Friday nights: 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (except for July 4, when we will be closed). Expect to see announcements about karaoke, open mic and other activities on those evenings on our Facebook page and on our sign beside the front door. In addition, we are planning a field trip to the Boston Aquarium, most likely in August, and will have more details soon!

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Alateen, a support group for teens affected by loved ones or friends who struggle with alcohol addiction, is moving from ConVal High School to Avenue A for the summer. Meetings are Wednesdays from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., for 13- to 18-year-olds.

Avenue A is in need of volunteers to oversee our Friday open hours, as well as of donations of bar chairs, sofas, a dishrack, vacuum, wet mop, lamps, rugs, etc. Contact Heidi Schultz, Teen Center Coordinator, at 588.2620 or avenueateencenter@gmail.com.

Looking to expand your support network? Join a group sharing their time and talents while saving money and making friends. The People's Service Exchange offers a coordinated network to connect those who have a skill with those who need that skill, based on the Time Banking model: 1 hour of service = 1 Time Dollar, regardless of the usual monetary value. New members start off with 3 Time Dollars and can choose to spend them, save them or donate them. We are now using "Time and Talents" software hosted by www.hOurworld.org and have a whole new look with expanded possibilities. Join online at www.pse-nh.org or call Nancy at 588.2620. Internet access is not required for membership. Drop in for Tea & Chat Wednesdays 11:00 a.m. to noon at The Grapevine in Antrim, July 23-August 20. All are welcome! RSVP is appreciated, but not necessary.

Backyard Adventures for Young Children—Two one-week sessions for children ages 4-½ to 6 years with Carol Lunan M.Ed., our Learning Vine teacher and former Harris Center educator.

- **Session I**—July 21-25, 9-12:30 Space Available!
- **Session II**—July 28- August 1, 9-12:30 One Spot Left!

Parents are welcome to drop off their children or stay for all or part of the morning. \$110 per session.

Learning Vine Preschool—Looking for a preschool program for your 4- to 5-year-old? Now enrolling for September 2014. Call Carol 588-2620.

Before and After School Clubs 2014-2015 Registration—Call The Grapevine to register your Elementary or Great Brook School student in the Before or After School Club at the Antrim schools campus for the coming school year. The programs provide before and after school care Monday through Friday, and include time to finish homework, games, and outdoor activities.

Summer Office Hours: Monday through Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to noon, or by appointment.

Visit us on www.GrapevineNH.org and Like us on Facebook!

The Grapevine is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit family and community resource center serving residents of Antrim, Hancock, Bennington, Francestown and nearby towns, and located at 4 Aiken Street, behind the Tuttle Library in Antrim. For more information call 588-2620. Donations are tax deductible. Please make your check payable to The Grapevine and mail it to PO Box 637, Antrim 03440. The Grapevine exists because of charitable contributions from people like you. No amount is too small—or too big!



Hancock Town Library Events

Amy Markus, Hancock Library Director

Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Don't forget that the Friends of the Hancock Town Library's annual book sale (see page 7 for full details)! Call us at the library (525.4411) if you would like one of our volunteers to pick up your items. Thank you!

Saturday July 19, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.—Food, Glorious Food – A Celebration in Writing—The bounty of summer gardens and farmers' markets; the sensory delight of flavor, texture, aroma and color; the rich associations, memories, and stories food conjures are all ripe for the picking in this creative experience. Join Leaf Seligman and Elizabeth Gordon, both writers, teachers of writing and culinary enthusiasts, in a wordplay adventure evoking gastronomic gladness. With simple prompts we will decipher the lessons of vegetables and pay homage to what nourishes and sustains us. Our writing time will be followed by a delectable sampling of savories and sweets. Cost is \$35. Please register at the library or by calling 525.4411. Leaf Seligman joyfully lives a writing-centered life in Troy, New Hampshire. She teaches at Keene State College and offers writing experiences and guidance to groups and individuals. You can reach her at www.writingthatmatters.net.

