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VANDALS BRING EVERYBODY DOWN

Memorial Park has needed many volunteers many years to bring it to where it is today. Those volunteers have worked hard and long to put in the new footbridge, the basketball court, a tennis court, the memorial plaques, all the lighting, and the Gazebo. The Park was designed as a place for all to enjoy.

Then comes along a select few who have chosen to vandalize and degrade the place. They destroyed the lights, cut the tennis net, bent the tennis court poles, painted on the courts and the basketball backboards, bent the new light post, carved and painted graffiti on the Gazebo, tore the front door off the electrical box and destroyed the light timer, broke the electrical connection to the light that shines on the Flag. All this made this beautiful park somewhat of an eyesore, so volunteers again went to work

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GWEN AND THE BATTLING BUTCHER

AN INTERVIEW WITH HANK AND GWEN CUTTER

(This article is part of an interview conducted January 29, 1999, for the Antrim Historical Society's Oral History Project.)

My name is Gwen Cutter. I have lived in Antrim most of my life, however I wasn't born here. I was born in Woburn, Mass., and I came up here with my folks when I was just a baby. I was born October 18th, 1920.

My name is Henry Cutter. I was born in Antrim on Maple Avenue, and I have always lived here except for a couple years when my people went to Stoddard—that's where my people came from. I was born May 16th, 1916. My people came from Stoddard, we moved down here, we were down here for a few years, and then went

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PlanNH CHARRETTE

What is the future of Antrim's Main Street and the former Goodell mill building? On Friday, June 25, and Saturday, June 26, Antrim residents will have an opportunity to contribute their ideas on the subject during the PlanNH "design charrette". Antrim was one of only two communities in the state chosen to participate in the program, which provides professional planning services to the town at no charge. Final schedules and locations for charrette sessions are still being established. Watch for posters around town and announcements in local papers as the date approaches.

The charrette is an intensive study, involving both citizens and professional planners, focused on exploring potential solutions to community design issues. The process involves both public input sessions and design sessions among the planners. The result of the charrette will be a series of specific project recommendations. A report summarizing the charrette and including plans and other drawings will be delivered to the town shortly after the session concludes.

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HAVE SHEEP... WILL TRAVEL

Do you have pasture you'd like to keep open? Would you enjoy seeing sheep on your hillside as Antrim residents did 100 years ago? You may borrow sheep for the summer from Lorraine and Rich Block who raise them for wool and meat. The Blocks will provide the sheep, portable fencing, and battery-powered charger. You'll get your field "mowed", "fertilized", and have a woolly pastoral view. Contact Lorraine Carey Block at 588-2552 for more information. ♣



The Bridge at Memorial Park by Russ Russell

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Town Hall Restoration Committee which was voted at Town Meeting has been meeting weekly to work with a Construction Engineer and Architect on restoration plans for the building. (See related article on page 3) Minutes of this committees' meetings and rough draft floor plans are available for review at Town Hall.

We have put the Gregg Lake Dam repairs out to bid and hope to have a contractor selected this summer for the proposed repairs in October 1999.

The Selectmen put the Community Development Block Grant Administrator position for the Aiken House Renovation out to bid and have selected Stephen Griffin from Municipal Resources Inc. (MRI) to serve in this capacity. Mr. Griffin has promptly begun the process for the CDBG.

In late April the Town had the underground #2 fuel oil tank at the fire station removed. We are happy to re-

port that there was no ground contamination and an above ground tank and the second means of egress from the fire station will be started shortly.

The Town Offices are gearing up to send the first issue 1999 tax bills. It appears that we will be issuing first issue bills in the same manner as previous years. We will bill 1/2 of the municipal tax from the previous year, 1/2 of the county tax for the previous year and 1/2 of the school tax for the previous year. The only exception is the adjustment for those people who have new construction as of this year—the new assessed value will be taken into account.

From time to time the Selectmen are required to appoint people to various Boards and Committees. If you are a concerned citizen and believe that you would like to participate in your local government, please send a let-

ter of interest to the Board of Selectmen at PO Box 517, Antrim, NH 03440. To those of you who already serve in a volunteer capacity—thank you for filling these vital roles.

The Selectmen started their abbreviated summer schedule of meetings in May. The Board has canceled the following Monday evening meetings: June 14, July 5, and July 19, 1999. If you would like to meet with the Board, we encourage you to call for an appointment on our agenda so that we do not keep you waiting. If you would like to see your local government at work, just stop by town hall.

— Denise J. Dargie

LETTERS

Editor, the Limrik

May I offer a remembrance about my friend, Hank Cutter? I probably knew him longer than anyone else in town. When we were kids, we used to play ball together.

Hank was very easy to get along with. We worked together at New Hampshire Ball Bearings for twenty-three years. We worked in different departments side by side and never had an argument.

I joined the Antrim Fire Department before Hank, and resigned after thirty years. At that time Hank was Chief and I was Assistant Chief.

The old saying goes, "The firemen saved the cellar hole." So you might say that Hank and I burned down a lot of houses together.

Eb Chamberlain

Hank Cutter died April 15 at age 82. He had lived his entire life in Antrim and especially well known for remarkable service to the Fire Department, having been a member for 53 years and Chief for 20 years. Following the funeral service, his body was carried to the cemetery by the handsome 1926 fire engine which a grateful department had given him when he retired.

— Editor

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FROM THE STATE HOUSE

Although I wrote a column recently, it seems time to get word out to you regarding what I call the “non-solution” bill signed into law last week by Governor Shaheen.

HB 117 was passed by the Senate and House by a good margin of 54 votes and I believe it is at best a stop-gap measure to provide temporary relief, sort of like Pepto Bismol!

The good news is that cities and towns can send out tax bills, raise money to keep their educational systems running for a while and we can stop sweating bullets over solving the Claremont school funding problem. And for the time being, we’ll see a reduction in the state portion of our property tax bill. That’s good.

The bad news is that we’ve only found a band-aid solution and we may be facing the same nasty problem again soon if the NH Supreme Court finds this new law unconstitutional. The amount of money to be raised by this bill is \$825 million, which translates into \$4200 per student when the state average is \$5500. Furthermore, HB 117 has a serious shortfall of money with a number that could easily be as high as \$100 million! In short, we have failed to find a lasting, constitutional solution to the Supreme Court’s call for school tax reform. That’s why I could not vote for HB 117 as your local representative.

Any viable bill for funding public education properly, for the long term, must have a dependable base of taxation that will not vary with the current level of prosperity and will generate the amount of money needed to provide an excellent education for all our children—including young adults who yearn for vocational training or college.

My fear is that eventually the Senate and House will be forced to pull out the gambling card and use it for the centerpiece of educational funding. My personal view is that video gambling as a major tax revenue would be a tragedy because of the moral message it sends out to our families and children, and because it is evil and insidious and would be bad for the quality of life in New Hamp-

shire. A new national study recently published confirms my opinion.

I wish I could have supported the Democratic and Republican leadership and supported HB 117, but I could not because the bill was so flawed and violated both my values and sense of good durable legislation that answers the problem with logic and intelligence.

Last week in the legislature we did reach a crisis moment, but I believe it was the wrong time to capitulate on principles that affect every child in this state for the foreseeable future. So don’t sit back and relax yet, because we’ll be facing the financial devil again soon as we search for the missing money! Raid the general fund, video gambling, sales tax, income tax, new “hodgepodge” taxes, under which rock will it suddenly appear?

Why was I so persistent about Hager-Below, the income tax solution? Because it was the only other bill that passed both the House and Senate, because it was fair and equitable, because it would have reduced the state portion of your school tax to ZERO, given a family of four, an income tax exemption of \$28,000 and wiped out a host of hodgepodge taxes that hardly anyone can understand anyhow. But I think few people got past their basic objection to accepting anything that seemed like a “new” tax. I think New Hampshire is still plagued by the long dead shadow of William Loeb. That includes our present Governor.

You can tell from the content of my comments that I feel frustrated and disappointed with the outcome. However, I am hopeful that the hard work that lies in front of us will be productive and will ultimately produce a solution that will be right for New Hampshire and the coming generations of our children. The legislators worked tirelessly on finding a solution and deserve enormous respect and appreciation and support from everyone in the community. The main thing is that we not fall asleep at the switch, continue to work hard and fine tune HB 117. Call your local representatives and Senator Trombly and let them know your viewpoint on this landmark

educational funding plan. The show goes on!

If you want to reach me, call me at 478-3166 or write to me at RR 2 Box 165, Hillsboro, NH 03244 or e-mail at richard@interlocken.org. Thanks for your input.

— Richard Herman/Representative

ADJUNCT TOWN MEETING JUNE 9 ANTRIM TOWN HALL RESTORATION

As the citizens of Antrim will recall, it was voted at Town Meeting in March 1999 to delay spending any money for improvements to our Town Hall until an in-depth analysis could be completed to determine what repairs and enhancements should be done to improve both its physical condition and operating efficiency, inclusive of life safety issues.

A committee was appointed by Town Moderator Robert B. Flanders and consists of six people. The committee includes David Boule, Bruce Cuddihy, Tom Davis, Bob Edwards, Nina Harding, and Bill Nichols, Chair. Meetings began immediately and have continued almost weekly in an effort to complete the required analysis and prepare a scope of work with associated costs that will be presented for public review and comment at the adjourned town meeting date of June 9, 1999 at 7:00 PM at Great Brook School.

The committee hired the professional services of Armer Construction Consulting, LLC of Dublin and John Jordan, Architect, P.A. of Hancock to assist the committee with its charge. Much time and effort has been invested by the committee and members of the town’s official family to ensure that a thorough and meaningful presentation will be made on June 9th.

The committee urges all interested townspeople to attend and hear the proposed findings and recommendations that will be made by the committee and its consultants that evening. This is our town hall and a very focal pint of our community so all are encouraged to come and participate.

— Bob Edwards

THE CUTTERS continued

back up there. I might have been four or five, five or six, I was pretty young. We lived in the last one on the right hand side (of Maple Avenue). The people in it before my people, Milan Cooper. Then the next house was J. M. Cutter, next door. They used to call it "Cutter Avenue." If you want some little things: the old, old lady at the end of the street, Mrs. Gould, they were people who came here from Massachusetts, she and her son and her two daughters, they were old maids. I remember she said: In that house there, was Charles Fowler. And she said, Two Cs, an A, and F and a B, all put in a circle, now what would they be? Two Cutters, an Ashford, a Fowler and a Gould. If you don't know now, you must be a fool"

As a young feller I just went to school here, and I was just a run-of-the-mill guy, I guess. My dad was just a laborer. He cut wood, chopped wood; everybody cut wood in those days. Everybody burned wood. Then he worked for Abbott Company. Mother was just a housewife. My mother and J.M. Cutter's wife, and my father and J.M., the two brothers married the two sisters. So we had double cousins instead of cousins. The wives' maiden name was Holmes. Mrs. Holmes, Granny Holmes, lived in Stoddard, and her husband was Henry Holmes, and he was in the Civil War, the Vermont Cavalry.

I went all my schooling here; I went two years in high, and I had a little trouble with the Principal, Chaffee. He didn't like me very well, and the feeling was mutual, so it was all right. He used to hold your hand and slap it with the rule. He kinda got mad at me because I yanked my hand out and he hit his own. And that put me in the doghouse.

Interviewer: So, you went for two years and then you dropped out? Apparently a lot of young men dropped out.

Gwen: At that time, yes they did.

Hank: Well, they got to asking these questions, and I figured if they didn't

know, I couldn't learn much from them. (*Laughter.*)

I did everything. I picked apples for Guy Hulett at the Hulett Orchards which is where Andy Lane was and Boulé has it now. I chopped some wood.

Gwen: He learned to butcher from Mr. Morris, Morris the Butcher.

Hank: Morris Cutter, my father's brother. He was a meat cutter from Stoddard, and he bought the building that was in between the Butterfield Block (now Gary's Diner) and the video shop, that little parking lot. That used to be Cutter's Market. And up over Cutter's market was the Legion Hall, and in the back of Cutter's Market, on one side, was a cobbler's shop, with a barber shop in front, and a market on the other side.

Yes, I guess that would be my first real job. I worked in the store and cut meat and I butchered a lot. Almost everybody in Antrim raised a few pigs; right up and down Main Street there was a pigpen in back of almost every house. Some of them are there today, but there are no pigs in them.

Being in the market, a lot of people might have two or three pigs, and we would kill a hog, and they would pay for it by my uncle taking a portion of the pig as pay for the butchering and to sell at the market. We would take the hams and shoulder and send them to places in Manch'er where they would smoke 'em—Nashua Beef was one—and basically that was my work working in the market. I worked there from about 1936 to '40.

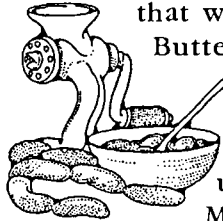
In 1941, that was when the war, I joined the army, I knew I was going to be drafted, everybody was waitin' for that, so I joined in '41, probably February 21st I think—it was a holiday—and I went down to Devons. I was shipped to Ft. Bragg North Carolina, and then we went to Ft. Sill Oklahoma, and it was there that I hurt my knee and was discharged. After I was discharged I came back home. Well, let me see...the war was on and so I was

looking for a better job, a job paid more money, and there was a lot work in Connecticut, so I went to Connecticut. (I worked down there four years.)

