News from the Selectboard
Submitted by Tom Shevenell, Chairperson (shevenell@hancocknh.org)

Well, Town Meeting is upon us so no “lecture” this month. The proposed warrant and budget for 2018 are set and ready for discussion and voting. The Selectboard set a goal in the fall for level funding of municipal services. This is always easier said than done, and we had to make some hard decisions. The proposed operating budget for 2018 has come in at $2,322,560 slightly higher, a 2.7% increase, than last year. However, through the use of our unassigned fund balance and the increased property valuations the estimated tax rate for 2018 is projected stay at the 2017 level. Two areas where we added more resources were in the summer recreational programs and in employee wages. The public works department was the primary area where we worked collaboratively to adjust priorities and reduce resources for this year.

Our test last year of a full-day summer recreational program was a success to the point we were understaffed to meet the demand. This year we have budgeted for a full-day rec. program from July 9th to August 10th and life guard coverage at the beach from July 1st through Old Home Days with the opportunity for swimming lessons.

We are in our second year of our new employee compensation plan. Last year we brought employee wages up for those below market rates. This year we added a COLA adjustment and moved employee wages along the “meets expectations” path for each position, as we strived to keep up with the market rates. The Selectboard is committed to keep wages competitive within the region, and to provide educational opportunities for employees to improve their skill levels as we develop a team that can provide increased value to the community while keeping the tax rate as low as possible.

Mia is coming off her first winter season and is planning to spend 2018 developing a long-range plan on improving our equipment and facilities. She is also assessing the actual gravel road maintenance needs, reviewing the paved road assessment being prepared by the SWRP Commission, and working with the Water Commissioners concerning their long-term goals. One outcome of this strategic planning, while a reduction in her budget in 2018, will be a more effective road maintenance program returning in time for the winter season and carrying forward into the future. One integral example in this plan is the leasing of a 10-wheel dump and plow truck replacing the 1994 Mack that was out of commission all winter. This expanded capability will improve the efficiency of wintertime plowing and sanding operations, and summertime hauling of sand and gravel.

Other projects on the warrant include the acquisition of a new fire engine to replace the 1996 KME workhorse. Although expensive, it is time to meet the current standards in protecting the health and safety of our volunteers and improving their efficiency in better protecting the community. It takes over a year to receive the new fire truck, so the bill won’t be hitting this year’s tax rate, but it will give the FD time to raise funds to reduce the future tax impact as much as possible.

We are also finally going to fix the bridge on Longview Road. Through the use of our bridge capital reserve fund, a grant from the state, and monies from the unassigned fund balance, this project will not result in additional taxation. Likewise we are planning complete the meetinghouse restoration by repairing and painting the steeple. Again, through the use of the meetinghouse capital reserve fund and grants, this project will not impact the tax rate.

As I am not running for re-election, this will be my last news from the Selectboard and I want to thank you for the opportunity to serve the community…see you at Town Meeting and around town.
It’s that time of year when we want to believe that Old Man Winter is leaving soon. I’m sure there will still be a couple of good snowfalls for a Mother Nature reality check. During the mid-February snowfall we were dispatched for a motor vehicle accident around 2:00 am north of town. The caller was not familiar with the area, cell service was bad and the roads were terrible. Even though this call ended up being almost to the Stoddard line we were the ones sent out because of the final contact with the caller. Fortunately there were no injuries and all of our responders and apparatus made it safely, but it is another example of lack of quality information. We are the “go to” guys whenever there is a problem. Many times after a call the comment is made “We didn’t really know what you did until we had to call you”. Fortunately we try to keep ahead of the game with quality and proper equipment to serve you, our friends and families. So what does the Fire Dept really do, you ask? Our list includes: Fire Suppression – we put out fires, medical emergency response, rescue response, people and animals, motor vehicle accident rescue, water rescue on any of our ponds, lakes or rivers, automatic fire alarm investigations, flooded basements, trees and wires down usually due to a storm, mutual aid response to assist other towns, fire inspections, fire prevention, and plain old good community service. A pretty comprehensive list.

It has been cold and warm and cold and warm again. Remember our springtime motto, “Stay off thin ice”!! Ice freezes and thaws at different rates and the thickness of ice on ponds and lakes can vary depending on water currents, springs, depth, and natural objects such as tree stumps or rocks. It can be a foot thick in one area and just inches thick a few feet away. Daily changes in temperature also affect its strength. Because of these factors, no one can declare the ice to be absolutely safe. Think before you venture out. We train our members in the basics of ice rescue, but if you fall through and can’t get yourself out, it will be a very chilly time waiting for us to get there.

At Town Meeting, Article 2 is “To Replace 1996 KME Fire Engine #1”. The current engine will be 23 years old when replaced and has served the town well but it has some basic safety and operational deficiencies.

A house fire requires a coordinated attack by several well-trained crews. The first engine on the scene, with a team of four firefighters with their breathing apparatus on, will attack the seat of the fire using a two person attack line crew with a backup crew right behind them with another hose line. Because safety is paramount, new safety standards dictate that everyone be in an enclosed cab, seated, belted, with safe sound levels, and all equipment stored. It is imperative that firefighters are able to put on their self-contained breathing apparatus while in the vehicle.

