I hope that everyone had a good holiday. It would have been nicer to have more snow, but I am not sure that there would be universal agreement on that matter. The Christmas Concert was fantastic as usual with the Meetinghouse filled to capacity. There is a tremendous amount of work that goes into presenting that concert and we wish to thank all of those involved in it. The Open Houses at the Historical Society and the John Hancock Inn were wonderful occasions to enjoy the company of our fellow townspeople. We are fortunate to live in a town with such a strong sense of community.

We are pleased to announce that we have filled the position of Department of Public Works Director. Our Foreman, Jeff Wright has been promoted to that position. Jeff has been with us for eight years and has been Foreman for the past six. He is a Master Roads Scholar through the UNH Technical Transfer Center, and has a Solid Waste Facility Principal Operator Certification and Water Works Operator Certification. Jeff has been serving with the help of John Mclean as our Director since Kurt Grassett left in July. We interviewed four candidates for the position and we all agreed that Jeff Wright was the most qualified.

The Compensation Study is essentially complete with just some minor editing remaining. The wage data and schedules are complete and will be used in developing the budget for 2017. It also includes updated Job Descriptions for all of the positions in the Town. It has been a considerable undertaking, but was really necessary given our outdated wage schedule. In general, our wages are competitive with similar Towns. There are a few adjustments to be made which in total will not have a significant impact on the budget.

We are behind on the development of the budget mostly due to the need to finish the Compensation Study and fill the position of Department of Public Works Director. We will be scheduling extra meetings in January to finish the budget preparation and have it ready for the Budget Hearing on February 8th.

Diane Loomis has resigned as Deputy Treasurer effective the end of the year. Our Treasurer, Nancy Luby, has chosen Sharon Gordon to be Deputy Treasurer and the Selectboard has confirmed the appointment.

HAPPY NEW YEAR
Changing of the guard at HFD

Our Fire Department members elect their officers every January. After 15 years as Chief, I am not going to run for the position this time, so we will soon have a new Chief, as well as a new Asst. Chief and some new Captains. About 90% of our current members have known only me as the Department head, but I have assured them that lots of good people have run the show before me in our 109 year history, and I am sure there will be more good people to come. William (Bill) Hayward was our first chief when HFD was formed in 1907. Everett Adams (Bud and Ed's grandfather) served for 46 years after Bill. Other chief's names you may recognize are Gleason, Avery, Dunbar, Kierstead, Joseph and Cass.

MaryLou is also stepping down as our Treasurer, so our Raffle winners will be getting their checks signed by a new treasurer in a month or two. We are both staying on the department as members, but thought it was time to let some fresh blood take the helm. We will set up our "transition teams" to make a smooth transfer of responsibilities in January. It has been my pleasure to lead the dedicated men and women of the Fire Department, and they all have worked hard to make my job easier in serving this town.

If you are a regular reader of Hancock Happenings, you will know that I occasionally use recent calls to highlight what my mother called "teachable moments." Here is one that I've been holding back on. In my 25 years on the department, there have been two fire deaths in Hancock. Most townspeople don't even know about or remember these incidents. The similarities are striking though. Two older women died from burns and respiratory injuries. Both were in their kitchens, and caught their sleeves on fire reaching across a stove. (This is why newer kitchen ranges have the burner controls on the front now, not on the back panel.) MaryLou's own great-grandmother died the same way many years ago- after being badly burned, she tried to take a bath and put on new clothes before calling the doctor. So- Be careful reaching over a hot burner, and watch for loose clothing. If you do happen to catch your clothes on fire, remember what we teach the school kids- Stop, Drop, and Roll. Smother the flames on your body, then immediately call for help. With burns, time is of the essence; modesty and/or fear of embarrassment can kill you.

Another note for those of you with barnyard animals- there have been two barn fires in the area this month, killing scores of chickens and goats. Anytime I hear of a wintertime barn fire, I always assume a heat-lamp was tipped over. That was the case in both the Hopkinton and Swanzey fires. If you really need to run lamps or some other source of heat in your barn, make extra sure that it is installed safely and securely, and cannot come in contact with combustible materials. Nobody needs to lose a barn and all the critters inside.

December was fairly quiet for us, call-wise. Our first real snowfall led to a school bus sliding back into a guardrail on Bond's Corner Road (Sand Hill, for you old-timers) one morning. Nobody was hurt, and another bus came along to get the kids off to school. Thanks go to our Hancock DPW guys who spread copious amounts of sand for us, even though it is a State road. The D.O.T. was a bit too busy to help out at the time apparently.

On another cold night, we got a First Alarm call to a house on the west side of town, but fortunately it turned out to be a chimney fire in a badly plugged flue. Once again, the DPW came by and sanded the driveway so we could get our trucks out without going into the ditch.

Lastly, we were called to Rt. 202 near the Peterborough line for a power-line problem. A crew mowing the road-side brush somehow got tangled up in a phone line, and sent it up into the high voltage electric lines, creating an impressive fireball. It was odd to find the telephone wires on fire high above our heads. If you lost phone service for a while, well now you know who to blame!

All of us at HFD wish you a safe and happy New Year.

December Raffle Winners:
Dave Anderson, $40; Jeff and Carrie Redder,$20; Chris Ingalls, Lee Brown, Mary Covington, $10 each
News from the Hancock Congregational Church

First of all, we want to offer our heartfelt thanks to the scores of people who helped with our 2016 Journey to Bethlehem. It really does take an entire community to bring this project to fruition and we want thank all who helped—the cast, the volunteers who worked with the children after school helping them to make props and our young Mary to learn her song, the musicians who sang and played so sweetly, those who made posters and donated advertising, those who lent us sheep, donkeys, and the horse trailer to get the donkeys to Main Street, those who kept our cast warm with fire pits and a propane heater, the costumers and the clean-up crew, and perhaps most of all, Marcia and Jarvis Coffin, who allowed the Hancock Inn to become the Bethlehem Inn for a day and fed us all so lavishly. We also thank the 200+ travelers who took the tour this year and experienced our New England version of the old, old story.

We invite all who are interested to join us on New Year’s Day for a Journaling Workshop to be held in the Vestry from 2:00-4:00 pm. We’ll enjoy the last of the holiday goodies and use the time to set up calendars, planners, and/or journals for the year ahead. We’ll choose personal theme words for 2017, look at one method called bullet journaling, and explore how faith and calendar keeping have been intertwined at least since the Middle Ages.

