



ENHANCED 911

The community of Antrim is now connected to the State of New Hampshire's "Enhanced 911" System. When you have an emergency where you need **POLICE, FIRE, or AMBULANCE**, dial **911**.

The system works as follows:

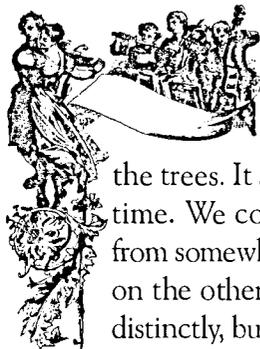
- After you have dialed 911, the call is answered in Concord by trained emergency dispatch personnel. They have a computer screen in front of them that will give information about the phone number you are calling from—address, name of resident, and the dispatch to which your call should be transferred.
- Calls for Fire and Rescue (Ambulance) are transferred to Keene Mutual Aid. Calls for Police are transferred to Hillsboro Dispatch. All departments will then be dispatched in the same manner as in the past. The State Dispatch will stay on the line with you until their assistance is no longer needed and the information required to handle the event has been relayed to the handling dispatcher. *All this takes a matter of seconds to accomplish.*

The Central 911 Dispatch Center is equipped to handle medical emergency assistance and they can communicate in several different languages. They also have TTY so that they can communicate with the hearing-impaired.

For non-emergency, you can dial 588-6613 for the police and 352-1100 for the fire department or rescue, and the call will be handled by the local dispatch centers.

It is extremely important that your Street Number be clearly visible from the road. This will greatly assist all emergency personnel to the right location when time is critical. If you have any questions, or if you experience any difficulty when using this system, please contact me.

Brian Brown
CHIEF OF POLICE



GREYSTONE LODGE REMEMBERED

Lyman Gilmore

We looked up as the shouts and cries came through the trees. It sounded as if a group of people was having a very good time. We couldn't tell how far away they were. The voices came from somewhere to the west, over the woods, perhaps from the fields on the other side of the ridge. They were loud enough to be heard distinctly, but we couldn't make out what they were saying.

It was a weekend in November, 1970, and we were in our back yard, the last house up on the north side of High Street. My wife Cynthia and I were raking leaves, while eleven year old Richard and nine year old Lisa played together in the sunshine. "Somebody's having a party," I murmured half to myself. "Probably a bunch of kids whooping it up." I remember that the voices sounded a bit odd, but I didn't think much about it at the time. The cries went on longer than seemed normal, and they sounded just a little frantic. But having been a college professor for the past six years, I was immune to adolescent noises.

But in this case, I shouldn't have been. As we discovered to our horror the next day, those voices were coming from some young people who had been playing around the abandoned Greystone Lodge atop Nahor Hill, between High Street and Pleasant Street, near the Antrim-Hancock line. A fire had started in the large wooden building and was raging out of control. The kids, frightened and helpless, were screaming desperately for help. The fire ultimately burned the grand old resort building to its foundation leaving nothing but bleak walls of blackened fieldstone and two slender chimneys rising some forty feet into the air.

Antrim old timers are familiar with the history of Greystone Lodge, but we knew it only as a deserted but still huge and impressive old hotel, a short hike up the hill from our house. Once in the mid 1960's a small group of us Hawthorne College professors toyed with the idea of buying Greystone and fixing it up as a faculty club, but that notion was abandoned when we discovered how much it would cost. The resort was built in 1911 as a fine, rustic resort for wealthy travelers, mostly from Boston and New York, who would come by train, horse and buggy, and auto. "The lodge was a ruggedly attractive structure with a delightful interior...two hundred people attended the Grand Opening and were enthusiastic over the event and the service." (*Parades and Promenades*, p. 91) As one of Greystone's early brochures proclaimed, it offered: "Large living rooms

GREYSTONE LODGE *continued*

with fireplaces...real food perfectly cooked, properly served...Tennis, Golf, Croquet, Mountain Climbing, Fishing, Most Picturesque Walks and Drives" in "Antrim, New Hampshire, the Most Beautiful Town in New England" which "Affords its Summer Guests not alone Picturesque Country, But the Advantages of a Most Excellent Library and a Number of Churches. The Roads for Driving and Automobiling are much above the average." At one time the rates for this splendor were "fourteen to twenty dollars per week. Transients, three dollars per day and up."

If you want to know about Greystone Lodge, talk with Henry "Hank" Cutter and his wife of sixty years, Gwen. Recently I had the privilege of not only sitting in the Cutters' living room listening to Hank and Gwen reminisce about their days working at Greystone in the 1930's when they were teenagers, but also of having a personal walking tour of the Greystone's golf course accompanied by Hank. With stout walking stick in hand and no indication that he has two artificial knees, seventy-nine year old Hank led me up a steep and rough, abandoned drive off the Old Hancock Road. We both puffed some, but Hank assured me that he'd get his second wind any minute, which he managed to do before I did. Naturally, the golf course is completely grown over now with brush and big trees, but from time to time Hank would clamber over a stone wall and strike off through the woods to point out the foundation holes of a windmill that pumped water for the greens, or a slight rise in the ground that marked the position of a tee, almost invisible signs of the vibrant activity occurring here sixty years ago. At one point I stubbed my toe on an ancient rusted, half buried lawnmower blade that Hank probably pushed over those now non-existent greens.

Hank's father, Fred C. Cutter, worked for Greystone owner, Robert W. Jameson, as manager of the Lodge's golf course, and Hank would run up the hill after school and caddy for the golfers. These were usually Jameson, A. J. Pierce who owned the paper mill, and their friends. Hank seems to have a photographic memory for sights and events of sixty years ago, from drawing a detailed layout map of the golf course, to recalling how the golfers would hang a bucket of ice and whiskey on an old tractor handle his father had stuck on a tree so they could have drinks ready after their nine holes. I was fascinated when he showed me that very handle, once extending thirty inches from the tree, now buried so deep that only an inch of metal shows. Hank chuckles when he tells of "Pierce's Place," the little outhouse they constructed in

the woods half way through the course so that Mr. Pierce and his friends could "relieve themselves" in the middle of their game.