Our current engine only has room for 3 persons. We now must wait for the next truck before we can act with two crews. Upon arrival at the fire scene, be it structure or vehicle, the attack crew must be in full turnout gear with breathing apparatus on and ready. To accomplish this now we arrive at the scene and then have to get out, go to a compartment on the other side of the truck and don our breathing apparatus. Valuable time is lost.

The new engine will address these problems and offers a safe solution because it has an enclosed cab designed for 5 firefighters (two crews plus the driver) to be safely seated while responding and still able to put on their breathing apparatus at each seat. Handlights, radios, and basic entry tools will be mounted in the cab according to the standards that will then allow the firefighter to be ready to go as soon as he or she steps out of that truck. Flat floors, low step heights, and wider doors allow the firefighters to get in and out quickly at the scene. There is a raised roof that makes it easier to maneuver within the cab.

For many years the Fire Dept was on a truck replacement program cycle with a 20 year service cycle. With 4 major pieces of apparatus that meant that a major piece of apparatus was replaced every 5 years. This program was in accordance with National Fire Protection standards. We are now beyond that service cycle for this piece of equipment.

In summary, the old engine will be pulled from service in 2019, having served the town well for 23 years. It needs to be replaced because of its age of service and the need to upgrade safety standards. We will have a detailed handout for Town Meeting with additional information for you to review.

In the words of the author Kurt Vonnegut "I can think of no more stirring symbol of man’s humanity to man than a fire engine".

Hancock Firefighters and EMT’S are devoted members of the community. They receive no salary but a small stipend, no 401k, no vacation, no pension...and still they show up whenever they are called, day or night.

Raffle winners for the month were:
$40 Leslie Hartwell
$20 Sy Montgomery
$10 Anne Kenney, Regina Bringolf, & Bob Churchfield
With Spring just around the corner, we can enjoy longer days and warmer weather. Planning our gardens is in our minds along with seed catalogs arriving in the mail. We invite you to come to our March meeting on the 14th at 2:00 in the Vestry. Our guest speaker, Hannah Bissex, from the Cornucopia project will present their “Farm to Fork Project”.

Farm to Fork is an “innovative agricultural and entrepreneurship program for high school students. We hire and train Farm to Fork Fellows to develop and manage a small year-round agricultural operation and associated business plan. In the summer of 2016, four young women constructed a 30’x 96’ hoop house, planned and planted a growing zone of 6,000 square feet, and set up a small business to sell local produce to community vendors.”

After the presentation a tea will be served.

HANCOCK SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST
The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Saturday, March 3, 2018 from 11:00am to 11:30am for new registrations and corrections to the checklist. Please bring proof of identity and domicile. The session will be held in the lower level of the Town Office Building, accessible from the parking lot at the rear of the building.

HANCOCK WOMAN’S CLUB

Hancock Woman’s Club Scholarship Committee News
In December an anonymous donor sent a gift of $1,000 to our Scholarship Fund. Two additional gifts were received from members and friends of the Club. These gifts allow for more flexibility and generosity in this year’s grant awards. Thank you!

Applications for the Woman's Club Scholarship are now available. The scholarship is for women in mid-career who plan to continue their education, update their training, enter new fields, etc. The award is $1,000 or more. Applicants must be residents of Hancock and have lived in Hancock for at least 2 years. The application deadline is March 31, 2018.

For more information or to request an application contact Joyce Perry, 525.3304 or jwkp43@gmail.com.
News from the
Hancock Congregational Church
Judy Copeland, Pastor

Lent continues throughout the month of March and we invite you to join us not only for our usual Sunday Morning Services at 9:45 am, but also for these special observances:

Palm Sunday Worship, Sunday, March 25th, 9:45 am
Maundy Thursday Service of Tenebrae, March 29th, 7 pm

Many experience this as the most sacred service of the entire year. On this night, we remember the Last Supper that Jesus shared with his disciples. Tenebrae, also known as the Service of the Shadows, refers to the falling darkness that occurred at Jesus’ crucifixion. This is represented by the gradual extinguishing of lights and candles.

Good Friday, March 30th, Noon until 3 pm

The Church will be open for those who wish to drop in for prayer and quiet reflection. A handout of readings and prayers appropriate to the day will be provided.

Easter Service, Sunday, April 1st, 9:45 am.

We all love colored eggs and chocolate bunnies, but the real meaning of Easter goes much deeper. Easter celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus and is the most important holiday of the Christian year. We hope you will join us, along with The Village Ringers and organist Carol Hamilton, for a joyful celebration on Easter morning.

And looking ahead…

THE SPEEDBUMPS will be presenting a concert in the Meetinghouse Sanctuary on Saturday, April 7th at 7:30 pm. You know them from Frost Heaves, but on this occasion it will be pure music—classic rock from the 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s. Tickets are $20.00 each and all proceeds will be used in support of the maintenance and upkeep of the Meetinghouse.