Please pre-register by contacting Judy Copeland at hancockcongregationalchurch@gmail.com or 525-4626.

Thank you to all who continue to bring 10-12 ounce boxes of cereal to the vestibule of the Meetinghouse for the End 68 Hours of Hunger program. In 2016, we contributed 250 boxes of cereal (with another delivery ready to go in early January). As of late December, 86 children in the ConVal School District are receiving a bag of food each week. The need is great and the shelves are bare. Please keep the cereal coming and now that we are into the winter months, instant oatmeal (in pre-portioned individual packets) is also requested.

There is still some confusion about the church’s phone number and email address. The phone number was changed at the time of the Meetinghouse Restoration. The church number is 525-4626. Also, our email address is hancockcongregationalchurch@gmail.com. We do not receive messages sent to our former myfairpoint.net address. Finally, the latest updates on church activities and cancellations are posted on our Facebook page (Hancock Congregational Church). Our Sunday morning services are held at 9:45 am and all are welcome.

The Annual Meeting of the Church (with luncheon) will be held on January 29th, following the morning worship service. Submitted by Judy Copeland, Pastor

---

PHC Tax Service

$ Half Price $
50% off whatever you paid any other tax preparing firm last year-guaranteed
Larry Schwartz (RTRP)
603-525-3312
Personal & Small Business
Thank you to all who attended, contributed to and set up our 1st Annual Holiday Gathering at the Hancock Historical Society. The food and desserts were great and the room was elegantly decorated with festive table settings. Current and future members enjoyed the atmosphere of a holiday feast and the warmth of a crackling fire while catching up with each other’s busy schedule and remembrances of times gone by. A special toast goes out to those who contributed to and planned the renovations to the Historical Society which enable us to have special event such as this one.

Upcoming events:
Hancock Historical Society Annual Meeting
January 22, 2017, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

However, as a school community we ask the students to express any frustrations, consider alternative perspectives, and find solutions.

Our work toward this vision does not end with the children. The HES staff, families, and community members strive to provide learning experiences with the greater community. For example, our Fall Harvest Feast brings Cornucopia, families, students, and HES staff together to plant, grow, harvest, and prepare a meal for the Hancock Community. At Thanksgiving HES hosted a Community Schools Turkey Trot organized by Mr. Castor, our PE teacher. Children from Bennington, Francestown, Greenfield, and Temple joined us to run together, play games and give thanks.

There is so much more that we have planned to bridge our students with the larger community. On January 27th we will cook up chili again for the community supper at the vestry. The New Hampshire Dance Institute will teach children new dances the week of March 27th and Diane Kordas will be joining us for a puppet residency the week of April 17th. In between, the Harris Center continues their wonderful work of exploring and wondering in our world. We welcome all community members to any and all of the wonderful learning opportunities at Hancock Elementary School!
Tickets are now on sale at the Hancock Market, Hancock Inn, and Fiddleheads. All members of the Ice Out Team and the Hancock Congregational Church can also sell you a ticket; $2 for one, $5 for three.

Tickets may be purchased on line at hancock.iceout.us. The rules are printed on each ticket.

Remember: Half of the proceeds from ticket sales go to the contest winner as above; the other half go to maintain the two buildings we use the most: the Hancock Meeting House and Vestry. This is both fun…and a worthy cause.

Now, let there be ice. Good luck in 2017!

Ice Out Committee, 2017

From the Editor:
Wishing everyone a safe and prosperous 2017!
Our last Community Supper was conducted on 8 December and provided a great opportunity for leaders of our community to serve a special holiday meal to those who attended. Specifically we would like to thank John Jordon, Tom Shevenell, Erik Spitzbarth, Diane Kendall and Nancy Macalaster for contributing food and managing the serving line as well as members of the Grapevine who provided entrees and desserts and assisted with the clean-up. We look forward to continuing this gesture of good will during this special time of the year.

Our next Community Supper will be conducted on Thursday 26 January and will be hosted by the Hancock Elementary School.

Submitted by Mike and Carol Domingue

The Hancock Area Watercolor Group will start a new six week session on January 11, 2017. Classes are held Wednesday mornings at the brick vestry next to the church in Hancock from 9 to noon. Beginners and people of all levels of experience are welcome. For more information, please call Sue Francis, 525-3313.

January Art Classes

Open to children 7 and up!

- Week 1: dream catchers and talking sticks
  Learn the history and purpose, and make your own large or small version

- Week 2: embroidery basics
  Learn to personalize your own towel, hoodie, or hat with your name or simple design.

- Week 3: mosaic work for beginners
  Tile a cement block or brick for special space.

- Week 4: collage art
  Collage a votive candle, small box, or notebook to last - makes a great gift!

Tuesday's at 1pm and Thursday's - 3:45

Class runs for 2 hours at the Hancock library for the month of January. Class cost: $15 - $25 Sliding scale

Please contact to register if possible 603-525-3268

Another "Tale From Home"

at www.herb-gardner.com

One of my great-great aunts was into genealogy and traced our family back to the pilgrims through the Foster and Jenkins families. I don’t really know whether I’m related to Florence, but it could help explain some of my vocals.

Visit www.broadforkcompany.com
OWNER/OPERATOR: "FARMER" JOHN SANDRI
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE, MANAGEMENT & CARETAKING

BROADFORK
489 Windy Row, Peterborough, NH
603-289-9927
broadfork@gmail.com
Hancock Town Library Events
Amy Markus, Hancock Library Director
http://hancocktownlibrary.blogspot.com
Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00 to 6:00 pm
Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
Saturdays 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

PING-PONG TOURNAMENT!
Be sure to sign up for our first ever (and hopefully annual) HTL Winter Ping-Pong Tournament! Sign up at the front desk by January 15th in the category that fits you: Beginner (I spend more time bending over picking up balls than I do hitting them), Intermediate (I can keep a volley going for at least half a Beatles song), or Advanced (I put some nice spin on the ball, can place the ball on inconvenient corners of the table, and I can smash it good). Then we’ll get folks hooked up to play each other here at the library. There will be single and doubles play and this is for all ages. Families are encouraged to participate. Please help us spread the word!

