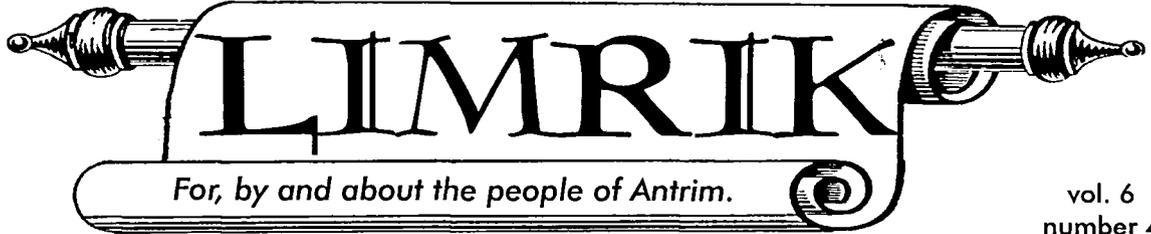


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PARKS AND RECREATION

FALL SOCCER PROGRAM

Plans are underway for an Antrim-Bennington Fall Soccer League. The league will be open to all boys and girls grades 1-4. Practices and games generally begin the first week in September and end the last week in October. All games are played at Shea Field in Antrim and Newhall Field in Bennington. The cost to participate is \$10 per child or \$20 per family, due at the time of registration. Not all details are finalized but they will be posted at Town Hall and notices will be sent home through the school.

Several volunteer coaches are necessary to run this program which averages 100 or more participants. You do not need experience to be a coach. We will train anyone who is interested. Our main goal is to teach basic soccer skills and most important, to offer a fun and positive experience for all the children. If you are willing to coach a team, help organize the program or need any additional information about the soccer program, please call Rich Solito at 588-3703.

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FOLK TALES

THE OLD GREY MARE by Fred Roberts

Fred Proctor owned a farm at the corner of Smith Road and Goodell Road where the MacCulloch family now lives. In the '30s and '40s before the homes on Goodell Road were built, Fred had a large garden area behind his house where he grew produce for sale in the local stores. I worked for him during summer vacations in the early '40s and it was my job to pick the produce and deliver it to the stores in the mornings. The produce was whatever was in season such as string beans, summer squash, cucumbers, and corn.

Fred had a live-in hired hand at the time whose name was Frank. Frank was getting along in years and he had a horse, a grey mare, who was also getting along in years. After I had picked the required amounts of produce, I would harness the mare, hitch her to an old wagon and start off for town. The old mare did not like to leave the farm and so she would plod along as slowly as possible down North Main Street despite my urging her on. On a warm summer morning it was a rather pleasant ride, there being very little traffic.

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GBS WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS

Rick Nannicelli

Due to the growth in student population and attrition of staff members, Great Brook school will be welcoming new members to its faculty and staff this school year.

Ms. Kathleen Bigford moved from the sixth grade team to fill the new position of Grade 5 teacher. This additional position was created as a result of an increase of 29 students at this level. Hence, GBS will now have six classes of fifth graders as opposed to its usual five.

Newcomer Ms. Lorna McKinnon will take on the Grade 6 position. Ms. McKinnon taught fifth graders at the Henniker Community School as well as middle school language arts, and gifted and talented education. She has experience in several of the performing arts and is a strong proponent of environmental education. She will be a wonderful addition to GBS.

Mr. Russ Cobb will be filling in for Ms. Mayo, grade 7 social studies teacher, who will be out on maternity leave with her second child until January. Mr. Cobb is a recent graduate of Keene State College and is currently working on his masters degree with Boston University. Though new to GBS, Mr. Cobb is familiar with the Conval district. He worked as a speech and language assistant at Peterborough Elementary School and was a student teacher at South Meadow School.

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SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Phil Dwight

So far 1997 has proven relatively uneventful with planned projects proceeding smoothly and on schedule.

GREGG LAKE BRIDGE: The contract for the replacement of the bridge has been awarded to Frank W. Whitcomb at a cost just under the estimate. Construction will start September 2nd and Gregg Lake Road will be closed just past the boat launch area on that day. Completion and reopening of the road is scheduled for October 31st.

Access to Brimstone Corner Road and Camp Chenoa will be via Craig Road (off Old Pound Road). This road is a very narrow, winding road, and while every effort has been made to upgrade and widen it, *EXTREME CAUTION* is advised. There will be spots where two cars cannot pass. *PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY.*

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FOLKTALES continued

The first stop was the Fruit Store which was in the Jameson Block where Wayno's store is now. I would tie the old mare to a utility pole and take in the produce. Then on to the First National Store which was in half of the building where the Cornerstone Restaurant used to be. This building was known as the Butcher Block and was owned by Walt Butcher who ran a shop there that had a soda fountain, sandwiches, souvenirs, etc. and was only open in the summer as the Butchers spent the winter in Florida. The next stop was the Red and White Store that is now Edmund's. The final stop was Cutter's Market that is now the parking lot by Mail Box Video.

After the last stop I would head for back to the farm. When the old mare discovered that she was going home, she became suddenly very energetic and started to gallop. We would head up Main Street at a great clip, me hanging onto the reins trying to slow her down and the mare flying along with the bit in her teeth. We were a great source of amusement to the people on the sidewalks and somewhat disconcerting to auto drivers when we would come barreling along almost out of control. By the time we arrived at the farm, the old mare was pretty winded and was thankful for a pail of water and some hay. We would then repeat the process in a couple of days and this went on all summer.



ANTRIM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mark Cavic, Sergeant

The Antrim Police Department would once again like to remind all drivers to pay close attention to pedestrians crossing our busy Main Street. Traffic this year seem busier than normal, and the pedestrian traffic also seems to have increased. We love to see so many people walking the downtown area, and have been fortunate to have had no real catastrophes thus far.

Traffic flow is particularly heavy on Saturdays and Sundays, accounting for 70% of all our traffic problems such as speed and accidents. Please pay close attention to people trying to cross Main Street either on foot, bicycle or horseback. It has been and will continue to be our policy to stop and advise, either by warning or citation, all violators who fail to yield to pedestrians. Please don't be one of the violators.