“Covered Bridges of New Hampshire”
Please join the Hancock Historical Society on Thursday, March 22nd for “Covered Bridges of New Hampshire,” a New Hampshire Humanities Council presentation by Glenn Knoblock. Glenn will discuss covered bridge design and technology, as well as their designers and builders – and the folklore that surrounds these special bridges.

This free event will be in the Daniels Room at the library at 7 pm. It is offered by the Hancock Historical Society, together with the Hancock Town Library.

We hope to see you there!
Ice Out Contest: Excitement Mounts

As of February 22, 2018, Ice-Out Central had received and recorded 258 official choices of predicted ice-out dates; the earliest being March 1st, and the latest, May 5th. April 13, 2018 with 17 choices was the most popular guess of the 2018 contest.

All tickets must be submitted (Inn, Market, Fiddleheads, etc) by 5:00 PM on March 15, 2018. If the ice goes out sooner than March 15th (a feared possibility) the winner will be selected from the tickets submitted by that time. Wise contestants will purchase and submit their tickets by early in March.

Ice-out Committee for 2018
Submitted by Phil Jones

Report Your Wild Turkey Sightings Through March 31

The N.H. Fish and Game Department reminds wildlife watchers to report sightings of wild turkeys. The Department’s Wild Turkey Flock Survey is open through March 31. The public is encouraged to report turkey sightings online at www.wildnh.com/surveys/turkey.html. Please do not report multiple sightings of the same flock.

The survey is designed to fill gaps in Fish and Game’s existing winter flock data collection efforts, adding to the Department’s understanding of the abundance and distribution of turkeys during the winter months. Participants are asked to report: the number of turkeys in the flock; where they were seen; the type of habitat the birds were observed in; and what the turkeys were feeding on (for example, acorns, beechnuts, seed at birdfeeders, or corn silage).

“Keep reporting those turkeys -- your observations contribute important information to our understanding of winter turkey status in an inexpensive, efficient and, hopefully, enjoyable way,” said Fish and Game turkey biologist Ted Walski.

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The next community supper will be held on Thursday, 22 March 2018 and will be sponsored by the Community Supper Committee. We would like to express our thanks to the Divine Mercy Parish of Peterborough NH for hosting the February Community Supper. We look forward to seeing you on the 22nd!

Still looking for a new Hancock Community Supper Committee and Committee Chairpersons

Yes, we are still searching for a new person or group to step forward to take on the role of managing the Hancock Community Supper Program. This doesn't mean putting on the suppers every month. It means recruiting groups throughout the year to host the supper and provide the food and a fairly static schedule has been established.

The Grapevine started these suppers in our area towns 15 years ago. To this day Hancock, Francestown, Antrim and Bennington offer a monthly community supper on a rotating Thursday. We and the Grapevine really want to ensure that the suppers continue in Hancock. Enjoying a meal together with friends and neighbors is a wonderful way to build community. If you or anyone you know might be interested in learning more about the coordination of the suppers please be in touch with Carol and Mike at: mcdomingue@comcast.net; talk with us at the next Community Supper, or contact Melissa Gallagher at the Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center; 588.2620.

Thank you in advance for your consideration to support this worthy community event once a month - Mike and Carol Domingue

2nd Annual Monadnock Hunger Walk Scheduled

Save this date: Saturday, May 5, 2018

The walk will take place in Peterborough this year. Last year it raised over $6,000 for the local food pantries. In addition to walkers and sponsors, the effort requires local registrars and many other helpers. Contact this year’s area coordinator: Julie Flood Page juliefloodpage@gmail.com or 603.899.9759.

Submitted by Phil Jones

Mt Monadnock Venturing Crew 3165

Young men & women ages 14 to 20 are invited to visit an upcoming Mt Monadnock Venturing Crew 3165 meeting for some co-ed, outdoor fun and learning. The Crew meets the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursdays of each month 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., with the third Thursday being an outing such as snowshoeing, hiking or even bowling. This summer, Crew 3165 attends the 2018 VenturingFest July 1-6, a national event at the Boy Scouts of America's Bechtel Summit Reserve in West Virginia. Activities will include whitewater paddling, zip lines, mountain biking, climbing, shooting sports, and skateboarding on one of the largest skateboard parks in the country. Weekly events during the summer are outings, with a different activity each Thursday. For more information, contact Committee Chairman Brian Beihl at 603.620.8300, or Venturing@MtMonadnock.org.
March 2018

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Hancock Town Library Events
Amy Markus, Hancock Library Director
http://hancocktownlibrarynh.wordpress.com
Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00 to 6:00pm
Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00am to 7:00pm
Saturdays 10:00am to 4:00pm

Literary Peeps:
1 Shoebox, 1 Story, Endless Possibilities!
Yes, it’s that time of year again - Peeps Dioramas are back! March is the month to build your Literary Peeps Diorama. Think of a favorite book and turn it into a diorama! Last year patrons contributed Le Petite Peep and A Tale of Two Peeps, among other titles. We will be hosting a decorating event for those who want to work on it here instead of at home (though either option is fine). Anyone wanting to donate Peeps or shoeboxes please bring them to the library before our build session on March 21st. We will be displaying all the dioramas in April. This is for adults and children.