Monday January 9th at 7:00 pm
Fear of Singing Breakthrough with Nancy Salwen
If you’ve wanted to sing in a chorus, wished you could sing along with friends, wanted to feel more comfortable singing the Happy Birthday song, or even just get more out of singing by yourself, this program is the perfect first step! If you can talk you can sing! Yes, EVEN YOU!! Nancy Salwen, a music teacher from Keene New Hampshire, has published a book, The Fear of Singing Breakthrough Program: Learn to Sing Even if You Think You Can’t Carry a Tune!, specifically geared toward “non-singers” who wish they could sing, as well as anyone who would like to feel more comfortable and freer using their voice. “Not everybody is destined to sing on Broadway, but feeling free to join in and sing along around the campfire, or in church, for example, or to join a chorus — even just to sing the “Happy Birthday Song” along with everyone else — this is a fundamental joy of being human that no one should have to miss.” Salwen says that singing can be taught, and she wrote her book both to help people get past their fears, and to guide non-singers through the basic skills of learning to sing. “Singing, contrary to popular opinion, really isn’t an ‘either you have it or you don’t’ kind of thing; singing can be learned,” said Salwen. “It’s an honor and a joy to be with people as they discover their voice! I love helping people surprise themselves!” Salwen also teaches private lessons and leads workshops. Visit www.FearOfSinging.com or email nancy@salwen.net for more information. Free and open to all.

Thursday January 19th at 12:30 pm
Books Sandwiched In Book Group
Join us as we discuss My Antonia by Willa Cather. Thanks to Joyce Perry for leading the Books Sandwiched In Book Group!

Thursday January 26th at 7:00 pm
A Return to Vietnam 1967-2015 with Rodger Martin
In 1967, Rodger Martin spent one of the most compelling years of his life as a combat engineer in Vietnam. Fifty years later, he had the opportunity to return and did. In slides, poetry, and conversation, Martin tells the story of then and now. What has recovered and what hasn’t. Rodger Martin was managing editor of The Worcester Review for almost three decades. For six years he directed New Hampshire’s Poetry Foundation’s Poetry Out Loud Project. Currently he serves as an editor for Hobblebush Books’ Granite State Poetry Series. In addition to his writing, he teaches journalism at Keene State College, co-advises The Equinox, the college’s award-winning student news organization, and has done artist-in-residency programs throughout New England. He received an Appalachia poetry award, a NH Council on the Arts Fiction Fellowship, two Bruce Kellner/Monadnock Fellowships to pursue his writing, and fellowships from The National Endowment for the Humanities. In 2012 he was chosen as poet to represent the U.S. at Hangzhou, China’s annual international cultural festival and returned in 2015 to read and lecture on poetry at Nanjing University and Shanghai University of International Business and Economics. Free and open to all.

Friday January 27th at 7:00 pm
Drop-In Community Sing for All Ages with Marybeth Hallinan
An evening of fun, uplifting, community singing, including improvisational Circle Singing, folk songs, and contemporary musics. A multi-age singing opportunity for anyone who loves to croon, whether in a car or a choir. All are welcome to make a joyful noise. Like Toronto’s Choir!Choir! Choir!, (see the fun they have here:
http://www.classicalmpr.org/story/2016/07/28/rufus-wainwright-hallelujah-choir) this is a drop-in sing welcoming all abilities. A seasoned vocalist,
musician, teacher, pianist, and singer/songwriter, Marybeth Hallinan has operated a teaching studio for over 25 years in the Monadnock Region. Marybeth is the founding director of Two Rivers Community Choir (Peterborough), TraverSing Hospice and Palliative Choir, and Voicings Adventure Singing Camp.

Marybeth is energetic and positive, drawing out the very best in her students and singers. She has a long-standing reputation as a teacher/director with talent, energy, and enthusiasm. With the right blend of wisdom, knowledge, humor, and experience, she offers a balanced and inspirational program. All ages are encouraged to attend – bring the family! Free and open to all!

From the Children’s Room

Jennifer Wood, Children’s Librarian

A Note from Miss Jenn

STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) comes to the Hancock Town Library! As we embark on our journey through 2017, we at the library will be adding STEAM programs to our rotation. Coding with Robots, make and take crafts, science experiments, and more will be coming to the library! If you have a program you would like to see in 2017 please contact me at the library. hancockkidlib@gmail.com or 525-4411.

Happy New Year! –Jenn

Tuesday January 3rd 3:30pm - 4:30pm Lego Club

Join us for a free build session here at the library. We provide the Legos, you provide the creativity. We display all creations for 1 month in the Children’s room so you can see what they’ve built. All ages welcome!

Wednesday January 11th 4:30pm-5:30pm

Tween/Teen Advisory Board

Join us! We will be working together to find out what we should add to the collection and what programs you want to see at the library. This is your chance to have a say in how things work! This group is for ages 10-18 years old. If you are unable to attend the meeting in person please feel free to join the email list and give your input and feedback through email. Just send an email to hancockkidlib@gmail.com, subject line: Join TAB. Our next meeting will be picking out our magazine choices, choosing our February programs, and deciding on teen decor items.

Friday January 20th 5pm

Movie and popcorn

Come watch a movie at the library! Title will be voted on at the Teen Advisory board meeting. Popcorn and drinks will be provided. This program is brought to you by the Tween/Teen Advisory Board.

Saturday January 21st 11am-Noon

Toven the Reading Dog

Come read to the gentle giant Toven. Toven is a Great Pyrnes Mountain Dog and he LOVES when children read him stories. All Ages Welcome!

Wednesday January 25th 4pm

Robots!

Introducing Dash the robot! We will be using apps to code and control Dash the robot. We will be building mazes and challenging each other to navigate Dash from start to finish. Enjoy this fun filled afternoon of robots. All ages welcome. This program is brought to you by the Tween/Teen Advisory Board.

*NEW DATES* Monday January 9th and Monday January 23rd 3:30pm-4:30pm

Coffee the Reading Dog

Come by the library and practice your reading with Coffee the Chihuahua! Coffee, a registered reading therapy dog, loves when kids practice their reading with him or tell him stories. Also, if you bring 3 non-perishable items for the Food Pantry, you get to choose a free stuffed animal graciously donated by Douglas Cuddle Toys!