Gwen remembers that when she was about thirteen years of age she worked for a summer as a waitress at Greystone. Her father owned an automobile, and he would drive her up Pleasant Street and the steep driveway to the Lodge every afternoon so she could help serve dinner to the guests. The waitresses didn't have uniforms, but wore half aprons over whatever dress they happened to have on. In the large dining room a dozen or more tables were set for four, but there were few diners, perhaps twenty to twenty-five. Gwen says that although the guests were very nice, she and the other waitresses felt a little inferior because the visitors talked in strange, upper class accents about completely unfamiliar topics.

Several people told me to talk with Jim Perkins whose father Archie, owner of the livery stable, ran a jitney service bringing Greystone guests from the "Antrim" railroad station just across the line in Bennington to the Lodge. Speaking by phone from his home in Charlestown, N. H., Jim said he doesn't have specific memories of Greystone, but he knows that his father hauled stone for its construction with a four horse hitch. He does remember that when he was a boy the livery stable began to die when Antrim went from horses to automobiles.

When and why Greystone ceased being an inn open to the public is in some doubt. *Parades and Promenades* says it was closed for the summer—its high season—in 1934, and that may mean 1933 was its final year. But Jim Perkins says he thinks it was still open when he first got his drivers license at seventeen in 1936-37. It may have closed, as my neighbor Ray Grant, who was a young man at the time, and Nina Harding, who knows Antrim's history well, speculate, when "the automobiles came in." Others suggest it was the Great Depression that dried up business. It was probably a combination of both. Izzy Nichols says that Greystone's last public event may have been in 1963 when the family living there, Hal and Joan Cobb, invited the Antrim Players to have its post-production cast party in the spacious sitting room. Joan Cobb had designed the costumes that summer for the original version of Dick Winslow's play *Alice*, his adaptation of *Alice In Wonderland* which was revised to rave reviews just this past winter.

The fire that brought Greystone to its sad final end occurred on November 7, 1970. Fire Chief Mike Beauchamp was there and he recalls the day vividly. They never had a chance to save the old building. When the

Greystone call finally came in around 2:00 p.m., the fire company was just finishing fighting a brush fire in John Brown's meadow on the back side of Gregg Lake. To make matters worse, the pumper was slowed when it suffered a minor accident. By the time the first firemen reached Greystone, a significant portion of the structure was involved. Mike remembers seeing a line of flames all along the porch and black smoke billowing out of the upstairs windows. Hank Cutter was Chief then, and he recalls their feelings of futility, "We fought that fire with back pumps." He had his men lay hose from the foot of the Greystone drive about a quarter mile west on Pleasant Street to a stream from which they drew water to the pumper. The most they could accomplish was to prevent the fire from spreading into the fields and woodlands adjacent to the engulfed building.

How the fire began is something of a mystery. Apparently several young people were playing around and in the empty building. Some people speculate that they were having a seance with candles, but no record of this seems to exist. Whatever actually happened, the fire was ruled accidental, and the case was closed.

Ask just about any Antrim resident who was in town that afternoon, and you will get a version of the fire. Carole Webber, who lives at the corner of West Street and Hancock Road, was having a birthday party for her daughter Polly, and they all sat on the grass and watched the flames and smoke high above the trees. Hank Cutter says the fire was reported by a photographer who was on a tour through New England taking pictures of old inns. He was staying at the Maplehurst, and ironically, at the time of the fire he was on his way up Pleasant Street to shoot Greystone. When he reached the Lodge he saw the blaze and hurried down the hill to the nearest phone.

A good way to relive some of Greystone's colorful past is to visit our Tuttle Library where Carole Webber of the Antrim Historical Society, with the help of Library Director Cathy Chisolm, has created a display of old photographs and Greystone memorabilia. Then, put on your walking shoes and hike up the drive to the site of Greystone Lodge. (The drive to Greystone Lodge is on the left side of Pleasant Street one mile from Route 202, twenty yards past the drive to the water tank.) Imagine what the walk up the lane would have been in 1916 as an early brochure described: Greystone "is approached by a beautiful winding road through a birch grove." Although the road is rough today, it is still a beautiful walk. When you reach the clearing at the top, look around the huge, flat stone crest of Nahor Hill that once supported Greystone's walls. The forest has grown to cut off the vista to the east, but with a little imagination and recalling the photos in the library, you can picture the view that so many Greystone guests enjoyed:



"As one looks from its grounds across the valley, the eye takes in a boundless expanse of hills and forest, with high peaks in the distance. The shifting lights and ever varying clouds, and occasionally the moon rising over the broken rim of the eastern horizon, lend additional glory to the charming scene."

MAPLEHURST NEWS

It's been a great summer and we're happy that so many people have found their way to Antrim. Folks have visited us from Canada, Australia, Scotland, and a variety of states. The exhibits of local talent at the inn has been interesting for our travelers and several pieces have been sold as a result. Watch for future announcements of artist displays. If you are interested in having your work exhibited, stop in and speak to Denise Sullivan or Trish Overby.

We are happy that we are now serving lunches on Thursday and Friday as well as on Wednesday, and also that our Sunday night dinners have been so popular. While you can usually find a table for lunch, it's a good idea to call ahead for a dinner reservation in the evening. And yes, we still do serve "Wicked Steamers" free in the tavern every Wednesday night.

The new menu is getting fine reviews and Chef Garret was invited back for a guest spot on Channel 9's "Cooks Corner". Watch for that show soon—we'll announce it on the board out front when the time grows near.

On the evening of August 20, a lovely lady from Hillsboro stopped in with her family for a celebration of her 91st birthday. As the meal ended, we learned that she had worked here in 1927. She shared some interesting stories with us and promised to return for another chat. On the subject of memories, we continue to find great pleasure in all our friends who stop by to tell us stories of long ago at the Maplehurst Inn.

Our September exhibit will be the works of Jim Morris of Peterborough. Stop in for a look, you are welcome anytime.