From the Children's Room

Rennie Timm, Children's Librarian

Summer Reading Program is here! This summer readers of all ages will explore the world we live in as the Hancock Town Library presents, "**Fizz, Boom, Read!**" This summer's theme is all about science, technology, math, and engineering. The 2014 Summer Reading

Program is free and open to children of all abilities, babies through young adult, with programs, prize drawings, story hours, and more. Families are invited to join the Read-to-Me portion of the program. We will begin on June 23 and run through August 7, with a finale performance by Norman Ng, the Magician, at 7:00 p.m. **Remember to turn in your reading raffle tickets for our weekly Monday prize drawings.**

Thursdays in July at 10:30 a.m.–Laptop Storytime– Walking and talking, this babies-to-toddler story time is an interactive program for all preschoolers and their parents or care providers. We will share books, rhymes, songs, finger play and movement. Our goal is to foster an early love of books and literacy. At the end of the program, there will be playtime for parents and caregivers to share books, puzzles, or other literacy activities with their toddler. Dress comfortably as we will be sitting on the floor in the Children’s Room. No registration required, feel free to drop in anytime.

Tuesdays, July 1 at 3:00 p.m.–Engineering with LEGO® Bricks–The Empire State Building, the Eiffel Tower, tall buildings around the world, how are they constructed? Can you design and construct a building out of LEGO® blocks? How about a bridge? Is your bridge strong enough to hold 100 pennies? Take the challenge. All ages welcome.

Wednesdays, July 2, 9, 23, and 30 at 3:00 p.m.–Family Summer Movie Series–Check our website or Facebook

page for weekly movie listing. Free popcorn and air conditioning.

Thursdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24 and July 31 at 1:00 p.m.–Miss Melody Russell presents Art meets Author– Eric Carle, Dr. Seuss, Mary Pope Osborne are just a few authors children love and adore. In this 6-week program, Miss Melody Russell will take children on a journey of artistic discovery using an assortment of art mediums linking an art form with an author’s writing/illustration style. Each week we will introduce a new author and a corresponding art form, such as watercolor or pen and ink, clay, masks or mobiles, collage, or recycled creatures. This program is for children ages 6 to 11. Participants are required to pre-register, class size is limited.

Saturday, July 5 and 26 at 11:00 a.m.–PAWS to Reading–The smiles on a child’s face, the wagging tail of the dog, the excitement of doing something forbidden (dogs in the library) provides a setting where youngsters of all ages are not only learning to read, they’re looking forward to it. They’re learning to love to read! Each child reads a book of his or her choice for 15 minutes to Toven, a Great Pyrénées. **Pre-registration is preferred.**

Tuesdays, July 8, and July 22 at 3:00 p.m.–Science Exploratorium–Are you curious? Science really comes to life when children have a chance to get their hands dirty, explore, observe and create. This summer we will discover and explore how things work, finding answers to the whys. In this one-hour session we will engage in hands-on-science activities to explore the world we live in. Come prepared to get dirty and have fun. This program is for children ages 6 to 14.

Tuesdays, July 8, 15, 22 and July 29 at 12:30 p.m.–Merry Music with Miss Katy–This interactive program combines the joy of singing with action-oriented activities. Puppets and live music with the accompaniment of the baritone ukulele, mandolin, banjo and various percussion instruments create a fun-filled show for children ages 2 to 6.

Tuesday, July 15 at 3:00 p.m.–Rainbow Loom–Create your own bracelets, rings, necklaces... go wild with brightly-colored glow-in-the-dark rubber bands. Crazy-rainbow bands will be provided, just bring your imagination and expertise to share with others. If you have your own loom, please bring it as we have a limited number to share with the group. All ages welcome.

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Wednesday, July 16 at 3:00 p.m.—Teen Movie & Ice Cream Social *Back to the Future*—With the help of a wacky scientist, a young teen travels back to 1955 in a DeLorean turned time-machine. Once there, he meets his parents, still teenagers, but his presence throws things out of whack and he must ensure they fall in love and get married or else he will never come to exist. Rated PG, runs 2 hours. *Pre-registration preferred.*

Thursday, July 24 at 4:30 p.m.—Bedtime Math Family Pajama Party—Playing with numbers can be a blast, for both kids and adults! From Slinkies to ninjas to finger-paintinging otters, Bedtime Math Problems get everyone laughing and math-ing. That's what math should be about! So join us for an afternoon of family fun with numbers and shapes. Parents are encouraged to partner with their young children. This program is appropriate for ages 3 to 9. *Pre-registration is recommended, space is limited.*

WANTED: Classic old fashioned tea cups and saucers for our floral arranging program. Please drop donations off at front desk or on Children's Librarians desk. Thank you for your contribution and support.