Every Thursday @ 10:30am Family Storytime

This storytime is open to all ages. We have a great time reading a few stories and then dancing and singing along!
Hancock Woman’s Club

Happy New Year! Hope your holidays were shared with friends and family and 2017 brings you good health and cheer!

Have you had the opportunity to check our Facebook page? Go to, Hancock Woman’s Club Hancock New Hampshire, there you will see photos of our luncheon from Wednesday, December 14. The Vestry was dressed in its finest, tables were set beautifully; one could feel the Christmas spirit in the air! Thank you to our Tea Hostesses; Edna Drasba, Jean Harrison, Carol Carlisle, Terri Lombardi, Karen McCormack, Sonja Mucha, Marcia Schwartz, Wayan Suarni and Sara LeFebvre.

Our January 11 meeting will begin at 2pm in the Vestry. This month’s guest speaker is Chris Huntington, owner of Simple Twist Fiber Art Studio and Gallery presenting “A Simple Twist on Working with Fiber.” To give you an idea about Chris’ thoughts on this art form, here are a couple of excerpts from her website; “Any craft that easily, and sensibly lends itself to free-form practice and expression, that’s my idea of a good/zen time. Which is why teaching and exploring these forms of fiber art in my studio feels like an act of gratitude for the creative work that has kept me balanced, happy, and sane for, lo, these many years. The forms of useful beauty that can be created using what I’ve decided to term Root Skills - spinning, needle and wet felting, and continuous strand/frame loom weaving - are limited only by one's imagination.” After Chris’ presentation, our tea hostesses, Diane Kidd, Rita Klug and Terri Lombardi welcome you to enjoy tea/coffee and light refreshments.

Hancock Woman's Club scholarship application is available February 1st. Send your request via email to hancockwomansclub.nh@gmail.com or call 525.3304. More information forthcoming in next month’s Hancock Happenings.

Guess who will be celebrating a birthday in February? Us! Our 95th birthday! Get ready to celebrate!!! More information next month!

Check us out on FB: Hancock Woman’s Club Hancock New Hampshire
Submitted by Gertie Kanner

---

Tammy Garre - REALTOR®
Serving the greater Monadnock area
Direct: 603-630-2185
Email: tammy.garre@beanroup.com

Now hear this.

Hearing loss can make you feel embarrassed, frustrated, isolated. But it is treatable!

Our experienced audiologists are experts in helping people of all ages improve hearing function – so you can fully participate in life again.

CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT AUDIOLOGY SERVICES 603.547.3311, EXT. 1660
CROTHED MOUNTAIN Audiology
PETERBOROUGH Bord Chiropractic Office
GREENFIELD Crotch Mountain
Hancock Recreational Affairs: Kary Shumway, Rec Friends, and Winter Frolicking
Written By: Emily Read Daniels

I am hopeful this title might peak interest in reading this article. Its title is an ode to Kary Shumway, the former Hancock Recreation Chairman. Kary cleverly crafted minutes and articles about town recreation matters for years - making them intriguing, funny and a delight to read. He served this town well as our rec chairman. He truly embodies the spirit of fun-loving community. Kristen Bernier and I presented him with an aptly engraved beer stein at the October Depot BBQ event - in recognition of his contribution to Hancock. In his years of service, he organized countless tennis tournaments, meat and softball gatherings, broomball matches, Cal Ripken baseball teams, Moose Brook field usage requests, and much more. Thank you, Kary! We miss Kary’s presence at our meetings but we plan to pester him for future recreation endeavors.

In August, I assumed the role of new chairperson. I facilitated a brainstorming session to generate fresh ideas; lots emerged! Some people have completed the online recreation survey (circulated via email and facebook on November 20th and after) that showcases these ideas. If you have not completed it, please find the link on the town homepage OR our FACEBOOK page OR type in this web address: https://surveyplanet.com/5831c37782404f62689693d5 OR email me for the link (emilyreaddaniels@msn.com). Here is a brief summary of what we have been working on thus far:

- Submitted a governance document to the Select Board for approval. The document contains a mission statement, a description of committee membership, and defines roles and responsibilities of rec committee members vis a vis the Select Board and the Town Administrator.
- Submitted a Warrant Article request to the Select Board to replace the rafts and docks at Norway Pond. The accompanying bid indicates a total replacement cost (inclusive of installation) approximately $18,000.
- Developed and distributed an online survey - that has been completed by 84 respondents to date. We hope to have over 100 responses to gain a sample of town preferences.
- Gathered and reviewed historic rec documents from Donna Geer. This helped the committee realize we needed “Rec Friends” - strategic partners - to broaden our reach by making recreation efforts more collaborative, coordinated and aligned.
- Held our first meeting with some of our new “Friends” (Marcia Coffin, Amy Markus, Susie Spikol) and brainstormed ideas for future joint programming. Ideas included “Hancock: 8 Great Trails of hiking” guided snowshoeing and hiking by the Harris Center (with trail patch reward program) and joint literature and nature programming that is multi-generational. In particular, enthusiastic ideas about skill sharing workshops - “Kids teaching Adults Technology” and “Adults teaching Kids [things like] Knitting.” Baking class at the Inn was an additional idea.
- Organized an initial date and invited folks to discuss Norway Pond water quality concerns. The date is January 17th, 6:00-7:00pm at my home. This is not a formal recreation meeting. Please contact me if you wish to join the conversation.

So, we are working busily. And we are extremely excited about our upcoming Winter Frolic (February 9th and 10th 2017) - our first joint planning effort with our Rec Friends. We will kick off the weekend with a Friday night, “Stink Bug Story Hour” of high profile and not so high profile residents of Hancock. On Saturday, Susie Spikol will offer a guided snowshoe hike around the pond, Jennifer Wood (children’s librarian) will organize a story walk on the pond, classic box sled races, and potentially a breakfast at the Hancock Inn. Please look for all the details in the February issue of the Hancock Happenings and join in the fun.
Support Hancock Happenings advertisers!
They allow you to enjoy the newsletter at no cost to you!

Haley’s Service Center, LLC
4 Forest Rd • Hancock NH 03449
603-525-8024

Check engine light on again?

While it could be something minor, it can also indicate major issues or potential of one. You don’t have to go far, we have the equipment to scan and repair your vehicle.