We have had numerous complaints about vehicles "squealing" their tires. We have been fortunate to catch as many as we have, but still continue to receive complaints. We ask anyone who witnesses such violations to please report it immediately to the police department. Tire "transfers" take away from the Town's appearance. Those not wanting to leave a name when they call may remain anonymous.

Finally, watch for notices about a Police Department Open House and Bicycle Registration.

Did you know that ...

A new and delightful little shop has opened on Airport Road in Deering? **MIMI'S THYME**, owned and operated by **Sandy Reed** (you'll recognize her from Wayno's Store) has culinary herbs, Vinegars, and crafts by local artisans for sale. The shop, set in the middle of the herb gardens, is open Wed.-Fri., 1-6 pm, and Sat. & Sun., 10 am-4 pm. Sandy's phone is 464-3273.

Kathryn and **Dennis Mayo** who have recently opened **PUCKERBRUSH BARN** at the corner of Elm Street and Rt. 202 have both taught in the Conval System? Kathryn taught 7th grade at Great Brook School and Dennis is now teaching in Henniker. With a new baby expected, Kathryn will be on a leave of absence, running the shop and caring for 15 month old Zachary. Asked where the name **PUCKERBRUSH** came from, Dennis recalled words of his grandmother "Stay out of the puckerbrush." (He designed the logo for the shop.) All items are American made, some as local as Peterborough, Greenfield, and Dublin. Gift baskets, designed by Joan Tazelaar of Bennington, are a favorite item. And both Joan, and her husband Mark, assist the Mayos in making displays. When you visit **PUCKERBRUSH BARN** you'll find a friendly atmosphere and unique gifts to meet the gift needs of Antrim friends. Hours are Mon.-Sat. 10 am-6:30 pm and Sun. 12 Noon-6 pm. The phone is 588-2957.

PB & H EQUIPMENT has now opened in Antrim? Owners **Dan Bragg** and **Brian Pendris**, both veterans of the heavy equipment industry, have a store on Route 9, just past Loveren Mills Road. Supplying new and used parts, supplies and equipment for forestry, construction and agricultural businesses, their small satellite dish atop the warehouse references them to a Northern American parts locating service and the most obscure parts can be found. Along with this service, **PB & H** offers hydraulic oil, hoses and cylinders; logging supplies, lights, tire chains, control valves, paint, and much more. Consignments of heavy equipment are accepted as well as purchase of your old equipment. They are open Mon-Fri. from 7 am-5 pm and on Sat. from 7 am to 12 noon. Reach them at 588-3005.

There is a booklet titled **HELP FOR FAMILIES** available at your local church, library, school, and other public places? This booklet lists numbers to call for help in obtaining shelter, food, clothing, education, medical services, legal advice, recreational activities, and much more. Eleven towns in the Monadnock Region are included and it has a wealth of information. Compiled by **FACT (Families And Communities Together)**, this is the second edition and is proving to be a very valuable source for those needing assistance in ordinary and extraordinary circumstances. You are urged you to find a copy if you are new to the area or want a convenient resource for family information. For additional information or assistance with a family program, call the **Grapevine** in Antrim at 588-2620.

THE WOOL ROOM now carries reed for basket weaving in addition to yarns, books, and videos on all phases of knitting and spinning? You will find round, flat, and oval reed, plus raffia. Owner **Ann Hemessey**, who is juried in the League of NH Craftsmen Guild, joins with her daughter **Kristen** in presenting this new line. There are also available CDs and cassettes of Celtic, Irish, Old English, etc. music. This colorful shop is open 10 am-5 pm daily except Tuesdays and is located near the junction of Pleasant Street and Old Hancock Road.

If you have started a new business or are expanding on a previous one, please send information to the Antrim LIMRIK, PO Box 30, Antrim, NH 03440.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT continued

ROAD REPAIR: Work on resurfacing downtown roads is scheduled for mid-September and again we would urge those driving in the areas to be repaired to use caution. No street closings during this period are scheduled, except for very brief periods of time during the day. The areas are: Depot, Water, High, Grove, Mescilbrooks, and Elm streets. Also about 3500 feet of pavement on Pierce Lake Road starting at Elm Avenue will be pulverized and this section will be returned to gravel until repaved at some later date.

TREE REMOVAL: The removal of trees in the Town's right of way on various roads has been completed for the year, well under the budgeted amount. Some 34 trees were taken down. Most logs are now behind the Presbyterian Church to become part of their Wood Bank.

AIKEN HOUSE: The feasibility study of how to upgrade this building has begun. It is still not clear how this building should be used and if or how it will affect possible expansion of the Library. On a temporary basis the Grapevine has been given permission to occupy the ground floor for their programs. They moved in around the first of August and have completed a basic interior face lift using their own resources.

Finally, we are pleased to report that financially the Town is operating well within budget. Expenses should be below budget and revenue is better than expected. While making predictions can be dangerous, we are relatively certain that the 1997 Tax Rate will be no higher than last year and perhaps even down a few cents.

BE YOUR OWN REPORTER

People who have news for the LIMRIK are urged to contact one of the editors listed on the back page.

Chances are excellent that what you know others will want to know also.

Copy deadline for the next issue is November 8.

UPDATE FROM THE GRAPEVINE

Bob Bernstein

We've been busy this summer hosting programs, convening our Steering Committee, hiring staff for the coming year, and modestly improving the first floor of the Aiken House to use "as is" for the time being.

Twice a week this summer groups of mothers and small children joined Syd Smith, Betty Avery, and other volunteers at the center. These are wonderful times for the children to play together, gently guided by experienced adults, while their moms have an hour or so to share their stories, questions, and ideas about parenting. Also this summer about 30 young children led by Lisa Cochran had a great time doing crafts, music, berry picking, nature study, games and just hangin' out. Thank you to Lisa and to the Presbyterian Church for providing a great space in which to hold this program.

Peter Martel completed a hardworking ten months as coordinator during The Grapevine's planning year. Planning quickly turned to doing, and Peter helped make the idea of a family resource center into a real working place with programs and participants. We are tremendously grateful to Peter for all that he accomplished and wish him well in his next endeavors.

