

**BORN ON CHRISTMAS DAY**

The following true story was written by  
a resident of Antrim Village

To begin my Christmas story, I must tell you that I was born in the era of coal burning fires (no central heating then). This information is important to the story told me when I was a little tot.

My mother every night banked the fire before going to bed, with paper, sticks and burned cinders from the day's fire, and a little fresh coal on top. In the mornings she lit it with a match to start the fire going to heat the house.

It was Christmas morning (97 years ago) when my mother went to the grate to light the fire. On the hearthstone she found a dirty black cloth, all wrapped up, that she hadn't put there the night before. When she unwrapped it, she was surprised to hear a sound like a baby crying. That baby (so I was told) was me, Margaret Kirk. You see Santa Claus sent that baby down the chimney as a Christmas gift for my mother, as he knew that my mother was so anxious to have a little baby girl.

As the years went by, my little friends were told the story. But as they grew older, they began to disbelieve it. To make me happy, since I still believed it, my mother arranged a little party during Christmas week, and invited all my little friends to attend. To convince the children that Santa Claus still existed, my mother had cooked up a plan...

My mother gathered all the children around the fireplace, and told them that because I was Santa's special girl, I could call up the chimney and ask him to please send me what I wanted for Christmas. What I wanted was a naked doll, so my mother could make nice clothes. Meanwhile, my father, who was an engineer, had fastened a wire starting in the kitchen, which extended through the chimney and led to the fireplace. On the end of the wire hung a naked doll. As the children stood around the fireplace in great expectation, my father (who couldn't be seen) pulled gently on the wire. Slowly down came first the feet, then the legs, until the whole doll was in sight. The children stood dumbfounded.

When they left that party, they were fully convinced that Santa was still around.

Margaret Kirk

**SELECTMEN'S REPORT**

The Board of Selectmen had a busy autumn. The \$350,000 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the renovation of the Aiken House has been approved. The Board is still considering who to name as the Grant Administrator. At the end of September the Selectmen accepted and awarded four pieces of tax-deeded property to the highest bidder. At this writing, three of the four parcels have transferred to the new owners, getting them back on the tax rolls. One bidder withdrew his bid.

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**GOOD NEWS**

A \$350,000 Block Grant to renovate Aiken House, plans by Frameworks, Inc. for an Antrim enterprise employing, for starters, twenty people; use of the 1868 brick building on Water Street, for Cogworks; and plans for a small Telecommunications operation in the 1895 brick building at the foot of Goodell Hill -- all add up to very good news for Antrim.

Separate items about the Block Grant, Frameworks, Cogworks, and the Telecommunications operation appear elsewhere in this issue.

Such things ramify. Not only does success breed success but it is already clear that renovations to Aiken House, made possible by the \$350,000 Block Grant, will solve both the expansion-space and parking problems for next door Tuttle Library.

**AIKEN BARN TRUST**

On October 9th, the directors of the Aiken Barn Trust became the owners of the Charles Jackson property on Aiken Street, known as the Aiken Barn. The financing needed to fund the purchase was obtained through a mortgage loan from the New Hampshire Community Loan Fund and the generous donations and loans of twenty-five Antrim citizens and some former residents who raised \$17,075. The day after the closing about twenty volunteers offered their time and labor in a major outdoor cleanup of the property. To those who donated supplies and equipment, a large thank you.

An improved heating system (the house has electric heat) and some structural repairs are still needed. The parking site behind the Barn and the Library will be graded with a walkway to the rear of the library soon. Loans or donations to fund some of these expenses remains an urgent need. Loans can still be arranged through the NH Community Loan Fund. The

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**ROGER BROOKS AND HIS WALL**

LYMAN GILMORE

*One theory says a work of art cannot have any practical function but must exist in and of itself, being perhaps beautiful, but certainly giving pleasure, at least to some people. This story is about such a work of art.*

"I'm a big dreamer. I make pictures in my mind. I can close my eyes and see what I want to see clearly. And I'm a stubborn person, I have lots of will power. If I dream of something that I want to do, I do it. One thing I've always wanted to do is build a wall."

Roger Brooks' dream began in 1961 when he was thirteen years old. One spring afternoon his mother, his stepfather (who played the guitar), and his Uncle Harold (who played the harmonica) took Roger up Meeting House Hill Road in

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## JUDY PRATT

One of Antrim's most distinguished citizens died in Mid-November. Judy Pratt, who grew up in Antrim, was known to many for her long-time chairing of our Planning Board, for her extraordinary knowledge of Antrim history and for her volunteer work at Great Brook School. What was not at all widely known was that she had been a very generous contributor to Tuttle Library and the Grapevine, that she held a PhD in Zoology from Duke University and, until her retirement in 1981, had been a faculty member at the University of Kentucky Medical School. Even less well known was that, to quote a nephew, "along with her career and civic activities, she maintained close family ties serving as advisor and providing a home-away-from-home, and even a second home, for her nieces and nephews and their children." We have been enriched by her presence amongst us.

Editor

## Selectmen's Report

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The Board has held several meetings with Police Chief Brian Brown, in an effort to assist him with hiring a new police officer to replace Sgt. Cavic. As of this writing we believe a contingent offer of employment has been made and accepted.

If you had problems telephoning the town hall from Tuesday 11/3/98 to Tuesday 11/10/98 it was due to the old phone system failing. We have since installed a new modern system that will be able to grow with the changing needs of the town.

The 1999 budget season is coming up! The deadline for submission of department heads, committees or organizational public hearings concerning the budget in mid-January and mid-February, the exact dates will be posted in the future. If you have any suggestions please feel free to call the selectmen's office during normal business hours and speak to your town administrator Kelley Collins at 588-6785.

The selectmen are still looking for active / concerned citizens to serve as alternate members on the Zoning Board of Adjustment or as full members on the A.R.T.S. (Antrim Recycling & Transfer Station) Committee. If you have any interest in serving on a town board or committee, please send a short note of introduction and interest to the Selectmen's Office at PO box 517, Antrim, NH 03440. For convenience, the following is a list of Town Hall closings for the Christmas and New Year Holidays:

Thursday, December 24, 1998

Friday, December 25, 1998

Friday, January 1, 1999

As always the Selectmen invite you to attend their regular Monday evening meetings which begin at 6 pm. If you have a specific area of concern please call 588-6785 in advance to be placed on the meeting agenda so we don't keep you waiting.

Tim Seeger for the Board of Selectmen

## NEW CONTRIBUTORS

The LIMRIK welcomes to its contributors two Antrim Conval Students, Mary Chauncey and Jenny McGinnis. Mary and Jenny volunteered to work with the LIMRIK as part of Conval's Community Action Project. Their articles appear elsewhere in this issue.

## TOWN HISTORY REVISITED

by Isabel B. Nichols

### THE HURRICANE OF 1938

"Wed. evening, 9/21/38. Line storm? I'll say so! Poured in torrents all night so that a river 6 ft wide came down the brook bed so far over the path to the W.C. that we didn't try to make it but borrowed the Tougase's." Thus begins a series of letters to Dr. Elizabeth Fleming written by her mother who was stranded at White Birch Point.

Sixty years ago the town of Antrim experienced the most savage storm it has ever seen. A nameless hurricane swept up the eastern sea coast unheralded, leaving 680 persons dead in its wake. Antrim's populace escaped injury but the damaged to buildings, bridges and forest lands was so extensive that timber salvage and bridge repair were still in process a year later. Fortunately for a town barely out of the Great Depression, the State of New Hampshire and the Federal government offered financial aid. This created jobs for out-of-work young men, proving again that some good may come out of disaster.

The following account is taken from the September 22nd issue of the ANTRIM REPORTER:

"Rising flood waters and a howling hurricane that far surpassed any storm in the history of this town, completely isolated Antrim from the outside world for two days and nights. Flood water far above the mark of the flood of '36, washed out some roads and covered others to such an extent that they were impassable. When the hurricane struck, trees and lights and telephone poles were uprooted and thrown about like match sticks and when the storm had passed a network of interwoven tree trunks, branches, poles and wires completely blocked every road in town. The force of the hurricane at its height was unbelievable, huge trees toppled like ten-pins, buildings were crushed like egg shells, and boards, slates, roof and branches were tossed about as if thrown by gigantic hands. Sheets of tin from roofs were scaled through the air with enough force to decapitate a person and daylight found these sheets of metal blown, to incredible distances and in some instances hung in tree tops forty feet above the ground.

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Because of the impassable roads, it was impossible to receive food supplies until Friday and there was a shortage of bread and the meat supply ran low. Fortunately, the water supply was all right at all times. Mail service was cut off and there were no newspapers available, which, with the loss of radio and telephone communication left Antrim without contact with any other community.

Practically every able bodied man and boy in Antrim went to work to clear the streets of debris left by the storm and by Thursday noon, nearly ever street was passable. A path the width of an automobile was first chopped clear and later the whole road was cleared. Washouts in the road were filled wherever possible and by Friday morning it was possible to drive to Keene and Hillsboro through North Branch. Although passable now, these roads will not be in the best of condition for quite some time.

Miraculously no one was seriously hurt, and the bright sunshine on Thursday morning found everyone out viewing the carnage, eager for news, and happy to be alive. Aesthetically the greatest damage to the town was the loss of the maple trees along Main Street.

Although many citizens suffered financial loss in the devastation of buildings and standing timber, they felt almost lucky when they learned that Peterborough had been struck not only by flood and hurricane, but by a disastrous fire which wiped out much of lower Main Street. Some local citizens had unfortunately been stranded there at the time of the storm."

The Fleming family had summered for many years at the top of White Birch Point. Mrs. Fleming's letter continues:

"Dad went to the mail, reported the water over the road in 6 places & impassable for a car in 2. Saw a Cuddihy nephew who told him bridges were out, a big tree across the road between Clinton & the village & no mail would be up. Dad told them we were getting short of provisions & he said we could get many things at the Waumbek. .... They're afraid of our dam going out. I thought we ought to pack & go but Dad said if it went, they'd soon rebuild it & we'd row to the Waumbek (a summer hotel) for food! It has rained great guns since then & since 6 we seem to be having the tail of the hurricane. It has been 69° about all day but is now 60°. Dry areas now less & less but have high hopes rain is now over.