Featuring state of the art equipment, computer scanner and dealership tools to diagnose and repair your vehicle.

Minor/Major repairs • computer diagnostics • engine • tune ups
transmissions • brakes • exhaust and emissions
scheduled maintenance • and so much more

www.facebook.com/HaleysServiceCenter

Bellows-Nichols Insurance
Your road to Coverage
since 1896

FOR ALL your insurance needs!

We represent over 25 “A” rated regional and national insurance companies.

We make sure you have the coverage you need at the most competitive price!

And we are located right here in your community... so please call, come in, or go on-line today for a free quote!

27 Main Street, Hancock, NH
525-3342
www.bellowsnichols.com
FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

ALBERTO’S
Italian Cuisine
“Best Food by a Dam Site”
Family Dining Since 1945

Friday Night Specials: Fish & Chips
Sun. & Mon. Specials:
Large Pizza $8.99 and
Small Pizza $7.99 (with 3 items only)

Eat in or take-out
Gluten Free Specialties

www.albertosnh.com

Res./Take Out • Bennington, NH
(603)588-6512 • Open Daily 5 p.m.

Hancock Happenings
To submit an article or place an ad, email to happenings@hancocknh.org
Jaime Donovan, Editor

New-Life Massage and Bodywork
Dottie Cullinan, LMT

Therapeutic Body Massage * Reiki
Relax ~ Refresh ~ Renew

Appointments available:
Monday • Tuesday • Thursday • Friday • Saturday

Hancock Professional Center
15 Forest Rd., Suite B, Hancock, NH 03449
(603)525-4765
GREAT BROOK SCHOOL

Sarah Holdredge, Maggie and Willow Baribault, and Sabrina Leahigh are bringing back the monthly news from Great Brook School. We are going to tell you about what is going on in sports, classes, the music program, and just school, over all.

Mr. Elder says, “The year is going really well.” The referrals have gone down by about 50%. These referrals are given to students who have not followed the Bobcat expectations around respect, responsibility and safety.

In fifth grade news, the junior reporters interviewed Victoria Burnham. “Every grade class has it’s own personality. This fifth grade is pretty chillaxed,” she tells GBS reporters. “We have lots of fun in here. (We) put on funky glasses,” and are really just goofy. This fifth grade class plays to learn. “They are doing well,” she tells us. “They are challenging themselves and persevering.” If anything, they need to improve on, “writing neater, and learning to write and read cursive writing, like their French pen pals already do. I know this might sound kind of clique, but it really feels like family at Great Brook. The teachers here work together,” Ms. Burnham says.

In sixth grade the year is going great too. “The year is fantastic so far,” Letitia Rice, the sixth grade math teacher says. “We have a lot of great students trying really hard to do their best.” The students are learning how to divide fractions. In writing they are working on informative writing, and in reading the GBS sixth graders are learning author's tone. Over all, the year is off to a fantastic start in sixth grade.

In seventh grade the reading and writing teacher, Terri Sittig says, this year is going “fabulous.” They are raising the bar in behavior, so the students will need to really step it up, and keep working! They had a great beginning and are doing very well. The seventh grade is going to travel to the Palace Theater to attend A Christmas Carol.

In eighth grade, Kathryn Doherty, the language arts and social studies teacher believes that the field trip to the Capitol Theater to see Encore, (a play centered around well known short stories) is going to be a great success. To Mrs. Kathryn Doherty, “the year has been such a great deal of fun!”

In cheer news, the cheer team is working hard on improving, however stunt groups are doing great. They have great trust in one another. In total there are two large stunt groups and one small stunt group. Mrs. Anderson and her team believe that they can make it to some competitions if they are not too far away.

The girls basketball team is doing great. Reporter and player, Sarah Holdrege, says they are becoming a trusting team. “We have really gotten to know each other. We are really pushing ourselves and each other,” Sarah says. They have played the hardest teams first and are expecting some more wins soon!

The boy’s basketball team is really fighting. Their record may not be the best, however they played the hardest teams first and are improving every game. They are saving all of their strength and effort for the tournaments. The winter slam is February 13th and 14th. It is at South Meadow School. We hope you can go see them play!

Mrs. Moncrief, the band teacher, has set high hopes for her band students. “I believe that they can do what they set their minds to.” Mrs. Moncrief said to GBS reporters. The holiday concert was a success. The choirs, bell ringers, and bands all did great. The first bell choir at GBS played at that concert.

Great Brook School is looking great with the decreased referrals, successful field trips and hard working sports teams. Thus, “The year is going fantastic so far,” as one of the teachers expressed.
ART EXHIBITS AT THE LIBRARY

“Sunflowers,” by Hancock Elementary School students, remains on view in the Daniels Room until Thursday, January 5.

Then, from January 7 to February 16, Lisa Mann’s show “Reverie” will be exhibited.

Lisa is an abstract landscape painter working with oil and cold wax medium. As a counselor, an educator, a mom, a traveler, and an artist, it has always been the creative expressions in these endeavors that have continued to draw her into a more inspired life. “My art is a reflection of collected stories from a lifetime of adventures—of living, traveling, and working overseas. It is an expression of a feeling of a place that comes through in colors and gestures.”

The technique Lisa uses involves mixing a paste of beeswax and oil paints, and working in layers to add textures, lines, and form. The wax allows for some transparency of the colors and for the different layers to show through, adding depth to the painting. Like a story being written—layer upon layer—a painting is created, and then selectively scraped back to reveal pieces of its past.

Lisa is influenced by travel and its ability to bring us out of our comfort zone and into a realm where we feel more connected to the natural world and those around us. “Art walks the line between what we see and what we perceive.”

Lisa’s work has been included in a variety of juried gallery shows, from New Hampshire to Seattle, and has won numerous awards.

* * * *

Art shows in the Daniels Room can be viewed during regular library hours: Mondays and Wednesdays, 2:00-6:00; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00-7:00; Saturdays, 10:00-4:00. The library is closed on Fridays and Sundays. It is advised that you check with the library (525-4411) before traveling any distance to see an art show there as the Daniels Room is sometimes reserved for meetings and other community activities.