Thursday March 8th from 5:30-7:00pm
Beading Workshop
Join Padma Pali for a free jewelry-making workshop. Make your own beaded stretch bracelets with Hancock bead artist, Padma Pali. Choose: Chakra Colors, “Evil Eye” & House Protection, Double or Triple Strand, Semi-Precious Chips, Simple Gemstones, Charms, Millefiori Glass, or Metal Embellishments. This class is limited to 12 so please register at the library (email us at HancockLibrary@comcast.net, stop by, or call 525-4411). The class will be geared to adults but children 12 and up are certainly welcome!

Tuesday March 13th from 6:00-7:00pm
State Representative Jon Manley
Join Rep. Manley as he updates his constituents on what’s going on at the statehouse in Concord. Rep. Manley represents Bennington, Greenfield, and Hancock. All are welcome.

Wednesday March 14th at 7:00pm
Game Night for Grown-ups
Bring a game if you’ve got one, and a snack or beverage for the table. Always the second Wednesday of the month from 7:00-9:00pm. Please RSVP to us here at the library: HancockLibrary@comcast.net or 525.4411 just so we have an idea of numbers! Free and open to all.

Thursday March 15th at 7:00pm Vietnam Today
Have you wondered what Vietnam is like today? The small Asian country played an outsized role in American history, and many perhaps remember Vietnam as an enemy that defeated us. Join local photographer Michael Havey and his son Colin, a Los Angeles-based photographer and filmmaker, as they wander around Southern Vietnam. Michael and his son spent three weeks in December on the less traveled roads, from Saigon, to Hoi An, to Dalat, to Can Tho and the Mekong Delta. This will be a slide and video presentation with discussion about the country, and with an emphasis on its people and their work. If you’ve been to Vietnam, as a traveler or in the military, or want to know more about what it’s like there now, please join us for pictures and a conversation. Free and open to all.

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Tuesday March 20th from 5:30 – 7:00 pm
Free-Form-Français
“Parlez vous Français?” Are you learning French and would like a chance to get better at speaking it? Were you fluent once and wish you had the opportunity to converse once again? Or would you just like to brush up on this romance language? The Hancock Town Library is hosting a French language conversation group and you’re invited! The setting is very informal and will be open from 5:30 to 7:00 on the third Tuesday of the month, began February 20th. Arrive and leave at your leisure. All levels welcome. Modeled on the Manchester Franco-American Centre’s “Prêt-à-Parler,” the sessions will be free flowing and with your help, fun. Hélène Laliberté Bickford, French first-language speaker (“mais tres rouillé”) will help to keep the conversations going. “Venez tous!” Free and open to all.

Wednesday March 21st 3:30pm-4:30pm
Peeps Diorama Build Session
The library will provide crafting and decorating supplies such as construction paper, glue, markers, Peeps, etc. Please bring your own shoebox and Peeps, too, if you can. This build session is open to all ages.

Thursday March 22nd at 7:00pm
Covered Bridges of New Hampshire
Covered wooden bridges have been a vital part of the New Hampshire transportation network, dating back to the early 1800s. Given New Hampshire's myriad streams, brooks, and rivers, it's unsurprising that 400 covered bridges have been documented. Often viewed as quaint relics of a simpler past, they were technological marvels of their day. It may be native ingenuity and New Hampshire's woodworking tradition that account for the fact that a number of nationally-noted covered bridge truss designers were New Hampshire natives. Glenn Knoblock discusses covered bridge design and technology, and their designers, builders, and associated folklore. Glenn Knoblock is an independent scholar and author of fifteen books and over 100 articles. He is also the author and historian on projects relating to Northern New England bridges, NH cemeteries, and brewing history, and African-American military history. Knoblock has served as the main military contributor to Harvard and Oxford University's landmark African-American Biography Project. He holds a BA in History from Bowling Green State University. Co-sponsored with the Hancock Historical Society. Made possible by a grant from the NH Humanities Council. Free and open to all.

Saturday March 24th from 10:00am – Noon
Needle Felting with Michelle Russell
Join us to learn how to needle felt with wool! Michelle Russell will introduce you to needle felting by creating small animals like chicks, bunnies, and lambs. When you learn the basics you can go on to experiment on your own! For ages 12 and up. Limited to 12 so sign up to be sure of a spot! Email us at hancocklibrary@comcast.net, call 525.4411 or better yet, just stop by! Free.

From the Children's Room
Jennifer Wood, Children’s Librarian

A Note from Miss Jenn
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Tuesday March 6th 3:30-4:30pm
Lego Club
Free build with Legos. Each participant gets one base to build on. At the end of the one-hour build time we put all our creations up on display! This program is open to all Lego fans and builders, all ages welcome.