Historical Society's Heritage Campaign Hammering Away at Raising Restoration Funds

Have you noticed the "Hammer of Progress" on the front lawn of the museum building? The sign illustrates the Historical Society's progress towards its goal of raising \$275,000 through our *Heritage Campaign* which supports the building renovation, collections preservation, and programming and education.

At the Hancock Historical Society, we have a museum filled with treasures of Hancock's past. Carefully gathered over two centuries, these pieces of furniture, art, tools and memorabilia make Hancock's history come alive. Our archives bulge with the stories, photos, genealogies and records of our people, our businesses and our celebrations. But today these treasures are in danger, with a building that needs structural repair and collections that need conservation. The *Heritage Campaign*,

the Society's first capital campaign since its founding in 1903, will address these issues.

We need your help! If you've already given, please encourage your friends and family to do so. We've made good progress through generous donations of our members and the community, and grants, but we need to raise more to achieve our goal. The future of this organization and the heritage it is entrusted to protect are just too important to let up now.

You can help by writing a check, or making a pledge over three years (2014 to 2016) in support of the Heritage Campaign. Pledge forms can be found on our website at www.hancockhistoricalsociety.org when you click Heritage Campaign on the menu bar. Pledges and/or checks made payable to Hancock Historical Society should be sent along with a completed pledge form to:

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Thank you for your support!
Submitted by Ruth Wilder



Please join us for
Hancock Historical Society's
Annual
Lemonade Party
Sunday, July 27th
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7 Main Street

This year's lemonade social will include a special opportunity to meet Steve Bedard, whose company, Bedard Preservation and Restoration serves as consultant, to the important renovations to the museum building. He will present an overview of the project to members and guests.

Please stop in and see the work in progress that has been made possible by the generosity of the Historical Society members and supporters.

Great Brook School Community Service is alive!



It is so hard to believe that another year has passed at Great Brook School. As you may know, GBS was recognized as New Hampshire Middle School of the Year for the 2013-2014 school year. Part of what makes Great Brook such an amazing school is its focus on giving back to the community that supports our school. GBS encourages all of their students to complete at least 10 hours of Community Service each year. Those who participate in 35 hours or more receive the Bobcat award and earn a celebration trip at the end of the year. Last year, we started to participate in the Presidential Community Service recognition program. In this program, those students who participate receive a pin and a certificate signed by the President: Bronze-50 hours, Silver-75 hours and Gold-100 hours. With tremendous pride, we would like to share with you that the total hours of Community Service that the students in grades 5 through 8 participated in this year has been close to 8,900 hours!

Submitted by Kelly Marshall

What's happening at the Hancock Professional Center 15 Forest Road, Hancock

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Joe Montana

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All of us at the Hancock Professional Center wish everyone a wonderful, happy and safe Fourth of July! Enjoy the summer!

Submitted by Arlene Smith

News from Fish & Game Public Asked to Report Feral Swine

The public is being asked to report any sightings of free-ranging feral swine, more commonly called wild pig, wild boar or feral hog. These animals can now be found from Florida to Washington, with an estimated population of 5 million nationwide. Feral swine are not native to North America and have expanded their range from 17 to 39 states in the last 30 years. They currently inhabit many northeastern states, including New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont.

Expansion of this invasive species is of significant concern to farmers, livestock producers, natural resource managers, animal health officials, and the general public. In the past few decades, feral swine have arguably become the most invasive and destructive large mammal species in North America. They have been labeled an ecological disaster, in large part because our ecosystems did not evolve with feral swine and therefore have not adapted to their damaging behavior.

Turning the Tide on Feral Swine

"Feral swine don't know boundaries and what happens in one state affects neighboring states," says the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's (APHIS) new national feral swine initiative coordinator Dr. Dale Nolte. "Only

through a concerted, comprehensive effort with the public and our State and Federal partners, can we begin to turn the tide on feral swine expansion and reduce their negative impacts to our economy and environment."

The USDA and its partners hope to accomplish just that. In 2014, APHIS Wildlife Services (WS) received \$20 million from Congress to begin a collaborative, national feral swine management initiative with APHIS Veterinary Services and International Services, as well as numerous local, State and Federal partners. The goal of the initiative is to prevent the further spread of feral swine, as well as to reduce their population, damage, and associated disease risks to protect both human health and the health of domestic swine. Though management efforts will occur in many different locations and habitats throughout the United States, these actions will be modified and adapted to best meet the needs and objectives of each state.



