

The Antrim Limrik

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For, by, and about the people of Antrim

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Congrats to Pat!

Congratulations to Pat Webber who was voted Antrim's Volunteer of the Year at Town Meeting. Pat has well earned the title, and his name will be inscribed on the plaque in the Little Town Hall to join the Playground Committee which won the honor last year.

Antrim is fortunate to have citizens like Pat who give so much of their time and talent to make the community a better place.

Cast a Line at the Fishing Derby

The Parks and Recreation Commission announces the annual Fishing Derby to be held on May 22 from 8-10 am. All kids through age 12 are encouraged to cast their lines in Great Brook Pond behind Wayno's.

Prizes will be awarded in four categories. Any adult present without a young child and a fishing rod will be put to work according to Pat Webber, member of the Commission. So, bring a child and a fish pole and join the fun!

Clean up Day

Annual Event! Saturday, May 8 at 9 am. Meet at the Baptist Church for bags and road assignment. 2¢ awarded per beverage container. Prizes awarded for every category of trash imaginable! Lunch provided by the Antrim Woman's Club. Call Martha for more information at 588-3761.

Antrim Folk Tales

The Way to Talk to An Outsider

The hero of this Antrim story is the late Maurice Cutter who, until about 1950, ran a butcher shop in a now-gone building that straddled the parking lot next to the Village Store. At his butcher shop, Maurice sold mostly meat but he also offered fresh vegetables in season.

The other actor at issue is the late Navy Captain, Roy Dudley, who, after World War II, retired to The Uplands, a farm at Antrim Center just east of the Grange Hall. Dudley had such massive military reserve about him that one would scarcely guess he had a first name; he was always called Captain Dudley. His hobby was raising garden vegetables.

One day I mentioned to Maurice Cutter that Captain Dudley was difficult to talk to. Maurice would have none of it. He told me firmly that it was a matter of knowing how to talk to guys like Dudley and gave the following example. "The first time I ever laid eyes on

Dudley," said Maurice, "out of a clear blue sky he pulls up in front of my store in his little pickup truck, gets out, takes a bushel basket of vegetables out of the back of the truck, comes in the store, plops the basket on the floor and says, 'That'll be five dollars.' Now, I hadn't asked for any vegetables, but I looks at Dudley, then I walks around the basket looking at the vegetables. Then I walks around it again-taking my time, don't you know-and finally I says, 'I'll give you three-fifty.'

"Dudley never says a word. He picks up the basket, puts it in his truck, and drives off towards Bennington. A half hour later he comes back the other way, parks in front of my store again, takes the bushel basket out of the back of his truck, comes in, plops the basket on the floor and says, 'Will you still give me three-fifty?' and I says 'No, sir.' Never had any trouble with him since."

-Richard Winslow

Richard Winslow's column, Folk Tales, will feature stories of people and events in Antrim and neighboring towns. He will be happy to have anyone's input. Call him at 588-2498.

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: June 5 (with publication June 18)

Include activities from June 25 through September 4. Our publishing schedule is planned around the schedule of Conval High School. Without the help of Bob Harkins and the Graphics Communications classes, we would have no LIMRIK. Their cooperation is greatly appreciated.

The LIMRIK is a community newsletter mailed to each Antrim household quarterly. If you have an article, ad, or press release for the newsletter, please contact one of the staff members listed on back page or send it to PO Box 30, Antrim, NH 03440.

AHS Alumni Plan Reunion

An Antrim High School Alumni Reunion will be held on July 10 at 4-Star Catering in Rindge, NH. Included will be anyone who attended, graduated from, or taught at Antrim High School until Antrim joined ConVal in 1971.

Cocktails with a cash bar will be held from 5:30 to 6 pm, a buffet dinner from 6 to 7, social hour with Barry Proctor as Master of Ceremony from 7 to 8:30, and dancing with music by the Dream Sounds from 8:30 to 12.

"Missing" people: Katherine Barker, Ruth Barker Rose, Hilda Cochrane Chalks, Richard Cooley, Mary Coolidge, Marian Davis, Hazel Davis, John Day, Janice Dunbar Pearson, Ruth Dunlap Bracy, Howard Farrant, Bertha Farrant, Elizabeth Felker Paten, Jane Gobeil Hernandez, Warren Gordon, Evelyn Hodge, Dorothy Hutchinson Turner, Pati Hutchinson Chapalonis, Frank Jellerson, Vera Locke Lane, Dorothy Lowell Scott, Carrie Maxfield, David Moore, Pam Moore, Patty Mulvey, Richard Phillips, Lawrence Raices, Evelyn Riddle, Harry Rogers, Lillian St. John, Clifford Smith, Charlotte Temple, John Walter, Thelma Weston, Arlene Whitney Stevens, Frances Tibbals Feazel.

If you know the whereabouts of anyone on this list, please contact Sandy Dutton Nay at 588-6513 or RR2, Box 384, Antrim.

Rep. Gordon Allen (Antrim)

Property Tax Help

Everyone knows that Antrim's property taxes are too high. But not everyone realizes they are also unfair.

New Hampshire voters made a couple of things clear last November. They're not ready for a sales or personal income tax to replace the local property tax. And, they also elected new representa-

tives to the state legislature with instructions to *fix* the state's skyrocketing property tax burden.

That's a tall order. But after eight years on the ConVal school board, struggling to get the unfair school tax formula changed by the district voters, this is one challenge I'm delighted to take to the floor of the N.H. Legislature. My bill, HB 665, is a simple remedy to the unfair school tax. And if passed, HB 665 won't just help us in Antrim; it will go a long way in equalizing tax burdens for all towns in our state.

HB 665 is simple and fair. It replaces the very unequal town-by-town school property tax with a single, equal tax on all property in the state. Under this plan, the state will be treated as one big "town" for the purpose of providing a good basic education for all our kids. It means no more school-tax formulas based on student attendance, which result in Antrim paying more than twice the rate as in other ConVal towns. HB 665 is not a new tax; it REPLACES the unequal town-by-town property tax with a statewide proportional property tax—one that is fair, straightforward, and Constitutional.