Monday March 12th & March 26th 3:30pm-4:30pm
Read with Coffee
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!

Wednesday March 21 3:30pm-4:30pm
Peeps Diorama Build Session
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Thursdays at 10:30am
Family Storytime
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**Saturday Bootcamps: No Skates Required!** Ongoing through April 7, 10am - 12pm at Hancock Elementary School. Bootcamps are two 45-minute sessions with 5-10 minute health/fitness discussion breaks. Intended for the average person to create a basic athletic training and care routine. Bring: towel or yoga mat, athletic shoes, water bottle, free weight (optional). Donation: $5/session suggested for community members; free for Monadnock Roller Derby members. Contact: Sprawkett 603-748-9945 or email: sprawkett@gmail.com

Donations enable us to continue offering affordable membership for junior and adult skaters. Monadnock Roller Derby is a NH nonprofit with a mission. Want to know more? www.MonadnockRollerDerby.com or contact@MonadnockRollerDerby.com

**Monadnock Roller Derby is a registered NH nonprofit.** We are a league of skaters and community members dedicated to the sport and spirit of roller derby. Our members come in all shapes, sizes, colors and flavors. We have multiple jobs, roles, challenges, and gifts, but above all, we are tribe.

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The work of Joan Barrows and Jane Simpson will remain on view in the Daniels Room through Wednesday, March 28th. Their show is titled “Paint and Paper.”

Joan’s oil paintings, on canvass and panel, focus mostly on birds—crows, ravens, and evening swallows—but she also includes cows, still life, and bird nests, in which she illustrates the detailed variations of the nests’ interwoven textures. The size of her work ranges from “Big Nest,” which is big, indeed, to “Clementine Triptych,” a grouping of three small oils, each of a single fruit.

Whereas Joan’s work is realistic, Jane’s unique minimalist collages are abstract compositions of paper, thread, and natural materials. In “Diatoms II,” she works with paper, snake shed, cactus spines, and cotton thread; “Phytoplankton I” is paper and Fagus grandifolia (American elm) twigs; other materials include silk-covered steel thread, vintage printed imagery, and American elm leaves. Jane also employs shadow as part of the composition in some of her work.

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“From Tri-X to Pixel Puddles, 50 Years of Paul Willis Photographs,” an exhibit of photographs from New Ipswich photographer Paul Willis’ years as a newspaper photojournalist, international business traveler, and currently, nature photojournalist will be exhibited in the Daniels Room from March 31st to May 9th. A reception is planned for April 7th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

The title of the show refers to Willis’ path through photography—from black and white news photographs of the 1970s to megapixel digital photography today. More details will follow in the April issue of Hancock Happenings.

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

The Daniels Room is sometimes reserved for community activities, so please check ahead with the library 525.4411 to make sure the room will be available at the time of your visit.

Submitted by Sandy Taylor
March 3 Depot Cabaret

This month, our feature performer will be Coyote Bleux, a NH-based duo featuring strong vocals, tight harmonies, and two guitars. Coyote Bleux consists of Richard Chisholm from Sharon and Kip Ferguson from Hollis. They have been writing songs and singing together for many years. Kip's background includes performing choral music, traditional Celtic music, and performing as a solo singer/songwriter. Richard also has been writing and performing music for many years and created a series of CDs and video productions for the internet. "Into the Light" represents Coyote Bleux’s most recent work and is a culmination of their shared experience and dedication to the craft of songwriting.

For more information and to listen to some of their music, visit www.coyotebleux.com. You also can contact Richard at jrmsound@yahoo.com and Kip at kipferg9@gmail.

About the Venue

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!).

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.

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

Upcoming Feature Acts

• April 7th: Off the Cuff – a semi-acoustic instrumental and vocal quartet, interpreting great songs from the 20s to the 21st Century.

• May 5th: Decatur Creek – Note: This will be an “all train song show,” so if you want to sign up for an open mic spot, your songs will need to include references to trains!

Monthly Association Meetings

Interested in joining the Hancock Depot Association? Our next meeting will be at 7:00 on Wednesday, March 14th in the Depot. 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

Have a birthday party or other significant event coming up? Consider hosting your event at the Hancock Depot! The venue is available for parties, meetings, celebrations, concerts, and other special events. To learn more, call David Young at 525.3085 or Nancy Adams at 525.4176.
Forecasting Increased Traffic in Hancock from Hillsborough’s Walmart

As you probably know, Walmart is planning to build a Supercenter in Hillsborough. Thus far the project’s developer has clear-cut a hill near the traffic light where Route 202 meets Hillsborough’s West Main St., across the road from the Ford dealership. Construction is delayed as Walmart and Hillsborough find a way to handle water and sewage.

How will this large development affect Hancock? There are a few hints, and much we don’t know. A key intersection in Antrim will see a significant traffic increase. A NH Department of Traffic (NH DOT) study shows that Hillborough’s Walmart will increase traffic at the intersection of Routes 202 and 31 in Antrim by:

* 13% at peak weekday hours (adding 109 vehicles an hour in both directions).
* 20% at Saturday's peak midday hours (adding 140 vehicles an hour both ways).