Submitted by Sandy Taylor

---

**Fiddleheads Cafe and Catering**

**HANCOCK NEW HAMPSHIRE**

**Hot Soups • Sandwiches • Pizza**

**All Natural Deli Meats**

**Prepared Frozen Dinners**

**Panini • Homemade Breads**

**Bakery • Ice Cream**

**Gluten-free Selections**

**Catering**

Café Seating & Carry Out Cuisine

28 Main St., Hancock • (603) 525-4432 • [www.fiddleheadscatering.net](http://www.fiddleheadscatering.net)

Mon-Fri 6:30am-7pm • Sat 8am-7pm • Sun 8am-3pm
**News from the Depot**

**January 7 Depot Cabaret**

"Put down the knitting, the book and the broom
It's time for a holiday
Life is a cabaret, old chum
So come to the cabaret..."

-- From "Cabaret" by Fred Ebb & John Kander

This month, our feature will be **Sugarbush Road**! Come out and experience their tight harmonies, excellent musicianship, and diverse repertoire of folk, rock, and Americana songs! The show begins at 8:00; doors open at 7:30 if you want to sign up to play at one of several open mic spots. In addition to the music, visitors will enjoy snacks, veggies, and drinks (BYOB!). We also hold a 50/50 raffle, so you just may walk away a winner! All proceeds go to help support the Depot Association.

Sponsored by the Hancock Depot Association and the Keene Music Festival and hosted by Crazy Cowz, the Hancock Depot Cabaret is a music, arts, and function venue located in the old Hancock Train Station/Depot on Depot Road.

The Cabaret was created to provide a venue for local and regional musicians, poets, and other artisans to share their talent in a comfortable, friendly, and inspirational environment. While admission is free, we suggest a $5 donation, which the Depot Association will use to keep the lights on and provide general maintenance for the Depot (upkeep, enhancements/upgrades, insurance, utilities, etc.).

If you are interested in performing as a feature performer, want to sign up for an open mic spot, rent the Depot for an event, or simply want more information:

--> E-mail: hancockdepotcabaret@yahoo.com

--> Phone: 508-641-0076

Like us on Facebook and receive automatic notifications about upcoming shows:
www.facebook.com/hancockdepotcabaret

**Monthly Association Meetings**

Interested in joining the Hancock Depot Association? We meet at the Depot on the third Monday of each month from 7:15 – 8:00. If you’d like to help out with planning, events, cleanup days, etc., feel free to join us!

**Rent the Depot for Your Special Event**

Did you know you can rent the Depot? It’s true – the Depot is available for parties, meetings, celebrations, concerts, and other special events. To learn more, call David Young at 603-525-3085 or Nancy Adams at 603-525-4433

![Hancock Market Advertisement]
Just a few hours of your time . . .

. . . can make a big difference in a person’s life

The Community Volunteer Transportation Company, better known as CVTC, is looking for more people to become part of our volunteer driver team, especially in the towns of Keene, Swanzey, Troy, Winchester and Hinsdale. Do you have time on your hands?

Following the transfer of the American Red Cross medical transportation program, the supply of volunteer drivers needs to increase to meet the demand for rides to doctor’s appointments, social services, grocery shopping, banking, and/or visits to the pharmacy.

Volunteers choose exactly when and where they want to drive. Drivers donate their time and may elect to be reimbursed for mileage.

More drivers will help make this “big difference”! Our volunteers contribute to the health, wellness, dignity and independence for all we serve. Please join us. It’s easy and most rewarding.

Give CVTC a call today at: 1-877-428-2882, ext. 5 and get more information from Tracy, our Transportation Coordinator.

CVTC provides rides for individuals without access to transportation because of age, ability, income, and/or life circumstance. We are a MUW Partner Agency.

Give a Ride

- Help your neighbors with transportation to non-emergency medical and support services
- Drive when you want, as often as you want
- Mileage reimbursement is available

To learn more about our Volunteer Driver Program
Call, toll-free: 1-877-428-2882, extension 5
Email: volunteerdriverprogram@cvtc-nh.org
Visit: www cvtc nh org

CVTC

A Healthier You

- Physically
- Emotionally
- Spiritually

Benefits a healthy and happier you

Holistic Health Professionals Center
123 Prospect Hill Rd
Hancock NH
Arlene Smith
603.933.3294

A Healthier You

Affordable Sessions

January Quote:
Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the year.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

Ongoing during January our practitioners are available by appointment:

Spiritual & Angel Card readings & Sound Therapy - Anne Marie Will, CST, RMT - 845-800-3764

Soul Auras & Past Life & Angel Card readings - Susi Marrotte, BA, RM, CST - 603-547-7604

Sunday, January 29, 2017 A Crystal Tea Ceremony from 1:00 - 4:00pm - Beautiful display of crystals, stones and jewelry. Angel and Tarot readers will be available for readings. Refreshments Tea and scones.

Location: 123 Prospect Hill Road, Hancock Event limited to 12.

Reservations required.

RSVP: 603-933-3294

Respectfully submitted, Arlene Smith
Dear Friends and Neighbors,

With the start of the New Year, I want to take this opportunity to thank the people of Hancock for continuing to support The Grapevine. This support comes in many forms – giving of volunteer time and talent to various programs and events, participating with a donation or bidding in our 3rd Annual Online Auction; giving to our Annual Fundraising Appeal or simply being a part of our programs. Your support and participation makes it all possible. Thank you and Happy New Year!

**Grapevine Special Programs and Events - for all programs please call 588-2620 to register and for more information**

**Free Tax Preparation**
IRS-certified tax preparer and Hancock resident, Larry Schwartz is providing free tax preparation at The Grapevine on Mondays from 3-6pm beginning **Monday, January 23rd**. All returns will be filed electronically. Call The Grapevine now for your appointment.

**A New Kind of Kids Tea Party!**
This year we’ve given our annual tea party event a bit of a facelift! Our **Super Duper Tea Party** invites children to come donning their favorite super hero or tea party costume (or anything in between)! Tickets are $10 each, which include 1 adult and 1 child (max family expense of $20). (Reservations are recommended for preferred seating). Delicious baked goods, light lunch fare and beverages, with tea of course, will be served. Call 588-2620 for more information. **Saturday, February 11th from 11 – 1**

**At Avenue A Teen and Community Center**

**Creative Writing Club – 9-12th graders**
Our Creative Writing Club meets on **Tuesdays from 6:30-8pm** for feedback, publishing help, and visits from local writers! New writers are always welcome!