Thur. A.M. Elton (Elton Ellis, a near neighbor) has 15 trees down & ell torn off. Huge tree fell across road at curve, would have crushed girls car if they were there ... Road hopelessly gullied on curve. We're in till tree is removed. Wires are on 2 felled trees. We have 7 trees down, no damage.

Sun. 5 P.M. E.S.T. Froze last night tho 46° this A.M but high wind. Me for cotton flannel tonite ... We are in the kitchen all day for while we have 'wood to burn' it is too green to burn well & is a one man job to keep the fireplace going ... Only thing we're apt to be short of is oil so must write in daylight."

Through these letters runs a spirit of adventure and ingenuity that exemplifies the feeling of the whole community. Natural disasters can't be blamed on the government; survival instincts must rule the day, and with other tortured towns the people of antrim gamely rose to the occasion that September of 1938. (For further reading, see pages 151-155 in "Parades and Promenades", the Antrim Reporter, September 22, 1938, and subsequent issues, both available in the Library. The Fleming letters are in the archival collection of the Historical Society.)

## ANTRIM POLICE

"Get ready for another winter wonderland." I think I know why they say that, because while you are driving down the road this time of year, you might say to yourself, "I wonder why I'm not stopping?" or "I wonder why the car seems to be sliding sideways?" or "I wonder why I can't see that well through this frosted window?"

Let's all remember as in years past that we need to get started just a little early in the morning to allow the vehicle to warm up and the windows to defrost or get scraped off. Trips we make to school, to work and everywhere else just take longer. It isn't that they are now farther away, it's just that now you're making these trips in the dark, with maybe wet leaves on the road, or black ice, or snow. Also remember that young people are out in the dark, waiting for the bus or walking the roads.

As the winter progresses, roads tend to get narrower which means the driver of every vehicle has to be more alert. Take time at stop signs: your vision might be slightly impaired by snowbanks or the sun glistening off freshly fallen snow.

Let's all set the example by wearing seatbelts. For all under the age of eighteen it is now a requirement by law.

So as we all wonder how we're going to make it through another glorious winter, let's take the time to be as safe as we can possibly be. Wouldn't that just be WONDERFUL!!

**Happy Holidays, Brian A. Brown, Chief.**

## SCHOOL BOARD

Antrim School Board representative, Jane Ellsworth, reports that she is a member of the Budget and Properties Committee and that the preliminary budget draft is out, based on all of the needs of the schools in the district, including the Special Education program. There will be several hearings on this. The renovation of, and addition to, the Antrim Elementary School will be coming up next year. Anyone interested in sitting on this committee is urged to call Jane, 588-3722. J. A. Roy Associates, in charge of the search for a Superintendent, has sent out 30-40 application packets to interested candidates -- replies are yet to come in. Our second representative to the Board is Jane Miller who replaces Ray Cote. Please contact either of these reps if you have questions or problems regarding your school system.

## RICHARD HERMAN, STATE REP

Dear Antrim Friends and Neighbors,

Many thanks for your support in the recent election, especially to Gordon Allen who's a hard act to follow! I hope to be a good representative for you and look forward to hearing your opinions about big and small issues alike, and becoming a strong informed voice for you in the NH legislature.

The big issue of the moment is finding a long-term, sustainable, fair method for funding education. I don't believe we need to wait two more years to find an equitable solution, especially when you consider we've already been examining the tax question for more than thirty years! So please take a moment to write and let me know specifically what you believe is the best way to fund our children's education. I'll pass the word along when the legislature convenes in January.

Button up for the cold winds about to arrive, keep warm and be in touch:

Richard Herman, State Representative District 1  
RR2 Box 165, Windsor, NH 03244

## ANTRIM NEXT

On November 5th more than fifty Antrimites brought their pot luck contributions, their enthusiasm, and their ideas to the six month follow up meeting of Antrim Next.

Representatives from each initiative gave a brief overview of their projects now in process. Reports on The Antrim Arts & Business Council and Antrim CARES projects are below. The After-School/Evening Activities Group has joined with The Friends of Recreation.

In addition to the initiative reports, John Vance Sr., Pat Webber, and Rick Nannicelli addressed the group. John Vance Sr., director of Monadnock Business Ventures, offered his support to Antrim's development efforts. He stressed the need to coordinate efforts and he shared information on two modest grants for which Antrim might be eligible.

Pat Webber came seeking strong backs to wield shovels and picks to dig trenches to enable lighting to be installed at Memorial Park before winter. High School community Service students and members of the Friends of Rec weekend work group were suggested as possible helpers. If you see lights in the Park, you'll know the project was successful.

Great Brook Principal Rick Nannicelli reviewed the beginnings of Antrim Next. A community profile was initiated as part of Great Brook's participation in CO-SEED, a systematic effort to develop a real-life student curriculum. This is based on meeting specific needs of both school and community. He reviewed programs already in place at GBS and encouraged the community groups to involve students in their projects. GBS students have tremendous energy. If the project is too big for middle schoolers, teachers will try to find a position that students can do. GBS wants to get students out into the community so they can learn by doing.

Some common initiative efforts, such as investigating "Plan New Hampshire", became evident. It was suggested that notebooks containing minutes of the various groups be available at various town locations. Thus townspeople could know what was happening and groups could work together on joint projects.

### ARTS & BUSINESS COUNCIL

The Antrim Arts & Business Council has identified some key areas of focus. It has divided into sub-committees pursuing five initiatives. One sub-committee is working on an application for the "Plan New Hampshire" program. Each year, this competitive program provides a few fortunate towns with free professional planning services. This sub-committee is also investigating the possibility of applying for Main Street America, a small-town revitalization program.

Another sub-committee is focused on creating a comprehensive community directory, including businesses, artists, crafts people, and a variety of other town resources.

Yet another group is investigating the possibility of a town-wide festival or annual event, possibly held in conjunction with Tenney Farm.

Two other sub-committees are focusing on downtown. One is working with an existing town committee to explore broader utilization of Town Hall. Another has connected with the new owner of the former Chicago Cutlery facility to explore possible uses for the portion of the property fronting Main Street.

For more information on any of these Arts & Business initiatives, please contact David Essex (588-3038) or Andy Paul (588-8361). The Arts & Business Council meets at 7:00 pm the third Wednesday of each month in the Little Town Hall. New members are always welcome!

## ANTRIM CARES

Over 60 bags of trash were collected during the second Adopt a Highway roadside clean up on November 1st. Fourteen community members donned bright orange vests to clean the two mile stretch of Route 202. Spenser Garret coordinated the project with the state Department of Transportation. Cindy Crockett and Chris Rawnsley provided refreshments.

Community members took this occasion to do their own clean up projects. Ruth Benedict, Aaron and Emily Taub and Claire Lowenthal initiated a post-Halloween roadside clean up along Summer Street and in front of the post office. Great Brook fifth graders cleaned Memorial Park and the area behind the town hall.

Many hands make light work. Come join us for the spring clean up! Check the next issue of the LIMRIK for date and time.

We are in the process of developing a plan for spring planting of lilacs and wildflowers. The Department of Transportation Wildflower and the Governor's Lilac Programs offer communities wildflower seeds and lilacs as well as planting advice. If you have town sites to suggest, please let the committee know.

The Memorial Park Project is well underway. Great Brook School is applying for a Youth Gardening Grant which supplies equipment and seeds for joint school/community planting projects. Community members who would like to donate shrubs in memory of a loved one, should contact Pat Webber, chairperson of the Memorial Park Committee.

Antrim CARES is reviewing information regarding joining the Tree City program and participating in Plan New Hampshire. Plan New Hampshire provides assistance from professional planners to specific towns. Townspeople decide the project/s which they want to accomplish. The planners help develop strategies to accomplish these goals.

The main agenda item for the December meeting will be discussing ways to expand the town recycling effort, perhaps to include Styrofoam and paper.

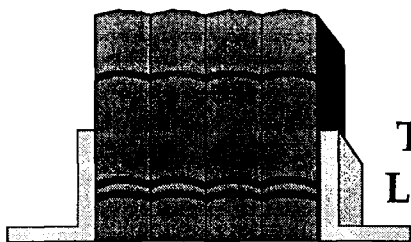
Antrim CARES meets the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the Little Town Hall. Everyone is invited to attend. Changing the date of the December meeting was being considered at the time of publication. Please call Cindy Crockett (588-2723) or Andy Chapman (588-3912) for an update on that change or if you have any questions or input on the committee's projects.

## MINIATURE FIREHOUSE RAFFLE

The lucky winner was Gary Schultz of Cambridge, MA. His prize was a miniature 8' by 12' firehouse to be used as a storage shed or playhouse. The Antrim Firefighters delivered it to his summer home in Antrim. People commented on the great job done by those who put it in place.

The Antrim Firefighters Auxiliary and the Great Brook 7th graders (and their teachers) worked together on this community project. It was completed by the 7th graders with help from local carpenters. The building resembled Antrim's firehouse on Clinton Road - white and red.

The auxiliary netted \$815.00 from this raffle. The money goes to build our inventory of food staples and necessary equipment to prepare and serve food at fires. Our thanks to many who helped us and those who purchased tickets.



## TUTTLE LIBRARY

If you missed Harry Lowenthal's concert in October, don't despair - we hope to have a repeat performance next year! Harry provided an afternoon of family singing and fun to all who attended.

### PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Mary Payne continues to read to toddlers and preschoolers on alternate Friday mornings (9:30 am). The schedule for December and January is: Dec 4 and 18, Jan 8 and 22.

### PROGRAMS

On December 19 from 1-2:30 pm, the Library will sponsor a kids' holiday craft workshop for children 5 and up. Kids will be able to make simple paper or felt ornaments for holiday decorating. They must be able to manipulate scissors and use glue, and we ask that parents attend with their children. If you would like to help us with this workshop, please call the library to volunteer. The Poetry Contest for Kids has been postponed until next year.