But, that’s as far south as NH DOT will study. This summer Assistant District Engineer Kevin J. Belanger wrote to Hancock’s Traffic Study Group to say that the NH DOT “study does not review any impacts in Hancock. Due to the distance from the proposed Walmart Site, and multiple highways between the site and Hancock, the department has no concerns with traffic impacts and did not ask the developer to review anything in that area.”

The Hancock Traffic Study Group is working to fill in this incomplete picture. Not only could there be increased auto traffic, but also Walmart’s tractor trailers could be traveling between the Rindge and Hillsborough stores. Two routes are possible: Route 202 or Route 137 and Hancock’s Main St. The possibility of more truck traffic on Main St. is the wild card in the deck.

Hancock needs a thorough set of traffic statistics so we have a reliable portrait of traffic B.W. (Before Walmart) and A.W. (After Walmart). The Southwest Region Planning Commission (SWRPC) is helping Hancock to do the necessary traffic studies. This summer, SWRPC will monitor traffic at four locations, places where commuting traffic enters and leaves town:

* Route 137 (Sand Hill Rd.) at the Harrisville line.
* Route 137 (Bennington Rd.) by Moose Brook.
* Route 123 (Stoddard Rd.) at the Antrim line.
* Route 123 (Forest Rd.) south of Norway Hill Rd.

This study will count traffic and distinguish cars from different kinds of trucks. (This is called a classification study.)

These traffic studies should help Hancock to deal with the changes that are coming.

Submitted by Howard Mansfield & John Hayes for the Hancock Traffic Study Group
Report from the Norway Pond Commission

Submitted by Tom Shevenell, Chair

The Norway Pond Commission has scheduled four scientific presentations to introduce Norway Pond to the Hancock community at the 1st Annual Norway Pond Symposium to be held at the Harris Center on Saturday March 10th. The doors open at 8:30am and the presentations will start at 9:00am.

The lead off presentation by Dr. Steve Arcone will look at the geologic history of Norway Pond from the time it was first formed about 15,000 years ago as the glaciers receded from this area. His ground penetrating radar studies will reveal changes in sedimentation over time from a period between 15,000 and 11,000 years ago when there was little vegetation and rapid erosion of the surround landforms depositing layers of sand in the pond to a period into the recent history when the dominant pond deposits were organic rich muck with intervening coarse storm deposits. Dr. Arcone received his doctorate from Dartmouth. He worked at the U.S. Army Cold Regions Lab in Hanover as a research geophysicist studying sea ice, permafrost, and mainly glaciers and ice sheets. Steve has been to Antarctica 12 times and to Alaska at least 50 times. His main interests are the stratigraphic causes of snow and ice, and of the sediments in lakes of New England.

The next presentation will be by William Tifft and Dr. Lisa Doner who will present the results of the sediment core they took from the pond last summer. This core project has focused on the sedimentation in the pond during historic time. They have dated the sediment so they can see what man’s impact may have been on the sediment deposited in the pond. Mr. Tifft is a graduate student at Plymouth State University having graduated from Hamilton College. Dr. Doner received her doctorate from the University of Colorado and is currently an associate professor at PSU. She studies lake sediments to decipher past watershed changes. Her primary focus is on how climate interacts with other mechanisms for change including natural catastrophe (fire, flood, landslide, tsunami), human disturbance (agriculture, logging, development) and long-term trends (glaciations, tectonics, sea level change). These projects are globally distributed, with lake sites in New Hampshire, Utah, Maine, Baffin Island (Canada), Iceland and Turkey.

The third presentation will be by Sara Steiner who will present an overview of Norway Pond’s water quality since data were collected under the NHDES Volunteer Lake Assessment Program. Ms. Steiner Sara has coordinated the Department of Environmental Services’ VLAP Program since 2007. Sara holds a BS in Biology from the University of New Hampshire.

The final presentation will be by Dr. Catherine Koning who will present the results of modeling phosphorous in Pearly Pond in Rindge and the implementation of a watershed management plan which will highlight the causes elevated nutrients and importance they play in pond ecology. Dr. Koning received her doctorate from the University of Wisconsin and is currently a professor of environmental science at Franklin Pierce University. Her research areas include wetland ecology and hydrology, lake water quality management, invasive plant ecology and conservation biology.

Special thanks go out to Jeremy Wilson and the Harris Center for Conservation Education for hosting this event. The symposium morning session is free. If you are interested in attending please send an email by March 1st to shevenellselect@gmail.com so we get a head count and send out a program.