NORTH BRANCH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

Joyce Brooks Davison

Nestled just off Route 31 and almost within view of busy route 9, is a small private cemetery known as the North Branch Cemetery. Situated on a dirt road (a left off Route 31 on the curve at the bottom of "Twiss Hill"), it is protected by a beautiful old, wide stone wall. This wall was built—as near as we can tell—in 1927 or 1928. The builders reflect several of the names that are now etched on grave stones, some old, some new. Ringed primarily by pine forest, traffic sounds are barely heard.

In 1966, an adjoining piece of land was purchased from Elizabeth Van Hennik. Many of us remember Mrs. Van Hennik; an independent and endearing lady who owned and operated North Branch Cabins and Gift Shop for many years. The awesome task of clearing the *new section* was started in 1970, mostly by volunteers, and was completed pretty much by 1972. This also is fronted by a lovely stone wall built by Dale Attridge in 1985. These two sections truly became one cemetery in 1987 when a separating wall was removed.

The cemetery is a peaceful place. Some of the older grave markers are leaning and askew among the newer straighter ones, and some have fallen. The place needs work and time and energy to preserve the history of those who are there and those of us who will choose to be there one day. This is why the North Branch Cemetery Association remains active.

In 1864, the North Branch Burying Yard (Yes! That is what the old papers called it) formed an association, adopted a constitution and by-laws. It was to be called the North Branch Cemetery Association. This group would never have survived but for the untiring efforts of Ray and Marion Grant, Harold Grant, and Bob Caughey. Physically, emotionally, and financially, these people, along with Ernest McClure and Ray McKay, kept things together.

It is time for renewal and there is much to be done. All interested people are needed to develop the motivation necessary and ideas and suggestions are welcomed. There are many issues to be faced, such as maintenance and repairs, developing policy for cemetery use, finances and fund raising, etc.

The annual meeting will be on Saturday, October 21 with a buffet dinner at 6:00 p.m. at the Maplehurst Inn. All are welcome...we urge you to join us. For more information please call Joyce Brooks Davison at 588-2296

NEWS *From* THE BOY SCOUTS

Boy Scout Troop 2 of Antrim spent a week in August at the Hidden Valley Scout Reservation in Gilmanton The scouts: Ben Beige and Jeff Kulpinski (Antrim), Buddy Burrell, Jaime Dixon, Andrew Eppig and Toffer Eppig, and Arthur Heinzman, (Bennington), Ben Kent and Andy Young (Hillsboro), and Sean Harnedy (Washington) were led by scoutmaster Andrew Linn (Peterborough). They earned 19 merit badges (including Wilderness survival, leatherworking, basketry, canoeing, wood carving, sailing, fish and wildlife management, environmental science, and cooking) and learned outdoor living skills. One highlight of the week was the water carnival when Troop 2 placed second in points earned.

At Mead Base, Adam Jones (Antrim) and Toffer Eppig (Bennington) attended High Adventure summer camp. Scout Jones is now the Troop expert in rock climbing skills. Scout Eppig successfully completed the sea kayaking program

From July 23 to July 27, the troop participated in a 50-mile canoe trip starting in West Rumney on the Baker River and ending on the Merrimack River in Concord. The journey lasted five days and four nights and the scouts camped in primitive campsites in Rumney, Bridgewater, Hill, and Webster. Participants were: Ben Beige, Levi Burford, Alex Colby, Dean Crawford, Matt Hall, Adam Jones, and Jeff Kulpinski (Antrim), Toffer Eppig and Arthur Heinzman (Bennington), Ben Kent and Andy Young (Hillsboro), Sean Harnedy (Washington), and leaders: Brian Burford and Dick Jennison (Antrim), Ralph Tillinghast (Hancock), and Jim Young (Hillsboro).

NOTE: The first meeting of the Troop will be on Monday, September 11 at Scout Hall at 6:45 p.m. Troop 2 serves Antrim, Bennington, Frankestown, Hancock, Hillsboro and Washington. For more information or any questions, call Brian Burford at 588-2920.

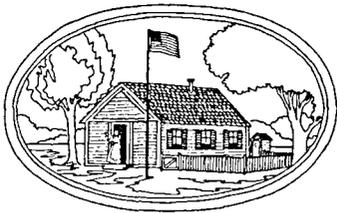
NEWS *From* THE HOT-TO-TROT 4-H CLUB

The Hot to Trot members have been working hard at making the county Quiz Bowl team. Quiz Bowl is patterned after the former TV program "College Bowl" with questions being based on a single project area or one topic relating to horses or horsemanship. Good luck Hot to trotters!

Also, congratulations to Olivia Ali-Oglu, the first member of our club to qualify for the Eastern States show to be held in Springfield, MA in late September.

In July our hopes of having our own summer day camp were fulfilled. Directed by Donna Slater and Beth Merrill, fourteen club members (with their horses) attended. We had a full schedule of horse related activities and a whole lot of fun as well. Thanks Beth and Donna.

In August, sixteen of our members and their families went to Vermont on a 3-day camping expedition. The trip included visits to various horse farms and was enjoyed by all.



SCHOOL NEWS

From GREAT BROOK SCHOOL

New faculty appointments for the 1995-96 school year are:

Kathleen Bigford	Antioch intern with Anne Kenney
Paul Davis	8th Grade Language Arts
Jennifer Hartshorn	Media Generalist
Debra Moore	6th Grade Instructional Aide
Judith Parsons	7th Grade Instructional Aide
Maggi Picard	Guidance Counselor
Nicole Stolzenberg	6th Grade Substitute for one-half year
Bill Vance	7th Grade Instructional Aide
Nancy Winnett	Computer Technology Specialist

From THE CONVAL SCHOOL BOARD

SHOULD VOTING ON THE SCHOOL BUDGET BE BY BALLOT IN THE TOWNS?

Phil Dwight School Board Member-Antrim

This question will be decided this coming March by a special vote in each of the nine towns. Based on a new law passed by the State Legislature, known as Senate Bill 2, if 60% of the votes cast are "yes", future school warrant questions (starting in 1997) would be voted on in each town.