Kristen Olsen will be the center's coordinator for the coming year. Kristen grew up in Antrim, has been living in Colorado and California, and brings great skills and experience to the position. We are thrilled to have her.

Many interesting projects and events await anyone with a little (or a lot) of time and energy to contribute. We are especially eager to hear your ideas about what programs and events Antrim need. Please come by to help out or just to see what our family and community resource center is all about. By the way, our wish list right now includes books and toys (for using or giving away), craft supplies, music makers, a computer, and a sign for the front of the building.

Great news came in June! The Grapevine will receive a \$91,145 grant from the NH Department of Health and Human Services to cover staff, start-up and operating costs through next summer. Also, the Town of Antrim was awarded a \$10,500 grant to study the feasibility of renovating all or part of the Aiken House to make a permanent home for our family and community resource center. The Selectmen appointed Bob Bernstien, Tod Bryer, Phil Dwight, Lyman Gilmore, Connie Kirwin, Martha Pinello, Ben Pratt, and Carole Webber to be the Feasibility Study Committee. To date the group has met twice and is concentrating on three major issues: programming and activities planned by the Grapevine; financial and organizational issues; the use of the Aiken House building and property. On Monday evening, August 11, the committee and other interested Antrim residents met with Jim Garvin and Linda Wilson from the State Historic Preservation Offices. They shared their considerable expertise and experience from similar projects with us.



ANTRIM IN THE EVENING

Another great summer of performances at the Bandstand in Memorial Park was enjoyed by all despite the fact that the strawberries were late for the Strawberry Shortcake Social in June. Concert goers were treated to an evening of Antrim folk music from Annie Law, Jonas Taub and Pamela Smith (of Merrimack) and LiveOak—Nancy Knowles and Frank Wallace.

July 4 was a day of fun that may become a town tradition. The Coffee and Donut Social, featuring fresh donuts, pastries, and good cheer, was well attended. The Soap Box Derby provided thrills on Summer Street hill as did the softball game on the town field. Rain threatened the evening performance, but John Parisi's magic and juggling, and the driving sounds of the Kevin Sysyn Band, may have been just the magic to drive that rain away.

The rain made its appearance, in force, the following week when Dan Grady came to town with his Marvelous Marionette Medley. A small but eager audience crowded into the Little Town Hall and were treated to a magical show of unique, hand-made marionettes who danced and played with the children.

Memorial Park was packed when local favorites, The Blue Hill Kickers, took the stand. Country line dancers filled the tennis courts as summer was in full swing. A younger, gentler crowd turned out the following week for The Caravan show from UNH and everyone was treated to ice cream, compliments of the Maplehurst Cribbage Club.

The strawberries finally made their appearance when the East Bay Jazz Ensemble came swinging into town. The following week, Trickster Fox brought her own special brand of magic and antics and she found plenty of assistants among the audience.

By summers end, the 39th Army Band, Otis and The Elevators, and a chicken Bar-B-Q will have completed the festivities.

Thanks and acknowledgments go to our Show Sponsors: Contoocook Valley Telephone—Antrim Folk Festival; Monadnock Paper Mills—East Bay Jazz Ensemble; Antrim Players and the Maplehurst Cribbage Club—John Parisi and The Caravan.

Thanks go to our Business and Community Partners: Antrim Historical Society, Fox Graphics, New England Business Service, Old Hancock Glass Works, Ruth Benedict, P. G. Logging, Primary Bank, Reade and Woods Insurance.

Also thanks to our Evening Stars: Susan Brooke, Phil and Ann Dwight, Eleanor Lane, Bette Mandino, and Betty and Dick Winslow. And, thanks to the many people who donated by mail or by dropping a contribution in the donation jar at the concerts.

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A GRASS ROOTS MAN

Lyman Gilmore

The best school principals are grass roots principals. Great Brook's Rick Nannicelli is definitely grass roots; he hikes to work every day along a grassy trail through the woods with the neighborhood kids, including his seven-year-old son, Nicholas. Angelea, four, will be joining him on the path soon. Being grass-roots is one of the reasons he was named "Principal of the Year" by the New Hampshire Association of School Principals.

Nannicelli is a grass roots principal in other ways too, in his close working relationships with his teacher-colleagues, his efforts to integrate Great Brook within the community, and most of all, his making the school "kids centered." I met Rick Nannicelli early August when I interviewed him for this article, and his down-to-earth, good humored warmth immediately made me feel welcome. He takes his down-to-earthness literally in his personal life by running thirty miles a week and competing in at least one marathon every year.

This will be Nannicelli's sixth year as Great Brook Principal, and as they have done in the past, he and the teachers have created a theme for 1997-1998: "Connecting, Communicating, Sharing." They will strive for "cohesion" between the school and community. So often people see schools as merely *preparing* children for "the real world" that they will encounter at some later time. It is as if what goes on in the classroom is somehow unreal. He explained, "That idea makes me crazy." The very real world of school ought to *connect* children to the real world of the community, not at some future date, but here and now. To this end Great Brook will promote the idea of "sharing," both within the school, and between the school and the community. To create a sharing atmosphere in the school, a part of every staff meeting will consist of individual teachers describing new methods to the rest of the faculty. The children will have at least one "Town Meeting" each semester during which they will learn to present and listen to new ideas. To foster sharing between the school and community, the 7th graders will work with local citizens on projects such as creating a compost resource program, studying the Recreation Center, and possibly gathering information for a Community Center with the Grapevine at the Aiken House. For a more global sort of sharing, 8th graders will gather data for an international weather station, study water quality, and work with the Harris Center and Antioch Graduate School. Nannicelli stresses that the foundation of middle school education remains the teaching of basic skills, but that basic skills become more meaningful when taught in a community context rather than in the classroom alone.