Program

8:30 Registration (No fee open to the public)
9:15 Tom Shevenell: Opening Remarks
9:30 Steve Arcone: Sedimentation Beneath Norway Pond and Downtown Hancock: Evidence for a Glacial Lake and Post-Glacial Storms
10:00 William Tifft and Lisa Doner: Scales of Influence: Events that Create Lake Sediment Records
10:30 Break
11:00 Sara Steiner: Overview of the Historical and Current Water Quality Data for Norway Pond
11:30 Catherine Koning: Pearly Pond Watershed Management Plan: Model Results and Progress on Implementation
12:00 Tom Shevenell: Closing Remarks
12:15 End of Program
12:15 - 1:00 Lunch Break
1:00 Workshop: Commissioners, presenters and select experts to talk about future Norway Pond research plans
3:00 End of Program
Mar 2 (Fri) Easygoing Snowshoe Hike Along the Harrisville Rail Trail
Join Lee Baker and Rich Taylor for a moderately strenuous, 3-mile snowshoe hike along the Harrisville Rail Trail. Our route will take us across the “new” steel truss bridge that spans Jaquith Brook, an exciting link between the Harrisville and Hancock sections of trail. Bring lunch and meet at 10am at the gas station at the intersection of Routes 101 and 137 in Dublin. Back by 2pm. For more info, contact Lee at 525.5262 or snowan3137@gmail.com or Rich at 827.4105 rtaylor@gerkensinc.com.

Mar 8 (Thu) First Meeting of the Women in Science Speaker Series Thursdays, March 8, 15, & 22, 7 to 8pm. Celebrate Women’s History Month with a series highlighting women scientists! According to The Status of Women in New Hampshire – a report issued by the Institute on Women’s Policy Research in 2015 – only 24.6% of those working in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) fields are women. Come find out what some of them have been up to and how their work is shaping our understanding of the world.

Dr. Lori Hassinger Baldwin: Tales of Tails – A Veterinarian Life with Animals
Dr. Baldwin is a veterinarian specializing in cats, dogs, and small mammals at the Hillsboro County Veterinary Hospital. She has worked with rescue dogs and police dogs and, since 2013, she’s been a trailside vet at the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in Alaska. In this talk, she’ll share some stories from her life’s work. 7 to 8pm at the Peterborough Town Library. Cosponsored by the Harris Center with the Peterborough Town Library. For more info, contact Susie Spikol Faber at 525.3394 spikol@harriscenter.org.

Mar 14 (Wed) Salamander Crossing Brigade Volunteer Training in Nelson
As the earth thaws and spring rains drench NH, thousands of amphibians migrate to vernal pools to breed. Many are killed when their journeys take them across busy roads. Every year, we train citizen scientists to serve on Salamander Crossing Brigades at amphibian road crossings throughout the Monadnock Region. These heroic volunteers move amphibians across roads by hand during one or more “Big Nights” each spring, keeping count as they go. To join the ranks – or simply to learn more about the remarkable spring amphibian migration – attend this volunteer training in Nelson, the one at Keene State College on March 23, or the one at the Harris Center on March 25. (One training will do!) 7 to 9pm in the Nelson Town Hall. Cosponsored by the Harris Center with the Nelson Conservation Commission. For more info, contact Brett Amy Thelen 603.358.2065 thelen@harriscenter.org.

Mar 15 (Thu) Women in Science Speaker Series: Carol Young – Inspiring the Next Generation of Scientists
As chair of the science dept at ConVal High School, Carol not only teaches, she also inspires the next generation of thinkers. Learn about Carol’s journey to become a science educator, hear how she engages future scientists, and find out what’s new in STEM education. 7 to 8pm at the Peterborough Town Library. Cosponsored by the Harris Center with the Peterborough Town Library. For more info, contact Susie Spikol Faber at 525-3394 spikol@harriscenter.org.

Mar 17 (Sat) Snowshoeing Thumb and Skatutakee
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Mar 25 (Sun) Salamander Crossing Brigade Volunteer Training in Hancock
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Mar 31 (Sat) Family Program: Babies in Backpacks and Families in Town
Join naturalist Susie Spikol Faber for gentle morning hikes around the Harris Center’s beautiful grounds and trails with your babies and toddlers. As we walk, we’ll look for signs of the changing seasons and discuss ideas for getting outside with young children at all times of year. 10 to 11:30am at the Harris Center. Bring your child’s pack, snacks, and water for yourself and your kiddos. For more info, contact Susie Spikol Faber at 525.3394 or spikol@harriscenter.org.
Grapevine Special Programs and Events

Eat Out for The Grapevine in March! We will receive 20% of the day’s proceeds from two wonderful restaurants!

Rick and Diane’s—All day **Friday, March 9th**
Fiddlehead’s Café and Catering—All day **Thursday, March 22nd**

We also continue to receive support from The Hancock Inn through a generous donation of gift certificates to be raffled off throughout the year!

Grapevine Community Tool Shed - Now requesting tool donations!
The building of our community tool shed is complete and we are now requesting tool donations! We have developed a wishlist of tools available for view at our website: [www.grapevinenh.org](http://www.grapevinenh.org). If you have tools or light equipment to donate, please email: tools@grapevinenh.org. (Emailed pictures of your items are appreciated). Our tool shed volunteers will coordinate all tool donations - please do not drop off tools at the Grapevine. Read on for information on our Community Tool Shed Grand Opening!