After the war, I come back here and I went to work for Bob Munhall doing mason work. And I got to be a half-way decent mason; I built this fireplace. Then that sorta slowed down, and I got a job at Derby's in Peterborough. I went on the road sellin' appliances. I worked for them for about a year. I guess I weren't a very good salesman. I always say people didn't have money; that sounds better (*laughter*). Anyway, then I put in my name to go up on the lookout tower—for forest fires—on Crotched Mountain, any tower. I also put my name in Ball Bearin', and I said well, I'll take whichever one comes first, and Ball Bearin' came first. So I worked for them for twenty-five years and retired. Then I went to work! (*Laughter*)

Gwen: We got married in 1935. We both lived on this end of town, and back in those days factory working people lived down at this end, here. Chaffee (the school principal) lived up on Aiken Street. He was pretty close to down here, but he didn't want to be associated with here. No matter what they were doing, the people up there were the smarter people. "Up there" would probably be from Concord Street, the other side, going north from Concord Street. North Main Street. The Hurlins lived up there, all those big houses up there.

I wanted to go back to school after I had Nancy, and my father went to the superintendent at the time, from Hillsboro. (Nancy was born in 1935.) Back in those days, people didn't do that, they didn't go back to school. Oh no, you were marked. So he went and got me back into school, and I got pretty good marks. But one time, the principal, Chaffee, got mad at me. I can't remember what he got mad at me for, but when I got my report card I got a "C," I was heartbroken. "A"s and "B"s in those days, you had to have "A"s and "B"s to be on the Honor Roll. All year long I had been on the Honor



Roll, and he marked me a "C," (changed my grade). But of course they didn't have the eradicator stuff that they have now, it was something he had to rub on there, and he deliberately rubbed it off and put on a "C." I had a higher grade, and he changed it. Oh, he was a son-of-gun! I cried, though I wasn't much of a bawl baby. My father was upset, oh he went stompin' up there to that school, my father was a little short man, and this guy was six foot two, but he wouldn't never change it, so I had to be taken off the Honor Roll. That was heart-breaking.

But anyway, that was one of the things that went on. He was (angry) about my father goin' to the superintendent of schools and getting me an OK to get back in. He didn't like me for two reasons: I was from the wrong end of town, and I got back in school. I had been out one year. So, I let that go, and I never did finish. I quit the next year. My great grand daughter wrote a thing on me to get into college this year, Nancy's grand daughter, she wrote this most wonderful thing, a sort of thesis on my whole life, what happened to me, and what I did, you know, and everything.

So, when I was sixty years old, Conval offered a GED course over here, and I went over and took it, and I got it, I got my degree!

Of course I was in every organization in town. Most of them are all gone now. I was in the Women's Relief Corps, and the Rebekahs, and the Phoebe's at the Baptist Church. When we first came here I was christened as a Methodist. They had a Methodist Church up where the Christian Scientist Church (Church of Christ) is now, and I went there, but they didn't last too long because they ran out of money and so they had to give up. So, we that were going to that church, we went to the Baptist Church or the Presbyterian Church, and my mother, she wanted us to go to the Baptist Church, so we went to the Baptist Church, and Reverend Tibbals was the minister at the time. If you had perfect attendance at Sunday School, they'd give you a

little star up here (holds up pin), and then every year they'd have a little bar they would add to it. And all of us kids who went to the Baptist Church—I imagine the Presbyterian Church did the same thing—he carried on the attendance thing, and when it came Children's Day, we'd get our little bar to add to the ones we already had. And my bible, up there, came on Children's Day from the Baptist Church. And at that time Reverend Tibbals, knowing us kids, I suppose, he would pick out this little part of the bible he felt, a quotation that sorta went with us. He gave me: "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path." A couple years ago, my oldest granddaughter—oh, she does all sorts of crafts—she made me a cross stitch picture with that on it.

I lived with my folks up there on High Street. During the depression we did pretty good. We went to Uncle Morris's once a week when we could get some meat, and mum always bought butter from Allan French over in East Antrim. I remember one time Bernice Rockwell said to her, "Grace, where do you get your butter?" because it was hard to get butter—we often had oleo too, but once a week we got butter. And she says, "We get it from Mally French, he delivers a pound every week." "Oh," she says, "I'll see if I can get some from him." But he told her, and she told mum, that no, he said he wasn't takin' on any new customers, just the people he had been deliverin' to before the rationing. And she was so disappointed, you know. And once a week Uncle Morris would have a load a meat come in, and dad would go right up from the shop and get some meat, whatever kind of meat he had. Dad was working at Goodell Company, so he went up the hill over the canal, to the shop.

Hank: He went right up over the hill over the canal. We took the bridge out. Guys that wouldn't have too much time, they come runnin' up and jump right over that cement onto the bridge and up the street. Somebody took the bridge out and they come up and they jumped, you know, put their hand on

and jump, and went right into the canal. (*Laughter*)

Gwen: We were friendly with the Rockwells when we lived over on High Street, and then we were friendly with Ernest McClure that lived over on Depot Street where the Atkinsons live now. We all had gardens, and folks would grow different things, and I remember one year my dad got a great nice batch of potatoes, and they swapped for vegetables with somebody. We did pretty good that way, too. We were never hungry, but I'll never forget we had potato soup more than anything else. We were kids, and so we thought it was good, you know, but I'm sure mum and dad got awful sick of potato soup. Clothes never seemed to bother us. For one thing, I had a great aunt, and of course she didn't have much money, but she would buy material and make dresses for my sister and I, and blouses for my mum. And dad was always in work clothes, so, you know, the clothes and shoes never did mean too much to us, so we were very fortunate to live in the country. We always would keep track of my father's mother who lived in Woburn, Mass., and they were hard put a lots of times to get food.

Hank: Antrim had a town (baseball) team, and I could tell you the players: Bill Edwards—Ellerton Edwards—was the catcher, Al Thornton was the pitcher, Fred Raleigh played first base. Austin Paige played second, my brother Charlie played short, Frank Harlow played third, Frank Fowle played left, Matt Cuddihy played center, and Bill Hurlin played right field. That was the original town team. That's when I was watchin.'

Gwen: The Cuddihys used to have a whole baseball team all their own.

Hank: Basketball team!

Gwen: No, baseball!

Hank: They had a complete basketball team.

Gwen: Not basketball, baseball!

Hank: Well, they had both. (*Laughter*)

TOWN HISTORY REVISITED ANTRIM'S PART IN THE CIVIL WAR

The largest celebration in town after the centennial observation in 1877 was held on July 4, 1892, when the Soldier's Monument was dedicated on the triangle of the Baptist Church lawn. Pictures taken on the occasion show many people standing under umbrellas, not because it was raining but because the temperature was 95° F!. One wonders if as many people would venture out of their air-conditioned homes today for such a celebration, umbrellas or not.

The monument was bought at a cost of \$1,000 by local G.A.R. members (veterans of the Grand Army of the Republic), "forever to keep in memory the Soldiers of the Revolution, the War of 1812, the Mexican War and the War of the Rebellion", according to historian Warren Cochrane. Although children of those days may have fancied that the model for the statue was a local grandfather, many identical monuments throughout the state were cast from the same mold.

The celebration included a grand parade, led by the G.A.R. and included the two local brass bands. The Antrim Brass Band and the Mechanics' Military Band were known for noisy rivalry on occasion, but one hopes on this day they managed to play in tune together in the spirit of the occasion commemorating the union of the states.

Following the battle at Fort Sumter in April of 1861 President Lincoln called upon the northern states to supply regiments of volunteers for three months. At a special town meeting the voters of Antrim resolved to assist volunteers and their families, appropriating funds to do so and appointing a committee to oversee the proceedings. But the War of the Rebellion dragged on for four years, by which time the town war debt amounted to over \$32,000 which had been "hired", and was many years being paid back.

In 1861 Antrim was still made up of villages and neighborhoods, and every family existed to some extent by farming. As military service for more than three months became a hardship,

a man with a family to support could hire a substitute to go to war in his place without danger of being labeled a draft dodger, and the young, unattached men of the town became the soldiers of the Grand Army of the Republic, both as volunteers and draftees.

One of these young men was Miles Peabody from the neighborhood in the North Branch now called Loveren's Mills. His father John Peabody came to the area in 1838 and subsequently bought up existing mills along the North Branch River, improving them into a thriving lumberyard. John's daughter Nancy married Josiah Loveren of Deering and in time he became the owner of Peabody's business, improving it still more into a large business known for many years as Loveren's Mills. Although the mills are no longer there the site of a once active mini-community is marked by a (misspelled) road sign showing the road that branches off of Route 9.

Twenty-one-year-old Miles Peabody enlisted in 1861 and served in the Army of the Potomac. A letter written to his brother-in-law Josiah Loveren soon afterwards begins:

Now Josiah, you wished to know what I thought of this war. I will tell you all that I know about it. In the first place the President did not suppose that the rebellion would amount to much...But there he made a great mistake. Then the north urged him on to Bull Run with an army that was composed of half-drilled recruits poorly armed, and of course they was whipped...You wished to know if I had changed my opinion. I have not but I know of many who never had any sympathy for the slave up to the time they came out here, who say they will do all in their power to help the slave.

Even today's historians disagree about why the Civil War had to be

fought, and Miles Peabody was thrown into its midst without a clear-cut reason for being there. After eighteen months of the war he wrote despairingly to his parents:

I have got very sick of the army and if there was any way to get out of it honorably I would do it very quick but there is no way but to remain to the end of the war. We arrived here two weeks ago today opposite Fredericksburg. The enemy had only a small force in the City and we could have taken it very easy, but it was not done and now the enemy have a large force there and if we take the place, it will be after a hard fight...What progress have we made? The rebel army was never so strong before as it is today...I do not think that we can ever conquer them, and if this war is carried on to the end of three years we shall have to acknowledge their independence after all.

The Army of the Potomac was severely trounced less than two weeks after he wrote this letter, due to poor direction by General Burnside, but Miles survived the Fredericksburg conflict.

In all 139 men, twelve more than the quota required, went to fight in the Civil War from Antrim. This was more men than served in any other war, before or since. Twenty-seven local soldiers died from battle wounds or disease before the war ended in April of 1865, and Miles Peabody was one of them.

— Isabel B. Nichols

A.R.T.S. SUMMER HOURS

The Antrim Recycling Transfer Station will begin additional summer hours on Sunday May 30. The station will be open from 1-5 PM. Let's keep our town "green"—recycle your glass, paper, tin cans and aluminum cans.



ABOUT TOWN

MILLENNIUM COMMITTEE THE FIRST FIRST NIGHT

Where do you plan to be December 31, 1999? Why not start the year 2000 off with a bang by celebrating right here in Antrim! First Night 2000 will be the first of many town-wide activities sponsored by the Antrim Millennium Committee. Ice sculptures, musical performances, and a giant bonfire are only a few of the activities being planned for First Night. There will be something for all ages. Organizations and individuals are needed to make this night a success. Please call Sarah Edwards (588-6861) if you would like to work on or sponsor an event.

And when the snow finally has melted and the black flies give way to mosquitoes it'll be time to gather your whole family for the Millennium Parade. Remember the old Antrim Old Home Days? The floats, the bands, the excitement of vendors lining Main Street? Well, reserve August 12, 2000 for the big parade, plenty of food, crafts, music, and fun for all. Those interested in participating in the parade should call Ted Brown (588-2886). Floats, bands, horses, marching groups, all please apply! Let's make this the grandest parade ever! Check out the next issue of the LIMRIK for more information on food and craft booths.

It would be great if there were an event each month from August 2000 through July 2001. Some ideas which have been suggested are: create new/open old time capsules, reunion weekend, sidewalk art show, community planting day, oral history projects, winter/summer games, town-wide flea market, road race, Millennium Garden, fireworks, model boat races, fall festival, garden tour, and an antique home tour. Pick an idea. Gather 5 or 6 friends. Give Sara or Pam Caswell (588-2906) a call and go for it! Members are: Barbara Black, Bill Nichols, Thelma Nichols, Fred Roberts, Michelle Rabideau, Pam Caswell, and Sarah Edwards. ♣

TOUR OF HOMES

Do you enjoy peeking into people's windows as you drive by their houses? Do you appreciate quality architecture and pretty views? The Antrim house tour, scheduled for December 11, has something for everyone. You will be able to explore the homes of five Antrim families which will be decorated for the Christmas holidays and refreshments will be available at each home. Ticket price has not yet been determined and proceeds will benefit the James A. Tuttle Library Expansion Project.

Members of the house tour committee are Kathy Chisholm, Lauren Kirkpatrick, Pat Couture and Diane Chauncey. Look for more details in the September edition of the LIMRIK.

— Mary Chauncey

JUNIOR GIRLSCOUTS

Troop 2172 got off to a late start this year but we do have a super troop of nine girls. The troop meets on Thursday nights from 7-8 PM at Great Brook School. We have successfully completed our Art to Wear badge and are working on another due to be completed by year's end. Our cookie sales were great. As a result, we will be going to an overnighter at the YMCA. Thanks to all of you who supported Girl Scouts this year. Junior Girl Scouts will be having early bird registration on June 10. This registration is open to girls who will be entering grades 4, 5, and 6. For more information please contact Kathy Smith at 588-2891.