The procedure would be as follows: The "first session" would be the week of the second Tuesday in March, run exactly like the present open school meeting, with the ability to discuss and amend any article, but without the authority to take a final vote. The "second session", consisting of the election of officers, plus final voting on all articles in their amended form, would take place the second Tuesday in April and would be done by day-long official ballot, including the absentee process. In each of the nine towns an informational hearing would be required, 10 days before the second session, to let voters know about amendments. If the "operating budget" (defined as total appropriations minus "special warrant articles") were rejected by ballot, then the prior year's "operating budget" would take effect...except that the school board could, at their option, call one special meeting (without court permission) in order to have one more try at adopting an operating budget different from the prior year's. All special meetings would also require two sessions; one for discussion and amendment, and one for official balloting.

Much more information about this possible major change in the way school budgets are adopted will be available this fall and winter. Obviously, a very important decision will be made and there are strong feelings on both sides of the issue. We trust all voters will become fully informed of the pros and cons before they vote next March.

SCHOOL SPORTS SCHEDULE

GBS-FIELD HOCKEY

SEPTEMBER

15	at KEARSARGE	4:00
22	at MONADNOCK	4:00
25	KEARSARGE	4:00
27	at JAFFREY-RINDGE	3:30

OCTOBER

4	at SOUTHMEADOW	3:30
6	at MURDOCK	3:30
11	JAFFREY-RINDGE	3:30
13	SOUTHMEADOW	4:00
20	MONADNOCK	4:00
26	MURDOCK	3:30

GBS-BOYS SOCCER

SEPTEMBER

15	KEARSARGE	4:00
19	KEENE	5:15
25	at KEARSARGE	4:00
29	at MONADNOCK	4:00

OCTOBER

3	BOYNTON	3:30
5	MURDOCK	3:30
9	at JAFFREY	3:30
12	at KEENE	3:30
17	JAFFREY	4:45
19	MONADNOCK	4:00
21	at KEENE TOURNAMENT-TBA	
23	at BOYNTON	3:30
26	at MURDOCK	3:30

GBS-GIRLS SOCCER

SEPTEMBER

15	KEARSARGE	5:15
19	KEENE	4:00
22	SOUTHMEADOW	3:30
25	at KEARSARGE	4:00
29	MONADNOCK	4:00

OCTOBER

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Did you know that ...

MAGGIE BEAN is a distributor for **Juice Plus**? *Juice Plus* is a nutritional product that offer you the important components of fresh RAW fruits and vegetables, food enzymes and anti-oxidants. This product is a breakthrough in whole food supplements. So, to feel better, look better, and have more energy, give Maggie a call at 588-2851.

JIM COOK, who lives on Bryers Lane in Antrim is available for many of those more difficult and arduous do-it-yourself projects? Lawn care, carpentry, roofing—he can assist you in many ways. For more information call 588-3105.

RICHARD BLOCK, Associate Professor of Graphic Design at Franklin Pierce College, does custom free-lance graphic design at his home on Loveren Mill Road in Antrim? Rich has been creating graphics for 25 years, specializing in logo designs, brochures, flyers, and full marketing campaigns. He designed the logo for the company that supplied the U.S. cross country ski team uniforms for the 1994 Lillehammer Olympics. Rich uses extensive state-of-the-art- technology to create professional graphics at reasonable rates. You can reach him at 588-2552.

GREAT BROOK VETERINARY CLINIC now has facilities for boarding cats and dogs? So take a carefree vacation and have your pet well cared for. Call 588-3460 for further information.

Greg and Jen Harpe, 444 Clinton Road, have a business know as **G & J CARPENTRY—WOOD DECORATIONS**? Not only do they do house carpentry but they also make lawn furniture, bird houses and kids toys and furniture. They can be reached at 588-2493 and may have some ideas for birthday and Christmas gifts for your grand-kids.

KACE FINANCIAL SERVICES is owned and operated by **Paul and Diane Kace** of Brimstone Corner Road? Their mortgage program can show you how to save thousands of dollars on your mortgage interest and in many cases, pay off your 30-year note in as little as 18 to 21 years without refinancing. This service is available on residential and commercial loans with any lender and FDIC insures. For a free comparison report or more information, call Kace Financial Services at 588-4549.

THE RYNBORN RESTAURANT is now serving breakfast 7 days a week? The hour are Monday through Friday —5:30 to 10:00 and Saturday and Sunday 7:00 –12:00. As a trusted member of the management says "Very good; very affordable".

Jane Ellsworth of **SNAPdragon Designs** creates attractive, eye catching business forms, advertisements and brochures as well as a myriad of other promotional materials for businesses? She will assist with marketing and image formation for your firm. Jan can be reached at 8 Bryers Lane, Antrim, phone 588-3722.

TEDDY BEAR NURSERY SCHOOL AND DAYCARE CENTER is owned by **Kathleen Blackburn**? This is a licensed center providing quality daycare and early education for children in the area, from ages 2–12. The center offers nursery, pre-school and kindergarten, and after-school care. Activities and experiences are offered in a flexible schedule to encourage the growth of each child. Meals and snacks are served throughout the day. Parents are encouraged to participate in activities and programs. Kathy and Teddy Bear have been associated for 10 years. Location is Route 31, Antrim; hours are 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday – Friday. For more information call 588-2732 or write to her at: PO Box 318, Antrim.

The names listed below are from businesses and owners from our last issue.

ANTRIM CITGO – Michael and Linda Baker

ANTRIM VILLAGE STORE – Ben and Cathy Owens

2 B's – Brenda Allen

MESCILBROOK FARM – Bill Harris

DR. GREG PERRY – with Dr. Homicz

RAINY DAY FARM – Beth Merrill

If anyone is interested in being included in future issues, please call Gloria Schacht, 588-6338, or mail your information to: PO Box 143, Antrim.