Nannicelli grew up in Walpole, Massachusetts, and went on to degrees in at Fitchburg State College and the University of Southern Maine. After ten years as a special education teacher in Maine, he decided that he wanted to try to change schools for the better and knew the best way to accomplish this was to become a principal. Since coming

to Antrim and Great Brook he has seen the school grow significantly, from 370 pupils in 1992 to approximately 450 this year. There will be two additional classes, six 5th grades, and a new classroom on the south end of the building.

Of the important changes that have occurred in the school during the past five years, two stand out. Nannicelli speaks enthusiastically about the district-wide computer system that the Conval Tech Center is developing and explains that at Great Brook the whole building is wired for internet access. But his attitude about computers is down-to-earth practical, not idealistic. He says that buying a lot of computers and then trying to impose them on the curriculum doesn't make as much sense as simply seeing computers as tools like the telephone: "If we need them, we use them."

A long term Great Brook teacher told me that Nannicelli has brought about what she considers a major improvement in the school. One of the biggest problems in middle schools is helping children in this very active age group control their behavior, and in the past five years a positive sense of order and discipline has prevailed. She says that "he puts kids first" but is also very supportive of teachers' efforts to maintain reasonable control so learning can take place. She reports that his door is always open; the only problem is that he is so busily involved in school activities it is sometimes hard to catch him.

Being busy is a necessary component of being a principal, and Nannicelli admits he sometimes feels torn between his desire to be with his family and his dedication to the school. He told me with a bit of embarrassed regret of the moment at dinner one evening when one of his children said to him, "Please don't go home daddy, stay here with us." Aside from loving to be at home with Nicholas, Angelea, and his wife Jean—a part time adult education teacher at the high school—Nannicelli relaxes with woodworking, playing guitar, and jogging those thirty miles a week.

When I asked about his becoming "New Hampshire Principal of the Year," Nannicelli said that while he was pleased with the honor, he was more enthusiastic that the Great Brook teachers, parents, and children got the recognition they deserve. The process of selection was rigorous. One teacher nominated Nannicelli to the NHASP committee, others wrote letters of support, and he was required to write a letter describing new approaches to education that Great Brook had created. After the committee selected three finalists from a large group of principals throughout the state, Nannicelli was interviewed in Concord and three members of the committee visited Antrim for interviews with teachers, students, and parents. Finally, Nannicelli was chosen as outstanding Principal of the Year, a credit to Great Brook School and our community.

The award hasn't gone to his head, and Nannicelli looks forward to another year walking with the kids on that path from his condo to school, a down-to-earth, grass-roots man.



TOWN HISTORY REVISITED

DAVID HARVEY GOODELL—HISTORY MAKER (1834-1915)

Part II: THE ENTREPRENEUR

Isabel B. Nichols

Discouragement seems never to have affected D. H. Goodell's outlook on things. Throughout his many-faceted life he often experienced failure, only to rise like the phoenix from its ashes to start over. His successes far outnumbered his failures.

For such a smart young man to have to discontinue his education at prestigious Brown University must have been a disappointment to him and his family, but home in Antrim was the place for him to regain his health. For the rest of his life he lived on the farm on North Main Street, raising cattle and taking a wide interest in agricultural matters. He served on the state Board of Agriculture for seven years, in addition to organizing fairs at the local level.

All this in addition to a life-long career as a businessman as well as working his way up the state political ladder to its highest office, not to mention serving his community in every aspect of leadership. After a short turn at teaching school, the twenty-three-year-old man was elected treasurer of the Antrim Shovel Company in 1857. The company was located where the now dormant cutlery factory stands. Goodell would work here as long as he lived, dying with his boots on.

After a few years the dissatisfied shovel company moved out of town, and D. H. Goodell Company was formed in partnership with Treadwell Company of Boston, to manufacture Goodell's own invention, the "Lightning Apple-Parer". This was not only an immediate success, but was the basis for one of Goodell Company's largest- and longest-selling products.

Unfortunately the parent company, Treadwell, failed in 1870, bringing the D. H. Goodell Company down with it. Up from the ashes the young entrepreneur arose, paying off his part of the debts from his own pocket. When the factory building was sold at auction, it was purchased by D. H. Goodell himself, and he was off and running in the cutlery business.

The official formation of Goodell Company in 1875 was only a natural step in the progress that the ambitious young man was making. He purchased other companies, made additions to the building and continually made improvements to the cutlery factory. His company was to be the largest employer of local workers that the town of Antrim has ever known. In 1894 he brought electricity to the town, initially for the benefit of his workers in the factory and gradually to include street lights, other businesses and private homes. Even after his death the citizens of Antrim owed the pleasures of electricity to Goodell, until Public Service took over in 1916.

His term as Governor was not deemed an overwhelming success because illness again caused him to renege on his duties. But the experience as chief executive contributed to his egocentricity; he was afterwards always referred to as "the Governor".

Ever an ardent supporter of the temperance movement, Governor Goodell on one momentous occasion overstepped his authority on this issue. In November of 1903, in his capacity as justice of the peace, he informed the proprietor of the Valley Hotel in Hillsboro that no male citizen of Antrim was to be served liquor. Later in his own defense he was to say that when he started to make out the "blacklist" he found so many abusive drinkers that he didn't know where to stop so he included all the men in town!

Needless to say the responsible citizens of Antrim were outraged to find that their names were included with the less responsible and posted in a public place. They rose up in anger against the man who was the virtual godfather of the community and drew up a series of resolutions in much the same spirit as their forefathers had revolted against the tyranny of George III.

As published in *The Antrim Reporter* of November 11, 1903, the resolutions in part say:

"WHEREAS, David H. Goodell...has caused to be served on the proprietor of the licensed hotel in Hillsboro Bridge...a blacklist which includes practically all the citizens of our town.

"WHEREAS, We consider this action a direct attack upon the fundamental principles of American liberty, an insulting intrusion on personal rights...and a wholesale defamation of the character, repute and standing of every citizen of Antrim.

"RESOLVED: That we protest in the name of good citizenship against this deliberate attempt on the part of one man to nullify the intent of the license law as passed at the last session of the legislature."