Girls Scouts: Where Girls Grow Strong!

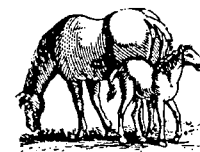
CELTIC CELEBRATION

Plans are underway for Antrim's first annual Celtic Music and Heritage Celebration. The organizing committee is busy arranging a day-long event for Sunday, October 3rd. They intend to have Celtic music concerts as well as cultural workshops that will reflect the Scots-Irish heritage of Antrim. By bringing together well-known musicians and newer up and coming Celtic performers, the committee hopes to attract a wide audience.

The idea for the festival originated during the Antrim NEXT town-wide meetings held last spring. As an outgrowth of the Antrim Arts and Business Council, the festival organizers want not only to promote local business, crafts, and culture, but also to encourage awareness of the town's Scots-Irish roots.

A logo has been created depicting a fiddle and a flax distaff. The early Scots-Irish settlers were weavers by trade and grew flax for linen spinning and weaving. They were widely known for their high quality work.

Members of the organizing committee include Lorraine Carey Block, Kathy Chisholm, Lois Harriman, Anne and Brian Hennessy, and Mark Reynolds. The committee needs and welcomes donations of money to make the celebration a big success. For more information or to become involved, call Kathy Chisholm at the Tuttle Library at 588-6786. ♣



HOT TO TROT 4-H CLUB

The Club will sponsor its 6th annual open horse show on August 1st on West Street starting at 8:00 AM and continuing throughout the day. For more information, contact Beth Merrill at 588-6615.



CHURCH NEWS

Antrim Presbyterian Church
588-2209

Pastor Richard Palmer

Sunday Schedule

Worship 10:00 AM
(*child care available*)
AA Meeting 7:00 PM

June 8 & 9 3-9:00 PM Directory
photos

July 26-30

Vacation Bible School
(with Baptist Church)

Summer Fair - Watch for Date

Antrim Baptist Church
588-6614

Pastor Charles V. Boucher

Cherryl Boucher, Associate Pastor

Sunday Schedule

Worship 10:30 AM

Summer schedule as of June 20

Worship 9:30 AM

Wed. Choir Rehearsals 6:30 PM

Sat. Food Pantry 10 AM-12 Noon

July 26-30 Vacation Bible School
(with Presbyterian Church)

Summer Fair - Watch for Date

Antrim Church of Christ
588-6178

Evangelist Lawrence Warren

Sundays

Bible Study 9:30-10:30 AM

Worship 10:45-12 Noon

Devotional 6:00-7:00 PM

Bible Study

Tuesday-Teens 7:00-8:00 PM

Wednesday 7:00-8:00 PM

Free Clothing shop open every 2nd
and 4th Saturday

**Bennington Congregational
Church**

588-2398

Pastor Daniel Poling

Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

During July, August and September services will feature Rev. Bryce Cleveland and Rev. Richard Hary as speakers. The Rev. Dr. Poling will be at the Weare Union Church.

St. Patrick Church
588-2180

Rev. Andre L. Bedard, Pastor

Masses

Saturdays 4:15 PM

Sundays 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Mondays-Wed- Fridays 7:30 AM

Thursday Communion 7:30 AM

Holy Days

Mass at 7:30 AM and 7:00 PM

Vigils at 7:00 PM

Sacrament of Penance

Half-hour before each Mass

Religious Education

Grades 1-6 following 8:00 AM

Sunday Mass in Parish Hall

Confirmation Grades 7 and 8

Mondays at 6:30 PM

Prayer Group Mondays 7:30 PM

Women's Guild meetings on second
Wednesday of each month

The following children received their first Holy Communion on Sunday, May 2nd.: Joseph Prochillo, Hannah Ellsworth, Sarah Mercier, Miranda Cottle, Daniel Ellingwood, Kayley Peters, Abigail Jenkins, Nathan Card, Ethan Jarzombek, Tricia Jobe, Haley Monkton, Jennifer Welch, Erica Durgin, Ethan Knoll. Thank you to Gail Jones, teacher and Sue Brissette, Assistant, for their time and effort in preparing the children for this sacrament.

A Baccalaureate Mass will be held on Sunday, June 13 for graduating seniors.

St. Patrick Church will be sponsoring a float for the Bennington Old Home Days parade on August 14. If interested in working on this project, please call the rectory.

YOUTH BASEBALL

This year Antrim has joined the Monadnock Mountain Bambino Baseball League, which is based in Peterborough. Antrim plays teams from Hancock, Peterborough, Dublin, and Temple. Over 90 boys and girls signed up for baseball in Antrim. The teams are sporting new uniforms with major league teams names, colors and logos. The 11-12 year olds, coached by Bryan Hebert and Jim Stafford, are **The Antrim Angels**. The 9-10 year olds, coached by Tony Burke, Rick Nanacelli and Damon Lawrence are **The Antrim Braves**. Coached by Rich Solito and Scott Martel are **The Antrim Diamond Backs**. The 7-8 year olds, coached by Bill Ruoff are **The Knotty Nine**. Coached by Robin Mansfield are **The Cheshire Cats**. Coached by Richard Reilly are **The Mighty Molars**. The 5-6 year olds coached by John Leonard and Rick Wood are the **Safe At Home** team.

Our sponsors are Antrim Lumber, Keating Insurance, T-Bird Mini-Mart, Antrim Fire Department, Homicz & Perry Family Dentistry and Wayno's Market. The youth of Antrim would like to say Thank You to all the sponsors. Currently the kids are selling 50/50 raffle tickets to raise money for the program. The drawing will be June 15. Let us clean your car for a great cause.

As an end of the season event, the young participants plan to take in a Nashua Pride Pro Baseball game. If you have a chance, stop by Shea Field and root these young ball players on.

The 13-15 year old Antrim baseball players are playing ball on regional teams, paired with teammates from local surrounding towns. They find themselves competing in such distant towns as Peterborough, Jaffrey, New Ipswich and Nelson as part of the Monadnock Babe Ruth Program. The program culminates with local and state regional playoffs in July.

— Sam Harding



PRESCHOOL STORYTIME: On Friday June 11 at 9:30 AM, Mary Payne will read to toddlers and preschoolers. Storytime will end for the summer and resume in the fall.

SUMMER PROGRAMS

June 2 • Bats About Bats • Gordon Shulkin, wildlife educator will present a program for children at Antrim Elementary School at 1:00 PM.

June 2 • The Amazing World of Bats, a program for adults and older children presented by Gordon Shulkin at 6:30 PM at the Tuttle Library. These two programs are generously funded by Fulcrum Associates of Amherst, NH.

June 19 • Odds Bodkin • NH's own master talesman at 11:00 AM. "With over a hundred character voices and original virtuoso music—Odds Bodkin's multicultural storytelling has captured the imagination of a generation of children, not to mention their fascinated parents." "He has appeared numerous times on Public Television and cable TV nationwide." (Visit his website at www.oddsbodkin.com) This program is a collaboration of the Tuttle Library and The Grapevine and co-funded by The Grapevine and Fulcrum Associates.

June 19 – August 6 • SUMMER READING PROGRAM • The Tuttle Library wants you to enter our land of enchantment this summer by registering for our 1999 Summer Reading Program, Once Upon A Summer Reading! Children may register at the library beginning on Saturday June 19. Special programs with folk and fairy tale themes will take place throughout the program. It's a chance to meet some fascinating characters and creatures...*DRAGONS, UNICORNS, ELVES, GNOMES, WIZARDS, TROLLS, PAUL BUNYAN, JOHN HENRY,* and more! Children who complete the program will receive certificates and awards on Friday August 6.

July 9, 16, and 23 • 10:00 AM • Storytime • Program • Crafts
August 4, 11, and 18 • 11:00 AM • STORYTIME AT THE BEACH Library staff will bring Storytime to the beach at Gregg Lake during August swimming lessons.

August 6 • 1:00 PM Summer Reading Program party and awards. At 2:00 PM Performance by Jill Craig includes storytelling with folklore, nature tales, paper stories, and songs. Program funded by Fulcrum Associates.

BOOK DISPLAYS:

June: Humor and Bats (for adults and kids)

July: Great Summer Reading and Fairy Tales, Folktales, Tall Tales (for kids and young adults)

August: Great Summer Reading and Native Americans

NEW FICTION from your favorite authors: Robin Cook, Martha Grimes, Danielle Steele, Amanda Quick, Stephen King, Lisa Scottoline, Maeve Binchy, Barbara Taylor Bradford, Sandra Brown, Julie Garwood, Gail Godwin, John Grisham, John LeCarre, Elmore Leonard, Nora Roberts, and Tom Wolfe.

NEW MYSTERIES from your favorite authors: Rita Mae Brown, Andrew Greeley, J.A. Jance, Edward Marston, Robert Parker, Ruth Rendell, Mary Higgins Clark, Jean Hager, Carolyn Hart, Deborah Crombie, and Steve Sherman.

NEW NON-FICTION: Joan Anderson *A YEAR BY THE SEA*; Frances Mayes *BELLA TUSCANY*; The Dalai Lama *THE ART OF HAPPINESS*; Alice Echols *SCARS OF SWEET PARADISE: THE LIFE & TIMES OF JANIS JOPLIN*; Geraldine Ferraro *FRAMING A LIFE*; Bill Bryson *I'M A STRANGER HERE MYSELF*.

NEW AUDIOBOOKS: Tony Hillerman *THE FIRST EAGLE*; Vern Cherewatenko *THE DIABETES CURE*; Bill Bryson *NOTES FROM A SMALL ISLAND*; *A WALK IN THE WOODS*; *NEITHER HERE NOR THERE*; Robin Cook *VECTOR*; Stephen Ambrose *UNDAUNTED COURAGE*; *CITIZEN SOLDIERS*; A. Scott Berg *LINDBERGH*.

WANTED! The Library has begun delivery of materials to residents of Antrim Village, and we are looking for audiocassette players and/or personal cassette players (e.g. Walkmans) that we can loan so that books-on-tape can be enjoyed by the residents. If you have a cassette player you would like to donate or would like to underwrite the purchase of one, please call the library.

The Board of Trustees and the Library staff extend a heartfelt thank to Fulcrum Associates of Amherst, NH for their generous funding of our summer programs. ♣

LIONS CLUB

The Antrim-Bennington Lions Club is proud to report that in March we were able to loan eyesight and hearing machines to the Great Brook Elementary school for one week so that they could conduct sight and hearing tests for the students.

Separate from the above, the Lions Club district, which we are a part of, has just obtained an MTI Scanner. This machine takes a picture of a young child's eyes to determine if there are problems with the child's eyesight as it is very difficult to have a young child take a typical eyesight exam. We are very excited about this new machine and are hoping that our club will be able to conduct this type of screening sometime in the Fall. More information will follow in the next issue.

The Antrim-Bennington Lions Club recently voted in new officers for 1999-2000, which starts in July. The new officers are as follows:

President: Bob Edwards
 Secretary: Sarah Edwards
 Treasurer: Bob Flanders

Please call Bob Edwards at 588-6861 if you are interested in learning more about Lions in our community. ♣



SCHOOL NEWS

— Barbara Black

LET THE GAMES BEGIN! On Friday, June 4th, Great Brook Students will celebrate their selection as one of three finalists for New Hampshire Middle School of the Year Award. The celebration will kick off with a school-wide assembly. This will be followed by a barbecue cooked by Dolly's lunch ladies. Each grade level is hosting a different "sporting" activity. Events vary from the "limbo stick" to an "egg toss" to a "football throwing" contest. The sixth grade's "music roll toss (toilet paper)" promises to be a big hit. The afternoon will culminate in a "Funny Awards" assembly and popsicles for everyone. The students make Great Brook great—this is their day.

The winner of the Middle School of the Year Award will be announced at the Fifth Annual Excellence in Education Awards in Manchester on June 5th.

BRAVING THE BLACK FLIES. Remember that special place in your backyard when you were growing up? You knew every inch of your personal kingdom. Ms. Rosenthal and Mrs. Cook's eighth graders are taking a botanical journey through the wetlands. Each student has chosen a roughly 40 square foot plot of land to investigate. Students are identifying and exploring the life cycles of plants in the plots. Eighth graders will observe the adaptations that plants make to fit their environment. They will also study plants' importance to humans. It's a great time to use the great outdoors as a classroom - if just weren't for those New Hampshire black flies.

CREATORS AND CARETAKERS. Ever wonder what a dapnea is or why algae collect on ponds? These are some questions and investigations sixth graders in Ms Ripley's and Mrs. Blanchette's classes are tackling as part of their ecosystem studies. By constructing mini ecosystems in a tank, students examine food chains and explore the meaning of photosynthesis. They identify variables which promote growth and decomposition and just plain have fun. Students have experi-

enced the importance of creating and being caretakers of ecosystems teeming with life. They have enjoyed the thrill of adopting guppies as pets. The sixth graders' aquarium/terrariums contain algae, peas, grass, bachelor buttons, hornwort, snails, ladybeetles, aphids, guppies and daphnia. Through their observations students are creating food webs which connect these organisms.

Along with their ecosystem tanks, students are reading a biography of Rachel Carson. This famous ecologist warned the world of the biological hazards of pesticides. By explaining the connections between all living creatures, she helped people see that balance must be maintained or else all life is threatened.

