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## THE ANTRIM



### TOWN HISTORY REVISITED

#### NO CLOTHES ON THE PARTY LINE

by Isabel B. Nichols

TIME: 1939

PLACE: Turner Hill Road, East Antrim

CHARACTERS: (with no resemblance to anyone living or dead):

Subscribers to the 37 telephone line:

Voice 1: ring Three

Voice 2: ring Twelve

Voice 3: ring Two

Voice 4: ring Twenty-one

Voice 5: ring Four

Operator

RING—RING—RING!

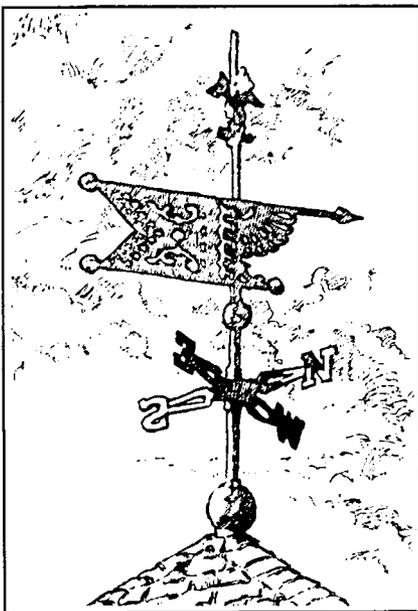
*THREE:* Hello

*TWELVE:* Emma, it's me. Have I got news for you! You know the old Baeder place has been sold again.

*THREE:* Yes, I did know that—to a shoemaker from Boston, name of Edward Mathews. Going to call it the Homestead Guild or some such name.

*TWELVE:* Shoemaker my eye! Wait till I tell you what they're up to.

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North North West by Russ Russell

Where is this weathervane? Answer on page 3

### AIKEN HOUSE

by Dave Penny

The Aiken House Advisory Committee has reluctantly concluded that it will not be possible to renovate the Aiken House for a family and community resource center within the budget constraints of the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The more expensive building climate in our region coupled with the discovery of major structural problems with the building have made it clear that it is not possible to both stay within the budget and create an adequately sized facility. The Committee is therefore sponsoring a warrant article asking the Town to authorize transferring the balance of the CDBG funds to the Aiken Barn for its renovation and use as the family and community resource center. The Grapevine is thriving in its temporary quarters located in the Aiken Barn. In order to make this a permanent home for The Grapevine and other community groups, code requirements for life safety, handicap accessibility and some structural issues need to be addressed. If the transfer is approved, the committee will use technical assistance from town and state officials to determine the project's feasibility (to minimize time and expense) before entering again into the architectural design and specification process.

### FROM SENATOR FLANDERS

To the People of Senate District 7:

As your new State Senator, I would like to take this opportunity to share some of my experiences to date in the Senate.

Convening Day for the 2001-2002 Legislature was January 3rd. It has been a very busy six weeks. I have been named to serve on four Standing Committees and six Statutory Committees. Standing Committees are where the bulk of the legislative work gets done, where bills have public hearings and are debated, and recommended for passage or non-passage to the full Senate. I am Chairman of the Internal Affairs Committee, Vice Chairman of the Transportation Committee

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### ✓ TOWN VOTING

March 13 8 AM — 7 PM  
FIRE STATION ON RTE 31

### TOWN MEETING

March 15 7 PM  
GREAT BROOK SCHOOL

### SELECTMEN'S REPORT

by Phil Dwight/Selectman

We are ready for another Town Meeting! As in the past, various issues of importance will be decided both on March 13 ballot voting at the Route 31 Fire Station (8 AM to 7 PM), and at the annual meeting, March 15 at the Great Brook Gymnasium beginning at 7 PM.

On March 13 you will vote for Town Officers as follows:

- **Selectman** (3 yrs)  
Dave Penny
- **Library Trustee** (3 yrs)  
Sharon Dowling  
Leonard Pagano
- **Planning Board** (3 yrs)  
A. Fred Anderson  
Doris (Shelley) Nelkins } *Vote for 2*  
Edwin Rowehl
- **Trustee of the Trust Fund** (3 yrs)  
Dorothy Penny
- **Sewer & Water Commissioner** (3 yrs)  
Ann E. Dwight
- **Conval School Board** (1 yr)  
Denise Holmes  
Doris (Shelley) Nelkins } *Vote for 1*
- **Conval School Board** (3 yrs)  
(no candidate)
- **School Board Moderator** (1 yr)  
Peter Hopkins

There are only two contested elections, one is for the one-year position for the Conval School Board. There is no candidate for the three-year position. The second is for the three-year Planning Board position.

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Contributors to the LIMRIK should provide copy to reporters by the 8th of the month preceding each issue. Issues are published in December, March, June, and September. For the next issue, copy should be delivered by May 8, either to a staff member or to the Tuttle Library.