### ADOPT-A-BOOK PROGRAM

This year we are asking community members to ADOPT-A-CLASSIC as so many of our classics have been loved and read to death. Stop in at the library to check the list of books we need, and if your favorite book is on the list, please consider purchasing it and donating it to the library.

### PUBLIC ACCESS COMPUTER

If you don't have a computer at home or access to the Internet, come in and check it out at the library. Unlimited Internet access is provided free of charge to the library by ConkNet, a subsidiary of MCT Telecom. Now, everyone in town can be "wired" to the Net. A wealth of information from around the

## PRIZE WINNING MUSICIANS

Congratulations to Antrim's Brendan Block and Sharon Dowling, who participated in music competitions at the new Hampshire Highland Games in September! The Games were held at Loon Mountain Ski Area, September 18-20. Brendan participated in the New England Junior Scottish Fiddle Championship, a competition for musicians under 18 from the United States and Canada. He won First Place and took home awards for the Best Strathspey (a type of Scottish musical piece) and Best Selection of Tunes. As a result of winning that competition, he was entered in the national competition. Though he didn't place, he made a great showing and was awarded honors as the Best New Competitor and the Judge's Favorite. Sharon Dowling won first place in the Senior Novice division of the harp competition. Congratulations again to these talented Antrim Residents!

world is available on the Internet, and it allows even libraries in small towns to offer the same level of service as other, larger libraries. You don't need to know anything about computers or the Internet because library staff will be happy to help get you started.

### HOLIDAYS

The library will be closed Thursday December 24 (Christmas Eve) and Friday, Dec 25 Christmas Day); and will open at noon on Saturday, Dec 26. We will also be open from 2-5 on Thursday, Dec 31 (New Year's Eve) and Friday, Jan 1 (New Year's Day) from 2-5.

### BOOK DISPLAYS

December: "Winter Holidays"

### NEW FICTION

Tom Clancy, *RAINBOW*; Stephen King, *BAG OF BONES*; Jayne Ann Krentz, *FLASH*; Richard Patterson, *NO SAFE PLACE*; Sidney Sheldon, *TELL ME YOUR DREAMS*; Andrew Greeley, *A MIDWINTER'S TALE*; Johanna Lindsay, *THE PRESENT*; James Patterson, *WHEN THE WIND BLOWS*; Ken Follett, *HAMMER OF EDEN*; Barbara Kingsolver, *THE POISONWOOD BIBLE*; Anne Rice, *THE VAMPIRE ARMAND*; Faye Kellerman, *MOON MUSIC*; Nora Roberts, *THE REEF*; Catherine Coulter, *DECEPTION*; Nicholas Evans, *THE LOCKET*; Danielle Steele, *MIRROR IMAGE*; Rebecca Wells, *DIVINE SECRETS OF THE YA-YA SISTERHOOD*.

### NEW SCIENCE FICTION & FANTASY

McKillop, *SONG FOR THE BASILISK*; Bradley, *HEARTLIGHT*; Andre Norton, *SCENT OF MAGIC*; Gordon Dickson, *DRAGON IN LYONESSE*; Duncan, *GILDED CHAIN*; Jordan, *PATH OF DAGGERS*.

### NEW MYSTERIES

by Bruce Alexander, Lawrence Block, Simon Brett, W.J. Burley, Mary Higgins Clark, Jeanne Dams, Diane Mott Davidson, Michael Dibdin, Dick Francis, Sue Henry, Carolyn Hart, Tony Hillerman, Archer Mayor, Robert Parker, Sharon Kay Penman, Anne Perry, Elizabeth Peters, Dana Stabenow, Aimee Thurlo, Margaret Yorke.

### NEW NON-FICTION

Joyce Maynard, *AT HOME IN THE WORLD* (Biog.); Danielle Steele, *HIS BRIGHT LIGHT* (Biog.); Stephen Ambrose, *VOYAGE OF DISCOVERY* (Lewis & Clark Expedition); *DAVE BARRY TURNS 50*; *HOW TO TALK SO KIDS WILL LISTEN AND LISTEN SO KIDS WILL TALK*; Reeve Lindbergh, *UNDER WING: A MEMOIR*; Weeks, *THE LOST TOME: KV5*; Patricia Cornwell, *SCARPETTA'S WINTER TABLE*; The Breast Cancer Prevention Guide.

### BOOKS OF INTEREST TO KIDS AND YOUNG ADULTS

Barron, *THE FIRES OF MERLIN* (bk 3 in series); Jan Brett, *THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS*; Hunter, *THE KING'S SWIFT RIDER*; Macaulay, *THE NEW WAY THINGS WORK*; Paulsen, *SOLDIER'S HEART*; Rinaldi, *CAST 2 SHADOWS*; Rylant, *BEAR DAY*; *MYSTERY IN BUGTOWN* (An Eyeball Animation book); *THE TEENY-TINY TEACHER*; Pinkwater, *BONGO LARRY*; Mitton, *TERRIFIC TRAINS*.



## THE RECREATION CENTER

- Adult co-ed volleyball, open to all, Tuesdays 7 pm
- After school fun for AES students  
Tuesdays and Thursdays 3:15-5 pm
- Line dancing Mondays, 7-9 pm
- Also, look for adult classes, basketball tournament, sports and crafts, a movie night, dances and floor hockey.

The Center needs: trash cans, pool sticks, pool balls, a bumper pool table, toilet plunger, movies, card table, games, jump ropes and Chinese jump ropes, crayons, markers, coloring books, bulletin board, art supplies and a refrigerator. Donations will be gratefully received. Call 588-3121 for information.

## ANTRIM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Carole Webber, curator of the Society's collection, reports that the recent exhibit of the work of local artisans, past and present, displayed upstairs at the Tuttle Library, was most successful, with an unusual number of visitors. On September 27 several of the exhibitors presented an interesting program during which they disclosed their methods or working, including Barbara Shea, Liz Lawrence, Gordon Jennison, Bob Allison and Ed Sprague.

In January a new exhibit will be in place, featuring the history of the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. An open meeting will be held at a later date, when long-time firemen will discuss the changes in the Town's fire protection since its beginning in 1850.

On Sunday, February 21, at 2 pm, a panel discussion of maple sugaring will be held in the Little Town Hall.

Book sales of *A STROLL THROUGH ANTRIM, NH* have been most gratifying in the year and a half since publication. There are still copies available; we appreciate the help of the Tuttle Library, Puckerbrush Barn and the Maplehurst Inn in selling these books at no profit to themselves.

### ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CARD COLLECTION FOR THE RESCUE SQUAD

From Thanksgiving weekend until Dec 19th AWC members will be manning the card table at Wayno's, collecting donations and signatures for the Antrim Rescue Squad. This has been an ongoing service project for many years, and most Antrimites are familiar with the annual "Christmas Card". This gives us all a chance to show our appreciation to the volunteers of our local squad, and the monies collected have been put to good use for new equipment. Thanks again to Wayno for allowing us space INSIDE the store for this project!

## ANTRIM WOMAN'S CLUB

### SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Once again the Antrim Woman's Club is offering book scholarships for Antrim and Bennington students attending institutions of higher education, who will complete at least their first full semester by December 31, 1998. The AWC has a limited fund for these scholarships, and asks that only those students truly in need of assistance apply. Application deadline is December 31, 1998 and will be strictly adhered to. Application information must be picked up at Antrim's Tuttle Library during open hours, Monday through Saturday. No information will be mailed or given out over the phone.

### MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

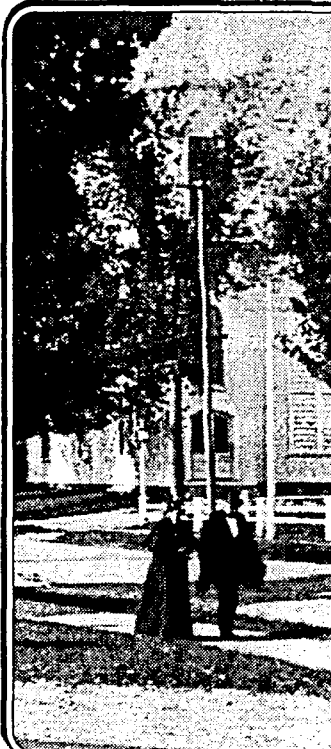
The September meeting of the AWC featured representatives from Antrim Elementary and Great Brook schools. Each fall the AWC presents a check to both schools, to be used in any beneficial manner desired by the staff, and it is always a pleasure to hear what was accomplished with the previous year's gifts, as well as become acquainted with the projects, teachers and students of our schools.

October brought Chief Brian Brown of the Antrim Police speaking about various frauds and scams waiting to snare the unwary. Our deep thanks to Chief Brown for a fascinating and enlightening program - it was almost scarier than Halloween!

Future meetings and programs include the following:

- Nov 10th "Native Americans" by Athea Slango
- Dec 8th Annual Christmas luncheon at noon.  
No regular business meeting.
- Jan 12th "Rocks and Gems" by Don Maughan of "Don's Designs"
- Feb 9th "Wedding Memories" - all members to bring mementos and/or anecdotes of their own or other memorable weddings.

All regular meetings are to be held at the Antrim Baptist Church beginning with a brief business meeting at 1 pm, program to follow. New members or interested guests are always welcome! All regular meetings and programs are open to the public.



## *A Stroll Through Antrim, New Hampshire*

by the

**Antrim Historical Society**

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On sale at the Toadstool Bookshop,  
Antrim Library, Puckerbrush Barn,  
and Maplehurst Inn

To order by mail, add \$1.50 p&h,  
make check payable to *Antrim  
Historical Society*, and send to  
Izi Nichols, 10 Depot St.,  
Antrim, NH 03440

## HALLOWEEN BLOCK PARTY

Although spooked by a faulty generator such that the event had to be illuminated by truck lights and flashlights, the third Annual Halloween Block Party was a rousing success at Touchstone Square. Members of the Antrim Fire Department and many individual volunteers were enormously helpful.