THE ACADEMY AWARDS COME TO GBS. Hollywood? No, Mrs. King's seventh grade humanities classes. Students culminated their study of Europe by creating slide shows. Partners chose a European country to research in depth. After study location, climate, culture, population, and economics, students used computers to create documentaries of their countries. Slide shows were judged on creative design, use of color, organization of material, and use of pictures and graphics. Oscars and certificates were awarded for Best Picture, Creative Design, Educational Film, Cooperative Teamwork, and Best Attire. Everyone dressed up. Music and decorations set the atmosphere. It was a gala event — enjoyed by all!

Seventh graders will end the year with studying the United States. They will create "Shoebox Floats" for each state. Students will host a "Parade of States" with blue ribbons awarded to the best of the bunch.

ROLLER COASTER RIDE. "Please, Mom, just one more ride! I need to finish my science assignment." Don't you wish that had worked for you at the amusement park? Well, seventh graders really will be working during their trip to Riverside Amusement Park. They will be studying the physics of roller coasters and other rides. Science isn't just for textbooks and the lab. It's the world we live in. GBS stu-

dents will have a chance to observe science in action. This is one science class not to be missed!

PLANTING DAY. The park has been surveyed; the research has been done; now it's time for the plan. When Marion Noble, co-chair of Antrim CARES, requested help from GBS students in the fall no one knew how much work there was to be done. Students in Ms Rice/Staley's and Ms Black's classes were asked to develop a landscaping plan for Memorial Park.

Before formulating their plan students examined the plants already at the park and determined the colors and seasons in which they bloomed. They met with member of the Memorial Park Committee and Conservation Commissions to determine activities for which the park was used and erosion concerns. Members of the state department of transportation provided information on native plants. Beth Frost and Susie Denehy from the Harris Center and Sarah Dowse provided training and feedback.

Students are in the process of presenting their planting plan to community groups for approval. Providing all goes well, students should be ready to start the first phase of planting on June 3rd at 12:30 pm. If you would like to help on "Planting Day", please call Letitia Rice or Barbara Black at GBS (588-6630). We'd love to make this a community wide effort!

MOONLIGHT AND MEMORIES. No one who has visited the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington, D.C. leaves untouched by the moving ceremony to commemorate the men and women who have sacrificed so much for us and our country. Imagine the emotions of those who actually participate in the ceremony of laying the wreath on the tomb. Four Great Brook Eight Graders had that opportunity during their recent class trip to Washington. Emily Lavoie, Jenna Frasier, Jonathan Jimenez, and Nick Jenkins laid a wreath with a ribbon from Great Brook School on the tomb.

Students wrote essays explaining why participating in the ceremony would be meaningful to them. The essays of Emily, Jenna, Jonathan and

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A CHILDREN'S MUSICAL PERFORMANCE GROUP

Nick earned them the privilege of marching with the military honor guard as part of the solemn ceremony. The students then placed the wreath on the tomb of these soldiers "known but to God".

Students also visited the Capitol Building, the Holocaust Museum, and a dinner theater. They were able to visit the new FDR memorial. This park-like memorial has four sections, one for each of Roosevelt's terms as President. Each contains quotes from his speeches with complimentary sculptures. A highlight of the trip was a "Moonlight Dance Cruise" on the Potomac. Students and staff alike danced the night away in celebration of this wonderful trip and their weeklong study of United States history and government.

Next year's eighth graders will be planning their trip soon, and many students will be attempting to earn money for the trip during the summer. If you have work that a student could do over the summer, please give the school a call (588-6630). We'll post jobs on a bulletin board. ♣

COMMUNITY SERVICE BY ALT

The Alternative Learning Center (ALT) students have been helping our community. They have been planting in the greenhouse. They plan to sell the plants when they are grown. The students have planted flowers and herbs, marigolds, and basil to mention a few.

Another fun and exciting activity was helping Officer Giammarino with the D.A.R.E. basketball game. The basketball game was a fund raiser for the D.A.R.E. t-shirts. The game was between the fire department and the police department. The police department won this exciting game. Thank you to all the players for the challenging sportsmanship shown by all.

One of the academic projects we have been involved with is making "Books on Tape" available for non-readers and seeing-impaired students. Numerous books have been taped. Students can follow along in the book to help them learn to read.

— Tim Booth

Inside the Great Brook School atrium, sheets of salmon-colored paper are scattered on the risers. Coats and backpacks cover a corner of the floor. Nancy Knowles calls for silence by raising her arm. Saltimbanco is back in session.

Saltimbanco is a Spanish term which means "jumping on benches". "It was the name of the wandering troupes of performers who travelled all over Europe during the Renaissance, pulling a cart with all their props, masks and stage," Nancy explained. "They set up in town squares and marketplaces. They would have two benches and a board that they put across the benches to make a stage." A simple curtain hung behind the stage provided a place for costume changes.

Nancy Knowles, well-known as part of the group LiveOak, started Saltimbanco four years ago with only 4 students. The group has gradually grown to include 14 members. Students range in age from 9 to 16 and are from Great Brook School and Old Pound Road School as well as home-schooled children. Sessions are for two hours on Wednesday afternoons.

Classes open with a physical warm-up to relax the body and free the voice, followed by vocal exercises. Musical pieces are learned both "by ear" and by reading music. "It's easier to learn to read at a young age. Learning how to read opens up a world of music," said Knowles.

Nancy works with individual members in a participatory format, where other students provide supportive feedback. They also do improvisations and dramatic and vocal games that will help their performance. These exercises are often invented by the kids themselves.

"Great Brook School has been very welcoming in allowing the class to meet at the Atrium. The space has very good acoustics and an intimate amphitheater-style space," Knowles emphasized. "The school has been good about putting up with experimental vocal and percussion sounds. It has been a great experience for the kids to sing and make vocal sounds in an exposed school environment without feeling self-conscious."

When asked what he thought of the group meeting at the school, Principal Rick Nanicelli replied that he felt very privileged. "The music in the Atrium only adds to the positive climate of our school," he said. He is pleased that groups such as Saltimbanco are using the school building as a meeting space. He wants people to think of the school as a place that serves the community.

This term the young musicians are studying Latin American music in both Spanish and Quechua, a native Meso-American language, with the added challenge of singing in parts. They are currently working on a song called "Oy comamos y bebamos." It is a feast song, which the kids translate as "Let's stuff ourselves today and fast tomorrow". They are learning to sing it in three parts in Spanish.

Two hours a week can be a big investment of time for a young student. Many said that it could be sometimes overwhelming, cutting into homework time and other activities. So why do they continue to come? The resounding answer, "I love to sing!"

Nancy plans to have Saltimbanco meet through the summer for any interested students. In the fall she wants to have a Spanish/Native American musical program available to Spanish classes, and cites it as a forum for discussion of cultural rivalry. She is also looking for a small group of men or high school boys who would be willing to join the class on occasion to sing part songs that require low voices.

Any questions about Saltimbanco or private or group voice lessons can be directed to Nancy Knowles at 588-6121.

— Colleen Duggan

BROWNIE NEWS

This year has been full of fun and activity. At our YMCA sleep-over in Goffstown, the girls went swimming, played tennis and basketball, watched movies, worked out on "pint-sized" nautilus equipment and stayed up very late. The last of the group was nudged along to bed at 1:45 A.M.

Both troops have been very busy working on new try-it badges with help from a volunteer from the Fish and Game Department who came to one of our meetings to teach us about animal habitats. We also got a lesson in "Dance Oriental" from Kathy Blackburn. The girls loved the free spirited movements as well as the costumes Ms. Blackburn and her young guests wore. We are also planning field trips to end out our year since our cookie sales were so successful. Some of the activities planned are a nature hike through McCabe forest and a community scavenger hunt to help the girls learn more about our town.

Closing out our year will be our annual Court of Awards Ceremony. All our third grade Brownies will be flying up to Junior Girl Scouts and everyone will receive the try-it badges and recognitions they have earned this year.

A special congratulation to Friday troops co-leader Mrs. Burnside, who had a baby girl in April, and Mrs. Armstrong, who as of press time (May 10) had not delivered, but we send her best wishes too.

At this time of year, I would like to send out a special thank-you to all the parents who have helped in ways too numerous to mention. I would especially like to thank the moms who braved the sleep-over. Your help was very much appreciated. Mrs. Bernardi, thanks for being available at the last minute many times. Mrs. Sawich and Mrs. Boule have helped immeasurably with Friday troops from the beginning of the year, and Monday troops co-leaders Mrs. Davis and Ms. Rene have helped control the chaos. Thank-you all for all you have done. Hope you all have a safe and happy summer.

— Darlene Fox

APRIL IN PARIS CONVAL FRENCH CLUB TRIP

The beauty of Paris cannot be fully described; it can only be understood when one stands on the top of the Eiffel Tower on a chilled April night with the city illuminated and one getting the sensation of being in the right place at the perfect time. This was my experience on my trip to Paris with the ConVal French Club.

On the ride from school to Logan Airport in Boston, the bus was filled with anxiousness as the thirty or so passengers imagined the trip which lay before them. For the majority, it would signify their first voyage overseas; for some, it would be their very first flight and for the precious lucky few, it would be the second, third or fourth time visiting France.

After waiting for what seemed to be hours for our flight, we boarded American Airlines flight 108 to London around 7:30 EST. The six hour flight took us across many time changes and we landed at Heathrow Airport in London at 6:30 A.M. London time. I remember waking on the plane and seeing the edges of Ireland meeting the ocean far below the plane. When we were landing in London I noticed the change in architecture and the difference in landscape, but it still hadn't hit me that we were going to immerse ourselves in a culture not our own.

Again, after what seemed hours, we boarded a British Airways plane for Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris. When we landed in Paris we had crossed yet another time zone. Looking out the windows, we saw flat green land, a sight not too familiar for New Hampshire students, but for some reason, the idea that I was in another country, one very foreign in tradition and culture to my own, still hadn't fully sunk in.

At the airport we saw men in camouflage with enormous weapons in their arms and seriousness in their faces. I asked one of the chaperones who these men were and why they were armed so heavily. She informed me that they were the National Police of France, and they were there for protection. This was shocking to us. We soon met a person we could relate to easily—our British tour director, Paul. He took us from the airport to our hotel on a bus where we met five other students and two chaperones who would be touring with us. They were from Maine. We had about a half-hour at the hotel to get settled and then we left to begin a tour of the city of Paris.

Over the next few days we rushed around Paris so that things have gotten confused in my memory already. We saw monuments like the Sacre Coeur and Notre Dame (the two famous churches in Paris), the Palace de La Concorde, the Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre and other museums, and we went on day trips out of Paris to the home of Claude Monet in Giverny and to Chateaus in the Loire Valley. On our day trips we were accompanied by a true Parisian tour guide named Valerie. We were also given a wonderful opportunity to go to a French school for half a day and sit in on classes where we were welcomed warmly. We even got two days in the city to experience Paris' metro system first hand without a guide. On my free days I went with friends to see the Arc de Triomphe, the Catacombs and do shopping. The Catacombs was one of the most interesting places I went. During the French Revolution, the people wanted to expand the city of Paris but they ran into problems with cemeteries. They decided to solve this dilemma by digging up all the bodies and making a mass grave. The Catacombs is a long, underground grave with an enormous number of bones lining the walls for over a mile and, in some places, the bones are stacked ten feet in. It was a chilling experience to walk among so many dead.

The best part of being in Paris was experiencing the culture. Each night we were treated to real French meals. Not all of them were the greatest, but they gave insight into French culture to say the least. We also went to supermarkets, shops, McDonalds, and discos. Many people believe the French hate Americans which

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was evidenced from time to time by the "AMERICANS GO HOME-ASSASSINS" graffiti; but most Parisians seemed friendly—perhaps a little too friendly on some occasions. I enjoyed trying to speak to the waiters and shopkeepers—even if they did think I was a total idiot sometimes.

On our final night, we ate at Planet Hollywood where we had the most bizarre waiters and then went to the Eiffel Tower, getting there at seven while it was still light and staying at the top until ten when the city was ablaze with illumination. Those three hours quickly became the saddest for me because we were leaving the next morning. I quietly cried with my friends at least five times because it had finally hit me—I was in Paris, a city I loved and had gotten to experience personally, and it was all coming to an end.

The next morning we packed in virtual silence and said good-bye to our room. On the way to Orly airport, we said our good-byes to Paul who had become a good friend to us and would have to leave us so soon. I always remember the speech he gave us on how we were one of his most memorable groups and how he hoped our paths would cross again someday.

Going to Paris was one of the best things I have ever been given the opportunity to do. I hope to visit the city again though I know no experience could ever top the one I had in Paris in the spring of 1999.

— Jenny McInnis

ANTRIM PLAYERS CHILDREN'S THEATER

The Antrim Players will begin their summer program early this year with a group of children in two one-act plays. The plays, *Sly, the Fly and the Evil Guy* and *Anansi the Spider*, are being directed by Non Haggarty and Bill Harris, respectively. The plays will be performed together in the town hall on Friday, June 25 at 7 P.M. and Saturday, June 26 at 2 P.M.

The mission of this children's theater as stated in the workshop announcement is "to encourage an interest in theatre and participation in future Antrim Players productions." During the month of April, applications were sent to the elementary and middle schools in Antrim and the first thirty applications sent back were chosen for two plays. Workshops and rehearsals began the first week of May.