There are a number of amendments to the Zoning Ordinance on the ballot. While they are all important, the first asks the town to adopt a comprehensive plan to regulate the construction of Cellular Towers. In our opinion this is definitely needed to protect the environment and the scenic quality of Antrim.

The Town Meeting on March 15 will deal with 19 articles, down from 23 last year. Again, while all will require careful consideration, two articles will have more of a long-term affect than the others:

- The first asks the Town to vote for funds to conduct a full revaluation of all property within the town. This is being done because over the eight years since the last revaluation there has been a noticeable increase in the discrepancy between the sales price of higher-priced homes compared to their assessed value, than that which is true with lower-priced homes. A revaluation would correct this problem and result in a fairer burden between all properties in town.

- The second centers on the request to transfer the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) funds from the Aiken House to the Aiken Barn. It was recently determined that no matter how scaled back the Aiken House plans became, the remaining CDBG funds could not provide the necessary space.

As of this writing no specific plans are available for the Barn renovation but it is hoped that more information will be available by March 15.

We hope that we will see a large crowd at Town Meeting. Everyone's participation is needed. ♣

## ANTRIM PLAYERS

### THE SUMMER SHOW HAS BEGUN

Planning has begun for the Antrim Players' upcoming Summer 2001 show, and your help is needed. This year, the Players Board has decided to try a new twist: a Broadway-style Revue featuring music and comedy from well-known (and perhaps some lesser-known) musicals. A special treat will be performing the show on the newly renovated Antrim Town Hall stage. Dates for the show are August 16, 17, and 18.

Between now and then, however, much work needs to be done. A creative committee has been formed to select numbers and scenes for the show. Paul Dugan and Heidi Schwieger have stepped forward to direct acting and singing, respectively. Help is needed in the following areas:

Producer, Assistant Director, Stage Manager, Choreographer, Props Manager, Set Design, Set Construction, Lighting, Make-up, Costumes, Publicity, and House Manager. To lend a hand, contact any of the Players' Board: Paul Dugan (President) 588-6927; Kim Proctor (Vice President) 588-3403; Andy Paul (Secretary) 588-3594; Bill Harris (Treasurer) 588-3283. ♣

**Senator Flanders** *continued*

and the Executive Department and Administration (ED & A) Committee, and I also serve on the Insurance Committee.

Two bills the Insurance Committee recommended last week deal with extending medical and disability retirement benefits to certain beneficiaries of firefighters and police officers. I felt these were important bills to pass since firefighters and police officers put so much on the line for the public. They perform a vital public service, and one of the rewards is knowing that their families will be taken care of. These well-deserved benefits can be provided at no cost to the state, since firefighters and police officers contribute to their own retirement system. The system is in good financial health and will not be jeopardized by the extension of benefits.

The ED & A Committee recommended passage of a bill authorizing a study of landlord-tenant disputes. This is a perennial problem area, and all too often the parties end up in court. Along with many of you, I believe there is a better way to resolve disputes than to go through a cumbersome and expensive legal process. The bill, which passed the Senate last week, may result in additional legislation being filed to create a venue specifically to resolve landlord-tenant disputes fairly and efficiently before they get to court.

Of course the question on everyone's mind is what will happen with education funding. Just this week the Governor made public her long-awaited plan to fund public schools. As someone who ran on a platform opposing an income tax, I am pleased to see her plan doesn't contain it. Although there are no border communities in District 7, I am concerned about the effect of a sales tax, particularly on our tourism industry. During my campaign I talked about a Constitutional Amendment giving the Legislature the authority to determine how to pay for our schools. This remains the solution I prefer. Court decisions on education funding have thrown the state into fiscal turmoil. It has come down to a question not of "do we need a new tax?", but "which one?" Like so many of you, I am not convinced that we need a

new broad-based tax. If applied wisely, where it is needed, revenue from the state-wide property tax and other existing sources can meet the real needs of our schools.

In addition to the legislative duties, I also serve on six statutory committees, sharing the oversight of some of the state's ongoing programs. They are the NH Industrial Heritage Commission, Subcommittee on NH Heritage Trail, Joint Committee on Employee Relations, Workers' Compensation Advisory Council, Advisory Council of Unemployment Compensation, and the Electric Utility Restructuring Oversight Committee.

I would like to emphasize that I am committed to providing constituent service and invite each of you to call on me if you have a problem and you think I can help. Your views about issues that are important to you are important to me as well. We may not agree on everything, but I will listen to your concerns with an open mind, respond to you in a straightforward manner, and always keep in mind that I was elected to serve you in Concord. You can reach me at the State House by calling 271-3093, writing to me at 107 N. Main Street, Concord, NH 03301-4951, or by e-mail at [flandersrb@aol.com](mailto:flandersrb@aol.com)

Very truly yours,  
Bob Flanders



**DOG LICENSE**

A reminder that the deadline for licensing your dog is April 30. The Town Clerk is open as follows:

- Mon 8 AM-12 NOON  
6-8 PM
- Wed 8-12 NOON
- Thurs 8-12 NOON  
1-4 PM

Don't forget to bring your dog's Rabies certificate.