Gerry Lindsay, who just moved to Antrim in June, organized the party. "I wanted to see it done for the town and the kids," she said. Lindsay had responded to a note in the Limrik that someone was needed to run the event, which has in the past been organized by Charlie Boucher.

She explained the Block Party to local merchants and asked for their support. "Everyone I talked to was happy to help out somehow."

Cutter Construction of Hancock owns Touchstone Square and let the town use the property. On Halloween, the stores and restaurants in town were open from 5-7:30 for trick-or-treating. The Block Party itself was held from 6-8:30. The biggest event was the Moon Bouncer, but there were also a number of games for children put on by the Antrim Girl's Shelter and volunteers. There were carnival games, a fun-house mirror, football toss and ring toss. There were also contests for best costume, biggest cookie, best tasting pumpkin cookie, best tasting pumpkin pie, jack-o-lantern carving and mask-design.

Sponsors included T-Bird, Charlie's Small Engine (who also furnished a popcorn machine for the night), Wayno's, Edmund's, MCT Telecom, Shearlocks, Great Brook Vet Clinic, Granite Bank, Tyler's Small Engine and Puckerbrush Barn. Lindsay was surprised and very grateful that, early the following morning, the site had been mysteriously and completely cleared of debris. Something to do with benign goblins.

Mary Chauncey

## ANTRIM PLAYERS

The Players will be taking a much-needed rest during the winter months following a busy and successful season that included several presentations. In May, Neil Simon's farce "Fools" was directed by Paul Dugan in the Town Hall, followed in August by a musical revue "Star of the Day", conceived and directed by Ray Sweeney. Excerpts from this show were presented at the Monadnock Arts Festival in Peterborough as well as at the recent Conval "FunRaiser". A mystery dinner theatre play was written by Paul Dugan and presented at the Maplehurst Inn on Halloween weekend. Not to mention the annual Treasure Hunt (for Players' amusement only) create by Erin Proctor.

A new Board of Directors was recently elected to make plans for the 1999 season. When the renovations to the Town Hall Auditorium are completed more activities will be possible, and much-needed Children's Theatre is high on the list of priorities. All local organizations should be informed that, by the vote of the Town, the Auditorium (originally named the "Opera House" in 1894) is available at no cost for club activities.

The Players wish to thank the community for 80 years of loyal support. As always, net profits from our plays will be used for Town Hall Auditorium improvement.

### WINTER PARKING

#### TOWN OF ANTRIM

This is a reminder that the Winter Parking Ordinance will go into effect on November 15, 1998. Parking is prohibited on town streets between 11 pm and 7 am, Nov 15 - April 1.

Board of Selectmen

## ANTRIM GRANGE

The year has brought changes to Antrim Grange, now in its 115th year of service to the community. On the local level, a number of new members have joined and a new slate of officers has been elected. The 1998-1999 officers are: Master, Carryl Davis; Overseer, Arthur Merrill, Jr.; Lecturer, Eliot Davis; Steward, David Anders; Assistant Steward, Bob Varnum; Lady Assistant Steward, Dannielle Ould; Chaplain, Donna Slater; Secretary, Beth Merrill; Gatekeeper, Bill Gutgesell; Ceres, Gloria Davis, Antrim Grange is well represented on the state level with five members serving terms as elected officers and appointed deputies and committee members.

The serious condition of the Grange Hall roof is a top priority this year, and several options are being explored. The possibility of reorganizing Antrim Jr. Grange is also under discussion.

Many Antrim members attended the recent State Grange Session in Merrimack and helped celebrate its 125th anniversary. Beth Merrill was elected lecturer of the NH State Grange during the session. As Lecturer, she is responsible for a number of programs and contests at the state level as well as the annual New England Regional Lecturer's Conference. Arthur Merrill, JR. continues to serve on the State Grange Executive Committee.

Carryl Davis will be serving as a Subordinate Deputy. Eliot Davis is the Youth Ambassador for 1999 and will also serve as a Jr. Grange Deputy. A new member of the Eastern States Committee is Gloria Davis.

Meagan Slater and Carryl and Eliot Davis were members of the youth competition drill tea, coached by Arthur and Beth Merrill. The Sixteen member team is composed of young Grange members from across the state. The team took first place honors at the New England regional competition and performed as the Rose Drill at the annual session of the NH State Grange. Based on these outstanding performances, the team has received the unprecedented honor of being invited to Kansas City in March to take part in the National Grange Youth Directors' Conference.

## ANTRIM-BENNINGTON LIONS CLUB NEWS

The Antrim-Bennington Lions Club will be holding its annual Christmas Tree Sale at the Tenney Farm Stand on Route 202 in Antrim on Saturdays and Sundays in December. The proceeds from the Christmas Tree Sale help fund the Operation Santa project in town. Last year, the Lions were able to donate over \$900 to this project which brought Christmas to over 100 children in our community.

Please help Operation Santa be a success by taking gift tags from the Christmas Tree at Granite Bank in Antrim and by purchasing a Christmas Tree from the Lions of your community.

We are a small but active group. If you would like to help serve your neighbors and community, please consider becoming a part of the Lions Club. Not only do you help your neighbor but you become part of the largest service organization in the world. If you would like to learn more about the Lions Club, please call Bob Edwards at 588-6861.

# CHURCH NEWS



## 1st Presbyterian Church

**Pastor Richard Palmer** 588-2209

Sundays  
 Adult Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Worship 10:30 am  
 Youth Sunday School 10:30 am  
 Bible Class 6:30 pm  
 AA Meeting 7:00 pm  
 December 24: Candlelight and Carol Service 6:30 pm  
 Feb 17: Lenten Luncheons begin at the Baptist Church  
 12 noon - 1 pm

Please Note -- we are still looking for a permanent organist and choir director.

## Antrim Baptist Church

**Pastors Cheryl and Charles Boucher** 588-6614

Sunday School 9:30 am  
 Worship Service 10:30 am  
 Dec 20. Christmas Program 10:30 am  
 Dec 20 7:00 pm  
 Christmas in Song service with the ConVal High School Choir, Peterborough Children's Choir and Baptist Choir under the leadership of Ray Sweeney and rev. Charles Boucher.  
 Dec 24 - Christmas Eve 7:00 pm  
 Candlelight Service

## Antrim Church of Christ

**Evangelist Lawrence Warren** 588-6178

Sundays  
 Bible Study 9:30 - 10:30  
 Worship 10:45 - 12:00  
 Devotional 6:00 7:00 pm  
 Bible Study  
 Tuesday Teens 7:00 - 8:30 pm  
 Wednesday 7:00 - 8:00 pm  
 Saturday 2nd and 4th Free Clothing

## Bennington Congregational Church

**Pastor Daniel Poling** 588-2398

Sunday Worship 10:30 am  
 Christmas Eve Service 6:00 pm

## MAPLEHURST INN

Happy Holidays from Maplehurst Inn! We've had a busy summer and very busy fall, as evidence by sold-out reservations fo Thanksgiving dinner (As early as last year, reser ations were made for a fmaily reunion which takes all the rooms and last seating for Turkey).

Here are some special events, past and future:

- A murder mystery presented by the Antrim Players on October 30th, attended by over 60 people.
- Cribbage on alternate Thursday nights.
- Winter early-bird specials Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.
- Local entertainment

Thanks to all for being part of the Inn.

*The Crowell Family*

## GIRL SCOUTS

The Girl Scout Service Unit Manager for the Antrim Area is Robin Quinn. There are three troops -- Daisies, Brownies and Juniors. Cathy Smith will be in charge of Juniors, 4th through 6th grade. Darlene Fox, Rhonda Armstrong and Kristina Burnside share leadership of the Brownies and Laurie Steele directs Daisies. Activities anticipated for the next three months include Thanksgiving baskets, caroling at Antrim Village and the annual Cookie Sale in late January. Please call Robin at 588-3209 for more information or if the "Cookie Munchkin" doesn't ring your doorbell.

**DAISY SCOUTS:** A big welcome to all the girls of Swift Water Girl Scout Daisy Troop #946: Allison Card, Felisha Grendell, Ali Lary, Kaila Laviolette, Angela Nannicelli, Kimberly Steele and Samantha Webber. The troop this month plans to donate a Thanksgiving Basket to a needy family, work on activity scrapbooks and learn about the investiture ceremony.

Any Kindergarten girl interested in becoming a Daisy Girl Scout please contact Kristi Boule at 588-2939 or Laurie Steele at 588-2802.

**BROWNIES:** There are two Brownie Troops with a total of 40 girls. Each troop had its own Halloween celebration complete with games, contests, crafts and spooky stories, as well as marvelous costumes.

We are planning an investiture ceremony to formally welcome all newcomers to the Troops, as well as a rededication ceremony for returning Brownies.

For the Christmas season we plan old-fashioned Christmas caroling around the square from the school to downtown. (Applause will be welcome if we pass your home or business!) Special thanks to those who donated toward our Halloween doings - Wayno's, Tenney Farm Stand, The Hillsboro Dunkin Donuts, and to all the Mom helpers. Happy Holidays!

## STEER SHOWING

Imagine trying to control two animals with a combined weight of over a ton in front of many people, some watching your every move and judging you on whether you should receive money for this. Eighteen year old Mary Chauncey of Antrim knows this well. Chauncey has been showing steers for eight years as a member of the Merrimack country 4H club, receiving prizes and money for her achievements.

There are three classes of showing steers. FIT AND SHOW involves cleaning the steers and presenting them in front of judges; the DRAG CLASS is a test of strength in which the steers have to pull fifty percent of their combined weight; and the CART CLASS involves maneuvering around an obstacle course with the steers and a cart, which is Chauncey's favorite. She does all three classes with her two year old Holsteins, Pete and Charlie. This is Chauncey's fifth team. She usually trains the animals, shows them in the summer and then sells them in the fall and winter, but occasionally she will keep them for an extra year.

Training the Holsteins is Chauncey's favorite part of the whole process. "I like the satisfaction of winning a blue ribbon and knowing I deserved it," she said.