The first play, *Sly, the Fly and the Evil Guy*, is about a boy named Sly who helps solve the problems that occur in the town everyday. One day, the evil Guy and his assistant Peter come to town with the idea of Money but he puts an evil turn on the people and Sly must help them.

The second play, *Anansi the Spider*, is about a man and his eight sons. The father is the "spider" and his sons are the "legs". The man gets into trouble and must rely on his sons to help him out.

The plays each have fifteen children between the ages of eight and thirteen many of whom have not acted before. For more information call Non Haggarty at 588-3217 or Bill Harris at 588-2024.

— Jenny McInnis

YOUNG POETS

Twelve young poets, ages 6 to 18, submitted poems to the Tuttle Library's First Annual Young Poets Challenge. Most were from Antrim. A booklet of their work may be picked up at the Library. (*It is stunning. Ed.*) The following poets are represented: Nathan Boule, Mary Chauncy, Katie Dowling, Tim Dowling, Philip Eastman, Rebecca Enman, Molly Ferrill, Maddy Mangan, Camille Murdough, Hillary Simpson, Emily Taub, Drew Young. Each received a gift certificate to the Toadstool Bookstore.

On May 8th, eight of the poets participated in a reading at the Library to which families and friends had been invited. The participants read not only from their own work but also from the library's collection of poetry.

Kathy Chisholm, Tuttle's librarian, conceived the idea for the Challenge and says it has turned out to be "one of the best things we've done"...but adds that all the work was done by her assistant, Kim Pfeil. Kathy mentions that the poems are being catalogued and that each poet will therefore have an "author card" in the library's index. ♣

DINING IN ANTRIM MAPLEHURST INN

Breakfast • Sunday Brunch
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Lunch • Wednesdays
11:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Dinner • Wednesday thru Saturday
5:00 – 9:00 PM

RYNBORN

Breakfast • Sundays
7:00 AM – 12 Noon

Dinner • Every night 5:00 – 9:30 PM

RICK & DIANE'S PIZZERIA

Open • 11:00 AM – 9:00 PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
and Sunday

Open • 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM
Friday and Saturday



NEWS DEADLINE



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FOLK TALES

THE OP

"Fox 073" "Go ahead" "one, south, 1000 feet, unknown"

Those of you who manned (or womanned) the "observation post" (OP) during WWII may recognize the above as some of the information given when a plane was spotted. In 1942 the first OP was established in Caughey's field across the road from the stone church in the Center. Mr. Caughey was most generous in letting his phone be used through a window in his house to report a sighting. Soon, however, a phone was installed which made it much easier. During 1943 the post was moved to the field where the middle school is now located. A shelter was built with a glassed in cupola which protected the volunteers from piercing winter winds that howled around the post.

A Boy Scout arrived at 6 A.M. and started a fire in the little stove and stood the first two hour stint before school. Women volunteered for the daytime hours and men finished with the 6 to 12 P.M. shift. No one was on duty from Midnight to 6 A.M. and as noted in *Parades and Promenades* "Enemy planes courteously stayed away then as well as for the rest of the twenty-four hours".

After a few months the OP watching time was reduced to four and a half hours per day as it was evident enemy planes would probably never make it to New Hampshire skies. Friends and relatives of Antrim residents who lived on Long Island or the New Jersey shore were witness to almost nightly explosions on the horizon as supply ships were attacked by German U-Boats. There was an unconfirmed rumor that a Liberty Ship launched at the South Portland Shipyards in Maine was torpedoed by a U-Boat just moments after it was in the water. But these were miles away and did not impact that much on life in Antrim.

More about Antrim and WWII can be found in the pages of *Parades and Promenades*.

— Fred Roberts

REC CENTER

Annual Town Beach cleanup day will be on June 12 at 10:00 AM. Free lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

SWIMMING LESSONS

June 28 • 2-4:00 PM Sign-up at the beach \$5 per child

June 29 • 10:00 AM-12 Noon Sign-up at the beach

July 1 • 6-8:00 PM Sign-up at the Town Gym

Afternoon Lessons: weeks of July 12, 19 and 26

Morning Lessons: weeks of August 2, 9 and 16

Annual end-of-season beach cleanup will be on September 4 at 10:00 AM. Free lunch will be provided for all volunteers.

Please note that on rainy days the life guards will be at the Town Gym to play with kids during open gym time. Call for updated message at 588-3121.

The Rec Center will be open starting June 29 as follows:

Tuesdays from 2-4:00 PM with planned activities

Thursdays from 10:00 AM-12 Noon

Fridays from 6-9:00 PM for Middle School ages.

For adults we are offering TAE KWON DEROBICS on Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 PM. There will be a fee of \$5, and on Thursdays at 7:00 PM come join the fun with Co-Ed volley ball. ♣

SUMMER JOB

Childcare/driver wanted to drive and "be around" two boys ages 11 and 13, from July 5-30. The driving is to and from Andy's Summer Playhouse in Wilton; otherwise, general helping out. At Gregg Lake in Antrim. \$10 per hour plus expenses. Phone Nancy at 617-232-4947.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The annual meeting of the Antrim Historical Society will be held at the Presbyterian Church on Thursday, June 24, with a potluck supper at 6:00 PM. This is an opportunity for interested and newer residents of the community to join the organization. Martha Pinello will present an introduction to museums "Less Than an Hour Away". She will also have brochures from other New Hampshire Historical Societies that make for interesting summer excursions.

The evening's speaker will be Lyman Gilmore, who is currently at work on an oral history project for the town. He will explain the process of recording memories of older citizens and providing access to them for future local historians. He is in need of suggestions from the public concerning resources.

The late Priscilla Cook Owen, a former librarian, and her mother Arlene Cook, compiled a collection of material about North Branch which was presented to the Society. Among the items is a notebook about Hawthorne College. The Society has decided to follow through on this and do an in-depth study of the property that was once the college and is now owned by the Maharishi Vedic School. For many years known as the Flint Farm, the estate was also the site of a scientific laboratory established by Antrim's Winslow Caughey before it became Hawthorne College in 1962. We are grateful to Priscilla Owen and Arlene Cook for their dedicated work in helping to preserve the history of that section of Antrim. ♣

MAPLEHURST INN

A Summer menu will be coming out soon and the screened porch is open now depending on the weather. We hope you all have a great summer.

— The Crowell Family

PACK 2 CLUB SCOUTS

1999 has been a very busy year for the Antrim-Bennington Cub Scouts.

In January, they had their annual Pinewood Derby. Each boy had the opportunity to make a car out of a block of wood and race it. Troy French placed 1st on the Pack level and Stephen Nichols placed 6th on the District level.

February is the Birthday of Cub Scouting and our Cubs celebrated with a Blue and Gold Banquet at Crotched Mountain. Many awards were given to the boys for their participation in their dens. Brandon Berniere received his Wolf Badge; Dustin Tatro, Jonathan Nichols, Lewis Palmer, Danny Burke, Justin Bernardi and Steven Solito received their Bear Badges and Lee Corigliano received his Webelos Badge.

At the March Pack meeting, the boys had a pizza party given to them by the Daniel Webster council for great job recruiting new boys into scouting.

The 1999 Mount Monadnock Chuck-wagon Derby held in Chesterfield in April was great fun for all 15 boys from Pack 2. This year's theme was Colonial America and many boys dressed for the times. With two wagons full of boys, Pack 2 succeeded in placing 6th and 10th out of 21 wagons. The boys' favorite station was an obstacle course where they had to maneuver their wagons forward, backward, in a circle, do a figure eight and build a bridge to get their wagon over a brook. They were very successful and managed to stay dry. ♣

HISTORY REWRITTEN

The following are actual exam answers by students at age 16.

1. In the Olympic games, Greeks ran races, jumped, hurled the biscuits, and threw the java.
2. The sun never set on the British Empire because the British Empire is in the East and the sun sets in the West.
3. The First World War, caused by the assignation of the Arch-Duck by an anahist, ushered in a new error in the anals of human history.

ANTRIM IN THE EVENING

On Wednesday June 23rd, the Jack Jackson Big Band will open this summer's **Antrim In The Evening** concerts at the Memorial Park Bandstand. The concerts, organized and managed by Jonas Taub, have been offered yearly since 1995. Admission to the concerts is free because expenses are covered by generous donations from local business and professional organizations and individual donors, as well as income from such fund raising events as an Ice Cream Social and a Strawberry Shortcake Festival.

The idea for these concerts generated in 1994 as a spin-off from the work of the Memorial Park Committee which had overseen the creation of our beautiful new Bandstand and development of the Park. There was at that time funding for continuing Park improvements, and Mr. Taub, who had previously organized entertainment for the Antrim Elementary School's Winterfest, offered to set up a concert series for the Bandstand. Seed money was provided from the Park fund, and the rest, as they say, is history.

A conversation with Jonas about his leadership role elicits mention of other individuals without whom **Antrim In The Evening** could not have succeeded. Bill Nichols, Dean Proctor, Brian Sawich, Izi Nichols, Dotti Penny and Nina Harding for instance. This year's support committee includes Andy Paul, Andy Chapman, Lois Essex, Don Readell, Jeanice Farley and Mary Sawich. Ruth Benedict has, from the beginning, designed posters and fliers, handled publicity and generally shared in management.

Antrim In The Evening is entirely funded through charitable donations from local businesses, organizations, and individuals. Financial support is greatly appreciated—and is tax-deductible! Donations in any amount may be sent to Jonas Taub at 22 Summer Street, Antrim (checks payable to Town of Antrim). Also, Jonas has information about corporate sponsorship programs; his phone number is 588-6208. Meanwhile, his dream is that one day an endowment fund may be created to insure that **Antrim In The Evening** will continue in perpetuity. ♣

RICK & DIANE'S

The LIMRIK has received a letter from Rick Davis saying that, after a year and a half, the Main Street Rick and Diane's Restaurant/Pizzeria is going well. He mentions not only such things as the successful Birthday Room for parties up to 25 people, but also the demonstration of how he makes and tosses pizza dough that he gave at the Elementary School. There have been additions to the menu such as a hot pastrami sub and jumbo shrimp—and he adds, "We also both love fresh pesto which goes great on a pizza or pasta."

Finally he writes, "We are looking forward to giving a face lift to our building which is one of the oldest in Antrim". ♣

GRANITE BANK

Ericka J. Leonard has been recently promoted to Branch Manager of the Antrim office. She joined Granite Bank in 1997, serving as a customer service representative in its Hillsboro office. Originally with Peterborough Savings Bank and, later, Primary Bank, Ericka has held various positions in both the Antrim and Hillsboro offices. A graduate of Hillsboro-Deering High School, she has done studies at the New Hampshire Technical Institute, including several American Institute of Banking and New England Banking courses. She lives in Antrim with her husband, John and their two boys, Eric John and Ryan Thomas and looks forward to playing an active role in the community. ♣

LOVEREN'S MILL CEDAR SWAMP

On Earth Day, April 22nd, Antrim residents Peter Moore, Linda and Jason Bryer, Loranne and Brendan Carey Block and several others from surrounding towns as well as at least nine homeschoolers joined The Nature Conservancy's Krista Helmboldt for a day of hard-but-fun trail building at the Loveren's Mill Cedar swamp along the North branch River. Through a grant from the Sweet Water Trust of Boston and private donor Elise Van Buren of Hancock, The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests helped the Nature Conservancy to recently purchase several parcels of land from the Olsen family throughout the state. By creating new protected areas, they hope to preserve places like the Loveren's Mill Cedar Swamp for the future.

The Nature Conservancy is very proud of this project and the work that has already been done. The new trail being built skirts the perimeter of the swamp and will also include a bog bridge 200 feet into it. They expect many to enjoy and study the area. The first hike they led into the swamp area in March was attended by 81 people.

The history of the area is also of extreme interest to many. When the Nature Conservancy sold additional acres surrounding the cedar swamp to Meadowsend Timberlands Limited, Lovern Mill Road resident Loranne Carey Block researched the history and genealogy of the area. She wanted the new owners to be aware of important historical features on this property including mill pilings, sluiceways, cellar holes, and foundations. From the research, she and her husband Rich assembled an information booklet that included history, maps, and photographs of the sites. This report, which was presented at the ZBA hearing in February, became a permanent part of the record and plans for the land. All in attendance agreed these features should be preserved and the timber company forester, Jeremy Turner, was quoted, "I see these sites as the pyramids of New England".

This historical survey, now in the town library, states that Loveren's Mill was settled in 1778 by Samuel Dinsmore who built the first saw and grist mill where the foundations now stand. In 1807 Josiah Herrick (b. 1762 d. 1853) bought the Dinsmore saw mill, grist mill, and homestead which he owned for many years and made into a thriving local business. John Peabody (b. 1803 d. 1865) bought the mill complex in 1850 and did increasingly well until his death. The mills were purchased in 1864 by Josiah Loveren (b. 1817 d. 1888) who very much enlarged them and filled them with shingle saws and improved machinery.