Free Tax Preparation with Larry Schwartz of PCH Financial
Appointments will be held on Monday afternoons and evenings starting January 22nd at The Grapevine. Last year Larry extended services to 96 families through The Grapevine. As a member of our People’s Service Exchange, Larry also offers financial planning services. Contact the Grapevine to set up your tax appointment at 588-2620.

Guiding Good Choices – Five Wednesdays: March 14th through April 11th
Returning in March 2018 for five evening sessions. This nationally recognized workshop introduces parents of children ages 9 to 14 to effective family management and the communication skills needed to help reduce their children’s risk for using alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Says one parent, “Guiding Good Choices gave our family the skills to help our son deal with peer pressure. Now that he’s in high school, we’re thankful we took the course when he was nine.” Generously sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire. Pizza dinner is provided and childcare is available. Call Carol at The Grapevine for more info and to register. **Begins Wednesday, March 14th for five Wednesday evening sessions.**

Ongoing Programming
Focus on...Babies and Parents
The Better Beginnings for Babies group creates a space where parents and infants can feel safe and part of the circle of community. An early childhood developmental specialist and group facilitator, Nancy Macalaster, MA guides the group. Parents and babies newborn through one year and expectant parents are warmly welcomed to visit. The group meets on Wednesdays from 10:00 – 11:30am.

The Learning Vine Cooperative Preschool... a program for children 3 to 5 years old. We are now welcoming inquiries for the 2018-19 school year! This hands-on program focuses on social interaction and problem solving skills in a small group setting, in a fun, engaging environment. **Family scholarships may be available – please inquire.**

Grandparents Parenting Grandchildren
If you are parenting your grandchildren, you are not alone. “Grandparents Parenting Grandchildren” meets monthly and is free. Call 588-2620 and ask for Carol for more information, and to let us know you’re coming and if you will need childcare.

Strong Living Wellness and Exercise Group
Join seniors from your community in this twice weekly light weight exercise program held at the Grapevine. Meet and become part of a supportive, lively group who together strengthen mind and body! Held on Tuesdays and Fridays at the Grapevine from 1:30 – 2:30. Call the Grapevine for more information.

The Grapevine is a nonprofit service organization located behind the Tuttle Library and serving residents in Antrim, Hancock, Bennington, Franconia, Hillsborough, Deering and nearby towns. The Grapevine exists because of charitable contributions from people like you. Tax deductible contributions are gratefully accepted at PO Box 637, Antrim, or drop by the center at 4 Aiken Street (behind the library). Visit us online at [www.GrapevineNH.org](http://www.GrapevineNH.org) and LIKE us on Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/grapevinenh.org/](https://www.facebook.com/grapevinenh.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
Thursday 9:00am to 12:00pm

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. 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, Barbara E Caverly Meeting Room

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

Hancock Library Trustees – 4th Tuesday at 5:00pm in the Daniels Room

Recreation Committee – 3rd Wednesday, 6:30pm, Hancock Inn

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

Water Commissioners – 4th Wednesday at 4:30pm, Town Office Main Floor

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 Main Floor

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

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MUSIC ON NORWAY POND

20 YEAR OLD PIANO PHENOM
TONY YIKE YANG
RETURNS TO HANCOCK!
Sunday March 25th, 4pm
Hancock Meeting House

After last year’s truly remarkable concert, we have invited Tony Yike Yang back for a second performance. Tony is a young pianist from Canada who has been heading into a huge career and his second performance here in Hancock should not be missed! Featured as one of Canada’s 25 hot musicians under age 25, he already has won multiple honors and prizes, including fifth prize at the 17th International Chopin Piano Competition in 2015 at the age of 16 as the competition’s youngest ever laureate.

After performing in Hancock last year, we went on to become a semi-finalist in the prestigious Van Cliburn Competition during which many of his new Hancock fans watched him compete and cheered him on with great pride! And now he is coming back!

He is currently studying at the New England Conservatory and Harvard University in a joint-degree program, where he is studying with Wha Kyung Byun.

This will be a memorable concert for all ages, including your children. His passionate artistry and charisma is both mesmerizing and inspirational.

Tickets are $20, available at the door. Students are admitted free of charge. The concert is one hour with no intermission.

NORWAY POND JUNIOR MINSTRELS
INVITE KIDS TO JOIN THEM
FOR THE MAY PRODUCTION OF
JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

There may be a few spots available for the spring session of the Norway Pond Junior Minstrels. They will be performing Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat on Saturday May 12th.

Rehearsals are usually on Tuesday afternoons with additional ones scheduled as we approach the performance. The ensemble is limited to 25 kids between second and eighth grade – a good size for making sure every child has plenty to do and lots of fun. Tuition is $120 per child with scholarships available upon request.

The Junior Mints and their spring production has been a Hancock tradition for almost ten years. If your child loves to sing and perform, please consider joining the fun.

The spaces are filled on a first-come-first-served basis, after current Junior Mints let us know if they are returning. There are no auditions.

For questions, information or to enroll your child, contact Jody Hill Simpson at 525.9303 or jhspals@aol.com.