This summer Chauncey went to Eastern States, a 4H competition to which only ten people from New Hampshire are allowed to go. She says that this will probably be her last year showing, but she wants to remain involved in the future. "I would like to see the program continue. Someday I would like to come back and be the judge (of a competition)."

**Jenny McGinnis**

*Do you know any Antrim Youth who has done something great, in or out of school? If so, please let the LIMRIK staff know so there can be more recognition in town.*



## DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

• **GARY'S DINER** -- Gary and Kristine Lowell have moved their food service from an outside window to newly renovated inside dining? Assisting them are brother Bob Lowell and Alfred Fairfield. There is a full breakfast and lunch menu, the latter continuing through the evening hours. The Diner is open from 6 am - 9 pm Tues, Wed and Thurs; 6 am - 10 pm Fri and Sat; and 7 am - 2 pm on Sunday. And from a regular patron, Dan MacKay: "Best food in town. The pumpkin pie is ambrosia."

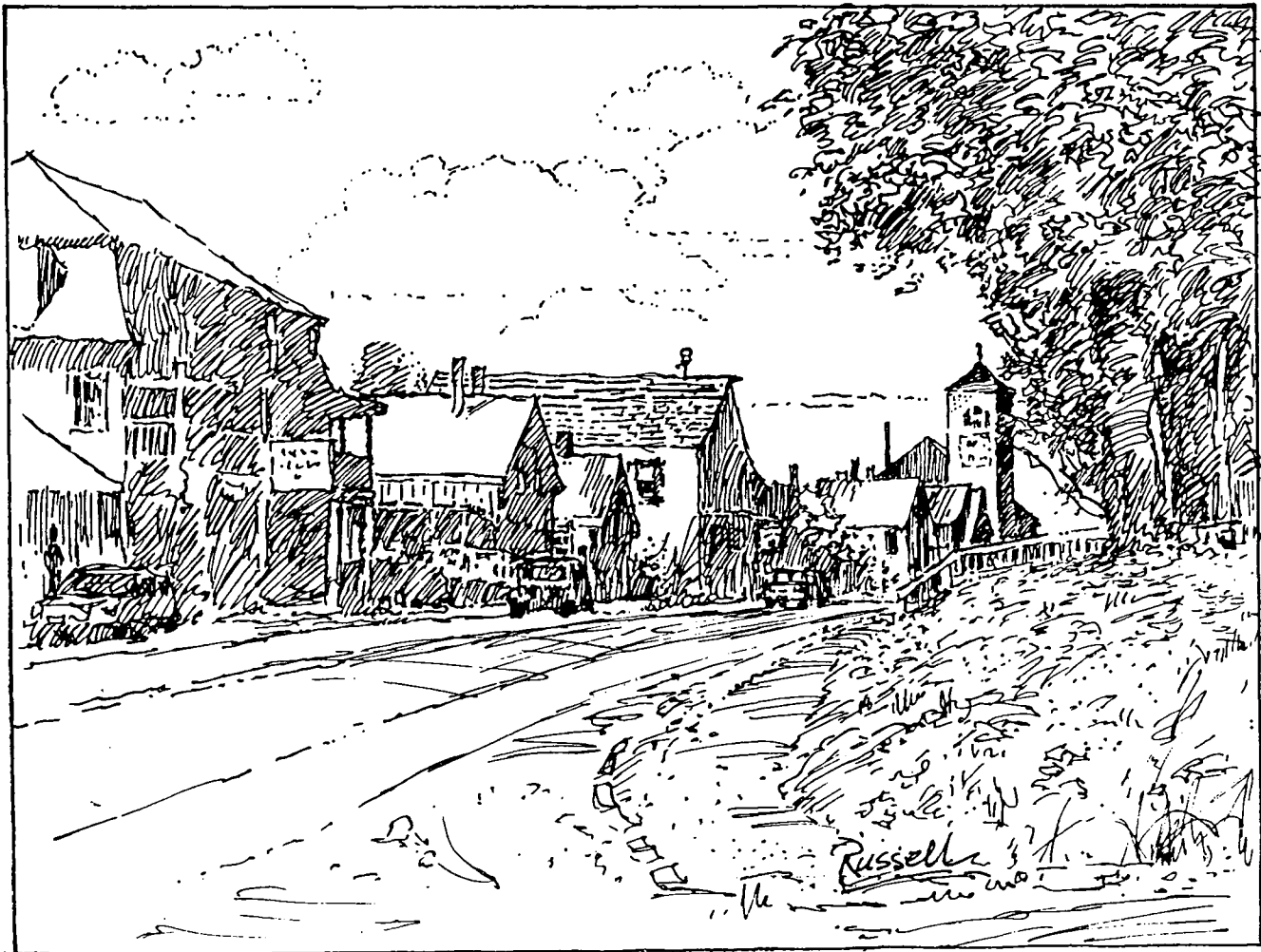
• **PAT AND CAROLE WEBBER** will have Christmas trees for sale after Thanksgiving? You can go in and pick out your tree any time and either come back and cut it yourself or have it cut for you. The price is \$15.00 each. Also available will be greens for wreaths, swags and other Christmas decorations. Please call 588-2332 for more information.

**CAROLINE GILMORE** crafted the beautiful afghan on display in the Town Hall Window? This afghan will be raffled off by the Grapevine on December 12 -- tickets available at the Town Office or call the Grapevine. Caroline's products are crocheted with the afghan stitch with cross-stitch patterns. An item like this would make a wonderful present for Christmas. Call 588-2298 for more information.

**ANTRIM GARDENS** is moving "up the road a piece" on Rt. 202N? The newly painted black and white house will be the home of **MIMI'S THYME** as of the first of December. Florist shop, Gift Shop, house plants and bedding plants and shrubs in the spring will be available. Jim LaMothe and Sandi Reed invite you to check out their supply of gift and floral items. Also available is wire service for floral arrangements.

And speaking of Christmas, let's review some of the spots in town where Christmas gifts can be obtained. For woodworkers **LEE BEZIO** and **BOB ALLISON**, scroll work presents many interesting patterns and items. Lee can be reached at 588-2504 and Bob at 588-6563. **JULI UTTER**, born on a Navaho reservation in Arizona, makes beautiful Navaho jewelry and displays it at craft fairs. Her phone number is 588-2749. **BARBARA SHEA'S** cards and note paper make delightful gifts. She can be reached at 588-2202. And **CHRIS SALMON-BAKER** at **OLD HANCOCK GLASSWORKS** can provide a variety of glass products for you .. 588-4000. Don't forget **WHITE MOUNTAIN TRADERS** on Elm Ave. Their line of clothing for winter is varied and can be purchased at very reasonable prices. And, of course, **PUCKERBRUSH BARN** has all sorts on interesting and useful gifts. Gifts for everyone on your list are available there .. 588-2957. Have a very Merry Christmas, Blessings for the New Year, and we'll be back in March, 1999.

Gloria Schacht



**"ANTRIM MAIN STREET" BY RUSS RUSSELL**

NOTE: Mr. Russell is planning a series of Antrim scenes especially for the LIMRIK

## FRAMEWORKS, INC.

There are rapidly-maturing plans for Frameworks, Inc. of Hillsboro to purchase Antrim's long-vacant cutlery buildings (once the Goodell Company, later Chicago Cutlery) at the south end of Main Street and use a portion of them for production. Under the presidency of Paul Belliveau, Frameworks has for some years had an operation in Hillsboro assembling and packaging products made by OSRAM Sylvania with whom Belliveau has a long-term agreement. The plan is for this work to expand to Antrim and employ about twenty people for starters. Antrim's Planning Board has given conditional approval and, according to Board Chairman Ed Rowehl, things look exceedingly promising.

To fulfill his requirements, Belliveau successfully requested that he be allowed to divide the 7.2 acre property into two lots, one containing the structure which fronts on Main Street, the other, to the west, a metal shed and a 100-year old four story brick building. It is these latter two structures that Frameworks will use -- the brick building for office space, cafeteria, etc., and the metal shed for production. Actually, the metal building is to be expanded by 40,000 square feet. Belliveau hopes that ground can be broken before frost and the whole thing up and running by spring.

Mr. Belliveau, an architect whose love has been the restoration of historic factory buildings, cannot at this time say to what use the "Main Street" buildings will be put but he hopes for something that will be gratifying to the community.

## \$350,000 BLOCK GRANT

By this time next year The Grapevine, Antrim's Family & Community Resource Center, will have a fine facility on the corner of Main and Aiken Streets. The Aiken House will be redeveloped -- restored outside and renovated inside -- using the \$350,000 federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) recently awarded by the NH Office of State Planning.

Representatives of the Board of Selectmen, Tuttle Library, Antrim Historical Society, and the Grapevine discussed long and hard the architectural, financial, legal and organizational issues of redeveloping the 1790 Aiken House into a facility for the future. The thoughtful consideration given the project by those and other individuals during three years of monthly meetings is one big reason for the success of the grant application. The Grapevine's success so far is another.

Only the front building, the original Aiken House, will be retained. Demolition of the two rear additions will make way for the rear entrance and parking area, as well as making way for future expansion of the library. Outside -- new windows, trim, clapboards and roofing will bring the Aiken House close to its original appearance while making the building energy efficient and durable. Inside -- walls, floors, ceilings, doors and trim will be replaced or refinished. Original components, such as the entry stairway, will be retained and restored as is practical and feasible. Plumbing, heating and electrical systems will be new.

A classroom-like addition off the south side and small elevator to the second floor are also planned. Since the Aiken Barn (located just behind the Aiken House) is now available, consideration may be given to revising the preliminary design by replacing construction of the addition and installation of the elevator while reworking and utilizing the barn.

Parking for The Grapevine and Tuttle Library will be ample, located behind the Aiken House and next to the Aiken Barn.

How best to provide automobile access, whether from Aiken Street, Main Street or both, is still to be determined.