Incredibly the state license commissioners took a "non-committal" stand on the controversy; the issue was never taken to court, and the blacklist stayed in effect. Those Antrimites who wished to imbibe were required to look further afield for their sources. Antrim was a dry town until 1946 but there were many offers of goods to be shipped in plain brown wrappers coming from liquor dealers as far away as Boston who had been aroused and amused by newspaper reports of the action and reaction.

The Boston Post published a parody on Tennyson's "Charge of the Light Brigade" as follows:

"Sad, sullen, savage, sore
Barred from the tavern door
Through street and village roar
Antrim's four hundred.

"Posted, their names on high,
Theirs not to make reply,
Theirs but to thirst and sigh,
Thirsty four hundred."

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Goodell was never forgiven in some quarters for his outrageous use of authority, which may be the reason for the rumor that when the Goodell farm was sold after his death the new owners found a cellar full of crystal decanters. This raised some question about the sincerity of Goodell's devotion to prohibition.

In truth, the town had much to thank D. H. Goodell for: steady employment, fair working conditions, benevolence of personal property, and the example of success gained through hard work and never missing a good opportunity. Such a man is bound to be admired, albeit grudgingly in some instances, but not universally loved.

Antrim Historical Society

The Society and Curator Carole Webber extend their appreciation to the following people for the loan of items for the summer exhibit, "Antrim Summers in the 1900s": Antrim Players, Hank and Gwen Cutter, Martin and Isabel Nichols, Dave and Dotty Penny, Barry and Ellen Proctor, Fred and Marguerite Roberts, and Giffin and Russ Russell. Our thanks also go to the many visitors to the exhibit and their encouraging comments.

FALL EXHIBIT

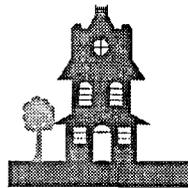
The fall exhibit will go on view in October and last through the remainder of 1997. Called "Men and Women You Should Have Known: Nineteenth Century Residents of Antrim", the display will feature pictures and memorabilia from people who made their marks on the town and left some of their possessions to the keepers of local history. When we look at the austere portrait of James A. Tuttle, who gave Antrim its impressive library building, we may have difficulty imagining him wearing the baby clothes that are part of the Society's collection. The name of Rev. Cochrane is well-known in historical circles because of his prolific writing, but his professional life was interrupted by the death of his lovely and talented daughter Susie. Her never-used wedding dress and bridal quilt are recent acquisitions. Other people you should have known include two women artists and the town's most influential entrepreneur. The display will be shown upstairs in the Tuttle Library during Library hours. On Saturdays from 1:00 to 4:00 pm, docents will be on hand to help you get acquainted with these personalities from the past.

APPLE PIE NIGHT

Apple parers may seem to be out-of-date but ask anyone who owns one; apple-pie-making goes much faster with the assistance of a "White Mountain". For over 100 years the Goodell factory manufactured this and other models of apple parers and shipped them all over the world. The Society will be holding an "Apple Pie Night" in October with a surprise guest who will introduce us to this product that kept Antrim on the map for many years. There will be a variety of apple pies to sample as well. Watch local newspapers for information on time and place.

PICTORIAL HISTORY

The pictorial history "A Stroll Through Antrim N.H." is now on sale for \$15.00 at the Tuttle Library, the Toadstool book store in Peterborough, and the gift shop at the Museum of New Hampshire History in Eagle Square, Concord. This 98-page book, published by the Historical Society, contains over 200 pictures from our archives and private collections, with an entertaining and informative text by David Hurlin. We are much indebted to David and to Nancy Haggarty and Brian Beihl, designers, for their contributions to this memorable annals of local history. Printed on Dulcet paper, a gift from the Monadnock Paper Mills, the ancient pictures have been remarkably reproduced.. Anyone who has lived in Antrim in the past or who is making his home here now and would like to know more about the old days will enjoy this book. To order by mail please send check, payable to the Antrim Historical Society for \$15.00 plus \$1.50 for postage and handling, to Izi Nichols, 10 Depot Street, Antrim, NH 03440.



HOUSE BEAUTIFICATION

People have shared with the LIMRIK their pleasure that various houses in Antrim are being refurbished and beautified. In the downtown area alone there are several, including the Gertrude and Al Thornton house on North Main Street, now owned by Cathy and Tony Burke; Peter Galbraith's house at the corner of Main and Summer Streets; and the Victorian house once owned by the late Jane Hill—the one with the cupola, near the juncture of Main and Elm Streets—now owned by Peggy and Joseph Descharnais. This last-named house, a classic Victorian structure, was built in 1877, probably from a mail-order kit, and has a barn built some years later by the well-known Antrim master carpenter, Frank Downes. In accordance with carefully researched historical precedent, the house is being revived as a "Painted Lady"—the term applied to Victorian houses which feature a minimum of seven different paint colors designed to blend together gracefully. The Descharnais's have identified eight different wooden functions, (window frames, door frames, rope molding, etc.) each of which will be painted a different color. Joseph Descharnais, himself a professional painter, is doing the work. As of this writing, only a primer coat is in place, but even this is suggestive of the beauty to come.

SUPPORTIVE GIFTS

The LIMRIK wished gratefully to acknowledge supportive gifts of money from Debra and Fred Anderson, Bette Mandino, Tom Mangieri, and Judith and Russell Perkins.



PARKS AND RECREATION *continued*

ANTRIM AMBULANCE

Katie Mayo of Antrim won the gas grill that was recently raffled off by the Antrim Ambulance Squad. Thank you to all who participated. Your support is greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in joining the rescue squad call Patti Lovering at 588-8075 or Mike Beauchamp at 588-2068.

ANTRIM WOMAN'S CLUB

First meeting of the year will be Monday, September 9 at the Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 1:30 pm. Speaker and hostess to be announced. Members may pick up printed programs at this meeting.

FALL BASKETBALL FOR GIRLS & BOYS

Look for recreation basketball sign-up sheets in late October. The season runs from November to February vacation. Those eligible are both boys and girls in grades three through eight. Antrim, Bennington, Frankestown, and Hancock participants are welcome. Plan on two nights plus a Saturday for practice each week.

In the past few years there have been an average of over 100 participants, both boys and girls. This year a separate girls program will be added if enough girls apply.