LIVING IN NIGERIA

Antrim's Marguerite and Fred Roberts recently returned from Nigeria where, for a year and a half, they worked for the Peace Corps. Originally they had intended to be there for two full years but an extremely bad political and economic situation forced the cancellation of all Peace Corps activities there. The following essay by Fred reveals symptoms of the problem. (Editor)



One day, Marguerite and I were on our way to Peace Corps headquarters in Kaduna and had stopped at the post office in Jos to mail a letter. I was waiting in front of the building when a man came up to me and demanded to see my alien card. I said I didn't have one and who was he anyway. He said he was a citizen doing his duty of seeing that all foreigners had an alien card. I asked to see his identification and he said he didn't have to show me any. Then he demanded that we go with him to police headquarters. I said if he didn't show me his identification, we weren't going anywhere with him. He said that if we didn't go with him he would call the army. I said "Go ahead and call the army" and we walked away. A few minutes later we heard "Excuse me, sir". We turned around and here he was, back with two army men in uniform. Since they had weapons we thought it best to go with them. When we got within view of the police headquarters, one of the army men said to me "Look, if we take you to the police, they are going to ask you a lot of questions and detain you, maybe even overnight. You do not want that". I asked him what our alternatives were and he said "Give us some money". I asked him how much and he said 5,000 Naira (about \$50.00 U.S.). I said, no way would I do that! He asked how much I would give him and I said 500 Naira (about \$5.00 U.S.). He took the money and the three of them departed and we never saw them again. We learned later that the civilian was a member of the Secret Police.

But not only foreigners are victims of corruption. When the British turned over the governing of Nigeria to the Nigerians in 1963, the people were not prepared in governmental procedures and the situation was ripe for a military coup. There have been attempts at civilian control but there is always the threat of a military coup and there have been military takeovers from time to time. None has been so openly corrupt as the regime of the present military dictator, General Abacha. His government is so intent on skimming money from programs that by the time funds get to the people there is very little left.

For example, Marguerite and I were in programs under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Health. As part of

the agreement between this Ministry and the Peace Corps, the Ministry was to pay the rent on our apartment. There had also been a Peace Corps volunteer staying in this apartment before us. The Ministry had not paid our landlady the rent for any of us. She was owed three years rent. The Ministry said that the money was in the budget but it never showed up for our landlady. This was an important part of her income! Fortunately, the organization that I worked for—the River Blindness Foundation (a non-government organization)—paid our landlady for one year of rent, so she had at least something for her efforts.

In spite of corruptions found at official levels, Nigerians are a warm, friendly people who will do what they can for you, share what they have with you, and always with a smile. They get paid very little where they work and their living conditions are spartan. Many of them have small farms where they grow food for their families and sell any excess to supplement their incomes.

THE SUBJECTMEN'S REPORT

By the time this article is published the preliminary clean-up of the old Goodell Knife Factory will be complete. The exterior excavation, interior decontamination, and revegetation planting will be behind us. Now we can look ahead to whatever the owners of the site, have in store for the facility. Despite the tremendous amount of upgrading that will be necessary to bring the buildings up to snuff, all three structures on the site are structurally sound and could, in the future, hold much potential. We would like to publicly express our sincere gratitude for the costly environmental clean-up which Chicago Cutlery has carried through in good faith. The improved marketability of this facility can only benefit all of us down the road.

Please continue to separate disposable trash at the Antrim Recycling and Transfer Station (A.R.T.S.) The less we all put into the compactor, the less tonnage we will have to pay to have it hauled away. The more we can recycle our reusable "trash", the more self-sufficient (financially) we can make our transfer station. A sizable portion which we pay to operate this facility, over \$72,000.00 per year, goes to haul away products that we could actually show an income on.

Currently, in Antrim we recycle only 25% of the potential material we could, while our neighbors down the road in Peterborough recycle about 50% of their solid waste. They operate their transfer station nearly 100% funded by revenue from their recycling efforts. Now there's a goal!

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BUTTERFIELD FAMILY REUNION

Barbara Butterfield Carll

Thirty two people assembled on August 12 at Lois and Smith Harriman's to renew their acquaintance with kin-folk. All were descendants of Charles and Annie Butterfield who married in 1893 and brought up their seven children in Clinton Village on the George F. Parmenter place, now known as Butterfield Farm. I am the only surviving member of that brood of seven and thus was the oldest one in attendance. I brought with me my daughter Polly and my daughter Susan came from Concord with my two grandchildren, Carll Butterfield Wilkinson and Barbara Lawrence Wilkinson.

The most popular attraction was one-year-old Jennifer Johnson who stoically endured being passed around from cousin to grandpa to aunt to grandpa to uncle to grandpa to second cousin to grandpa and on and on. Jennifer is the granddaughter of Connie and Bob Black. Next to his granddaughter, Bob is proudest of his new R.V. which he invited us all to inspect.

Butterfield family reunions have been going on for as many years as I can remember. Isabel Nichols and I brought albums filled with photos of past reunions and they were eagerly perused. After a rousing game of croquet, I rested on the grass as a welcomed breeze wafted down the Old Hancock Road. I was soon lost in memories of those past reunions when I was *not* the oldest, but was among the youngest in attendance.

I recalled the reunions we had at my sister Jessie Black's home on Clinton Road and the times my brother Ben Butterfield and his wife Ida hosted at their place on Summer Street. Isabel and Martin Nichols opened their home on Depot Street for a couple of reunions and Lois Harriman has had several at her house. There were gatherings at my house in Peterborough and one very memorable reunion, arranged by my brother Phillip in Concord, which was the last one my mother Annie attended; the last time she was with all seven of her offspring.

Greatly missed was my brother Ben's family from Vermont. On the day of our reunion, Ben's widow Ida was celebrating her 85th birthday at a large community party and was unable to be with us.

There is a magic about family reunions. The "tie that binds" creates an exhilaration which was exemplified by a small, squeaky voice that I heard as we all departed, "Can we come again tomorrow?"



ANTRIM CHAMBER of COMMERCE

The Chamber needs your help! For a variety of reasons several officers have had to resign from their positions and it seems that the chamber is in the midst of growing pains...again. A helpful tool within any community, an active chamber of commerce can greatly enhance area business. What have we been doing wrong? What have we been doing right? You will have a chance to speak out about the whys and wherefores of a Chamber of Commerce in general and the Antrim Chamber of Commerce in particular at a meeting of interested people on September 19 at the Maplehurst Inn. This is a regularly scheduled board meeting night but we encourage everyone in the community to attend and let us see what it will take to get the organization going again.