The Town will retain ownership of the building and lease it to The Grapevine for 20 years. The Grapevine will maintain the building and set aside "replacement reserves" to pay for capital improvements needed during or at the end of the lease period.

The Board of Selectmen will hire an experienced CDBG administrator. Selectmen have been asked to appoint an advisory committee to help finalize plans and oversee implementation of the project. Final design and detailed construction specifications will be completed during the coming months. The Town will put the project out for public bid and select contractors based on their bids and qualifications. Work will begin by next May and be completed by the end of 1999. Although all project costs will be covered by the grant, volunteers will be needed and welcome throughout the project.

Thank you to everyone, critics and supporters alike, who have given time and energy evaluating the Aiken House project's weaknesses and strengths. The plans only get clearer and better as a result. The hope of all involved is for our town's Family & Community Resource Center to join Antrim's other community facilities in being well received and well used by many area residents.

**Bob Bernstein**

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS

It is hoped that Antrim's historic "Handle Shop," the 1895 brick building at the foot of Goodell Hill just south of High street, will soon house Eastern Service, a small telecommunications repair business. As of mid-November, the Planning Board was to meet with Mr. Walter Neff who proposes to purchase the building, live on the ground floor and use the upper floors for his operation. Board Chairman Ed Rowehl felt that, although the Board would have to ask for approvals from such as our Building Inspector and Fire Department, the proposal looked promising and, in principle, was very desirable for Antrim.

## THE COGWORKS

The old brick factory building on Water Street, once used in the process of making wooden handles for cutlery and known as "The Cucumber shop," has a new look. A gravel path leads to a set of granite steps which in turn leads to a set of inviting green doors with brass fixtures. Entering through the doors one's eyes are drawn to a wall on which are displayed clock faces and other weather instruments set inside cog wheels. Welcome to Cogworks.

The owner, Ian Johnson, greets you with a firm handshake and an English accent straight from Liverpool, England, home of the Beatles, he is quick to inform you. Ian and his wife Sheenagh left England and moved to the United States and settled in Cincinnati, OH where they have friends. They opened a toy shop and did fairly well selling their homemade toys. However the hot and humid Midwestern summers took their toll and the Johnsons almost moved back to England but decided on the east coast instead. Johnson found employment with Sylvania and moved his family which now numbers four boys -- Thomas, William, Henry and Luke -- to Henniker where the boys are home-schooled. Soon the pull of starting a new business was too much and the Johnsons opened Cogworks.

In looking for a place for his shop Johnson ruled out a new metal building (no windows) and settled on an old brick fac-

tory building because it reminded him of Liverpool and its own brick buildings. He has been in the Water St. building for about 18 months. He works with cherrywood and brass and will not compromise on quality. Planing, cutting and sanding of the cherrywood is done in the basement, with the main work area on the first floor, and the second floor for storage. The cutting of cog wheels is done by computer-controlled saws which can cut three wheels at a time. After cutting, the wheels are finished by hand. They are sanded with a 350 grit (very fine) sand paper and then a finish of mineral oil (food quality) is applied. Mineral oil is used rather than varnishes which would scratch.

The cogwheels are made in many sizes. They are assembled on high grade, hardwood, plywood bases in which small holes are drilled. The cogwheels have a brass pin in the center that fits the holes in the plywood. Wheels of different sizes can be grouped on a base in such a way that turning one central wheel will turn all the other wheels at the same time. Sets of these cogwheels can be used in many ways such as puzzles, toys and displays for museums. Instructions are included to give the purchaser ideas for use.

Johnson does contract work as well, cutting other shapes and sizes for various customers such as boxes for jack-in-the-boxes. He also carves rocking horses out of four foot cubes of wood by hand. He likes to do this as a hobby and makes about five a year to sell. At this time Cogworks sells wholesale only. Johnson goes to large shows in cities like Boston but these shows are expensive so he goes to only a few. Business is steady right now with some part-time help and his sons' help on weekends. He would like to do cogs all the time, which he hopes will happen as business grows. There is a market for them. He just needs to bet better known. As Ian Johnson said "I'll give it my best shot".

Fred Roberts

## THE GRAPEVINE

The Grapevine is looking forward to a bright winter in its new home in the renovated Aiken Barn. Community support has been overwhelming, from the purchase of the building by the Aiken Barn Trust (thanks to generous donations and the Community Loan Fund) to the renovations, repairs and relocation by an army of volunteers. The move would not have been possible without the help of the following volunteers:

Ben Pratt, Pat Webber, Bob Bernstein, Trish Welch, Don Readle, Tod Bryer, Sarah Edwards, Wayno Olson, Betty Avery, John Vance, Carole Webber, Carolyn Gilmore, Dave Penny, Joseph Desharnais, Ricke Plourde, Ruth Zwirner, Beth Merrill, Arthur Merrill, Brian Holmes, Ruth Benedict, Emily Taub, Douglas Forman, Matt Gould, Kirk Dragon, John Fleischman, Tracy Bishop, Terry Lyons, Krissie Wilson, Roman Holka, John Lunan, Rae Dragon, Keryl Olson, Mandy Barsanti, Dave Gould, Paul Wilson, and Shelley Wilson. Thank You!

**Playgroups:** As of this writing, we have room for 2 more families in our Wednesday afternoon drop-in group. Of course, parents and their children are always welcome to "drop in" any Wednesday at 1 pm to see if there is room for more.

Our Tuesday and Thursday groups are full, and we are taking names for a waiting list. Vacancies may come up in January, with some children entering preschool. Parents might consider signing up now if you plan to enroll your child next fall.

**Volunteers:** If you have some time Tuesday or Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 and you enjoy children, please call The Grapevine and ask for Mary Fleischman. The more volunteers we have, the more programs we are able to offer.

**After School Project:** Monadnock Community Foundation awarded \$5,000 to The Grapevine Family and Community Resource Center to fund an after school program initiative in Antrim, Bennington and Greenfield. Kristin Readle, assistant early childhood educator at The Grapevine and community volunteer, has been hired as project coordinator.

The purpose of the project is to plan, implement and sustain after school programs for elementary and middle school children in the three communities. After school programs may include some or all of the following: Programs for elementary students at the Grapevine; learning enrichment programs at community locations; dance, sports or large group activities at school gymnasiums or rec centers; art, craft and music programs at various community locations.

Kristin's job is to complement the ideas and planning taking place in each town by providing technical assistance, researching successful after school programs and sharing information, coordinating the sharing of ideas between the three towns, and assisting with volunteer recruitment.

Kristin recently participated in a PlusTime NH conference titled "Building On Our Strength," and has many resources and contacts to share. Round table meetings for interested community members, including the children and young adults who would like to take part in creating their own program, are held the first Wednesday of each month at The Grapevine from 7-8 pm. If you cannot attend but want to participate please contact Kristin Readle at The Grapevine, 588-2620.

### **Upcoming Classes and Groups:**

**Challenging Child Support Group** meets the first Monday of every month at 7 pm. Drop-ins and new members are welcome.

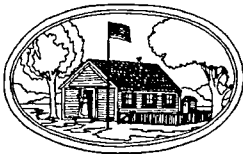
**Holiday Craft Night** Thursday, December 17 at 7 pm. Create Cinnamon Apple Wreaths (\$2 materials fee) and Luminaria Kits (4 bag kit for \$5 fee). This activity is for parents and children together.

Parents have formed a **Child Care Cooperative**, which is a good way to get to know other parents and, as a result, feel comfortable enough to share child care responsibilities. This gives parents time away from the kids, to do errands, go out to dinner, or take a bubble bath. If you wish to learn more about the group, call The Grapevine and ask for Mary Feischman.

There is interest in a **Single Parents Group**. Call us if you might be interested in participating.

**Winter Solstice Celebration:** Saturday, December 19, from 2-4 pm. Last year's celebration was fun, so we decided to do it again. Stop in for food, music, children's activities and storytelling. Outdoor activities include a bonfire and marshmallows, stargazing and lighting of the luminaria, so dress warmly.

**And last but not least:** The Grapevine is happy to report that the Health Care Transition Fund has approved our grant application for \$100,000 for the grant year beginning January 1, 1999 and ending June 30, 2000.



## SCHOOL NEWS

Barbara Black

### IF I SHOULD DIE BEFORE I WAKE

Twelve GBS eighth graders will travel to Fitchburg State College in December to discuss four pieces of young adult literature. Their teacher, Ron Drogy, borrowed books from his fellow college students in the "Literature for Young Adults" course. As soon as the college students finished a book, GBS students began it.

Reading and discussing at a rate of 100 pages per 3/4 days, some of the eighth graders felt the pressure of time. Others exhilarated in the quick pace and lively discussions, being able to compare books while they were still fresh in their minds. The class' discussions were video taped so each student could evaluate his/her own contributions. Students will discuss these same books with the Fitchburg State students in December.

If I Should Die before I Wake by Han Nolan was the overwhelming favorite of the eighth graders. This book about the Holocaust and Neo-Nazis captured the group's interest right from the beginning. "Whenever there is death in a book, I know it's going to be exciting." Both for students who had done extensive Holocaust reading and those for whom this was their first Holocaust literary experience, the horrors of the Jewish experience came alive.

The eighth graders also agreed on their least favorite book, Parrot in the Oven. This book about the trials and tribulations of a poor Mexican American family just didn't appeal to the students. The title led them to believe the book would be humorous, but students felt the title had nothing to do with the book.

The third book, The Watsons go to Birmingham by Chris Curtis explored the problems of an African American family's problems and their trip to Birmingham just before the church bombings.

The book which seemed to stimulate the greatest discussion was Robert Cromier's Heroes. The book explores the lives of young adults in Leominster, Massachusetts during World War II. What is a hero? What distinguishes a heroic act from what anyone would be expected to do in that situation? After many lively discussions, the eighth graders agreed to disagree.

### OUR FUTURES REST IN THEIR HANDS

On December 15th twenty-five GBS eighth graders will travel to the Fleet Center in Boston to participate in "Team Harmony". Sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League, the purpose of this interactive event is to eradicate prejudice and stereotyping in our schools and communities. Professional athletes from New England Sports Teams, dramatic presentations, music, and student speeches will all focus on this important topic. Students have the power to make changes in how they treat each other in the school. These changes will affect how they get along in the larger community.