John M. Whiton's *History of Antrim* provides insight into some of the history of this Atlantic White Cedar Swamp and its relationship to Loveren's Mill. He wrote in the 1800s:

"The swamp was originally covered with a growth of large cedars, which were found dead by the first settlers. At a place where the high lands project toward the brook, the beavers at some remote period had built a dam, of which the traces are still visible, which created a flowage over the whole bog, killed the cedars, and changed the course of the outlet to a southeastern direction. In process of time the dam was broken and the waters drained off. Among the dead cedars sprang up a growth of spruce, white maple, and young cedars, appearing to be from one to two centuries old. This was the condition of the bog when first discovered. From these dead cedars, which seem almost to bid defiance to the tooth of time, have been manufactured many thousand dollars worth of shingles, clapboards, firkins, and pails. The stock is almost exhausted."

Krista Helmboldt of The Nature Conservancy said that the cedars have been harvested through the years in a way that was compatible with regeneration. She dates the current trees at about 130 years old but said that researchers have found pollen deep in the peat proving Atlantic White Cedars have grown in this wetland for 4000

years! The Nature Conservancy says this is the best boreal Atlantic White Cedar swamp in New Hampshire and perhaps the best natural community in all of New England. And it's right in Antrim! On May 22nd and on June 5th (National Trails Day) The Nature Conservancy will again host trail-building work days. For information on these call Krista Helmboldt at 603-224-5853.

— Brendan Carey Block

ODD FELLOWS NEWS

Waverley Lodge #59 has completed a very busy spring session. The following slate of officers has been elected in the 1999 session:

Rodman Zwirner, Noble Grand; Robert Warren, Vice Grand; Richard Jennison, Recording Secretary; Philip Lang, Treasurer; Samuel Harding, Financial Secretary; Fredrick Roberts, Warden; Everett Chamberlain, Right Supporter; David Laughlin, Chaplain; William Warren, Outside Guardian; Donald Frost, R.S. to V.G.

Waverley Lodge # 59 draped its charter in memory of Henry Cutter. "Hank" was a 48 year member of the Lodge, he will be sorely missed.

At the state level the Lodges aid in sponsoring the NH Eye bank, Odd Fellows Home and the Arthritis Foundation. On the Local level Waverley Lodge helps to sponsor the charter for the Antrim/Bennington Cub Scout Pack. Many members remain active in local youth programs, helping throughout the fabric of the local community to support and assist our youth.

Waverley Lodge along with Myers/Prescott Olson Legion Post looks forward to having a new roof put on the West Street building during the summer months. The Lodge will hold its annual family and friends cookout at the end of June ("we can only hope it doesn't rain"). It will recess from meeting during the summer months of July and August.

Hope to see everyone at the annual Labor Day weekend Blues Bar-B-Q! Anyone interested in becoming an Odd Fellow please feel free to contact one of the lodge officers.

— Sam Harding

SOAP BOX DERBY RACE

The annual Antrim Soap Box Derby Race will once again take place on July 4th. Two races will be held this year. The first race will consist of the traditional downhill derby race on Summer Street. Prizes will be awarded to the three fastest downhill racers. First, second, and third places in the downhill will be determined by Chief Brown and his radar gun.

The second race will consist of a "Flat Lander's Derby Race" and will be held on the road in front of the Antrim Elementary School. This race will be a team event, in which teams of three (two pushers and one driver) will push their car a distance of 100 feet in a head to head drag racing event. The race will be held in several qualifying heats of two teams per heat. The winning team from each heat will move on to the next round of quarter-final heats and then semi-final heats until two teams are left to compete for the first and second prize positions. The third prize recipient will be decided in a race between the two teams eliminated in the quarter finals. Spectators are invited to cheer and encourage the racers.

Application blanks are at Wayno's Bulletin Board and the Town Hall Bulletin Board.

Additional prizes will be awarded in the following categories: Best of Show (Coolest Car), Most Recycled, Most Ingenious, Most Patriotic Car, Most Controlled Driver (each race). Spectators will be given an opportunity to inspect this year's derby creations between 10:00-11:00 AM and will be asked to cast their ballots. In order to be considered for one of these awards, racers must be at the assembly area before 10:30 AM.

Racers must assemble at the GBS parking lot at 10:00 AM for registration, inspection, and instructions. Downhill Racers will be allowed to take two practice runs down Summer Street beginning at 11:00 AM. The practice runs will be followed by two timed runs (clocked by Radar) to determine the first, second, and third place winners. The activities will then move up the hill to AES where the "Flat Lander's Derby" will take place. Prizes will be awarded immediately following the completion of the "Flat Lander's Derby".

Race assistants are needed to help coordinate the races. Call Keith DuBois at 588-2741. Prizes or funds to buy prizes and the temporary donation or loan of hay bales for safety barriers would be greatly appreciated. ♣

ANTRIM ON THE 4TH

Celebrate Independence Day with some home spun activities in Antrim. Start the day with a cup of coffee and fresh baked donuts and coffee cake, socializing with friends and neighbors at the Bandstand in Memorial Park. Later on, walk over to Summer Street at 11:00 for an old fashioned soap box derby. (See article on this page). A friendly game of co-ed softball, open to everyone, will begin at 2:00 PM on the ball field next to AES.

If it is the usual steamy July 4, you may want to make your way up to Gregg Lake for a swim but be sure to be back at the Bandstand for the evening's performances. At 4:00 PM Rick Davis will entertain and teach tricks, stunts and all forms of "Totally Useless Skills". This is a show that will appeal to all ages. At 5:00 PM Antrim Singer/songwriter/guitarist Don Readell will perform original songs as well as your old favorites. Bring a picnic dinner and enjoy! The show finished at 7:00 PM leaving you ample time to head off for your favorite fireworks.

— Jonas Taub

AMERICAN LEGION

At the May 4th meeting of Meyers-Prescott-Olson Post #50, the following officers were installed: Commander, Stephen Roy; Sr. Vice Commander, Arthur Allison; Jr. Vice Commander, Robert Allison; Adjutant, Donald Paige; Sergeant At Arms, Arthur Bryer; Finance Officer, Phillip Lang; Historian, Theodore Brown; Chaplain, Fred Roberts; Service Officer, Phillip Lang; Boy Scouts, Phillip Lang; Children & Youth, Carter Proctor. The ceremony was performed by the installation team of the NH American Legion. At the same meeting a certificate of continuous membership for 50 years was presented to Richard O. Schacht. Other 50-year members are Arthur Bryer and Phillip Lang. ♣

The Tuttle Library

Presents.....**BAT DAY**

JUNE 2

BATS ABOUT BATS

1:00 PM • *Antrim Elementary School*

THE AMAZING WORLD OF BATS

6:30 PM • *Tuttle Library*

Program by Gordon Shulkin, wildlife educator and member of Bat Conservation International.

 **FULCRUM**

Sponsored by **A S S O C I A T E S**

Call the Library at 588-6786 for more details

THE GRAPEVINE NEWS

The Grapevine welcomed spring with a barbecue on May 1, following the Great Brook River clean up co-sponsored by Great Brook School and the Harris center. After the barbecue, everyone went over to the baptist Church for splendid deserts provided by the Woman's Club. The lawn and gardens at the Aiken Barn, our temporary home, were spruced up before the festivities by a group of volunteers led by Trish Welch. Thank you Trish, Dennis and Beth Green, Amy Shaw, Robin Gregg and Lisa Arbo. More outdoor improvement is planned, and donations of the following items would be greatly appreciated: picnic table and benches, plants for outdoor planting, gardening tools (rake, spade, etc.)

In April, Susan Ellingwood of Hancock led Curiosity Club, a nature program for preschoolers and their parents. One parent commented that she, as well as her child, learned some new things about the environment.

Thanks to a generous contribution from the Revival Shop at the First Presbyterian Church, A Tropical Revival mini camp was held during April vacation, with the roster filling up within a few days after the word was out. The number of participating children had to be held to twenty, and we regret that we had to turn down several children who wanted to register for the camp.

As The Grapevine grows, the need for volunteers who are willing to share their time and talents increases. For example, two additional volunteers would have allowed us to open the mini camp to all who called to register. Playgroup volunteers are needed as well. Some volunteers contribute as few as 2 hours to some who give 16 hours a month. No experience is necessary; enthusiasm, commitment, and a love of children is required! To learn more about volunteer opportunities at The Grapevine, please give us a call at 588-2620.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

Playgroups • Tuesday and Thursday 9:30–11:30 AM

Activities for Older Siblings of playgroup children and other kindergarten- and elementary school-age children Thursdays 9:30–11:30 AM

Kids' Vacation Club • Fridays 10:00 AM–12 Noon, July 2 through August 6 for children ages 8 to 12.

New Moms' Group • every other Monday from June 7 to August 2 from 11:00 AM to 12 Noon. This is a group for first time mothers with babies to 18 months.

Book Club • June 27 at 6:00 PM will be a planning meeting

Dads' Group is being organized by a local dad—call us for day and time.

Women's Writing and Journaling Workshop • Call us for day and time.

Carla Billingham of the UNH Cooperative Extension will present programs at 10:00 AM on the following Tuesdays and Thursdays:

June 3, School Readiness

June 8, Dealing with Conflict

June 10, Helping Children Develop Social Skills

June 15, Handling Aggression

June 17, Handling Teasing & Bullying

June 22, Alternative to Time Out.

Parents As Teachers presented by the Parent Information Center • July 1 and 6 and August 3 at 10:00 AM.

Protecting Our Children From Media Violence presented by De LaFortune from the Women's crisis Center on July 6 at 10:00 AM and July 8 at 10:00 AM.

Antrim La Leche League for breast-feeding moms and moms preparing to breast-feed, meet on the first Wednesday of each month at 10:00 AM.

The Grapevine hosts the following services each week:

Monadnock Family Services (family counseling) on Tuesdays and Wednesdays by appointment.

Southern New Hampshire Services (fuel assistance, welfare application assistance, WIC), on Friday mornings by appointment.

Milford Area Mediation Services (family mediation) by appointment.

Project LIFT (literacy tutoring and GED testing) by appointment/

Call The Grapevine at 588-2620 to register for programs or for more information. The children's programs will take a summer break and we will close on Friday August 6 after Kids' Vacation Club and reopen on Monday August 30.

— Kristen Vance

TOWN CLEANS UP—TWICE!

Two separate roadside/riverbank clean-ups invigorated the community this spring.

On May 1st, volunteers sponsored jointly by the Antrim Conservation Committee, the Woman's Club, The Grapevine and the Harris Center for Conservation Education, cleaned up roadsides and riverbanks. At the end of the day, all were treated to a barbecue at The Grapevine, followed by desserts, courtesy of the Woman's Club, at the Baptist Church.

On May 8th, Antrim CARES had volunteers concentrating on Route 202 from Prospect Street north to Elm Avenue, a distance of about two miles. This was the second year that the CARES group had combed the area; participants noted that the previous effort was paying off because there was less trash than before. The group walks the roads four times a year and encourages others to join up. (Contact Spencer Garrett, 588-4237 for information.) The State Dept. of Transportation has installed the Antrim CARES adopt-a-mile sign which can be seen by all who drive Route 202. ♣

BILL OF RIGHTS FOR CHILDREN

(The parents of the children who participated in Grapevine playgroups recently created the following Bill of Rights for Children. This generated much thoughtful discussion and ideas about how to put these rights into action.)

Children have a right to:

- play
- unconditional and limitless love
- express themselves
- enough to eat, a warm place to sleep
- constant protection
- proper guidance
- frequent hugs
- make a mess
- make believe, use their imaginations
- believe in goblins, fairies and Santa
- hear that they can be what they want
- be allowed to scream, cry, laugh, be still
- be a child
- believe that all people are special
- respect
- open to new ideas, curiosity, other cultures
- be free from prejudice
- act their ages
- be appreciated, valued for who they are
- be listened to and believed
- learn
- help make the rules
- be involved in appropriate adult discussions
- say no
- progress at their own paces
- patience
- safety, a safe place to live
- be honored as family member
- the right to a peaceful, nonviolent home
- make choices
- always "come home"
- not be abused physically, mentally, verbally, emotionally
- a full time at home parent
- breast-feeding if possible
- be "trained" to accept realistic limits and to learn about consequences
- parents who make informed and responsible choices about health care, nutrition and dental care
- right to know about their family backgrounds
- the knowledge and skills they will need to succeed in life
- ask about their sexuality
- choose their future
- kindness, encouragement, comfort, safety, education
- help in expressing and managing their strong emotions, especially anger
- support through their life changes
- spirituality, connection to and respect for the earth and its' living things
- not be rushed or pushed too much
- positive energy, time to say what they need to say and help in finding the words
- creativity, movement, the arts
- honor themselves and others
- develop values
- thoughtful discussions with parents
- hugs, back rubs

If you have anything to add to the Bill of Rights for Children, call Sydney Wilson Smith at The Grapevine, 588-2620.

Guess who's coming to town?

ODDS BODKIN, NH'S OWN MASTER STORYTELLER,

WILL BE IN ANTRIM ON **JUNE 19** • 11:00 AM

Call the Library at 588-6786 for details & location

With over a hundred character voices and original virtuoso music...Odds Bodkin's multicultural storytelling has captured the imagination of a generation of children, not to mention their fascinated parents. He has appeared country wide and on Public Television and even at the White House!

Presented by the Tuttle Library and The Grapevine

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 **FULCRUM**
AND ASSOCIATES

Did you know that ...

Peter Gagne is the owner and operator of **PG LOGGING AND FORESTRY?** Included in his list of services is selective timber cutting; clearing horse and ski trails, fields, and house lots; residential tree removal. He also offers free timber appraisals. Peter is a graduate of the NH Timber Harvest council's Professional Loggers' Program and remains a member of the Council. If you would like more information, please call **588-2385**.