Under the provisions of HB 665, each town would pay \$12.50 per \$1,000 of equalized value for schools. In return, towns *automatically* receive over \$5,000 for every student (the average in N.H.) and, in addition, 100% of the costs of educating high-cost special education students. The tax money is still collected by towns and then sent, in equal payments per student, directly to local school districts. Local voters will have the same control as they now have on how the school budget is spent and, in many districts, voters will want to add funds to improve educational offerings.

HB 665 simply "levels the playing field" for the most basic educational costs. It is a simpler and fairer way of paying our school bill and, for Antrim taxpayers, that change will lower Antrim's school tax by *over 25 percent!* Our school tax rate will become stable and unaffected by growth in the number of students we send to school. And most importantly, all the towns in the ConVal district will

FINALLY pay the same amount for the basic education of their students.

HB 665 has passed its first round of tests in the state legislature. Ways and Means has sent it to a study committee and a final draft should be ready for a vote in November 1993.

I would like to thank the LIMRIK editors for this chance to provide a "thumbnail sketch" of HB 665. If you want more information about this bill or other legislative matters, please call me at 1-800-457-2900 (days) or 588-2742 (evenings).

From Our Clubs

Woman's Club

The Antrim Woman's Club will complete another successful year with an annual meeting on Tuesday, May 11, at 12:30 pm, at the Maplehurst Inn. Annual reports will be due, and officers for 1993-94 will be elected. Reservations must be made to Susan Taylor, 588-2501. The Great Brook Chorale will provide entertainment.

Chamber News

New officers for the Chamber are Stephen Schacht, President; Greg Goff, Vice President; Mari Hyer Schacht, Secretary; Jeremy Brown, Treasurer. On the Board of Directors are Ed Coughlan, Julie Hebert, Brenda Allen, Tammy Loisel, Paul Hardwick, David Cutter, and Madeline Poppa.

The Chamber has published a directory of member businesses, and these books are available at the library, town offices, stores in Antrim, or through a member.

Directors' meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, and the next general meeting will be July 22, time and place to be announced. Activities for Antrim Days are being planned and if anyone wishes to volunteer ideas and/or assistance, please contact a member. The phone number for the Chamber is 588-2888, and the mailing address is PO Box 443, Antrim.

Chamber of Commerce Spotlight

Richard Millard
 Owner, Environmental Glass
 RR 1, Box 190
 Antrim, NH 03440
 588-2378

Mr. Millard's business is located at the intersection of Rt. 202 and Elm Ave. His work includes design and fabrication of stained glass, leaded, Dalle de Verre cast in epoxy, sand blasting, and carving in plate glass in the production of windows, walls, dividers, and objects for church, home, temple, industry, and commercial applications.

Lions Club

The Antrim-Bennington Lions Club Walk-a-thon will be held on Saturday, May 22. We will be starting at Wayno's parking lot at 9 am and will be walking 7 miles.

Lions Club members are currently accepting pledges for this event. If you would like to sponsor this event, please contact a Lion or call Bob or Sarah Edwards at 588-6861.

The Lions will also be sponsoring a Public Supper on Saturday, May 22. Look for posters with the details of this event.

The Lions Club is an international service organization whose primary focus is on health services. If you are interested in learning more about the Lions Club, call Bob or Sarah Edwards.

Garden Club

Upcoming plans for the Garden Club include a visit to the Daffodil Show in Dublin on Friday, May 7.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Hazel Smith on Clinton Road on Wednesday, May 26, at 1:30 pm. Program: Show and Tell.

On Monday, June 28, the Garden Club will be making a trip to the Hayes Estate in Newbury. Meet at the Baptist Church at 12:30.

Antrim Rescue Squad

Fundraising has begun for a "new" ambulance for the Antrim Rescue Squad. As discussed at Town Meeting, the Rescue Squad would like to replace A2 with a used ambulance or refurbish it. According to Captain Richard Atkinson, the squad is looking at used vehicles and also considering the possibility of remounting A2's box on a new cab and chassis.

All funds for A2 will be raised by the squad—not by taxes. Letters requesting donations have already been mailed out to Antrim residents.

On Saturday, May 24, a Ham and Bean Supper will be held at the Fire Station on Rt. 31 from 5-7 pm. A spaghetti supper will be held in June (date to be announced).

There will also be several car washes held as the weather improves. Look for signs and please support your volunteer Rescue Squad. Remember—they are there when you need them!

Antrim Grange

The members of the Antrim Grange report that spring is here, and they are able to meet at the Grange Hall once again. The spring instruction meeting was held recently with Subordinate Deputy Lorraine Lacrosse present. New member Rich Gethin was given the newly authorized obligation ceremony. It was reported that David Fryman and Carryl Davis had qualified for the bowling tournament finals. Arthur and Beth Merrill attended the young adults Get Away Weekender in North Conway.

Plans are being made by several Antrim members to attend the June Youth Rally in New Boston. Awards and prizes will be awarded for many contests, culminating in the selection of Sing-A-Song and Public Speaking winners who will

represent New Hampshire at the New England Youth Conference in July.

A raffle offering prizes from Antrim merchants is being organized. All proceeds will go toward the Antrim Grange building fund. Crucial foundation and roof repairs are needed this year, and a work day will be planned some time this summer.

Historical Society

Upcoming Open Meetings...

Memorial Day, Past and Present
 May 24, 7:30 pm, Legion Hall

Sgt. 1st Class Ted Brown, production recruiter for the N.H. Army National Guard, will present a video talk showing local cemeteries and past Memorial Day parades. The establishment of the national holiday and the significance of decorating both civilian and military graves is an interesting part of our country's history.

Camp Sachem: Past and Future
 June 28, 6 pm, Presbyterian Church

Following a real old-fashioned pot-luck supper (bring your choice of salad, casserole, bread or dessert) and annual business meeting, representatives of the Swiftwater Girl Scout Council will present long-range plans for the development of the camp site to meet the needs of today's campers, while old-time campers will tell about the early days of the Boy Scout camp, which opened in the late 1920s.