News from Main Street Cheese

Main Street Cheese is launching a Kickstarter Campaign in July! To learn more, follow the link at our web-site, starting July 1st. With a significantly greater milk yield this year, we are hoping to raise money for a pasteurizer that will meet our needs more sustainably. We will be tremendously grateful for donations large and small.

Main Street Cheese is also seeking to hire a full-time Milker/Cheesery Assistant to join our efforts, in exchange for a combination of room and wage. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please help us spread the word.
Thank you very much.

And, last but not least, on a hot summer day, come stop in to try our new Goat Elixir Pops--popsicles that can't get more Hancockian--made from our dear goats' milk together with maple from Longview Forest Products.

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Feral Swine Damage

Nationwide, it is estimated that feral swine annually cause approximately \$1.5 billion in damage and can destroy as much as 1,000 acres per hour. Their aggressive rooting behavior – when they use their snouts to uproot the vegetation and earth in search food – can cause substantial property damage in suburban communities, leading to destruction of lawns and landscape, backyard gardens, parks, and golf courses. Affected areas will appear as if they have been run over by a number of out-of-control rototillers. Severity can range from superficial rooting of less than 6 inches deep, to more extensive rooting of 1-2 feet deep.

Feral swine cause agricultural damage by rooting and creating wallows (mud baths) in pastures, consuming and trampling crops from corn to soybeans and preying upon livestock and poultry. They devastate native habitat by impacting forest regeneration and restoration, as well as contaminate water supplies and reduce water quality through fecal material, erosion and increased sedimentation.

Feral swine are voracious omnivores that will consume many plant and animal species. They will prey upon insects, frogs, salamanders, white-tailed deer fawns, wild turkeys, grouse, woodcock, and other ground-nesting birds and their eggs. In Florida, feral swine are associated with the decline of at least 26 plant and animal species that are now listed as

rare, threatened, endangered, or of special concern. Feral swine will also out-compete native wildlife for food, such as acorns and beechnuts, which are important and variable resources to New Hampshire's wildlife.

Feral swine can transmit as many as 30 pathogens and 37 parasites, many of which pose serious threats to humans, livestock, wildlife, and pets. Humans are susceptible to such diseases as brucellosis, leptospirosis and trichinosis. Along with these human health risks, feral swine are vectors for livestock diseases, including brucellosis, pseudorabies and classical swine fever, which pose a significant risk to our country's multi-billion dollar commercial domestic swine industry.

Signs, Tracks and Reporting

Feral swine have no legal game status in New Hampshire, but are considered escaped private property and may only be hunted with permission by the property owner. The pigs come in many colors, shapes and sizes due to their hybridizations, but are most often black or brown. An average adult weighs anywhere from 100-200 pounds. Although most of their activity occurs under the cover of night, they leave behind unique sign to indicate their presence, such as rooting, wallows and tree rubs. Tracks are similar to deer, although swine hoofs are rounder in overall shape and tend to be more splayed and blunt at the tips than deer tracks.

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To assist in determining the presence of feral swine and aid in mapping distinct populations please report sightings and any information to USDA Wildlife Services. WS is also interested in obtaining fresh blood and tissue samples from the carcasses of harvested and road killed feral swine for disease testing and biological data collection. The results of this effort will help protect agriculture and natural resources of New Hampshire. WS is conducting similar surveillance activities in Vermont, Maine and New York. To report feral swine please contact: Tony Musante, Wildlife Disease Biologist USDA/APHIS-Wildlife Services 59 Chenell Drive Suite 7, Concord, NH 03301, 603.223.6832, or 603.340.2890 (cell)

From NH Fish & Games Dept Newsletter

Hancock Hours and Meetings

Please review your listings and correct as needed by emailing happenings@hancocknh.org

Tax Collector - Monday & Wednesday 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. or by appointment;

Town Clerk – Monday 6:00 to 9:00 p.m.; Wednesday 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.;

Town Dump and Demolition Hours – Wednesday 3:00-7:00 p.m.; Saturday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.;

Selectboard – Starting April 14, 2014, the meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday and 7:00 p.m. on the 4th Tuesday at the Barbara Caverly Meeting Room. The four

meetings per month schedule will resume on September 8, 2014. (*Selectboard, March 17, 2014*)

Planning Board - On the 1st Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.: may hold working sessions for planning purposes. On the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.: 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 Caverly Meeting Room

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

Advisory Committee – as noticed, Town Office;

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

HEAT Committee – 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., Town Office;

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

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July 2nd at 7 pm or July 3rd at 10 am



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Family Circus and Vaudeville Show



Mime! Clowning! Juggling! Music! Totally Useless Skills!
Opera! At least one puppet!