The new owners of **WAYNO'S MARKET**, **Craig** and **Karen Grimes**, have lived in Antrim for eleven years? Craig was originally in a family manufacturing company and felt it was time to make a change. With four children, ages fourteen, eleven, six and one, he wanted to spend more time with his family. A small, family-oriented business such as **WAYNO'S** seemed the ideal choice. Both Karen and Craig are from small towns in Massachusetts and like the friendly atmosphere in Antrim. They have made a few subtle changes in the store and have expanded several product lines, but it is still "The Little Store with Supermarket Prices". Welcome, Craig and Karen, to the Antrim business community. (If you see a young man strolling the aisles with a very young man in his arms, that's Craig and son Colton.)

EMPIRE PETS is now located at 46 Main Street in Antrim? Owner, **Jane Pelletier**, with her husband **Ed**, son **E. J.** and daughter **Ellie**, has a most delightful and interesting pet store. There are tanks of fish, cages of mice, gerbils and hamsters, and cages of birds. Food and other supplies for all of these plus cat and dog foods are available. Ornamental scenery for fish tanks plus hoods, and aerators are on display. Brands of cat and dog food, in all sizes, are: **IAMS**, **EXCEL**, **BLUE SEAL** and **EUKANUBA**. There are also books on the care of hamsters, gerbils, guinea pigs, rabbits, snakes, etc. on display. It is a pleasure to talk with Jane and to wander around the clean atmosphere provided for both animals and patrons. Do stop in at the newest Main Street enterprise.

TENNEY FARM is open for the season? Of course you do! This is to remind you that the greenhouses are packed with geraniums, potted plants, hanging plants and bedding plants. A new strain of petunias is available this year that cascades rather than standing upright. As usual, flower arrangements are done by **Linda**. An interesting array of jams, jellies, vinegars and pickles are on hand for the gourmet. And, of course, fresh vegetables will be on sale as the season progresses. When asked when peas would be ready, **Eric** said "They're in the ground". A great place to visit for beautiful flowers and fresh veggies for the table.

Local mail order company **FAMILY ON BOARD** recently moved into the lower portion of the Goodell office building at 42 Main Street, and **Brian Beihl** says other changes are afoot for the company as well. Beginning in June, a warehouse store will open to the public and will offer its full line of over 250 products to make traveling with kids less stressful and more fun, including guidebooks to the best family destinations, maps and map software, luggage for kids and adults, audiobooks of award-winning children's literature, puzzles, and games, coffee mugs and drink bottles, and many other items, as well as closeouts, returns and overstock bargains. In addition, Beihl will open **BOXES ON BOARD**, providing parcel packaging, and UPS and Federal Express shipping services to the community. Currently, residents and businesses must drive to Peterborough or Hillsboro to ship or drop off packages, and having a local shipping outlet will be a convenience, saving both travel time and pick-up fees. For more information, call Brian at **588-8300**, or access their website at www.familyonboard.com.

— Gloria Schacht

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

Antrim's First Presbyterian Church has gloried in its stained glass windows for the past century. These windows are now at risk. An aging process has caused the lead which supports the glass to oxidize and fatigue such that the windows are no longer secure.

Correction of the problem requires removal of whole panels for shipment to a stained glass company for cleaning and re-leading. Thereafter the panels would be returned and, once again, installed. Cost estimates run to \$75,000 with work being spread over a four-year period. The plan is to start with the south side rectangular window which has incurred especially intense weathering from the elements.

An account has been established to receive money from fund raising, pledges and budgeting. Money thus raised will be coupled with trust funds earmarked for care of the windows.

Anyone interested in knowing more about this process may contact Pamela Everett, Chair of the Church's Board of Trustees (588-3505) or Russell Clark, Project Coordinator (495-3184). ♣

THINKING ABOUT LOGGING?

The Conservation Commission would like to remind land owners that good logging practices mean good business and good stewardship of the land. If you are considering having your property logged you may want to view the video on good logging practices at the James Tuttle Library. If you have any questions about logging you can contact the Conservation Commission or your County Extension Service Agent, John Nute at the Extension Service Office in Milford.

— Martha Pinello

THE GREGG LAKE ASSOCIATION

The Association seeks members and support to help it preserve Gregg Lake, not only for those who live at or near it, but also for the wide public that uses it. Jean Harford of the Association's membership committee notes: "We who live on or near the lake are not the only ones who care. We see dozens of others daily—swimmers, boaters, sun bathers, water skiers, rafters, divers, floaters, paddlers, fishermen, bird-watchers, horseback riders, and beach lovers. (One lady sits on the beach every day to watch the swimmers while doing beautiful embroidery.) We see animal lovers watching for the moose, beaver, otter, mountain lion, black bear, wild turkey and smaller creatures that frequent the vicinity. And in the winter we see not only ice fishermen with their bob houses, but also cross-country skiers, skaters, and snow mobiles."

The Association meets twice yearly, once on Memorial Day weekend and again on Labor Day weekend. It has committees to test the lake water for clearness and the presence of toxins. Committees monitor potential pollutants as well as the sizes of boats using the lake and the routes they take around the water. Other committees deal with such things as the safety of bathers at the public beach and maintenance of a picnic shelter there.

Anyone wishing to join the Association or make a donation for its work will be warmly welcomed. Please contact Mrs. Gene Woodworth, Association Treasurer, at 104 Gregg Lake Road, Antrim, NH 03440, or call her at 588-2372. ♣

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LOCAL MUSICIANS AT SCOTTISH GAMES

Brendan Carey Block, Richard Block and Mark Reynolds all Antrim residents will be main-stage performers at the 1st Annual Southern New Hampshire Scottish Games and Celtic Music festival. The event, a day-long celebration of traditional Highland culture and music, will be held Saturday June 5, from 9 A.M.–5 P.M., at Oak Park in Greenfield, NH. Featured activities will include: Celtic music, Highland bagpipers, Highland dance competition, sheepdog demonstrations, Scottish heavy athletic competition, foods, crafts and more. Admission to the Festival is \$8; children under 12, free. Proceeds will benefit both the Happy Valley Preschool in Peterborough and the NH Highland Dance scholarship.

Fourteen year old Brendan Carey Block, Antrim's own NH Junior Fiddle Champion, is well known locally for his performances and we have enjoyed his playing at past Antrim In The Evening events. He lives with his parents, Loranne and Richard, on Loverin Mill Road. His father Richard accompanies him on guitar. Brendan has a busy schedule this summer and fall performing and competing at a number of festivals throughout the Northeast.

Richard Block and Mark Reynolds along with Jeff Baker of Wilton, NH will be performing with their group Bodaich (pronounced bo-deek). They are a trio known for lively jigs, reels, hornpipes and ballads all in the Celtic tradition. You may be familiar with them from performances at the Noone Falls concert series in Peterborough.

Brian and Anne Hennessey from the Wool Room on Pleasant Street will be among the many vendors at the Scottish Games. They will be selling a fine selection of Celtic tapes and CDs as well as hand knitted tams and socks and a selection of knitting books.

The Southern New Hampshire Scottish Games will also present an assembly program at the Great Brook School at 1 P.M. on June 3 for all elementary and middle school students to introduce them to a variety of Scottish dance and music. Mary Reynolds, the Highland dancers from the NH School of Scottish Arts and Richard Bennett, a Highland bagpiper from Contoocook, NH, will perform that day. For more information, call Barb Reynolds at 588-6859. ♣



RESOURCE GUIDE

The Antrim Arts & Business Council currently in the process of creating a Community Resource Guide. The free guide will provide Antrim residents and visitors a comprehensive listing of local business, professionals, and craftspeople, as well as information on town government and services, recreation, history, and other essential facts. While businesses are being listed at no charge, the Council is supporting the cost of production by selling advertising space in the Guide. This offers an outstanding opportunity to give your business or service prominent exposure in a household reference people will use again and again over the next few years.

To purchase your advertising space in the Antrim Community Resource Guide, or for more information, please contact Lois Harriman (588-6710) or Dotti Penny (588-6605) as soon as possible.

If you have not yet been contacted by a member of the arts & Business Council to update the information for your business, you can call Andy Paul at 588-8361 to ensure your business or service is included.

Contributions from community members who would like to help support this guide will be gratefully accepted. ♣

THE CUTTERS *continued*

I started playing when I was about sixteen, in the early thirties. I played into the fifties. Phil Baker, Bruce Cuddihy, Joe White, Ken Blood, they were a lot younger than I, but I played on the third team. Roger Griswold was the manager on the team.

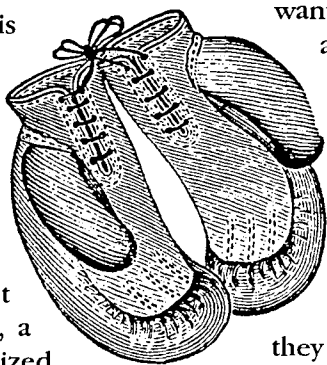
I guess the guys back then were a different breed of cats. Today, I don't know how to say it, but we used to be kinda rough and ready.

Right where the armory is in Hillsboro, my uncle, J. M. Cutter, and a man named Max Israel, who owned a ballroom at (Lake) Massasecum, and Jay Guignal in Hillsboro, an automobile salesman, and his garage was right where the golf club is now. They got into the boxing business or the wrestling business or whatever, and they put up an arena over there, or an arena so-called, but all it was a board fence, a great big area, a good sized area, it had all seating in it and a ring in the middle. Well, I had to try it. And they used to get some of the better men; that was back in the time of Joe "Strangler" Louis and Gus Sonnenberg.

And so I tried my hand at wrestling. I was a pretty rugged kid, and I did all right. I probably had five or six matches, and maybe more than that. I can remember one night. Those guys were professionals, I had no scientific—I was just on the card as a preliminary. We had no science; when your shoulders were down, you were pinned. And I remember once I was wrestling this guy and I was on my back and I put a body scissors on him with my legs, and when I did he raised up and pushed my shoulders down, and that's how I lost. Otto Gadoy, that's how I remember his name, he was a big colored boy, he said, "Don't feel bad boy, I didn't win that fight, you lost it." He was tellin' me I did the wrong thing to get in that position. I should of broke my hold and rolled, which I didn't. I was sixteen,

eighteen, twenty, (it was) the latter part of the '30s.

I was boxing when I went into the army in 1941. I probably had, guessing, maybe thirty fights. They were always preliminary fights, four rounders, and you'd get a gold watch, and of course that was usually amateur so they couldn't give you any money, so you'd get a watch, and I'd probably won the same watch four or five times, because they'd buy it back from you, and that's how you'd get your money. I'd box four round and get probably ten dollars, ten, twelve dollars maybe. It wasn't bad.



My first boxing match, if you want to call it that, was right across from Eaton's store. the new store they built in Hillsboro, little place across the street, called the Gables. They had a ring up there. But my boxing was mostly in Keene or Swanzey, at a place that they called the Casino. Everybody had the advantage over me because. I won't say everybody, but when I got to Keene I'd be fighting guys from Athol, and they had a gym for training, and I didn't know what you trained with, let alone having anybody teachin' me, I'd just get in there and flail away. I don't know, I won a lot of my fights probably, I never got knocked out, I knocked out a couple guys, a hundred forty pounds, welter weight.

After a while I decided, why do this for a watch, why don't I take money, so I turned pro. The fact that I took money, I dunno how the athletic commission found this out, but I run a lot, I was always runnin'. I used to run from here to North Branch, I'd meet a fellow in North Branch, Rabideau, (Charlie's father) I'd run to the Three Ways (now McDonalds), and I'd run from Three Ways back to Antrim, and I'd stop here, and he'd run to the Branch. We used to do that every night.

I got the old fire truck runnin', the fire truck that set down back of the Town Hall in different pieces, and I

dug it out and got it goin'. The first time I used it I used it to carry Charlie Rabideau as a hearse for a trip to the cemetery in the back of the old fire truck. Charlie was a good guy; if he had anything to say, he said it.

Well, I wrote in to the Amateur Athletic Association to run in the Boston Marathon. I got a letter back that I couldn't run because I was a professional. If you're a professional, you can't run in that. Well, I could run it, but I never got a number. And I thought it was all settled when I wrote in. I kept the date of when I ran in it. Where are those old books? (Leaves the room, then returns.) I was lookin' through some old stuff: April 19th, 1940. I got as far as Wellesley. A lot of girls on the wall there (*laughter*). I ran with another fellow from Hillsboro, Wilbur Rockwell, relations with the Rockwells here, and we didn't try to separate, we stayed pretty much together, regardless if one was better than the other, and I was in quite a bit better condition than he was, so when he started to peter out I dropped out too. And basically because, I was a professional runner anyway, so I dropped out.