Antrim deserves to have an organization to help promote it at a time when the community is getting better than ever. The concerts this summer have been great. Local restaurants and inns have brought in many visitors. The environmental issues are being addressed and soon new business will be able to move into the long-abandoned building on Main Street. The Chamber organization is reciprocal—you help us, we'll help you. Hope to see you at the meeting on September 19.

A NEW FOUR SEASONS?

It's a work in progress with an expected opening in November. You've probably noticed some activity next door to Edmund's Hardware, where the **Four Season Studio Restaurant** stood.

Julia Jimenez, former patron and employee of the restaurant, has plans to build and operate a breakfast and lunch nook on that very spot. The building will be single storied with a cathedral ceiling and will seat 40 people. Eventually there will be a deck out back. No ideas for a name as yet but, serving hours will be from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. except Sunday, when closing will be at 12 noon.

Julia hasn't decided who will be cooking but all the former (and your favorite) wait-staff have been re-hired. There will also be more job opportunities available.

Julia misses the old times and all the folks who were "regulars" and is anxious to be back in business again. Look for news of the grand opening and be sure you visit.

WOOL ARTS TOUR

The 12th annual Wool Arts Tour will take place Saturday and Sunday, October 7 and 8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Farms and studios in Antrim, Frankestown, Henniker, and Hillsboro may be visited. For information, please call Anne Hennessy, 588-6637

MONADNOCK KNITTER'S GUILD

- Sept. 26 Special lecture by Karen Leigh Casselman, **Purple Is To Dye For**. Ms. Casselman, the author of *Craft of the Dyer*, will present a slide lecture on lichen dyeing.
- Oct. 24 **Daily Life In Nepal**, a talk by Jane Calvin. She will share slides of her Nepal and Everest trek including Nepalese spinners and knitters.
- Nov. 28 **What Is TKGA?** Guild members who also belong to The Knitters Guild of America will discuss this organization and its programs.

Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of each month, at 7 p.m. at the Antrim Library and are open to all abilities. For more information, call Diane Chauncy at 588-2857, Anne Hennessy at 588-6637, or Lorraine Carey Block at 588-2552.

- **Eco Dyes Workshop** with Karen Leigh Casselman, Sept. 26 and 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., for all abilities. Cost of the two-day workshop is \$50. For more information, call Lorraine or Anne.

ANTRIM-BENNINGTON RECREATION PROGRAM

Youth Soccer for Grades (R) 1-6. Registration to be held at the Antrim Ballfield on:

Friday September 8 at 5:00 p.m.

Saturday September 9 at 10:00 a.m.

For more information, call 588-2442.

ANTRIM GARDEN CLUB

- Sept. 25 1:00 p.m. Meet at the Antrim Baptist Church
Program: *Visit the greenhouse of Dick Carlson*
Drive to Temple, (Route 101)
Bring your own refreshments for a Tailgate.
- Oct. 23 1:00 p.m. at the Berry residence
Program: *Slides by the Berrys*
Speakers: Jean and Frank Berry
- Nov. 13 1:30 p.m. at Antrim Village
Program: *Gardens and Herbs*
Speaker: Betty Avery

FIREFIGHTER'S AUXILIARY

An Antrim Firefighter's Auxiliary is presently being formed. This group will provide firemen with liquid refreshment and food during lengthy fires. Hopefully, the auxiliary will grow and be able to expand their assistance to the fire department. Volunteers are needed! All community members are welcome to join and support the Antrim Fire Department. Call Pam Casell at 588-2906 for more information.

ANTRIM AMBULANCE

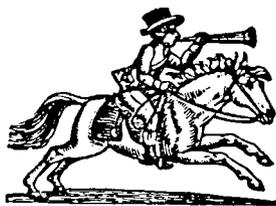
Sept. 24 On Saturday there will be an Ambulance Muster at the Antrim Fire Station located on Clinton Road, Route 31. The fun will begin at 10 a.m. with a series of teams competing in five different events. Come meet the volunteers of the ambulance squad and enjoy yourself too. **CHICKEN BARBECUE** after the muster to benefit the Rescue Squad. The luncheon will consist of one-half of a chicken with corn on the cob, salad, rolls, and beverages.

Oct. 3... and every Tuesday and Thursday in October from 6 to 10 p.m., the Rescue Squad is offering a First Responder course at the Fire Station on Clinton Road, Route 31. The final class will be held on Saturday, November 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Call Patti Lovering at 588-8075 for information about the class or about the Rescue Squad.

Oct. 21 (Saturday) The Antrim Police Department will offer *free* finger printing from 10 a.m. to 12 noon at the Antrim Ambulance Open House. Mark your calendars to remind yourself of this important safeguard for your entire family.

ANTRIM WOMAN'S CLUB

- Sept. 12 12:30 p.m. at the Antrim Baptist Church,
Luncheon Program: *Our Schools Report* (Great Brook School and the Antrim Elementary School). Hosted by the Executive Board
- Oct. 10 1:30 p.m. at the Antrim Baptist Church,
Program: *Meditation and Hypnosis*
Speaker: Lyman Gilmore, PhD
- Nov. 14 1:30 p.m. at the Antrim Baptist Church,
Program: *Tales of the Salvation Army*
Speaker: Pat Couture



MORE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

ANTRIM ART ACADEMY

Preschool Classes will be on Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays from 12 noon to 3 p.m. They will include a daily art class as well as a weekly creative movement class in the dance studio. Classes start September 11.

Art Classes are arranged by age and ability. Use of grades for Middle School students is a possibility. All classes are held Monday through Friday from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. Transportation for Bennington students is available. All art classes begin September 11

Please call Michaela at 588-2444 for a detailed schedule and information about the different classes.

MONADNOCK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Monadnock Community Hospital will be the host site for the American Cancer Society's 1995 *Making Strides Against Breast Cancer* event on Sunday September 24 beginning at 12 noon. This event is being dedicated to Paula Ramsey of Antrim, who died of breast cancer in December of 1994.