Silver Lining Youth Circus joins with celebrated professionals!

Refreshments and face painting available



Time: July 2nd at 7:00 pm
July 3rd at 10 am (circus workshop after this performance only)

Place: Peterborough Community Center at the Armory, Elm Street

Price: \$3.00/child (ages 3 through 12)
\$5.00/13 year old and above
\$15.00 max per family

Tickets sold at the door only

For more information: 924-6131, tkriebel@yahoo.com
or on Facebook at Children-and-the-Arts-Festival

All profits benefit the 2015 Children and the Arts Festival




- Recreation Committee** – 3rd Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Town Office;
- Town Archives Committee** – 2nd Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., Town Office Archives Room;
- Water Commissioners** – 4th Wednesday at 4:00 p.m., DPW;
- Dump Committee** – 3rd Tuesday at 4:00 p.m., 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 7:00 p.m., Town Office.
- Meetinghouse Restoration Committee** – as noticed, Meetinghouse
- School Board** – 1st & 3rd Tuesday, Board Room



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- Hillsborough
Summer Events

 - Balloon Festival (at right)
www.balloonfestival.org for details
 - Hillsborough Area Artisans Open Studio Tour: **August 9 and 10**
 - Living History Event NH: **August 16 and 17**
 - Schnitzelfest: **September 27**

26th Annual

Balloon Fest & Fair

July 17-20, 2014

Balloon Rides • Parade • Carnival
Music • Fireworks • Balloon Night Glow

Parking \$5.00 Per Vehicle
FREE Admission

www.balloonfestival.org



HANCOCK SUMMER RECREATION
WATERFRONT PROGRAM
RED CROSS SWIMMING LESSONS REGISTRATION FORM

Red Cross swimming lessons are offered for children ages 4 and up and for teens and adults who want to learn to swim or would like to improve their stroke.

Fees:

Hancock residents \$35.00 per session per child or \$85.00 per session per family 3+ children

Non-Resident \$45.00 per child or \$95.00 for non-residents per family 3+ children

Application will not be processed without payment. Please make checks payable to

Town of Hancock PO Box 6 Hancock, NH 03449

Please select your desired session.

- 🍏 Session 1: July 7-18, 10:30am to Noon
- 🍏 Session 2: July 21 to August 1, 10:30am to Noon
- 🍏 Session 3: July 14 to 25, 12:30pm to 3pm
- 🍏 Session 4: July 28 to August 8, 12:30pm to 3pm

Swimmer's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Person(s) authorized to retrieve your child from Swim Lessons: _____

Please list 2 people who can assume responsibility for your child if you cannot be reached in an emergency:

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Allergies: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

Physical Limitations: _____

What is your child's swimming level?

Can't Swim

Beginner

Intermediate

Other Explain?

Participation in this sport/activity may involve risk of injury. As a parent, guardian or participant, I am aware of these hazards and my ability to participate. In consideration for participation in the program(s) listed above, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release all rights and claims against the Town of Hancock, its officers, employees, agents, volunteers and supervisors, except in the case of their sole negligence, from all losses, injury, damages, fees and other expenses, arising out of or in connection with participation in the activity. In addition, I give my permission for the agents, servants, employees, and officials to the Town of Hancock to use their sole discretion in seeking and providing treatment for the child(ren) by qualified medical personnel in the event that the above named parent/guardian cannot be reached at the phone numbers provided. I understand the cancellation/refund policy of the Town of Hancock Recreation Program.

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

I authorize the Town of Hancock to reasonable use of any and all images and statements

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Summer Recreation Programs

The Hancock Recreation Committee (the one that brought you this year's smashing Winter Frolic) has been working hard to update and improve existing recreation offerings in town!