In the spring GBS eighth graders will travel to Washington, DC. Students' middle school studies of our government culminate in this annual trip to see our national government in action. Ninety students will be fundraising and/or looking for jobs to help pay for the trip. Need someone to shovel snow,

do those odd jobs around the house you just never seem to get around to? Consider hiring an energetic eighth grader.

### THE BEST OF THE BEST

Seventh graders have been immersed in the study of Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. With the help of ELP teacher Dona Fairbairn, students have developed animal fact sheets and multi-sensory arts exhibits of the book Walkabout. The best of these creations are now housed in the Great Brook School library for all to use.

In December, seventh graders will be studying the vast cultural differences between the Middle East and Northern Africa. If you have artifacts and/or experiences to share, please call GBS and ask for Kathy Mayo (588-6630).

### VOLUNTEERS OFFERED

For the past year Great Brook School has been involved in Project CO-SEED. Its emphasis is on bringing the school and community together.

Anything that is happening in the community can serve as a basis for teaching and learning. Great Brook staff and students are looking for ways to become involved in community projects.

Present school/ community partnerships include:

- Memorial Park Landscaping
- Recycling
- Skateboard park
- Geological studies
- Adopt a Stream
- Community Service Projects

No project is too big or too small. Please call for information, to offer suggestions, to request help (588-6630).

### STOP POLLUTION - RECYCLE

Three fifth grade classes are immersed in garbage, figuratively speaking, or course. With help from Beth Frost from the Harris Center, students have been exploring recycling. As part of their community service efforts, teachers Shea / Kulbacki / Winslow / Matthews / Pietrovito / and Donoghue and their students cleaned up Memorial Park.

### ADOPT A STREAM

We've all seen the groups in bright orange vests along our highways filling blue bags with trash. But seldom do we hear of the many people who work to keep the many small streams of New Hampshire flowing with clean, clear water. With the help of Conservation Commission member Rod Zwirner, students in Mrs. Kenney's fifth grade class and their parents spent a fall afternoon cleaning the banks of the small stream which flows behind the school.

Besides doing a service to the community, students had a chance to learn something about the history of Antrim from Mr. Zwirner. All enjoyed the afternoon so much that they plan to do it again in the spring.

### HEADS WANTED

Students involved in Ms Black, Ms Rice, and Mrs. Staley's Memorial Park Project are looking for tools, wheel barrows, watering cans, etc. to use in landscaping the park. Antrim CARES members have volunteered to help rehandle tools in need of repairs.

This group of fifth and sixth graders is involved in an ongoing project to help landscape Memorial Park. With the help of

the Antrim Conservation Commission, the Memorial Park Committee, and the Harris Center, students are developing a landscaping plan for the park. Pat Webber, Martha Pinnello, Temple Bowen, Fred Roberts, Susie Denehy, and Beth Frost have helped student identify plants that are currently in the park. Antrim CARES arranged for guest speakers to explain the Department of Transportation's Wildflower program and the Governor's Lilac program.

Students are currently researching native plants that would add color and decoration to the park year round. They are developing large display maps. The maps will be used when students present their planting proposal to the various town groups involved with using and maintaining the park.

Sub groups are exploring the impact of animals and insects on the park, and exploring funding sources. They are also developing an on-going maintenance system, finding sources for plants, and developing a timeline for spring landscaping work.

So... why store those old tools or tool parts for one more winter? Please donate them to the school now. We will repair them over the winter so they are ready for spring planting at the park. You can drop off the tools at Great Brook School, or call Barbara Black to arrange pick up (school 588-6630 ; home 588-6710). Thanks for your continued support of our projects.

#### THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES

For an hour she held their attention, fifth graders lost in stories of long ago. Slowly and deliberately she created a picture of Antrim as a busy mill town. She captured the woosh of water as the dam gates opened early in the morning at Gregg Lake, releasing the powerful waters needed to turn the turbines. She took students on a tour of the mills, using old photographs when possible, painting word pictures when no visual record remained.

One by one, from Hildreth's Mill to the Cucumber shop, the stories unfolded. Mills lost to fire rebuilt again and again, sometimes for the same purpose, sometimes changing with the times.

Interspersed with it all were the personal tales of her family's history and the culture of the time: swimming in Great Brook when it changed colors daily depending on what the mills were producing that day; hour lunch breaks when men went home for noon dinner and women weren't allowed to work in the mills; years when workers were paid 10 cents an hour and a loaf of bread could be purchased for a nickel; her memories of her father taking her across the bridge in North Branch for the last time before the reservoir was created; the wonder of it all that the bridge is still there, covered by water.

She came back often after that first visit. Each spring she wove her tapestry of Antrim in the early 1900's. She visited each fifth grade class at least once, often coming back to answer questions that her stories generated.

Sometimes she came to share her knowledge of nature, taking small groups of students to the wetland. Shorter than many of the fifth graders she led and slowed by the advancement of years, she led the way. Constantly searching for new ways to make connections, she gave of herself to each student.

This September she came bearing gifts. Over the past year she had copies and enlargements made of the old mill pictures and arranged them with captions. She and the fifth grade teachers worked side by side to laminate the display boards so the school would have its own mill pictures. As she worked, she enthusiastically described her next project. She was creating a written record of the stories she had shared over the years with the children. "I'm not going to be around forever, you know."

Little did we know our time was so short. Next spring we will use the video tape we made of her first visit and the photo display she created. It won't be the same, but her stories will go on.

Thanks for the memories, Ms. Judith Pratt.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### December

17 Great Brook School Holiday Concert -  
GBS Gym 7:00 pm

24—Jan. 1 No School -December break

### January

8 GBS Girls' & Boys' Basketball vs South  
Meadow - GBS gym 3:30 pm

12 GBS Girls' Basketball vs Marlborough -  
GBS gym 3:30 pm

GBS Boys' Basketball vs Marlborough -  
GBS gym 4:45 pm

18 No school - Civil Rights Day

22 No school - Teacher Workshop

28 Fifth grade fund raiser begins

### February

6 Antrim Elementary School Winterfest -  
GBS

11 GBS Girls' & Boys' Basketball vs Jaffrey/  
Rindge - GBS gym 3:30 pm

16 GBS Girls' Basketball vs Kearsarge -  
GBS gym 4:00 pm

GBS Boys' Basketball vs Kearsarge -  
GBS gym 5:15 pm

18 GBS Girls' Basketball vs Monadnock -  
GBS gym 3:45 pm

GBS Boys' Basketball vs Monadnock -  
GBS gym 5:00 pm

22-26 No school - Winter Break

Tuesdays and Thursday are AES FUN afternoons  
at the Rec Center, from 3:15 - 5 pm:

Dec. 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22

Jan. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28

Feb. 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18

## Roger Brooks and His Wall *continued from p 1*

Antrim Center where his mother enjoyed picking blueberries.

They climbed to where the dirt road levels out, and just beyond the old cemetery they turned off to the left onto a knoll that looked west with a clear view of Holt's Hill and Tuttle's Hill. There were no buildings, just some broken down stone walls and a well hole covered with a sheet of iron. Roger thought it was a beautiful place, and he remembers sitting there on a rock dreaming that one day it would be his, and that he would build there a fine, strong stone wall.

The first part of his dream came to pass twenty-six years later when in March of 1987 Roger managed to scrape up the money and buy the 23.9 acres. The land has 800 feet of frontage on the Meeting House Hill Road and bends westward down the hill over some ledges to swampy frontage on Clinton Road (Route 31) opposite the Robertson place. He didn't know then, in fact didn't know until recently, that what he had bought was the old Deacon Sawyer Place. A house had stood there at least as far back as 1788 when Henry and Elizabeth White ". . . lived on what was later known as the Dea. Sawyer place just north of the old cemetery. It is not known who commenced this place." Later Deacon Sawyer bought the place and "built him a new house in 1810 which he moved whole down the hill in 1821." That 1810 house, which stood on Clinton Road where John and Pauline Robertson's house is today, burned in the 1960s. After the fire the owner Myrtie Brooks had a new house built duplicating the original one.

About his Meeting House Hill property Roger says: "Myrtie Brooks owned the land. I bought it for the rocks; there were piles of rocks everywhere. I knew I was going to build a wall when I bought it. Peter Lamb was doing the mowing in the cemetery then, and he kept it looking real good. My land was going to look good too."

Roger dreamed about how the wall would look as he cleared the land. Not only is he a stubborn man, he is patient. The dream was long, and eleven years passed before he started building his wall May 15, 1998.

But Roger was not idle during this time. In addition to working at the Monadnock Paper Mill six days a week and clearing his new land, beginning in 1979 he taught himself to be a stone mason by building a five hundred foot, U-shaped wall in back of his house on the north side of Clinton Road just down from Clinton Corner. He didn't know anything about stone or walls: "I just kept piling up rocks until they didn't fall down any more. But I felt it was in my blood. My grandfather, Richard Brooks, worked with stone. He helped build the dams in West Henniker and West Peterborough. Finally it got easier when my brother-in-law, who is a mason, told me to put a string up and just follow it." When Roger hit a problem, he would get advice from stone men like master wall builder Andre Lessard, and go on from there. Learning as he went, he spent eight years building this practice wall, stacking stones, tearing them down, keeping at it until he got it right. He finished in 1987. Graceful and true, this wall looks every bit as if it were built by a professional.

Up on Meeting House Hill, as elsewhere in Antrim, the bugs were nastier than usual last spring. The black fly cloud hovered and never quit. Even after they were supposed to be done, when he dug up a rock they'd rise from the dirt and be at him. In June on came the mosquitoes. His first task was to cut down a huge gray birch standing between two fine, big oak trees that would frame the wall. Then he set to tearing the old walls down to solid ground so as to have a level place for the base rocks. Having struggled so long with his practice wall, he had

become a stone mason. "I would dig out some rocks and know right away without thinking how they would fit. I know my rocks now." Asked if he worked from drawn plans, he says: "Once I got the idea in my mind, I didn't need anything else."