Conservation Commission

Hike: July 3, Goodhue Hill, 1:30 pm, meet at Town Beach. Call Rod 588-2879 for more information.

National Trail Day. June 5. Meet at the Town Beach. We will be restoring the Meadow Marsh Trail. Wear long pants and sturdy shoes. This event was initiated by the National Trail Day Organization, whose goal is to develop trails that are within 15 minutes of every American's home. Call Susan at 588-2544 for more information.

Antrim Says Farewell to the Rebekahs

Hand-in-Hand Rebekah Lodge #29 was instituted February 1, 1886, with 66 charter members. After 106 years, due to declining membership and loss of interest, on November 11, 1992, the Lodge disbanded, giving up its charter. It was voted to consolidate with Peterborough Lodge #5, an action which took place on March 16, 1993.

Over the years, the Lodge was very active in the community life of Antrim: sponsoring the Girl Scout Brownies, donating to many local charities, and serving suppers to the Odd Fellows and other organizations. Hand-in-Hand Lodge will be gone—but not forgotten.

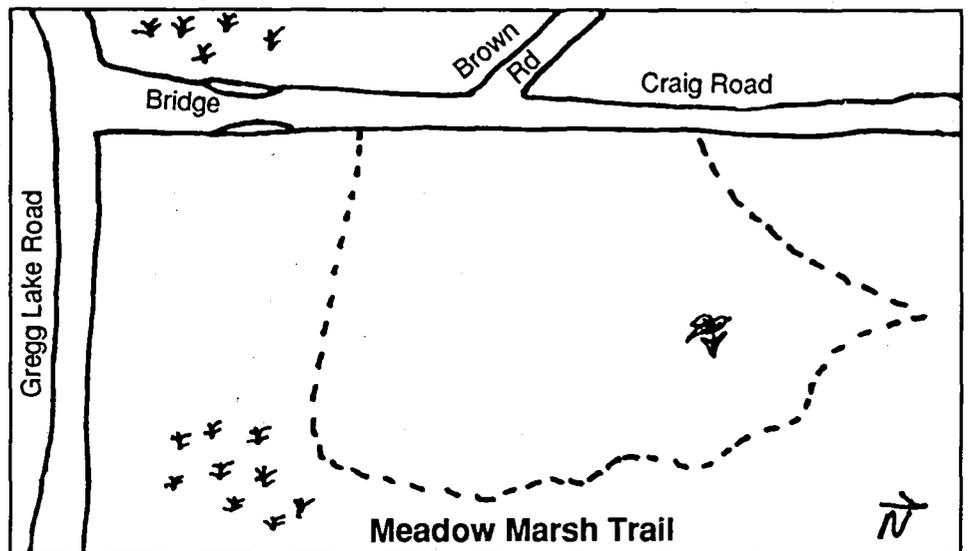
For years, the meetings were held in the Odd Fellows Hall over Edmunds Store. The fire in May 1986, which destroyed the Hall, including records and paraphernalia, also severely damaged the store on the first floor. A short time later, the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs became partners with the American Legion Post in Antrim, and the Legion Hall on West Street became the home of all three groups.

All members of Hand-in-Hand Rebekah Lodge #29 have received a warm welcome into Peterborough Lodge #5, which meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. Any Rebekah member, living in the Antrim area who wishes to attend a meeting in Peterborough may contact Dot Lang at 588-2281.

Tales and Trails

The Meadow Marsh

It is remarkable how much unspoiled land is left in Antrim and how diverse the landscape: lakes and wild ponds, small mountains and bouldered ridges, brooks and rivers, open farmland and forests, cedar bogs, beaver ponds, and marshes. The views from vantage points



along the Meadow Marsh Trail show off several natural features of our town to their greatest advantage.

The Meadow Marsh Trail skirts the edge of a twenty-acre peninsula of town-owned land that extends out into the marshy area just north of Gregg Lake and east of Craig Road. This is an easy hike, ideal for a side trip during an afternoon at the beach. The trail head is just a few minutes' walk from the waterfront. It enters the woods shortly after the wooden bridge on Craig Road and is marked with green-painted o.j. can lids. The path runs east through a grove of tall, straight old pines, then turns north and follows the edge of the marsh. The wetlands here are fed by the drainage off Tuttle Mountain to the west and Holt Hill to the East. The marsh itself drains into Gregg Lake which feeds Great Brook. An "old husband's tale" claims that when the lake is full enough, the current switches directions and flows north!

Views of Gregg Lake and the surrounding hills may be had from the bend in the trail; the marsh is visible throughout the hike. On a warm, sunny day, the brightness of the open marsh offers a vivid contrast to the dim coolness of the wooded pathway. Out on the marsh in spring and summer, one may see red-winged blackbirds, mallards, and wood ducks. Kingfishers, herons, and bitterns feed on small fishes and frogs. Back in the woods, one may find signs of deer and moose, otter and racoon, all animals

that might be drawn to the edge of the marsh.

In mid to late spring, the area unfolds with flowers typical of the northeastern forests. Trillium, wintergreen, partridge berry, and star flower carpet the woodland floor. In addition to white pine, the woods are filled with beech, birch, and red oak. Witch hazel, striped maple, and highbush blueberry grow in the understory.

Somewhere, along the edge of the marsh, there is a rusty scythe blade sticking out of an old stump—evidence of marsh grass mowing that took place during the last century. Not far after a split boulder, the trail veers off to the west where, in a few hundred yards, it meets up with an old woods road. A turn to the left will bring the walker back to Craig Road; to the right, will lead one to a small depression in the earth. This could be the foundation hole of an old school house, an ice house, or it may be a gravel pit, or ?

The trail was first cut in the 1970s. In the mid-80s, the Girl Scouts blazed the trail, and, under the guidance of Dotti Penny, designed a numbered interpretive guide (there is a copy in the Conservation Commission files). The Meadow Marsh Trail sign has disappeared. It was last seen on Earth Day 1991 in the Presbyterian Church basement. Anyone having information pertaining to its whereabouts can contact me at 588-2544.

—Susan Bartlett

Business News

Inn Re-opening!