Norway Pond BBQ Picnic Beach Party

To kickoff this summer, please join us on **Sunday, June 29 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**, at Norway Pond for a BBQ Picnic Beach Party! This is a great opportunity to meet new staff members for the summer recreation program and the waterfront. We will provide the hamburgers, hot dogs and condiments. Please bring a side dish to share, a blanket to sit upon, and items to eat with (silverware, cups, plates, napkins, etc.).

Rec Camp starts VERY soon – Monday, June 30!

We are accepting registration for the summer recreation program. We welcome Karen Plourde of Bennington, the new Recreation Camp Director. Karen formerly facilitated day camp programs at the Barbara C. Harris Center. She also worked at Crotched Mountain (Wonderworks) and for the Jaffrey-Rindge School District. She will be supervising two camp counselors: Jared Booth and David Selmer. Karen promises to have lots of organized activities for children ages 5 to 13.

Waterfront Director

We also welcome Jenny Schlichting of Peterborough, the new waterfront director. Jenny is an experienced lifeguard and swim instructor – with experience working in camps and beaches. She will be supervising four new lifeguards: Ryan, Maddie, Samantha and Grace. Jenny intends to offer several sessions of swim lessons beginning on July 7. Please check the Town website for further details.

Please visit the town of Hancock website for further details and to download the Camp and Swim registration forms at www.hancocknh.org/REC/REC.htm. Those forms are also available on pages 21 and 23. If you have more questions regarding summer recreation offerings, please contact Emily Daniels at 525.4443, or Donna Coty at 525.4763, or email recreation@hancocknh.org.

Happy summer!

Submitted by Hancock Recreation Committee

HANCOCK SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM REGISTRATION

June 30th to August 15th, 2014

Monday through Friday 8:00am to 12:00pm

No Camp July 4th

This program is for children 5-13 years of age. Program fee is for the entire summer session. A 4-week option is available this year. If the 4-week option is selected, please specify which weeks your child will attend.

Fees:

Hancock residents: \$125 per child \$100 Each additional child. 4-week rate \$75 per child.

Non-Residents: \$250 per child. 4-week rate \$150 per child.

Application will not be processed without payment. Please make checks payable to

Town of Hancock PO Box 6 Hancock, NH 03449

Camper's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Parent/Guardian: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Person(s) authorized to retrieve your child from Summer Camp: _____

Please list 2 people who can assume responsibility for your child if you cannot be reached in an emergency:

Emergency Contact: _____ Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship: _____ Relationship: _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Allergies: _____

Medical Conditions: _____

Physical Limitations: _____

Child's Physician: _____ Phone: _____

What is your child's swimming level? Can't Swim Beginner Intermediate Other Explain?

For planning purposes, please indicate any days/weeks that you know your child will **NOT** be attending the program.

From: _____ To: _____

Once your child is at the camp, he/she must remain there and participate in camp activities until the completion of the program at 12:00 noon. At that time, the camper will be picked up by an authorized person or will bike/walk home if permission has been given to do so.

All campers must sign in upon arrival and sign out upon departure. The program day ends promptly at 12:00 noon. Please pick your child up on time. Staffers are not paid for overtime and cannot go home until your child has been signed out

Campers must be picked up by 12:00 noon. There will be a \$10.00 late fee assessed for any child picked up after that time.

I give permission for my child to bike or walk to and from the Hancock Summer Recreation Program at the completion of the camp day.

Participation in this sport/activity may involve risk of injury. As a parent, guardian or participant, I am aware of these hazards and my ability to participate. In consideration for participation in the program(s) listed above, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release all rights and claims against the Town of Hancock, its officers, employees, agents, volunteers and supervisors, except in the case of their sole negligence, from all losses, injury, damages, fees and other expenses, arising out of or in connection with participation in the activity. In addition, I give my permission for the agents, servants, employees, and officials to the Town of Hancock to use their sole discretion in seeking and providing treatment for the child(ren) by qualified medical personnel in the event that the above named parent/guardian cannot be reached at the phone numbers provided. I understand the cancellation/refund policy of the Town of Hancock Recreation Program.

By signing this form, I agree to the above terms and conditions and verify that the information provided on this form is correct

Child's Name: _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

I authorize the Town of Hancock to reasonable use of any and all images and statements

Parent/Guardian _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____