**Middle School Creative Writing Club**
**Tuesdays 2:15 – 4:15 p.m.**
We’re partnering with New England College and local writer Becky Sakellariou to offer a Creative Writing Club for middle school students! 5th-8th graders are invited to join us for fun writing activities and the chance to share their work! **The Club starts on Tuesday, January 10th.** Students can take the bus over from GBS and ride the late bus home (or be picked up).

**Friday Open Hours – Ages 13-18**
Friday Open Hours provide a safe place for teens to socialize and unwind. Over the summer we’ve enjoyed fun snacks (nachos and bagel pizzas) and our expanding board game collection (Heads Up, Pandemic, and more!). Stop by **Avenue A from 6:30 - 9pm** and join us!

**Avenue A Club – 5th-8th graders**
The Avenue A afterschool club meets on **Wednesdays from 2:20 – 4:15**. Students enjoy group activities, snacks, and free time in Avenue A’s awesome space. School bus transportation to Avenue A from GBS is available with late bus pick up. Contact us for registration info.

**The Vine Story Hour - "All for Love" - Thursday, February 2nd at 7pm**
Based off the popular MOTH story telling hour that airs on National Public Radio, The “Vine” Story Hour invites storytellers to bring their story to the Avenue A “stage”. Come just to listen or seize the opportunity to share your story with a captive audience! Your story must be a true account of something you experienced and must not exceed five minutes. Notes may not be used. Our theme for this event is “All for Love”. Admission is by donation. Proceeds benefit the Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center. Beverages and light snacks will be served. This event is intended for adults and older teens.

The following is a testimonial from Phil Brown of Hancock:

**Phil Brown of Hancock:**

The Better Beginnings for Babies program was our introduction to the Grapevine. The welcoming and helpful staff and volunteers made my wife and I feel very comfortable as we first left our children in the care of others, even for a half hour at a time. That time apart was so important in their development, and in ours, as we had time to discuss parenting and partner challenges with an accepting group of peers.

**The Grapevine’s Better Beginnings for Children program became our daughter, Laurel’s, highlight of the week as she enjoyed time with her new friends. The growth we saw during her time there – and the independence and confidence she picked up along the way – were remarkable. The well-trained professions and volunteers ensured that it was a safe environment for our children, and if needed, we were just a room away. We are firm believers in exposing kids to lots of outdoor time, and I credit the Grapevine for maintaining a routine of getting outside for at least a little while, no matter what the weather.**

**Life after the Grapevine’s early learning programs is different. We have learned much, and some challenges and our responses have become more clear to us, but we still**

Melissa Gallagher, Executive Director

——continued to page 17
Raylynmor Opera will present the timeless Christmas classic *Amahl and the Night Visitors* at Dublin School’s Fountain Arts Building, Friday January 13th at 7:30pm and Sunday January 15th at 2:00pm.

Originally written for television in 1951 by composer Gian Carlo Menotti, this one act opera depicts the story of the lame boy Amahl and his mother who are visited by the Magi, on their way to see the Christ child. The splendor of the three king’s contrasts with the poor trappings of Amahl and his mother, who can offer only a bed of straw for their comfort. The riches of the Magi prove too much for Amahl’s mother, as she attempts to steal their gold meant for the Christ child. King Melchior sounds the opera’s basic theme of charity by offering their treasure to this poor family, saying the Christ child has no need for riches or wealth. Amahl, in turn, offers his only possession, his crutch, as his gift to the Christ child. This act of charity leads to a miraculous healing of Amahl’s lameness; he leaves with the Magi to visit the Christ child.

Raylynmor’s production seeks to encapsulate the Opera’s theme of charity, by asking patrons to bring canned goods and foodstuffs to the performance, which will be donated on their behalf to Keene’s Community Kitchen. A raffle prize will be offered to those who contribute to the offering.

Tickets may be purchased on-line at [www.raylynmor.com](http://www.raylynmor.com) and are priced at $30 for adults, and $10 for students and children.
The Harris Center for Conservation Education is dedicated to promoting understanding and respect for our natural environment through education of all ages, direct protection and exemplary stewardship of the region's natural resources, conservation research, and programs that encourage active participation in the great outdoors.

For a complete listing of Harris Center events, please visit our website at harriscenter.org/calendar

Jan 6 (Fri) Easygoing Hike Along the Hancock Rail Trail
Lee Baker and Rich Taylor will lead a moderately easy, 3-mile roundtrip hike along a spectacular section of rail trail from Old Dublin Road to Jaquith Road in Hancock. Bring lunch and meet at 10 a.m. at the Hancock Town Hall to carpool. Back by 3 p.m. For more information, contact Lee at (603) 525-5262 or snowman3137@gmail.com.

Jan 8 (Sun) Post-Harvest Tour on Goodhue Hill
Join Phil Brown, NH Audubon's Director of Land Management, for a moderately strenuous, 2 1/2 to 3-mile roundtrip hike in the Willard Pond Wildlife Sanctuary. We'll snowshoe to the summit of Goodhue Hill and enjoy views of the surrounding lands and waters. If tracking conditions are good, we'll search for sign of moose, porcupine, bobcat, and other seldom-seen wildlife that call this sanctuary home. Meet at 9 a.m. at the parking area at the end of Willard Pond Road, off Route 123 in Hancock. Back by noon. Dress for the weather and bring a snack, water, and snowshoes. Cosponsored with NH Audubon. Please RSVP to Phil Brown at (603) 525-3499 or pbrown@nhaudubon.org.

Jan 14 (Sat) Cross-Country Ski on the Peterborough Rail Trail
Join Dave Butler for an easy out and back on the Peterborough Rail Trail. We'll start at the Peterborough Transfer Station and ski north along the Contoocook River. Beginners welcome. Bring water and meet at 1 p.m. at the trailhead parking area, 0.2 miles down Scott Mitchell Road, 0.8 miles north of Eastern Mountain Sports on Route 202 in Peterborough. Back by 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Dave at (603) 525-3499 or pbrown@nhaudubon.org.