The \$10.00 sign-up fee is the same as last year. It goes toward tee shirts and trophies. Questions? Call Sam Harding at 588-2442 or Bill Ruoff at 588-2932.

PLANTING PUMPKINS AT TENNEY'S

In June, a group of about 80 students from the Pierce School in Bennington paid a visit to Eric Tenney of Tenney Farms. The trip was planned so that the children could plant pumpkin seeds for fall harvest.

Mr. Tenney set aside a garden spot where the students could plant seeds. He then explained that the plants would need to be weeded and watered as they grew. The children were to come to Tenney's over the summer and tend to the plants and carve their names on the growing pumpkins when they were big enough.

According to Mr. Tenney, so far "a couple of people have stopped by to look at them. They are getting watered because they are planted near my own pumpkins." No one has been by to carve any names on the pumpkins and the patch has not been tended. "They'll get a few pumpkins," said Mr. Tenney, "but they'll learn that pumpkin plants need to be taken care of, too."

We would like to thank Sam Harding for running the soccer program for the past several years. Sam's dedication to the Antrim Youth Sports is much appreciated.

TOWN BEACH NEWS

The town beach opened on June 22nd with our 2nd annual Town Beach Clean-Up Day. We would like to express our sincere gratitude to the following Antrim citizens who volunteered their time and effort: Andrew Chapman, Dave and Kristy Boule, Tony Burke, Ronda Davis, Francis and Lori Demers, Phil Dwight, Mike Farley, Harding Plumbing, Liz Lawrence, Scott Martel, Peter Moore, Dale and Robin Quinn, Melissa Schermer, Craig Seavey, and Laurie Stevens. We would like to give special thanks to Jeanice Farley for the fantastic art work in both the rest rooms; it certainly is a big hit!

This year we welcomed five new lifeguards: Hannah Browning and Emily Wilcoxon from Hillsboro, Jessica Hanley from Frankestown, Judson Wheeler from Hancock, and Abby Jackson from Peterborough. We would like to thank Carter and Kevin Proctor for their many years of service and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

As always, the beach season seemed to end much too quickly and we would welcome any suggestions you may have for next year. Please drop us a note at Town Hall or feel free to contact Cathy Burke at 588-8058 or Barbara Nichols at 588-6539.

WE NEED YOU!

The Antrim Parks and recreation Commission currently consists of four members: Cathy Burke, Barbara Nichols, Craig Seavey, and Rich Solito. We would like to have three additional members join us. Several programs are run through the Recreation Commission and it is difficult with just a few volunteers. If you would like to make a difference in your town, please send a letter of interest to: Antrim Parks and Recreation Commission, PO Box 517, Antrim, NH 03440. We look forward to hearing from.



MONADNOCK KNITTERS GUILD

The Knitters Guild meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Tuttle Library from 7 to 9 pm. Knitters of all ages and expertise are welcomed.

GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scout leaders are needed for this fall. If you are interested in being a Junior or Cadet leader, contact Robin Quinn at 588-3209.

CHURCH NEWS



Antrim Presbyterian Church

NOTE: Regular worship hour is 10:30 am.

Sept 7  Hymn Sing and Dessert 6:00 pm

Sept 14 † Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Sept 14 – Nov 30 The Lay Institute (Adult Bible Study)
6:30 – 7:30 pm

The first few meetings will be concerned with basic Bible study techniques. This course is designed for the novice and expert. All are welcome—leader will be the Rev. Dr. Richard Palmer.

Antrim Baptist Church

NOTE: Regular worship hour is 10:30 am.

Sept 14 Rally Day Sunday 9:15 am

Sept 14 † Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Oct 11 Annual Harvest Dinner 5 – 6:30 pm

Corned beef and cabbage, and all the fixings buffet style meat is \$6.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children three to six years, no charge for children under three. Special family rate, maximum of \$18.00 for an entire family.

Church of Christ

† Sunday Worship 10:45 am

Sunday Evening Bible Devotional 6:00 – 7:00 pm

Bible Study

Wednesdays 7:00 – 8:30 pm Pre-teens & Adults

Sundays 9:30 – 10:30 am All Ages

Mondays 10:00 – 11:00 am Women

Tuesdays 7:00 – 8:30 pm Teens

Clothing Swap Shop is open the second and fourth Saturday and is free to all.

Bread of Life is available every Monday at 12 Noon.

Delivery is available. For more information, call Larry Warren, Evangelist, at 588-3491.

Bennington Congregational Church

The Rev. Dr. Dan K. Poling will resume his place in the pulpit on Sunday, September 7.



Vacation Bible School. More than 65 youth participated in the joint Baptist-Presbyterian Vacation Bible School in August. Pastors Cheryl and Charlie Boucher, Pastor Rick Palmer, and Linda Bryer turned the Presbyterian Church into a Wild West Show with the theme of "Discover Western Rodeo Adventures". With helpers from both churches, the children were given the opportunity to have fun, learn of Biblical events, and teachings and to participate in a very exciting week. Music, crafts, videos, new friendships and even horses to ride made the week seem short. (Horses were provided by Beth Merrill). The climax was Friday night with a demonstration of the week's happenings. Thanks to the many people who made this the show of the year.



TUTTLE LIBRARY NEWS

June found us saying good-bye to two staff members—Lynne Nadeau and her family moved from Antrim, and Colleen Duggan went on to become Children's Librarian at the Tucker Free Library in Henniker. They will be missed and we wish them well. We welcome our new staff members, Melissa Lawless and Kim Pfeil.

Also in June, we were notified by the State Library that we were awarded a federal grant under the Library Services and Construction Act Title II Technology Enhancement Program. Along with matching funds raised last year by the Friends of the Library, this will enable us to purchase a public-use computer with CD-ROM and modem for Internet access. We plan to be up and running by mid-1998. Does anyone have a computer table/desk you would like to donate?