Antrim's own Maplehurst Inn re-opened on March 17, St. Patrick's Day, with a corned beef and cabbage dinner enjoyed in three sittings by over 100 folk who gathered to wish Steve and Leslie Crowell well in their new venture as innkeepers.

Conviviality reigned supreme in the lounge and at the dinner tables. Background Irish music was furnished by Bev Tenney at the piano and between two sittings, a sextet of happy singers—Fred and Meg Roberts, Pat and Carole Webber, and Gif and Les Russell—joined in singing a collection of Irish songs. A great time was had by all.

At Wit's End Moves

Antrim is now minus its popular gift shop as Nancy Timko and Pam Bagloe have moved their shop, At Wit's End, to Peterborough. The shop is now located on Grove Street in the space formerly occupied by Highland Clothiers. The Grand Re-opening was held April 9-10. Their friends in Antrim wish them well and will stop in to shop and say "hello".

Spotlight on...

Fox Graphics



Did you know that Fox Graphics has been in Antrim since April 1991? **Willard Scott did! He ordered Earthday t-shirts for himself, President Clinton, and Vice President Gore from them.**

Peter Volpe, who worked as operations manager for another New Hampshire firm, now handles the promotion for Fox Graphics and does the screening on jackets, t-shirts, and sweat shirts. His wife, Michele, who majored in art in college, does the art work. This company can design a logo for your company to use on signs or textiles. They even printed beach balls for the Sheraton Tara!

They are suppliers for Earthday USA. Their environmentally sound Earthday t-shirts are made of unbleached 100% cotton cloth, sewn with cotton thread and cotton labels. Printing is done with no lead, low-cure ink.

Fox Graphics ship throughout the state and as far away as Italy. Locally, they have supplied printed t-shirts for the Antrim Road Race, Hancock Old Home Day, Great Brook Basketball League as well as local businesses.

Fox Graphics is custom wholesale, and the best prices are in volume orders. You can, however, have a few or only one garment printed to your specifications. The product is guaranteed to be ready within five working days.

Fox Graphics is located on Elm Street. Call 588-3191 for more information.

Instruction

The Gentle Way

For the past two years Jim Aborn has been instructing young and old alike in the self-defense movements of Jujitsu. Presently there are 25 students, ranging in age from 6 to 51, who meet Saturdays at Great Brook School. Jujitsu is "the gentle way" because it has no aggressive moves. It depends on momentum and leverage (physics and anatomy) rather than strength and size.

Jujitsu is a program in which people move through belts (from white to black) at their own pace. Since the program is geared toward the individual, everyone has a place in the class. Attitude is more important than age; success and failure depend upon the individual. The concentration and can-do attitudes developed in Jujitsu reach far beyond the gym into all areas of life.

Instructor Jim Aborn has been involved in different styles of Jujitsu for 8 years and is licensed in Virginia and New Hampshire. He has a 2nd Degree Black Belt in Jujitsu, a 1st Degree Black Belt in Kempo, and a 1st Degree Black Belt in The Sword.

There are three sessions per Saturday. A women's self-defense class meets from 3-4 pm. The basic self-defense class runs from 4-5:30, and the advanced class goes from 5:30-7:30.

The cost is \$35 individual or \$50 family for 10 weeks. Payment may be made in advance or at each class. If you wish to join, just show up at a class. The first class is free.

Pet News

Springtime Pet Matters

Spring is an exciting time for everyone, and our pets are no exception, but pet owners should be prepared for problems as our furry friends mingle with some of Mother Nature's wild children: skunks, raccoons, porcupines, and insects.

Many deskunking methods have been tried and most work reasonably well, but only a "tincture of time" will get rid of all the smell. Eye irritation can be a serious concern, often requiring attention and veterinary treatment.

Porcupine quills in some cases can be removed by courageous owners, but it's a painful process for the pet and a botched job can result in disaster. Anesthesia is necessary to do this properly. One dog was seen this winter that bled to death from a ruptured lung abscess with a quill in its center that it got last summer.

Insect bites can cause severe allergic reactions in pets just like with people, with respiratory distress and collapse a possible outcome. An animal that suddenly has a puffy face and swollen eyes could be telling you that he or she needs help quickly.

The threat of rabies concerns all mammals, especially us humans. Anyone with a dog, cat, horse, sheep, or cow should take no chances—get them vaccinated for everyone's safety and peace of mind.

-T.W. Dowling, V.M.D.

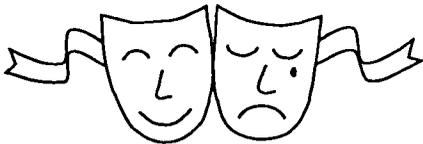
The Arts

NLDT Teens to Dance at Brickyard Pond

Northern Lights Dance Theatre's touring company of exceptionally talented teenagers will present their first major performance at the Arts Center at Brickyard Pond in Keene on Saturday, June 5, at 7 pm.

This will be the first full-length concert evening for the dancers. Members of the company, Sarah Aborn, Virginia Cadot, Danielle Devincenzo, Kelly Dow, Sarah Goff, Jessica Hanley, Destie Hohman, Alanna Langley, Delia Langley, Bree Preston, and Heather Wilson, will be performing original pieces choreographed for them by Renee Blinn, Director of the school.

NLDT will be sponsoring a Giant Yard Sale at the home of Cindy Haskins on Summer Street on Saturday and Sunday, May 15 and 16. All proceeds will go towards sending this young company to Brickyard Pond! Donations of saleable items and baked goods would be appreciated. Call 588-8055 for more information.



Antrim Players Reach 75th Anniversary

The Antrim Players will celebrate 75 years of continuous entertainment on the Town Hall stage by presenting a summer musical during the second week of August. "Fiddler on the Roof" is one of the plays being considered.

Tryouts will be held late in May. Watch the local papers for dates and times if you are 14 or older and like to act, sing, and/or dance. Those interested in backstage work (scenery, costumes, etc.) can sign on at the same time. New members are always welcomed.