Jan 18 (Wed)

First Session of ESI Course Birds in Winter
Wednesdays, January 18, 25, and February 1
10 to 11am at the Harris Center
$30 for Harris Center members / $50 for non-members

Where do birds go in winter? How do they stay warm? Why do we see different species from one year to another? Come study winter birds with Harris Center naturalist Polly Pattison and find the answers to your questions! We’ll discuss adaptations, behavior strategies, feeder practices, irruption, and identification of common winter bird species. We’ll also have an opportunity to observe birds at the Harris Center feeders from inside the “Windows on Wildlife” room. Space is limited and registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Sara LeFebvre at (603) 525-3394 lefebvre@harriscenter.org. Polly Pattison is a longtime teacher/naturalist for the Harris Center. Given the chance, she’ll study, band, follow, and watch birds any place, any time, in any weather.

Jan 28 (Sat) First Session of Hiking through Grief
Hiking in the healing presence of nature provides a unique and meaningful way to work through grief. This group offers a way to connect with others in a safe, supportive setting. All the hikes are free of charge and open to anyone in the community who is grieving from the loss of a loved one, the end of a relationship, life transitions, or earth-centered grief. Sandy Morgan will facilitate these easy-to-moderate hikes, which will all take place on Harris Center trails. Meet in the Harris Center parking lot at 10 a.m. Back by noon. Bring water and snowshoes, or reserve a pair of ours when you register. Registration is required. For more information or to register, contact Sara LeFebvre at (603) 525-3394 or lefebvre@harriscenter.org.

Jan 31 (Tues) "12,000 Years Ago in the Granite State"
Native Abenaki people have played a central role in the history of the Monadnock Region, defending it against English settlement and forcing the abandonment of Keene and other Monadnock area towns during the French and Indian Wars. The real depth of native history was revealed when an archaeological study prior to construction of the new Keene Middle School discovered traces of four structures dating to the end of the last Ice Age, each with a diverse array of stone tools and evidence of caribou hunting and hide processing. Undisturbed for 12,000 years, the site revealed information about the economy, gender roles, and household organization of the Granite State’s early inhabitants, as well as evidence of social networks that extended for hundreds of miles across northern New England. Join Dr. Robert Goodby – lead archaeologist on the Keene Middle School dig and Professor of Anthropology at Franklin Pierce University – for a presentation on his fascinating findings from the edge of Tenant Swamp. 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the Keene Middle School auditorium. Cosponsored with Keene Middle School, New Hampshire Humanities. For more info, contact Brett Amy Thelen at (603) 358-2065 or thelen@harriscenter.org.
Hancock Hours and Meetings

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

Tax Collector – Monday 3:30 to 6:30pm
Town Clerk – Monday 6:00 to 9:00pm
   Wednesday 3:00 to 6:00pm
Town Dump and Demolition Hours – Wednesday 3:00 to 7:00pm; Saturday 8:00am to 5:00pm;
Selectboard – First three Mondays at 4:00pm; Fourth 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 – Meets on an as needed basis
Historic District Commission – 4th Tuesday at 7:00pm, Barbara Caverly Meeting Room;
Hancock Library Trustees – 4th Tuesday at 5:00pm 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 4:30pm, 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

Publishing Information

Editor and Publisher: Jaime Donovan
Submit articles to Editor at happenings@hancocknh.org or call 903.0190 for information and rates.
For advertisement sizes and rates please go to: www.hancocknh.org/hancock-happenings/pages/block-ads

Deadline for submissions, advertising and payment for advertising: 5pm on the 22nd of each month. Checks should be payable to Town of Hancock (memo line “Hancock Happenings”) and mailed to the Town at PO Box 6, Hancock, NH 03449. Inserts are not accepted.
Refer to the Hancock Happenings Mission Statement below for the newsletter’s editorial policy. Distribution–Hope Petegrew, Edna Drasba, Sandy Brooks, Josephine Warner, and Marcia Coffin. (Sorry if I missed anyone) Printing by Gem Graphics;
Nameplate by Eleanor Amidon
Music on Norway Pond Presents “Angel Spirits: Music of World War I” on January 22nd

Mark your calendars now for the next Music on Norway Pond 2016-2017 concert: Sunday, January 22nd at 4:00 p.m. In recognition of the centenary of World War I, baritone David McFerrin (last year's John P. Wintergreen) and soprano Deborah Selig, with Clifton J. Noble, piano, present “Angel Spirits: Music of World War I”, a recital of songs written during and inspired by that era. The eclectic program is in parts beautiful, haunting, light-hearted, and poignant, and captures sentiments and reflections from many different perspectives during this climactic period of history. Composers include George Butterworth, André Caplet, Claude Debussy, Ivor Gurney, Charles Ives, Francis Poulenc, and Rudi Stefan. And you’ll enjoy the premiere performance of songs by Boston composer Gregory Zavracky, with texts by three female World War One poets, as well as a number of popular American songs, including selections by Irving Berlin and Jim Europe, director of the 369th Infantry “Harlem Hellfighters” Jazz Band. Based in Boston, Deborah Selig and David McFerrin have each established nationally acclaimed careers in opera, oratorio and recital repertoire. Their collective credits include Santa Fe Opera, Boston Lyric Opera, Pittsburgh Opera, Central City Opera, Chautauqua Opera, Cleveland Orchestra, Cincinnati Symphony, Boston Pops, and the Ravinia, Tanglewood and Marlboro Music Festivals.

Come hear beautiful, poignant, haunting, and lighthearted songs of the era on Sunday, January 22nd, at 4:00pm at the Hancock Congregational Church. Tickets are $20 at the door, or purchase a season ticket on our website. Bring a friend! And, as always, students are free.

A January Double-Header – Music on Norway Pond and Supper at the Hancock Inn

On Sunday, January 22, at 4 pm Music on Norway Pond presents one of their most anticipated concerts of the season – the highly-acclaimed baritone David McFerrin and soprano Deborah Selig, with pianist Clifton J. Noble, in a program called “Angel Spirits: Music of World War I”.

We hope you will join us right after the concert in the Fox Tavern at the Hancock Inn for Innkeeper’s Sunday Supper. Not only will it be fun to gather with the musicians, but the Inn is generously donating half the proceeds to Music on Norway Pond. The Innkeeper’s Supper is offered at the popular price of $18.99 per person, excluding tax, gratuity, and beverage. Please call the Inn directly at 525-3318 for reservations – and we’ll see you there!