A community photography exhibit is planned for the Tuttle Gallery during the month of December. Anyone can submit a photograph—so check your photos for a favorite! Share a favorite photo from your special vacation spot, or a favorite shot of your children or pets. Carry your camera with you in the next few months, the fall season is one full of great photo opportunities. Each photo has to be mounted and/or framed, and at least 5" x 7". Deadline for submissions is November 14 and will accept enough photographs to fill the Gallery. Remember, *this is not a contest* but an opportunity to share a glimpse of life through your eyes. Call the library at 588-6786 if you have any questions.

Scheduled book displays for the coming months are:

September Home Improvement

October Crafts

November Cooking

New spring book purchases include:

FICTION (from the NY Times Best Seller List) by: Cornwell, Steel, DeMille, S. Brown, Frazier, E. George, Siddons, Rutherford, Mayle, and Coulter.

MYSTERIES and other FICTION by Muller, M. Truman, Cookson, Plain, E. Peters, and Garwood.

NON-FICTION includes MARTHA STEWART—JUST DESERTS by Oppenheimer, INTO THIS AIR by Krakauer, and THE PERFECT STORM by Junger.

And for fans of Diana Gabaldon...LADY OF THE GLEN by Jennifer Roberson is the story of the Campbell and MacDonald clans and the Massacre at Glencoe. Diana Gabaldon says of this book "A marvelous tale. Bold and vivid as a MacDonald tartan."

If you missed our annual book sale, we have left-over books, many best sellers, on sale at the Library. Our thanks to Maura Pascucci for organizing and operating our very successful annual book sale. Thank you to all who purchased or donated books and to all who volunteered to help. Lastly, thanks to Peter Moore for the tent. Everyone coming into Antrim was aware that something special was going on under it!



SCHOOL NEWS

Barbara Black

GREAT BROOK SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE.

Thanks to community support, the Student of the Month program at Great Brook School continues to grow. Each month community groups and chaperones have made it possible for outstanding GBS students to participate in special activities.

In June, thirty-two students celebrated their Student of the Year status at Canoby Lake Park. These students maintained a B or better average and participated in an extra-curricular activity each month. They earned two white cards for superior performance and performed four hours of community service monthly for the entire 1996-97 school year.

As school starts up again in September students will again be looking for community service projects. If you are in need of willing hands and lots of youthful energy, call Betty Borry at GBS at 588-6630. She'll be happy to match students with appropriate jobs. There is never a charge for the students' work; they do it to be of service to their community.

INFORMATION SEEKERS. Great Brook School believes in involving students in real-life problem solving and in community projects. In order to facilitate this interaction, there may be times when students will approach businesses and town officials seeking information and/or help.

Part of the learning process is for students to make the contacts and ask the questions. Staff will make every effort to help prepare students to make clear and specific requests and yet keep the integrity of the students' research. Should you be approached by students and need more clarification of the project, please call the school for additional information. GBS phone is 588-6630.

Your support is greatly appreciated. Working together we will help students be an active, positive part of our community.

WELCOME ABOARD! This year Great Brook School will welcome its largest fifth grade class ever. In an effort to blend six classes of fifth graders from four different towns, the staff has planned several special activities. The first partial weeks of school will be spent getting to know their homeroom groupings and new teachers.

The week of September 8th has been set aside as FIFTH GRADE WEEK. Students will get to know other fifth graders and Great Brook School better. Each day students will solve a riddle which will take them to an important part of GBS. There they will meet the personnel (secretary, nurse, etc.) and participate in a group building activity.

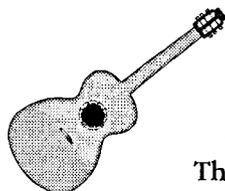
On Wednesday night, September 10th, all fifth graders and their families are invited to a pot luck picnic to get to know each other. We welcome this chance to meet the newest members of our Great Brook Community.

GBS WELCOMES NEW TEACHERS *continued*

Ms. Hobbs retired last year as school nurse and will be replaced by Ms. Linda Compton, R. N. Ms. Compton has over 17 years of diversified nursing experience including clinical nursing and management. She worked with the Hillsborough-Deering district for the past three years before accepting the position with GBS. Her expertise in health and wellness education will be an asset to students and staff.

Recent graduate from Antioch New England Graduate School, Ms. Kerry Rosenthal, will be added to the grade 8 team as a result of increased student enrollment. Ms. Rosenthal will team teach with Ms. Cook to offer an integrated program of basic core academics to selected groups of eighth graders. GBS teachers are eager to take advantage of her strong background in science and expertise in environmental education and music.

Finally, Mr. Scott Baldwin is replacing Ms. Debra Damelio as one of GBS's two physical education teachers. Mr. Baldwin is a Keene State graduate and has taught physical education in the Stratford Public School since 1994. He has experience as a coach and as an athletic director. GBS enthusiastically welcomes Mr. Baldwin and all new teachers to its faculty. These positive additions to an already strong, competent staff show promise for another successful year for students at Great Brook School.



LiveOak

Fall offerings of the LiveOak Concert series will take place November 21-23. The concerts will include songs, and solos for classical guitar by Britten, Rodrigo, Walton, and Wallace.

New CD

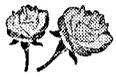
LiveOak and Company's new quartet CD (Centaur Records) of Renaissance music of Spain is now available directly from LiveOak or from the Thirsty Ear in Peterborough.

Lessons

LiveOak offers individual and group lessons in guitar starting with children as young as 5; and in voice starting with children as young as 9. For information call 588-6121.

ANTRIM MEDICAL GROUP

A severely asthmatic person in Antrim would benefit from having a battery-operated ride-on cart for daily needs. The Antrim Medical Group would be grateful to hear from anyone who knows of a used cart for donation or low-cost sale. Please phone 588-4200 and ask for Ginny.



ANTRIM GARDEN CLUB

- Sept 22 1:00 pm. Meet at the Baptist Church, then travel to Frost Farm in Dublin for a spectacular Sunflower display. Hostess to be announced.
- Oct 27 1:00 pm. Meet at the Baptist Church, then travel to Sharon Art Center for exhibit, followed by a visit to the new Art Center Shop in Peterborough. Finally, to the home of Evelyn Perry for meeting and refreshments. Hostesses: Evelyn Perry and Helen Hammond.
- Nov 17 1:00 pm. Meet at Antrim Village, speaker to be announced. Hostesses: Mimi Phaneuf and Pat Couture.
- Dec 1 12 Noon. Meet at Rynborn's for lunch and Merry Christmas gift exchange.