Youth Activities

Teen Club—Our Place

Located at what used to be Zina's Restaurant, this is a place where youth from ages 12 to 20 can meet, visit, listen to music, enjoy video games, and eat "the best pizza at the best price." It is open Thursday through Sunday with hours on Friday and Saturday from 3–11 pm and Thursday and Sunday from 3–9 pm. They also have pizzas to go and welcome your visit.

Scout News

On Saturday, May 8, local Boy Scouts will be participating in a Hike-a-thon in Peterborough. The boys are looking for sponsors for the 12.6-mile hike to raise money for Scouting. Almost half of the funds earned will be used for the local troops.

The Boy Scouts of Pack 2 will end this season with a Campout at Greenfield State Park. The Scouts will camp on both Friday and Saturday, June 4 and 5. The Cub Scouts will join them Saturday night and Sunday for parting ceremonies.

Hot-to-Trot 4-H Club

Hot-to-Trot 4-H continues to maintain a busy schedule. Recently, five members participated in the county level Horse Judging competition. Five classes were judged at Pixel Acres in Peterborough. Antrim club member, Meagan Slater, was selected as the alternate for the Hillsborough County team which competed at the state competition in Durham. Other Antrim members who competed were Misty Paige, Missy Landry, Sara Munson, and Bridget Gutgesell.

Six Hot-to-Trot members attended the County Presentation Day in Milford to participate in the demonstration, public speaking, and illustrated talk events. They were Olivia Ali-Oglu, Kim Crafts, Caitlin McGurty, Michelle Lamountain,

Misty Paige, and Meagan Slater. Angie Huntington entered the photography contest, and Bridget Gutgesell and Kate Paige had entries in the poster contest.

The Antrim 4-H club had seven members attend the State Hippology contest in Belmont. Hippology means the study of the horse. Misty Paige, Jennifer McGurty, Caitlin McGurty, Meagan Slater, Philip Furgason, and Olivia Ali-Oglu learned all aspects of horse and equipment identification as well as care, feeding, and management practices, resulting in competent representation at this event.

The club recently sponsored its first model horse show which is planned again for next year.

Upcoming activities will include a basic equine first aid demonstration by Antrim vet, Dr. Dowling, a field trip to the Rochester Equine clinic, and attendance and participation at local horse shows. Anyone interested in more information may call Beth Merrill at 588-6615.

Baseball Underway

Baseball season is underway for Antrim youth with over 100 boys and girls signing up for Crotched Mountain Little League and Antrim Baseball League. This year there will be two T-ball teams, four instructional, two minor, and one Crotched Mountain team. Some games have been scheduled for Shea Field in Antrim, and all baseball fans are invited to come out and watch.

Home Schedule for Crotched Mt

May 10	vs	Greenfield	5 pm
May 20	vs	Bennington	5 pm
May 24	vs	Francestown	5 pm
May 31	vs	Hancock	5 pm
June 3	vs	Dublin	5 pm

Every Saturday in May at 10 am, there will be intertown scrimmages between Antrim T-ball, Instructional or minor league teams. A schedule of all home games will be posted in the Town Hall.

Tales from Tuttle Library

Some of our new books are:

Sue Grafton, *J is for Judgement*

Sue Miller, *For Love*

John Grisham, *The Client*

P. D. James, *Children of Men*

Jonathan Kellerman, *Devil's Waltz*

Kathie Lee Gifford, *I Can't Believe I Said That*

Women and Heart Disease

Harry Helms, *All About Ham Radio*

Gene Williams, *All Thumbs Guide to VCRs*

Barry Dym, *Couples—Exploring and Understanding the Cycles of Intimate Relationships*

Don't forget to check out our new large print titles and our new audio-cassettes.

This year, a patron's daughter is underwriting a series of books and magazines on women and distaff issues. *Women and Heart Disease* is the first selection. *The Working Mother*, a periodical, and *Feminine Ingenuity* by Anne MacDonald are the next choices. If you have a suggestion for books and magazines in this area, we would be happy to have you contact the librarian at 588-6786.

School Beat

Now that the annual district meeting is over and the budget has been set for the 1993-94 school year, the ConVal School Board will be spending the next several months dealing with several issues on curriculum and long-range projects.

As part of our on-going effort to maintain a quality educational program, we are working on the implementation of a new uniform mathematics curriculum in the elementary and middle schools, the establishment of the new middle school computer labs, and the expansion of the vocational-technical program at ConVal High School. Related to the new voc-tech offerings is the construction (or possible purchase) of a facility in Peterborough to house the new Regional Technology Center. Last year the state approved the expenditure of \$5 million for this project, and, as a result,

the ConVal District will have an expanded vocational program and greatly enlarged high school facility, which will accommodate the large number of students soon to enter the high school. Construction of this facility, which will begin this summer, has no impact on local property tax rates.

As part of this project, the district is also working to encourage businesses in the region to become affiliated with the Center, which could result in both direct work experience and future employment opportunities for our students.

Work on the budget for the 1994-95 school year will begin in the fall. Both of Antrim's board members (Peter Lamb and Paul Reuss) are on the budget committee, and we will be working hard on two fronts: to maintain a quality education program while keeping the cost of next year's budget as low as possible, and to work with renewed emphasis on changing the district's funding formula, to make it fairer for Antrim.

The school board meets the first and third Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held at various locations around the district, and, of course, are open to the public. Please contact either of your board members if you have questions or concerns about the school system.

—Paul Reuss, Chairman
ConVal School Board

Selectmen's Corner

The Town of Antrim has approved funds for the purpose of conducting a revaluation of all real estate in 1993. The need for the revaluation is to correct inequities that exist in the Town's property tax assessments. Currently, many property owners are carrying more or less than their fair share of the tax burden due to outdated assessments.

The appraisal firm, Cole-Layer-Trumble Co., has been hired by the Town to perform the revaluation. Their appraisals will represent estimates of the fair market value of each property as of April 1, 1993, as required by State law.

Field personnel from the company will be visiting each property, beginning in late April, to gather and record information on each property. They will be requesting that you allow a brief interior inspection of your home. If they do not find anyone home at the time of the visit, the owner will be notified so an appointment for the inspection can be arranged.