Spring is coming! Heart worm testing also needs to be done in April. ♣

**POLICE REPORT**

**SPEEDING—ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE**

by Brian A. Brown  
Chief, Antrim Police

My house on Depot Street is close to the road, which unfortunately gives me a good view of vehicular traffic—often moving at breakneck speed. I find it amazing that several of the speeders are residents who have voiced concern about speeding traffic near their own homes.

I bring this to your attention as I have found, more frequently than in the past, that when I run radar on the streets around Town some of the faster traveling drivers are residents on the very street or at least they live close to the area that I am monitoring.

With the newer cars of today and their smoother, quieter rides, their overdrive transmissions, and their powerful smaller engines, it requires more concentration on the speed at which you are traveling. This is a responsibility of every driver. The posted speed limits are maximum speeds under ideal conditions taking into account the weather, time of day, volume of traffic, road conditions, etc. Posted speed limits are not advisory signs to let you know that you can probably travel five to ten miles faster than what is listed. When you think of all the bad things that can happen—a child misjudges your approach and steps out, another vehicle pulls out from a blind drive, a deer, dog, cat, and loved ones in the car with you—one of the least bad things is the one thing people generally worry the most about: the *TRAFFIC TICKET!* Which, quite frankly, looking over what is itemized above is really pretty insignificant.

Let us all work to keep our neighbors happy and our neighborhoods safe by traveling these streets and roads at a speed that is reasonable and prudent. Saying sorry because you have arrived late is far better than not arriving at all. ♣

*Answer:* Town Hall Weather Vane.

## **LIBRARY BUILDING PROGRAM TAKES BIG STEP**

by Lyman Gilmore  
Tuttle Library Trustee

Selectman Phil Dwight has injected a shot of energy into the library Trustees' plan for the much needed and long overdue enlargement of the library building. At his urging the Trustees met with a group of Antrim residents last December 14th to discuss financing of the proposed library addition. Among those present in addition to Dwight were Selectmen Eric Tenney and Tim Seeger, Historical Society members Nina Harding and Gif Russell, and concerned citizens Dave Penny, Bruce Cuidihy, Dave Boulé, Pam Taylor, Library Director Kathy Chisholm, and Trustees Connie Kirwin, Sharon Dowling, Penny Welch, and Lyman Gilmore.

The meeting focused on two major recommendations. Everyone agreed that the library needs to be enlarged to accommodate a larger children's room and more space for books, public access computers, reference materials, adult seating, audio/visual items, and staff work space. The other recommendation was that if the construction program is to be successful, the town will need a strong and dedicated Building Committee to ensure the best possible plan, a financially responsible budget, and expert construction.

The Library Trustees have created a Building Committee, and those agreeing to serve are Connie Kirwin, Phil Dwight, Ben Pratt, Gif Russell, Pam Taylor, Barbara Reynolds, Dave Boulé, Len Pagano, and Mary Payne. In addition, Construction Consultant Bruce Armer will support the committee as needed. The Committee's duties will be to review the library's space needs, study existing designs and architectural drawings, visit other library expansion projects, recommend an architect, build community support, and oversee final design and construction of the building.

A large issue facing the town is the raising of money to pay for the project. At last year's town meeting a warrant article was approved creating a capital reserve fund of \$60,000 for library construction. The intent at that time was for the Library Trustees to request additional sums of \$60,000 over the next four years to accumulate a total of \$300,000. The remainder of the money necessary for the construction would come from private donations. A Fund Raising Committee chaired by Pam Bagloe and Diane Chauncey has been at work for several

months. At this year's town meeting on 13 March the Trustees have decided not to request additional capital reserve funds, but to wait until the private fund raising program has begun. With the approval of the Building Committee, the Trustees have submitted a warrant article requesting that up to \$15,000 be released from last year's approved \$60,000 to pay for a structural engineering analysis, an updated architectural plan, and consulting fees.

For ten years Library Trustees have been attempting to enlarge the library. With the town's purchase of the Aiken Barn property behind the library, and the creation of strong Building and Fund Raising Committees, the prospect of a new library for Antrim families is becoming a reality.

## **MOSES EATON, JR STENCILS IN ANTRIM**

by Jan MacLachlan

The **Antrim Holiday House Tour** in December took visitors to a house-restoration-in-process at the Elm Avenue home purchased by Diane and John Kendall in 1998. It is being returned to its original appearance of 1829. When the Kendalls bought the former Evelyn Perry house on Elm Avenue they had been looking for an old farmhouse with surrounding fields.