Roger worked on the wall seven days a week, after work (sometimes he wouldn't stop at the house but go straight to the wall), weekends, days off. Asked how his wife Patricia responded to his wall work, Roger said "She knows me. She's put up with me for nearly thirty years." If a vacation time came, they would travel far away so he wouldn't be tempted to go haul some more rocks. He's not sure what their son Roger Jr. and their daughter Heidi think about his wall.

Roger finished his wall September 9, 1998.

Go up Meeting House Hill, stand in the road, and see Roger's elegant and powerful wall. It begins at the edge of the cemetery with a massive stone pier surrounding the thick trunk of an oak tree and jutting ten feet out to the road. The wall is four feet high on the road side, and forty inches wide, with large granite boulders at the bottom and smaller stones at the top. They are rough, uneven field stones, but they fit together precisely to make a finely textured, almost smooth face. The two hundred feet of wall consists of three sections, a forty foot length in the middle flanked by two seventy foot sections. On the side of the wall away from the road, at each end of the three sections, the same height as the wall and attached to it, exist six, ten foot round stone bays which give the wall both curve and mass. The old well is incorporated into the circular bay at the north end, the farthest point from the cemetery.

Gradually rising from the road on either side of the middle section are a set of stone steps and an earthen driveway. Walk through the wall to the cleared knoll where Roger, with his mother, his step-father and Uncle Harold, sat dreaming thirty-seven years ago. Sit on a rock, and with your back to Roger's wall, look west to Holt Hill and Tuttle Hill.

And, perhaps, dream.

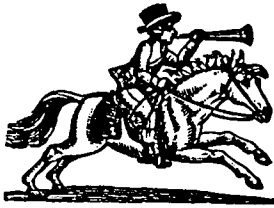
*(Much appreciated help for this article came from Bruce and Elaine Cuddihy who stopped by our house during their walk several weeks ago to tell me about Roger's wall, from David Hurlin who dug into his History of Antrim Houses and faxed me the story of The Deacon Sawyer Place, from Carole Webber who helped clear some confusion, from Branchley Beers whose love of Antrim history seasoned my search, and from Izzy Nichols whose knowledge of Antrim runs deep.)*

## Aiken Barn Trust *continued from p 1*

Board has a donor who will match any size donation up to a total of \$1000. Please contact any Director listed below or send your tax-free deductible gift to the Aiken Barn Trust, 5 Gregg Lake Rd., Antrim.

The large apartment in the Barn has been rented to the Grapvine as a interim home while the Main Street Aiken House is being renovated with the Community Block Grant Funds recently awarded. The smaller one bedroom apartment is in the process of rental as of this writing. The rental income will cover mortgage, insurance, water / sewer and taxes due.

This project could not have happened without the strong support of a caring community that works well together. Thanks from the Aiken Barn Trust Directors: Bob Bernstein (588-2544), Carolyn Gilmore (588-2298), Dave Penny (588-6605), Ben Pratt (588-6740), Carole Webber (588-2332), and Ruth Zwirner (588-2869).



## MORE NEWS ABOUT TOWN

### WELCOME TO FIRST LIGHTING

Come to the ninth first lighting of Antrim's Christmas tree. It will be on Thursday, December 3 at 5 P.M. at Touchwood square. John Robertson will be the Emcee and the Great Brook singers will march down Summer St. to perform. Cookies, products of the Woman's Club and the Grange, plus hot chocolate will be sold to benefit Antrim in the Evening.

Santa will be riding on the red fire truck and expects to arrive at 5:20 P.M. with candy canes. His reindeer will have a brief rest while he is here.

The Town Hall will sport large wreaths made by Woman's Club members, window boxes decorated by Garden Clubbers with Pat and Fred responsible for candles on the second story. Festive murals made by Great Brook fifth graders will be placed in the windows. We are grateful that the town's candles will be on light poles, installed by the Public Service.

You will probably want to light your way with a flashlight or lantern. Snow, sleet date is December 10. Same place, same time. See you there!

We have a new mystery this year. Who is going to light the Christmas tree? The initials are R.N. !

### THE MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE

As voted in the 1998 town meeting a committee has been appointed to coordinate activities for a celebration of the 2000-2001 Millennium years. The committee is as follows:

Sarah Edwards (Co-Chairperson), Pam Caswell (Co-Chairperson), Michele Rabideau (Secretary), Barbara Black, Bill Nichols, Julie Beaumont, Fred Roberts

The Millennium Committee is seeking suggestions from the public for ideas about what you would like for activities. If you would like to serve on a subcommittee or anything else you might like to see happen, suggestion boxes will be placed in prominent places in town beginning Dec. 1, 1998 until Jan. 31, 1999 for your ideas.

Also the Committee needs a logo for stationary, posters and advertising purposes. There will be a contest for a logo design. The contest is open to all and a prize of a \$50.00 savings bond donated by the Granite Bank will be awarded for the best design. You may enter as many designs as you wish but each entry must have name, address and phone number either on the entry or attached to it. All entries must be mailed to

Antrim Millennium Committee, PO Box 251, Antrim NH 03440-0251. The deadline for entering is March 1, 1999.

Any questions about any phase of the celebration can be directed to any committee member for clarification, or you may contact the Committee by e-mail (antrim2000@hotmail.com). Minutes of Millennium Committee meetings will be available on its homepage (www.conknet.com/~b\_nichols/ant2000.htm). Thank you for your support.

Fred Roberts

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11:30 AM	Peterborough Plaza Pick-Up (Ames)
11:50 AM	VFW Building, Bennington
11:55 AM	Antrim Village Apts.
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# Antrim Community Calendar

## December

- 1 Start of Christmas Tree Sale, Tenny Farm Stand
  - 2 Round Table on "Building on Our Strength" - Grapevine, 7-8 pm
  - 3 First Lighting, Touchwood Square, 5 pm
  - 4 Preschool Reading, Tuttle Library, 9:30 am
  - 7 Child Support Group, Grapevine, 7 pm
  - 8 Woman's Club Christmas Luncheon - Baptist Church, noon
  - 9 Antrim Cares Mtg, Little Town Hall, 7 pm (call 588-3912 to confirm date)
  - 10 First Lighting snow/sleet date - Touchwood Square, 5 pm
  - 12 Monadnock Chorus/Orchestra Christmas Concert, Peterboro Town House, 8 pm
  - 13 Monadnock Chorus/Orchestra Christmas Concert, Peterboro Town House, 5 pm
  - 16 Antrim Arts & Business Council Meeting - Little Town Hall, 7 pm
  - 17 Friends of Recreation Meeting, Rec Center, 7 pm
  - 17 Holiday Craft Night - Grapevine, 7 pm
  - 18 Preschool Reading, Tuttle Library, 9:30 am
  - 19 Kid's Holiday Craft Workshop (5 & up) Tuttle Library, 1 - 2:30 pm
  - 19 Winter Solstice Celebration, Grapevine, 2-4 pm
  - 20 Baptist Christmas Program, Baptist Church, 10:30 am
  - 20 Christmas In Song, Baptist Church, 7 pm
  - 24 Candlelight and Carole Service - Presbyterian Church, 6:30 pm
  - 24 Candlelight Service, Baptist Church, 7 pm
  - 24 Christmas Eve Service, Bennington Congregational Church, 6 pm
  - 24 Library and Town Hall Closed
  - 31 Antrim Woman's Club - Book Scholarship Application Deadline
- Line Dancing on the following days: 7, 14, 21, 28; Rec Center, 7 pm  
CA Adult Co-Ed Volleyball on the following days: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; Rec Center, 7 pm

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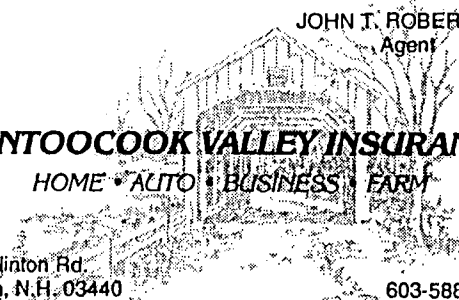
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## January

- 1 Antrim Historical Society "History of Fire Dept and REscue Squad" Society's Room at Tuttle Library
  - 1 Library open, Town Hall Closed
  - 4 Challenging Child Support Group, Grapevine, 7-9 pm
  - 5 Round Table on "Building on OUR Strengths", Grapevine, 7-8 pm
  - 8 Preschool Reading, Tuttle Library, 9:30 am
  - 12 Woman's Club Meeting, Baptist Church, 1 pm
  - 13 Antrim Cares Meeting, Little Town Hall, 7 pm
  - 20 Antrim Arts & Business Council Meeting, Little Town Hall, 7 pm
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Adult Co-Ed Volleyball on the following days: 5, 12, 19, 26; Rec Center, 7 pm

## February

- 1 Challenging Child Support Group, Grapevine, 7 pm
  - 3 Round Table on "Building on our Strength", Grapevine, 7-8 pm
  - 9 Woman's Club Meeting, Baptist Church, 1 pm
  - 10 Antrim Cares Meeting, Little Town Hall, 7 pm
  - 17 Antrim Arts & Business Meeting, Little Town Hall, 7 pm
  - 17 Lenten Luncheons start, Baptist Church, noon
  - 18 Antrim Friends of Recreation Meeting, Rec Center, 7 pm
  - 21 Historical Society discussion on Maple sugaring - Little Town Hall, 2 pm
- Line Dancing on the following days: Feb 1, 8, 15, 22; Rec Center, 7 pm  
Adult Co-Ed Volley ball on the following days: Feb 2, 9, 16, 23; Rec Center, 7 pm

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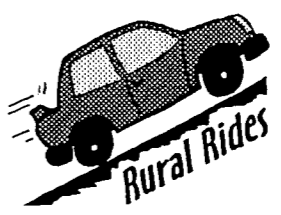
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