Appraisers from the company will be using this information to conduct appraisals of the properties later, and all owners will be notified of their proposed assessments this summer. Any owner wanting to discuss their appraisal with a company appraiser will have an opportunity to do so at that time.

We encourage cooperation in this important matter.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Friends,

For a little over two-and-a-half years our family has had the privilege of living in Antrim. This is a village of friendly and caring folks; we are blessed with good friends.

As one of Antrim's pastors, I am encouraged that many are returning to our Churches, for it teaches good news and values; conversely, I believe there is a positive correlation between empty pews and problems in our community.

For over one hundred years, the Churches of this community have been in the business of spiritual nourishment and community building. Parents, claim your children. Worship together.

—The Rev. Richard L. Palmer

Correction: In the February issue of the LIMRIK, an oversight was made in the article on our new doctor, Don Caruso. In giving his family background, the title M.D. was omitted in the information about his wife, Nancy Johnson. We are sorry for this oversight.

From Our Churches

Presbyterian News

The last day of Church School will be May 16. On May 23, there will be a pot-luck picnic at Gregg Lake after worship service. This will be for all of the church family. Come with your youngsters!

On June 26, the annual June Buffet will be set forth. Servings will be from 5-6:30 pm. Admission will be \$6 for adults.

Community Food Pantry Update

The Food Pantry located in the basement of the Baptist Church has been and continues to be a real community project which serves a vital need in our area. Thirty-one families have been helped since January 1, and the need goes on.

The committee in charge consists of Rev. Dean Roth, Rev. Richard Palmer, Deb Anderson, and Marian Sirignano. Food is received from many different sources: local churches, the local bank, the Boy Scouts, the Crop Walk, and many private individuals.

The Pantry is open Friday from 7-8:30 pm and Saturday from 10-12 am. Donations of canned goods and dry packaged food like pastas are greatly appreciated and needed as are cash donations.

Congregational Church

The Congregational Church in Bennington is in the process of having the roof aligned, new supports installed, and repair of the slate roof. Wayne Brown of Keene is the contractor. Word has it that these repairs will make the church sound for another 100 years.

Revival Shop Success Vacation Bible School

The Fashion Show and Luncheon held on April 3 and sponsored by the Revival Shop at the Presbyterian Church was well attended and successful. Profits from the affair will be used, among other needs, to replace two "aging" doors of the church and contribute \$150 to the Antrim Rescue Squad's Ambulance Repair Fund. Another similar event is being planned for the fall season.

The Revival Shop is open every Friday and Saturday from 10-4 and is now accepting spring and summer clothing of good quality for donation or consignment.

The Antrim Community Vacation Bible School will take place August 9 through 13. Sponsored by the First Presbyterian Church and the Antrim Baptist Church, VBS classes will be held in both church buildings for children who will be entering kindergarten in the fall up to sixth graders. An interdenominational curriculum will be used, and staff will be made up of people from several churches.

Deb Eldridge is in charge of organizing the VBS. For further information, call Deb at 588-6215, or one of the church offices (Baptist, 588-6614; Presbyterian, 588-2209).

School News

Transitions

There are certain benchmarks in everyone's life which mark the passing of the old to the new. One such mark is graduation from eighth grade, especially when the high school is a large district one. Great Brook eighth graders have plans to mark this transition with solemn reflection and with fun.

On June 17, the eighth graders will travel to ConVal High School to go through an abbreviated version of their first day of school as ninth graders. This is a yearly tradition which helps to calm some first-day-of-high-school nerves.

June 18 will be a day of celebration and reflection. Eighth graders will receive their yearbooks and look back on their middle school years. They will celebrate with a dinner at the Maplehurst Inn in the evening and then return to GBS to honor their achievements at an awards ceremony.

June 21 is reserved for pure fun, a time to be carefree and perhaps say good-bye to old friends. The traditional day at Canobie Lake Park is a day to come together one more time before embarking on the next exciting adventure that awaits.

GBS Update

Many of the items in the last LIMRIK have come to fruition in the time between issues.

Andrew Eppig, Great Brook's representative to the National Geography state level competitions held at Keene State College on April 2, came in fourth for the state. This is a tremendous achievement, and Andrew is looking forward to next year's competition when he hopes to win the right to represent New Hampshire at the nationals.

The Eighth Grade OM Team has also done themselves proud. While all three GBS teams did an excellent job at the regionals, the Eighth Grade Team came out tops in their division and represented the district at the state competitions where they came in second.

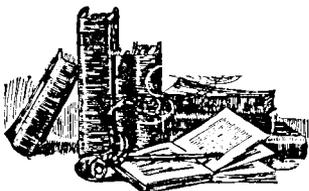
HMS Pinafore sailed into GBS on a wave of enthusiastic support from students and community alike. The fifth graders were treated to a dress rehearsal performance that brought many of them back with their parents for the Thursday and Friday night performances. Great Brook is lucky to have such a fine group of talented actors and musicians under the guidance of Pam Snitko.

GBS Publishing House

Great Brook School is looking for community members who would be interested in becoming part of a publishing house. Workers are needed for typing and assembling work produced by GBS students.

The GBS Writers' Club started in the fall with election of officers and dues. Students have been working on individual pieces of writing throughout the winter and are now ready to compile their work into *The Epiphany*. Student work includes short stories, poetry, recipes, and Mad Libs. Mr. Drogy, club advisor, is looking for people to help publish this work so that all the writers can have a copy, and copies will be available in the GBS Library.

In addition to the Writers' Club publication, Mr. Drogy hopes to be able to compile a collection of eighth graders' work which they can take with them as a memory of Great Brook School. If you are willing to help with either of these endeavors, please call Ron Drogy at GBS (588-6630).



Thank you!

Thanks to all in the community who supported the Student Council's Read-a-thon through pledges. The reading program raised enough money to buy four sets of encyclopedias, one computer encyclopedia, two atlases, and three unabridged dictionaries. But best of all, many GBS students supported the program by reading ten books, and some even more, in the seven week Read-a-thon.

The Student Council's next big project is to plan a school-wide field day for the end of the year. There will be events for all the grade levels.