I remember once, I was at, this was over in Swanzey near Keene, I was hanging around waiting for a chance to fight and one of the (local) guys didn't show up, and this fellow was from Athol. Well, I said, to keep the card, where he didn't show up, I'll fight him. So I fought him, and I won the decision. He was pretty teed off, and he jumped into the ring after the decision and he said he wanted to fight me any time, and so on and so forth, a challenge. Well, I didn't want to back down, and I said I'll accept that any time you want it. And this (other) guy told me, you don't want to take that guy because he's down there, he's got a good manager, you was just lucky this time. So I remember in about three weeks we fought again. He was teed off! He came at me, and I remember he threw a left at me, a jab, and I side stepped it and I parted him nicely right in the face and he went down, just like that! (*Laughter*) He didn't hit me, just one glove struck. I threw a

left, and normally you're supposed to back off, but instead of that he come in trying to get in another punch and he kept coming in and I popped him and he went down just like that. That was the first knockout I got. I was scared, to be honest with you, I thought he was really gonna murder me!

I fought another guy that I didn't do so well with. His name was Eastman, and I hadn't fought for a long, long time, and he had just won something in the Golden Gloves, he was a top man. He was goin' to have an exhibition in Jaffrey, I think it was, or down that way somewhere. And his manager had heard about me, and he wondered if I would put on the gloves with him so that he could show him off. So, I agreed to it, a match with four rounds. And I think I was gettin' better all the time, because he knocked me down four times in the first round, and three times in the second round, and he didn't knock me down in the third or the fourth, so gradually I was gettin' better! If it had been a longer fight, I might have made it! (*Laughter*) He was a pretty good fighter. But I hadn't boxed for six months, and my coordination was off. I remember he was a little weird fellow, he'd sit on his stool and his hands would almost touch the ground, he had long, long arms. He kept catching me with that right, hit me right on that ear every time. I'd go down, but I'd bounce right back up again. I was trying to get away somewhere and I was throwing myself off balance and down I'd go, and I'd get right up again. There was no standin' eight count then; you got up, start fightin' again. I was called "The Battling Butcher," because I was working in the market then, cutting meat. (*Laughter*) Really my career as a boxer wasn't very much, it was just somethin' to do.

Working in the market, on Monday mornings I'd leave the house here, and I'd stop at every one of these houses and I'd take orders, go right up around the streets and down and out as far as

West Street, down West Street, and back to the market. The guys that worked there, my uncle and another guy worked for him, we put these orders up—meat, canned goods, everything—and then I took and delivered them. I did that on foot, taking the orders, and after that I took the truck house to house and deliver. That was Monday and Thursday. And then Tuesday and Friday, I'd do Clinton and Gregg Lake. Busy in the summertime because of the camp business.

There was a First National, but there was no meat; he was the only meat market in town, and the only meat market in town until Waynos opened. It was torn down probably while I was in Connecticut, because I don't remember them tearing it down. It was there in '38, because the '38 hurricane, a big tree right on the library, you know where you drive up to go back of the library, there's a big stump there, that tree fell down and come right against the market, and the branches were long enough so they just hit the window but they didn't break it. You looked out the window you were lookin' right into the top of the tree.

There was an old man who had a camp where Mr. Russell lives, that used to be the slaughter house; that's where we did our butcherin.' "The "slaughter barn." His name was Fred Whitney; he played a violin, but he played left handed. He was in the market one day, he was an old codger, didn't say much at all, just set out in the back of the market and smoked a pipe. A man in Bennington named Abbott, run a bar-room over there, he had nice horses, and Fred was standing out there lookin' out the window one day, and Abbott went by, he had a brace of four horses hitched to a carriage. Fred looked at him, puffin on his pipe, I can remember just as plain, he says, "It makes a difference which side of the bar you're standin' on, the kinda hosses you drive." (*Laughter*)

— Lyman Gilmore



PlanNH continued

Planners will tour Antrim's Main Street the morning of Friday, June 25, and two public input sessions will be held later during the day; one in the afternoon and another in the early evening, including a pot luck supper. The following day, the PlanNH team will develop ideas during work sessions and present their recommendations at an afternoon wrap-up session.

PlanNH is a nonprofit corporation whose members are concerned with the appearance of our communities. They may be designers, planners, builders, architects, or others involved in the development process. The common thread linking these people is their concern with the quality of structures and spaces that make up New Hampshire communities. For more information, please call David Essex of the Antrim Arts & Business Council at 588-3038. ♣

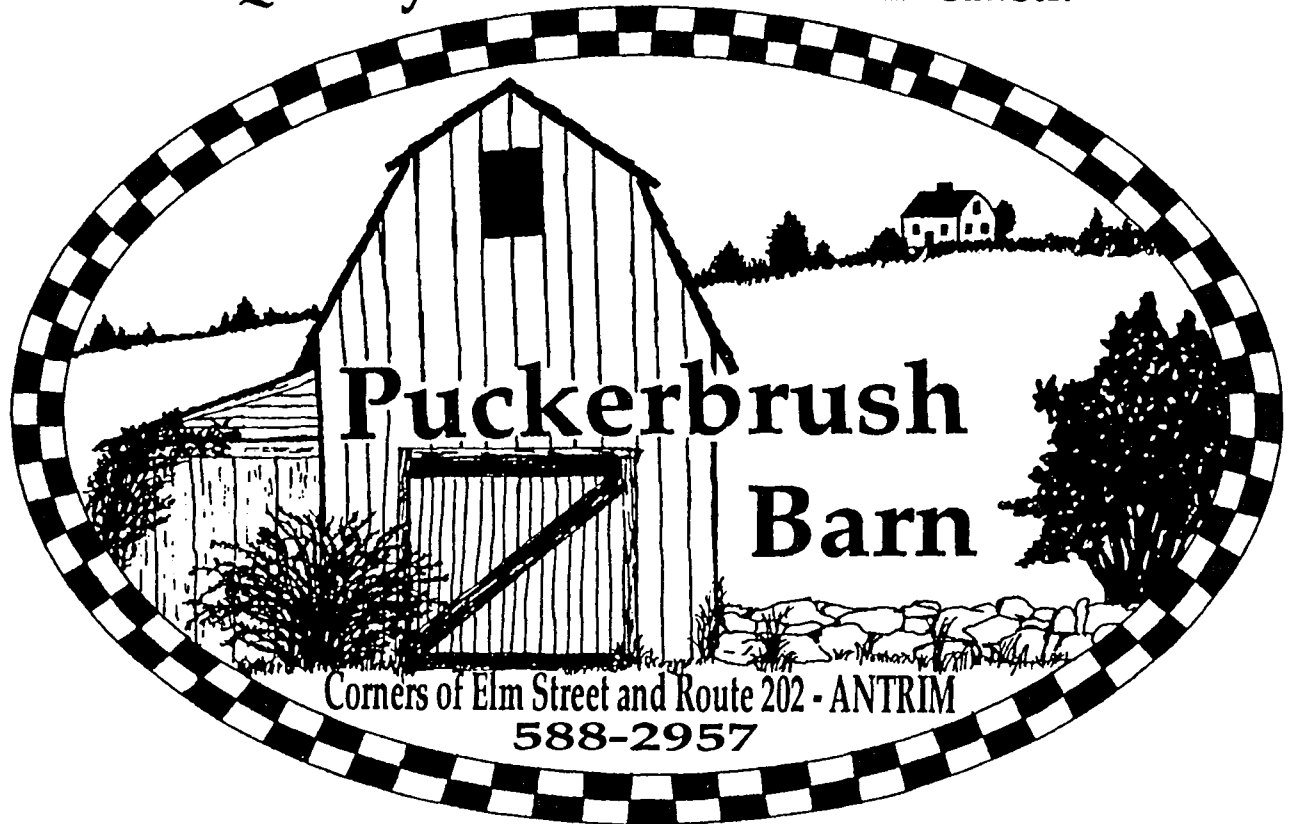
ANTRIM POLICE continued

and fixed most of the items mentioned above.

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- MAY 30 Antrim Recycling Transfer Station open every Sunday • 1-5 PM
- JUNE 2 Tuttle Library presents BAT DAY with Gordon Shulkin
Bats About Bats program • Antrim Elementary school • 1:00 PM
The Amazing World of Bats • Tuttle Library • 6:30 PM
- 4 School Celebration Field Day • GBS
- 4 Rynborn Blues Club • *Sweet Roy Jones'* Birthday Party
- 5 1st Annual Southern NH Scottish Games & Celtic Music Festival
Oak Park - Greenfield, NH • 9:00 AM — 5:00 PM
- 5 GBS Excellence in Education Awards • Manchester
- 5 Rynborn Blues Club • *Chris Fitz Blues Band*
- 7 GBS May Student of the Month Trip
- 8 GBS Musical • Time & Location TBA
- 9 Adjunct Town Meeting • 7:00 PM • Great Brook School
- 10 Junior Girl Scouts early registration • at GBS • 7:00 PM
- 11 Rynborn Blues Club • *Skip Philbrick Blues Band*
- 12 Gregg Lake Town Beach cleanup day • 10:00 AM
- 12 Rynborn Blues Club • *Malick/Justin Band*
- 14 GBS Grade 6 Trip to Boston
- 16 GBS Grade 6 Trip to Adams Playground • Peterborough
- 17 & 18 GBS Student of the Year Overnight
- 18 Rynborn Blues Club • *Blue Hill Kickers*
- 19 Rynborn Blues Club • *Racky Thomas Band*
- 19 Tuttle Library presents storyteller ODDS BODKIN • 11:00 AM
- 19 — August 6 • Tuttle Library Summer Reading Program
- 22 GBS Grade 8 Trip to Adams Playground • Peterborough
- 23 Antrim In The Evening Opening Concert • *Jack Jackson Big Band*
Memorial Park Bandstand
- 24 GBS Grade 8 End of Year Celebration
- 24 Historical Society Annual Meeting • Presbyterian Church • 6:00 PM
- 25 GBS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL !!!
- 25 PlanNH Charrette Session
- 25 Antrim Players CHILDREN'S THEATER • Town Hall • 7:00 PM
- 25 Rynborn Blues Club • *Troy Gonyea & The Premiers*
- 26 PlanNH Charrette session
- 26 Antrim Players CHILDREN'S THEATER • Town Hall • 2:00 PM
- 26 Rynborn Blues Club • *Sugar Ray Norcia Band*
- 28 Swimming Lessons Registration • Gregg Lake Beach • 2-4:00 PM
- 29 Swimming Lessons Registration • Gregg Lake Beach • 10-12 Noon
- 29 Rec Center Open • Call for activity schedule & hours

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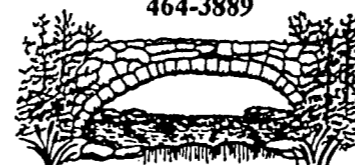
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- 1 Swimming Lessons Registration • Town Gym • 6-8:00 PM
- 2 Rynborn Blues Club • *Jump City Blues Band*
- 3 Rynborn Blues Club • *K. D. Bell Blues Band*
- 4 Antrim on the 4th Festivities begin with morning coffee & goodies
Soap Box Derby Race • 11:00 AM • Summer Street
Co-ed Softball Game • AES Ballfield • 2:00 PM
Rick Davis Performance • Bandstand • 4:00 PM
Don Readell Performance • Bandstand • 5:00 PM
- 9 Tuttle Library Summer Reading Program FUN Session • 10:00 AM
- 9 Rynborn Blues Club • *Louelle & The Steamers Blues Band*
- 10 Rynborn Blues Club • *Jimmy Johnson Band*
- 11 Rynborn Blues Club • *12th Annual Blues Bash* at Waynos Farm
- 16 Tuttle Library Summer Reading Program FUN Session • 10:00 AM
- 16 Rynborn Blues Club • *Two Bones and a Pick Blues Band*
- 17 Rynborn Blues Club • *Chris Fitz Blues Band*
- 23 Tuttle Library Summer Reading Program FUN Session • 10:00 AM
- 23 Rynborn Blues Club • Live Recording with *The Kan-Tu Blues Band*
- 24 Rynborn Blues Club • *Woodburn Arena Blues Band*
- 30 Rynborn Blues Club • *The Paramounts Blues Band*
- 31 Rynborn Blues Club • *D. D. & The Road Kings Blues Band*

AUGUST

- 4 Tuttle Library Storytime at the Beach • During Swimming lessons
- 6 4-H Club 6th Annual Open Horse Show • 8:00 AM
- 6 Tuttle Library Summer Reading Program Party and Awards
Performance by Jill Craig • Storyteller • 2:00 PM
- 6 Rynborn Blues Club • *Ron Levys Wild Kingdom Blues Band*
- 8 LIMRIK News Deadline
- 11 Tuttle Library Storytime at the Beach • During Swimming lessons
- 7 Rynborn Blues Club • *Malick/Justin Band*
- 13 Rynborn Blues Club • *Vykki Vox Blues Band*
- 14 Rynborn Blues Club • *Racky Thomas Band*
- 18 Tuttle Library Storytime at the Beach • During Swimming lessons
- 20 Rynborn Blues Club • *Otis & The Elevators Blues Band*
- 21 Rynborn Blues Club • *Art Steele Blues Band*
- 27 Rynborn Blues Club • *K. D. Bell Blues Band*
- 28 Rynborn Blues Club • *Seth Yacovone Blues Band*


SEPTEMBER

- 4 End of season Town Beach cleanup • 10:00 AM
- 6 Labor Day

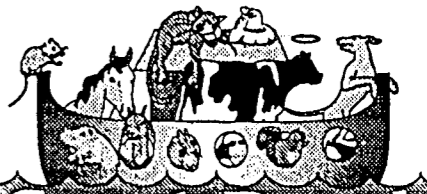
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