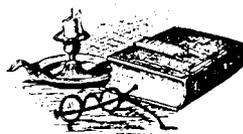
Many of the participants will be people who have survived breast cancer themselves. Their involvement is proof of the progress that has been made not only in breast cancer survival rates, but in the quality of life following breast cancer treatment.

The event, which will start and end at MCH, will be a non-competitive "move-along-a-thon" in which participants may walk, run, use a wheel chair, or skate on roller blades. Participants can choose either one- or four-mile distances. The move-along-a-thon is set to start at 12:30 with registration beginning at 12 noon.

Patients, their families and friends, as well as the public are invited to participate. Corporations and other organizations are invited to enter teams. Participants are asked to collect contributions for their efforts; incentives for contributions include tee shirts, sweat shirts, wrist watches and much more. The funds raised will benefit patients and their families from our local communities and will also help to offer more educational programs on early detection and expand our cancer research programs.

Monadnock Community Hospital is located at 452 Old Street Road in Peterborough. For more information, call Chris Dugan at 925-7191 or Brenda Allen at 588-3228.

TUTTLE LIBRARY NEWS



Plans are underway to form a **Friends of the Library** group with the purpose of broadening library services through volunteer work.

Projects could include outreach to those unable to come to the library, children's programs, the book sale, a newsletter, adult book club, displays, etc. Anyone interested in "befriending" the library is asked to contact Kathy Chisholm at the library, 588-6786 or a library trustee.

The annual Book Sale will be held this year on October 7, during the Columbus Day week-end. Any books you wish to donate can be brought to the library during regular library hours.

The **Adopt-A-Book** program has been renewed. This is your chance to help the library purchase books that you would like to read. Please ask at the library for further information.

Upcoming exhibits...

- Greystone Lodge display (see Lyman Gilmore's article on the front page of this issue)
- Perspective on Nigeria display (see Fred Robert's article on page 7 of this issue)
- Work by artist Jane Lauber

The "Saddle Up A Good Book" summer children's reading program concluded on August 18 with a Western party featuring stories, relay races and other games, prizes and refreshments. Participants who met their personal goals of books read were: Johathan Blair, Derek Enman, Graham Enman, Rebecca Enman, Jenna Fraser, Alan Meagher, Randi Meagher, Matthew Oldershaw, Abbey Paige, Tess Palmer, Alyssa Quinlan, Amanda Quinlan, Emily Traub, and Derek Witherell. Congratulations to all participants and special thanks to Pat Maynard for working her usual magic with a Western-theme storytime.

The library has added to its collection dozens of new books, books-on-tape, and videos. Some new books are: *A Year in Provence* (Mayle), *The Hot Zone* (Preston), *One Man Tango* (Anthony Quinn), *New Passages* (Gail Sheehy), and *Lightning* (Danielle Steel). New videos include: *The Andromeda Strain*, *Bedknobs and Broomsticks*, and *The Lord of the Rings*. New books-on-tape include: *The Hobbit*, *The Lost Stories of Louisa May Alcott*, *Rainmaker*, and *Wild Horses*. There are many more in each category. Come in and browse!

CHURCH NEWS



Antrim and the Antrim Baptist Church welcome their new pastoral team of Reverend Charles and M. Cheryl Boucher who have been with the church since earlier this year. Coming to Antrim from Washington, NH, the Boucher family includes four children, Elissa age 11, Joshua age 9, Kevin age 8 and Rebecca age 3. While in Washington, Reverend Boucher attended the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord and then, driving the opposite direction, was the interim minister of the First Baptist Church in Brattleboro, Vermont. However, full-time ministry is what Reverend Boucher really missed.

This husband-and-wife team have directed many Christian education, special needs, and youth programs. They intend to continue that tradition in the Antrim Baptist Church and to make the **family** and our all-important **youth** the focus of their ministry.

Their plans include getting the nursery operating again, creating a junior church, and bringing more contemporary Christian music to the Sunday service. Another goal is the development of two youth groups and hosting family night in the reception hall on a once-a-month basis to begin with.

The Reverend is very proud of the church's long-established food pantry. He notes that every week people come to the pantry, which shows that there is a real need for this highly supported community service.

St. Mary's Parish in Hillsboro will resume the winter Sunday Mass schedule on the week-end of September 9. Masses will be Saturday at 4 p.m. and Sunday at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

On Sunday, October 15, the annual Apple Pie Festival will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Whole pies, pie slices, plain or with cheddar cheese or ice cream will be available alone with cider, tea or coffee. Be sure to visit the **Apple Pantry** for a fine selection of homemade jams and goodies, including a fine array of apple-related crafts. This is a wonderful day to socialize and enjoy the apple harvest!

The Presbyterian Church's Rally Sunday will be September 17 at 9:15 a.m. This officially starts a new Christian Education year for all ages.

The Antrim Baptist Church will have a Spaghetti Supper on September 9, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. and a Harvest Dinner on October 5, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door.

SELECTMEN *continued*

At the present time it is required that we all separate and recycle **aluminum**, **glass** (separated by color—Did you know that Chris Salmon can use all the clear glass this town can muster at his Old Hancock Glass Works Studio? This would save haulage fees and benefit a vital business in town!), **tin cans** (please clean and crush them when possible—labels need not be removed), and **plastic containers** (rinsed clean and caps removed). Also, your old **newspapers**, **corrugated boxes**, and **brown paper bags** are a very valuable, reusable commodity and the market value is increasing all the time! The Transfer Station also now recycles **shiny mail order catalogs** and **newspaper inserts**.

Used motor oil is also collected so bring your "oil change" to the A.R.T.S. and our operators will take care of the rest. It is important that other chemicals such as antifreeze not be mixed in with the oil—recycled oil is used in a special furnace at the Town Shed. In the near future, look for the potential acceptance of un-used paint, spent dry-cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs, and old clothing at the A.R.T.S. See your A.R.T.S. Team; Doug Tatro, Bill Lang and Arthur Bryer, for more information.