Recycling

The Recycling Club gets more and more active at GBS. Under the leadership of Dotti Penny and Maureen Angwin, the students have not only recycled paper and cans and bottles, but have used worms to help compost the waste from the GBS kitchen.

On Tuesdays, four to seven students, along with Mrs. Penny, will be helping to set up a Swap Shop at the Antrim Transfer station. The group is also making a plastic tree ring from the plastic holders used for soft drink six-packs. These rings will then be recycled. **Send in your rings to GBS to be part of the recycling effort!**

Senior Citizens Day

The GBS music department will host the third annual Senior Citizens Day at Great Brook School on **June 9 from 12:30-2 pm**. There will be an art show, music performances, poems, and dancers (perhaps!) in recognition of the importance of "seniors" in the lives of kids.

Please join us for this fun event. There will be light refreshments served. There is no fee. The day will be celebrated come rain or shine!

Track and Field

Under the leadership of Sandy Blackburn, 40 fifth through eighth graders have hit the road for spring track. Students have been practicing three times a week since April 19.

They will compete in four meets, one each week of May, against Boynton Middle School, Henniker, Keene, and Kearsage. The home track meets will be held at ConVal High School on May 12 and 18 starting at 4 pm.

Infocommercials

No, Ross Perot is not coming to Antrim, but some GBS sixth graders will use his style to share with their class what they have learned about Canada. Students are busy doing individual research on many aspects of Canadian history and culture.

Ecosystems are also a main focus of the sixth grade curriculum at this time. Students are busily planting islands to go in their aquariums which will be ready for the fish, aphids, and lady bugs expected to arrive early in May. Speakers from the Audubon Society, exploration of the marshes around the school, and a trip to the New England Aquarium will enrich this unit of study.

On a more literary note, sixth grade students have just finished writing poetry books in which they have experimented with limericks, couplets, and the style of Ogden Nash. Sixth graders are currently reading *The Bridge to Terabithia* and writing friendship stories.

History Brought to Life

"Don't shoot until you see the whites of their eyes."

—Israel Putnam

The five fifth grade classes have been integrating the core book, *My Brother Sam is Dead*, with their study of colonial and Revolutionary War history. Some students have made life-size figures of characters; others are composing a Revolutionary bulletin board with research students have done on colonial life, important people, and important dates. Students are writing historical diaries, telling the story from another character's point of view.

5K performed a play written and directed by Izi Nichols. "The Aikens of Antrim" is a historical fiction piece based on events in Antrim from 1767 to 1775. The students performed the play for 4/5 students and parents, the Antrim Historical Society, and the eighth graders. The chief actors were Jenn McGuinness and Brian Stacy.

Magic!

GBS students have been busy rehearsing for the 1993 New Hampshire Dance Institute's performance of *A Magical Tale*. Nathan Jones has been chosen to play the male lead for this extravaganza of talent involving 33 GBS students and nearly three hundred children from the Monadnock region.

Five GBS students have been chosen for the SWAT team, a talented group of dancers who will do a special number during the performance.

Tickets are available at the Keene State College Arts Center Box Office (358-2168) for the May 28-30 performances.

En Garde!

On May 16, students from Ms. Angwin's fencing club will travel to Dover to participate in their second tournament of the year. Fencing is a new after-school activity offered at GBS this year, and 18 fencers meet once a week to practice drills, footwork, point control and basic moves.

Solar Sprint

The eighth graders at GBS will participate in the 1993 New England Junior Solar Sprint on May 25 at the N.H. Technical Institute in Concord. Students will work in cooperative teams during science, social studies, math, and industrial technology to integrate these areas while designing and building a 5" x 13" actual working model.

The goals of the competition are to use math and science principles along with creativity to stimulate enthusiasm for science, learn the importance of alternative energy sources and their impact on the future of transportation, and to grow in knowledge and confidence.

The Junior Sprint has been timed to coordinate with the Tour de Sol full size solar car race in which ConVal High School has performed so well the last two years.

Decomposition and Whales

What do these two have in common? They are the focus of GBS fifth grade's spring science units. Students have just completed a unit on habitats with terrariums containing frogs, isopods, mealworms, and crickets. Now they are moving on to decomposition and the role it plays in the life cycle. Claudia Wagner from the Harris Center will be working with students and teachers.

After the April Break, the fifth graders will study the habitat and life cycle of whales, culminating in a whale watch in June. The whale watch is a fifth grade tradition and is eagerly anticipated by all.

Aerospace Technology at GBS

Both seventh and eighth grade industrial technology students are getting first-hand experience in the basic fundamentals of aerospace technology. The seventh graders are designing CO cars which be raced on the basketball court. Cars will be judged on how long they take to travel from the base-line to the free-throw line.

The eighth grade rocket launch will take place at the end of May. Students are studying the history of rockets and will build their own miniature versions to launch. Through these hands-on experiences students will have an opportunity to develop an understanding of the principles upon which aerospace technology is developed.

Cooperative Groups

Cooperation is the key! Studies show students learn more and retain it longer when they work in groups. They also learn life-long skills of working together which are needed in the marketplace. Eighth graders will work on two large cooperative projects by the end of spring.

The first is a "Hang it Up" project dealing with United States history from 1865-1919. Groups research major topics such as Labor Unions/Factory Life and Immigrants and develop visual and written materials to share with their class. At the end of the unit, the students will create a master timeline with the information which has been gathered.

"Get a Clue, Man!" may sound like a Simpson line, but it is really a creative cooperative learning exercise in map making and interpretation. Groups of students hide beads on the school property using set boundary guidelines and make maps showing their location. Prizes will be awarded for those able to cooperate in creating a map that another group can follow to the hidden beads.

D.A.R.E. Day

For the second year, the N.H. International Speedway has invited D.A.R.E. graduates to attend the races free on Sunday, May 2. Gary Gagnon, D.A.R.E. instructor, is organizing GBS participation. Bus transportation will cost \$3 per person, or families may go in individual cars. There are a limited number of tickets with D.A.R.E. graduates having first priority, then bus chaperones, and finally family members.