NORTH BRANCH CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

The Association announces two activities:

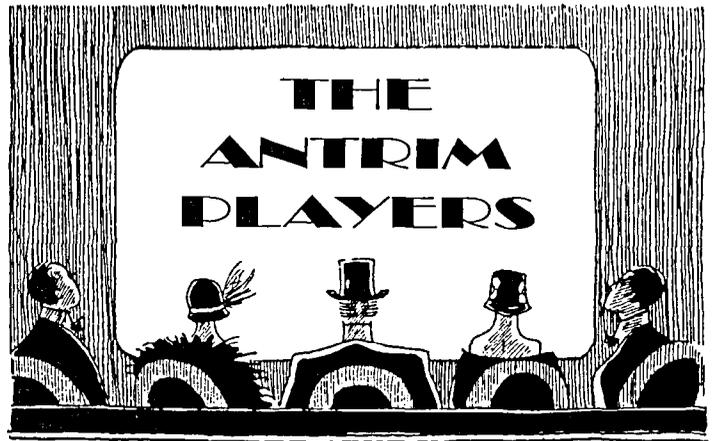
1. On September 13th, on a first-come first-served basis, you may pick up a supper of home-baked beans, rolls, and apple pie, available from 9:30 am until supplies are exhausted. Alternately, the supper may be delivered to your home. For more information, phone Joyce, 588-2296 (evenings); Martha, 588-6803, or Priscilla, 588-6748.
2. Throughout the year, the Association will be selling raffle tickets for a beautiful quilt, hand made by Priscilla Owen. The quilt is full-sized and the color scheme is of shades of blue, rose, and off-white. The drawing is scheduled for October, 1988.



ANTRIM IN THE EVENING continued

Thanks also, to the many people whose time and effort helped make this summer a success: Dotty Penny and all the sundae servers at the Ice Cream Social; Nina Harding and Izi Nichols for their home-made donuts, coffee cakes and shortcakes, and all the folks who helped pick, prepare and serve strawberry shortcakes; Herm Maynard for organizing the Soap Box Derby and Sam Harding for the softball game; The Antrim Order of Odd Fellows who prepared another great Bar-B-Q; Pat Webber and the Memorial Park Committee who took care of so many details to be sure the park was always ready for the next show; and the concert committee of Mary Sawich, Dean Proctor and Jonas Taub.

Most important, thanks to everyone who came to the shows, smiled, relaxed, tapped their toes or danced, sang along or visited with friends, enjoyed dessert or a picnic, played with friends or sat by the pond. We'll meet again next summer by the Bandstand.



The summer of 1997 saw the Antrim Players performing in different venues. A one-act play by the late Don Madden, "Greystone on the Rocks" was performed at the Monadnock Arts Festival in Peterborough on July 19, and at the Maplehurst Inn on July 26. A comedy-memoir of the opening of Greystone Lodge in 1913, the cast included Players' veterans Betsy Olson, Jane Winslow, Paul Dugan, Dan Holmes, Mary Fraser, Erin Proctor, Dave Penny, Bill Harris, Jim Harris, and Newcomers Tom Beaumont and Thea Stelmach. It was directed by Bill Nichols, who also sang in a barbershop quartet with Dave Penny, Dean Proctor and Dick Winslow. Dick wrote the song, "Welcome City Boarders" for the original performance of the play in 1977 at Antrim's Bicentennial Celebration.

The players are looking forward to celebrating their 80th anniversary in the summer of 1998 with a block-buster musical, the title to be revealed at a later date. A fall production is also in the works; watch local newspapers for time and place.

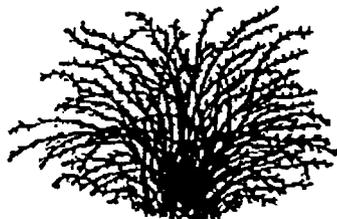
AN UNUSUAL FESTIVITY

For the evening prior to their September 20th wedding, Catherine Harriman (daughter of Lois and Smith Harriman) and Christian Leppin have invited guests to attend a *POLTERABEND*, a custom of Christian's native Germany. This festivity is described as follows:

On the evening before the wedding relatives, neighbors, friends, co-workers and other well wishers come to the couple's home or a restaurant to celebrate with the couple their upcoming nuptials and last night of being single. The guests bring porcelain (usually dishes, mugs, clay pots, etc. that they have around the house and would like to get rid of). Once at the party, the guests take their porcelain and break it by throwing it on the ground in a designated area. The couple that is to be married, then has to sweep the shambles away. The translation of the German saying goes, "broken dishes bring luck".

[It sure beats washin' them. Editor.]

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- SEPT**
- 3 Church of Christ – Bible Study (Pre-teens & Adults) 7 pm
 - 7 Antrim Presbyterian Church Hymn Sing and Dessert 6 pm
 - 7 Church of Christ – Bible Study (All Ages) 9:30 am
 - 7 Church of Christ – Sunday Worship 10:45 am
 - 7 Church of Christ – Sunday Evening Bible Devotional 6 pm
 - 8 Fifth Grade Week – GBS
 - 8 Church of Christ – Bible study (Women) 10 am
 - 9 Antrim Woman's Club Meeting – Baptist Church Fellowship Hall 1:30 pm
 - 9 Church of Christ – Bible Study (Teens) 7 pm
 - 10 Pot Luck Picnic – GBS Fifth Graders and families
 - 13 North Branch Cemetery Association Supper
 - 14 Antrim Baptist Church – Rally Day Sunday 9:15 am
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"Men and Women You Should Have Known: Nineteenth Century Residents of Antrim"
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- NOV**
- 17 Antrim Garden Club – Meet at Antrim Village 1 pm
- DEC**
- 17-23 LiveOak Concert Series
 - 1 Antrim Garden Club – Christmas Lunch at the Rynborn 12 noon

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