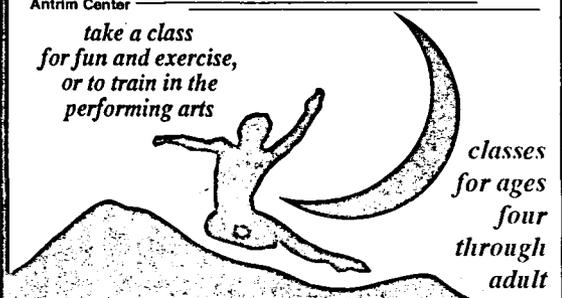
Two last notes ...

1. There is a public events calendar located inside the front door of the town Hall for any and all posting your announcements.
2. There will be an open seat in the Selectmen's Office next year if you who would like to contribute to your town. For a small glimpse of the job come by Monday evenings 7-9 p.m. at the Town Hall.

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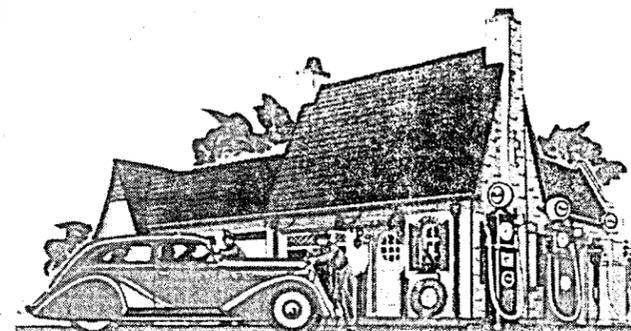
SEPTEMBER

- 8 Youth Soccer Registration, Antrim Ballfield, 5:00 pm
- 8 Blues at the Rynborn – Skip Philbrick
- 9 Youth Soccer Registration, Antrim Ballfield, 10:00 am
- 9 Spaghetti Supper, Antrim Baptist Church, 5:30-7:00 pm
- 9 Blues at the Rynborn – Jimmy Johnson
- 11 Blues at the Rynborn – Special Night of Comedy
- 11 Preschool Classes Begin, Antrim Art Academy, 12 noon-3:00 pm
- 11 Art Classes Begin, Antrim Art Academy, 2:30-5:30 pm
- 11 Boy Scouts Troop 2, Scout Hall, 6:45 pm
- 12 Antrim Woman's Club Luncheon, Antrim Baptist Church, 12:30 pm
- 13 Northern Lights Dance Classes Begin, Call 588-8055 for schedule
- 15 Blues at the Rynborn – D.D. & The Road Kings
- 16 Blues at the Rynborn – Biggs Band
- 17 Rally Sunday, Presbyterian Church, 9:15 am
- 19 Chamber of Commerce, Maplehurst Inn, 7:00 pm – (Public Invited)
- 22 Blues at the Rynborn – Lucille & The Steamers
- 23 Blues at the Rynborn – Clifford Ford & The Backseat Drivers
- 24 Ambulance Muster and Chicken Barbecue, Fire Station, 10:00 am
- 24 Move-Along-A-Thon, M.C. Hosp, 12 noon – (Dedicated to Paula Ramsey)
- 25 Antrim Garden Club, Antrim Baptist Church, 1:00 pm
- 26 Monadnock Knitter's Guild, Antrim Library, 7:00 pm
- 28 Blues at the Rynborn – Luther "GTR JR" Johnson
- 29 Blues at the Rynborn – B.J. Magoon & Driving Sideways
- 30 Blues at the Rynborn – Jacksonville Blues Band

OCTOBER

- 3 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 5 Harvest Dinner, Antrim Baptist Church, 5:30-7:00 pm
- 5 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 6 Blues at the Rynborn – Otis & The Elevators
- 7 Wool Arts Tour, call 588-6637 for map, 9:00 am-4:00 pm
- 7 Tuttle Library, Annual Book Sale, 10:00 am-4:00 pm
- 7 Blues at the Rynborn – Kat In The Hat
- 8 Wool Arts Tour, call 588-6637 for map, 9:00 am-4:00 pm
- 10 Antrim Woman's Club, Antrim Baptist Church, 1:30 pm
- 10 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 12 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 13 Blues at the Rynborn – West End Blues Band
- 14 Blues at the Rynborn – Art Steele Blues Band
- 15 Apple Pie Festival, St. Mary's, Hillsboro, 11:30 am-2:00 pm
- 17 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm

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- 19 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 20 Blues at the Rynborn - *Stovall Plantation*
- 21 North Branch Cemetery Assoc. Buffet Dinner, Maplehurst Inn, 6:00 pm
- 21 Antrim Ambulance Open House and Finger Printing, Fire Station, 10:00 am-12
- 21 Blues at the Rynborn - *Toni Lynn Washington*
- 23 Antrim Garden Club, Residence of Jean and Frank Berry, 1:00 pm
- 24 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 24 Monadnock Knitter's Guild, Antrim Library, 7:00 pm
- 26 Blues at the Rynborn - *Antrim Soul Revue*
- 26 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 6-10:00 pm
- 27 Blues at the Rynborn - *Blue Hill Kickers*
- 28 Blues at the Rynborn - *Loaded Dice*

NOVEMBER

- 3 Blues at the Rynborn - *Art James & Co.*
- 4 Rescue Squad-First Responder Course, Fire Station, 9:00 am-5:00 pm
- 4 Blues at the Rynborn - *Biggs Band*
- 10 Deadline for news for the Antrim LIMRIK
- 10 Blues at the Rynborn - *D.D. & The Road Kings*
- 11 Blues at the Rynborn - *Kat In The Hat*
- 13 Antrim Garden Club, Antrim Village, 1:30 pm
- 14 Antrim Woman's Club, Antrim Baptist Church, 1:30 pm
- 17 Blues at the Rynborn - *Stovall Plantation*
- 18 Blues at the Rynborn - *Two Bones & A Pick*
- 24 Blues at the Rynborn - *Lucille & The Steamers*
- 25 Blues at the Rynborn - *West End Blues Band*
- 28 Monadnock Knitter's Guild, Antrim Library, 7:00 pm

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