All Great Brook students are eligible to attend as all have been through the D.A.R.E. program which is offered in fifth grade. One day a week for 18 weeks, Chief Gagnon meets with students to educate them on the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse and to help the develop strategies to resist pressures they will face.

Paris, Rome Anyone?

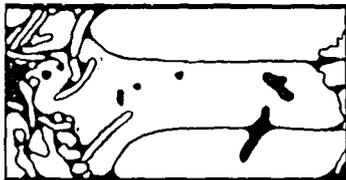
The seventh graders have been busy with group projects for Earthday, comparison and contrast papers, and writing short stories. In May and June they will complete their study of the continents of the world. Bev Tenney will show a selection of slides from her many trips and will share some of her first-hand insights into the cultures of Italy and France.

SUMMER ART CAMP

PROGRAM:

Each week a different topic will be chosen. All art projects, music, creative movement, theatre and stories will be structured accordingly. A famous artist will complement the topic of the week and studied in detail.

TOPICS:



- THE RAINFOREST
- A DREAMLAND OF FAIRYTALES
- AFRICAN SOUNDS AND COLORS
- MYSTERIES OF ANCIENT CULTURES
- SOUTH AMERICAN FANTASIES
- PALETTE OF MODERN PAINTERS
- PABLO PICASSO AND HIS WORLD

PROJECTS:

The multimedia art projects will vary each week. New art materials will be introduced throughout the art camp sessions. Students will also have choices to work with their favorite art supplies. It is a real multimedia art experience.

FACILITIES

All facilities of the Antrim Art Academy will be available for the Art Camp sessions including a new artist's workshop in the barn and a shaded picnic and recreation area. Northern Lights Dance Theatre will be used for rhythm and music, creative movement, stories and theatre.

TIME:

July and August, Monday through Friday, from 9am-4pm (different arrangements possible)

TUITION:

First Week: \$125
Additional Weeks: \$115

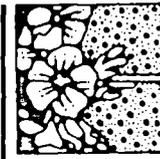
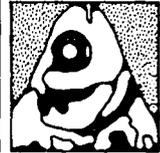
Includes all art materials, special projects and creative lunches prepared by the students (bring your own snacks). Each weekly session finishes on Friday afternoon with an Artist's Theme Party and Presentation of Awards.
A special Teen Week, ages 12 - 16, scheduled for week 7.

Limited spaces: Only 10 students per art camp week.

	JULY							AUGUST						
week 1	5	6	7	8	9	2	3	4	5	6	week 5			
week 2	12	13	14	15	16	9	10	11	12	13	week 6			
week 3	19	20	21	22	23	16	17	18	19	20	week 7			
week 4	26	27	28	29	30									

TEACHERS:

Michelle Ali-Oglu, Director, Multimedia Art Teacher
Various Guest Teachers to be announced



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Antrim Community Calendar

May

- 7 Garden Club - Daffodil Show, Dublin
- 8 Great Brook Musicians at All-State in Keene
 Clean-Up Day - 9 am, meet at Baptist Church
 Boys Scouts Hike-a-thon
 Baseball Intertown Scrimmage - 10 am
- 10 Crotched Mt Little League vs Greenfield - 5 pm
- 11 Woman's Club - 12:30 pm, Maplehurst Inn
- 12 GBS Track Meet - ConVal High School, 4 pm
- 15-16 Northern Lights Dance Theatre Yard Sale - home of Neal & Cindy Haskins
- 15 Southwest NH District Music Festival
 Baseball Intertown Scrimmage - 10 am
- 16 NH Elementary and Middle School Fencing Tournament - Dover
- 18 GBS Track Meet - ConVal High School - 4 pm
- 20 Crotched Mt Little League vs Bennington - 5 pm
- 22 Fishing Derby - Great Brook Pond behind Wayno's, 8-10 am
 Baseball Intertown Scrimmage - 10 am
 Lions Club Walk-a-thon - meet at Wayno's, 9 am
 Lions Club Public Supper - time and place to be announced
- 23 Pot-luck Picnic - Presbyterian Church at Gregg Lake after service
- 24 Antrim Historical Society - Legion Hall, 7:30 pm
 Crotched Mt Little League vs Frankestown - 5 pm
 Rescue Squad Ham and Bean Supper - Fire Station, 5-7 pm
- 25 GBS Eighth Graders at 1993 New England Solar Sprint - Concord
- 26 Garden Club - home of Hazel Smith, 1:30 pm
- 28 NHDI Event of the Year - Brickyard Pond, Keene, 7:30 pm
- 29 NHDI Event of the Year - Brickyard Pond, Keene, 2 and 7:30 pm
 Baseball Intertown Scrimmage - 10 am
- 30 NHDI Event of the Year - Brickyard Pond, Keene, 2 pm
- 31 Crotched Mt Little League vs Hancock - 5 pm
 Memorial Day - no school

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June

- 3 GBS Grade 5 Whale Watch
Crochted Mt Little League vs Dublin - 5 pm
- 4-5 Boy Scouts Camp-out - Greenfield State Park
- 5 Restore Meadow Marsh Trail - meet at Town Beach, 10:30 am
Northern Lights Dance Theatre Performance - Brickyard Pond, Keene, 7 pm
- 9 Senior Citizens Day - Great Brook School, 12:30-2 pm
- 17 GBS Eighth Graders Step-up Day - ConVal High School
- 18 GBS Eighth Grade Festivities - Yearbooks, Maplehurst, Awards Ceremony
- 21 GBS Eighth Grade to Canobie Lake Park
- 26 Presbyterian Church - Annual June Buffet, 5-6:30 pm
- 28 Garden Club trip to Hayes Estate, Newbury - meet at Baptist Church, 12:30
Antrim Historical Society - Presbyterian Church, 6 pm

July

- 3 Conservation Commission Hike, Goodhue Hill - meet at Town Beach, 1:30
- 10 Antrim High School Reunion - 4-Star Catering, Rindge, 5:30 -12
- 22 Chamber of Commerce - time and place to be announced

August

- 9-13 Vacation Bible School

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