What they didn't expect to find were Moses Eaton, Jr. stencils on the walls. Some of these stencils had been wallpapered over, but two rooms had colorful stencils still uncovered. This led John, who is a restorer of old houses, to search other rooms. He removed wallpaper and paint and discovered beautiful stencils which had been there since the 1800s. On three sides of one small room, there were stenciled designs placed on beaded sheathing of pumpkin pine. An ochre background was broken by the warm, reddish undertones of the wood. Sharply defined patterns of soft greens and reds were still beautiful and vital.

The parlor still has its deep rose background with a frieze of pine trees and crossed hemlock boughs.

A Tour visitor, Marguerite Roberts of Antrim, remembered seeing the stencilled walls when the house was owned by Louise Pierce. These stencils had been recognized as the work of Moses Eaton, Jr.

Moses Eaton, Jr. was one of many itinerant artists who decorated New England houses. He lived in Hancock and Dublin and learned stencilling from his father, Moses Eaton, Sr. At 18 years of age, he went on the road to ply his craft in this area of NH and into Maine as far north as Kennebunk, Portland, Blue Hill and Sebec.

Stenciled walls of New England began to appear as early as 1778. The arrival of a journeyman artist was an event in a small village; he would be eagerly welcomed by those wanting to refurbish an old house or decorate a new room. The painter carried his kit with him, consisting of some dry colors, brushes, a supply of stencils cut from thick paper, measuring tools, and a piece of chalk. With these items he was able, at no great cost to the homeowner, to transform walls of plaster or wallboards to tones of ochre, red and green. A supply of skimmed milk was used as a medium for mixing his colors. In exchange for a small wage and his "board and lodging", the itinerant painter added charm and beauty to the rooms in which he worked. These early craftsmen used a variety of forms and strong patterns. There were borders of flowering stems, roses, acorns and leaves around windows, mantels, and doors as well as weeping willows and geometric figures. The colors were strong and enduring so they still survive in the occasional old home in small towns throughout New England.

To see a stenciled room gives us a delightful connection with the past. ♣



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## Town History *continued*

**THREE:** Well, the paper says they're going to bring thousands of people from the city to enjoy the open air.

**TWELVE:** Enjoy the open air, and scare the rest of us to death doing it.

**THREE:** What's that supposed to mean?

**TWELVE:** Listen to this: yesterday I went up there looking for blackberries and I saw a man running through the woods without a stitch of clothes on! First I thought my eyesight was going, but then I saw a naked woman come out of the house. Now what does that sound like to you?

**THREE:** You don't really think they're nudist, do you?

**TWELVE:** Nudists? Of *course* Nudists! What else would I think? I came home as fast as I could without spilling my berries and told Fred to call the police.

**THREE:** The police? What good would that do?

**TWELVE:** I might have been attacked, you know! There's no telling what people like that will get up to. But Fred says calm down—I was probably seeing things.

(CLICK) Line's busy.

**THREE:** They circulated this leaflet around town, you know. It says they're going to make fancy shoes out of kangaroo skin and ostrich feathers, things like that, and sell them for \$65.00!

**TWELVE:** Not around here they won't! And why can't they make shoes with their clothes on? Mark my words, there's more going on up there than shoemaking.

**TWO:** My—oh my! (CLICK)

**TWELVE:** Hello? You still there Emma?

**THREE:** That was old Miss Fenshaw down the road, listening in. She forgets to keep quiet.

**TWELVE:** Here comes the mailman. I'll see if he knows anything about them. Call you right back. (CLICK. CLICK.)

(Twenty minutes later:)

RING—RING—RING!

**THREE:** Hello?

**TWELVE:** Well, that's not the worst! Hiram says the man running the place, that Edward Mathews, has two women—his wife and a girl friend with a baby! I wonder what the minister will say when I tell him what's going on.

**THREE:** He'll say, "Let those among us without sin cast the first stone."

**TWELVE:** Well he would, wouldn't he? He knows more about sinning than he speaks from the pulpit.

RING—NG—NG!

**OPERATOR:** Number please?

**TWELVE:** Line's busy, Central. We'll ring off when we're through.

**TWENTY-ONE:** Excuse me, I need to call the doctor.

**TWELVE:** You'll have to wait; this is an important call. You still there Emma? What else does that leaflet say?

**THREE:** Wait, I got it here somewheres. (CLICK)

**TWELVE:** I've told you the line's busy!

**THREE:** Here it is; it's going to be a School of Life, where boys and girls will learn all kinds of things—

**TWELVE:** I should say so! (CLICK)

**THREE:** —farming, handicrafts, music and expression—

**FOUR:** You two talking about the *Nudist Colony*?

**THREE:** —emphasizing nature study.

**FOUR:** I suppose that's why they run around naked—back to nature. Did you know they make Sonja Henie's shoes?

**TWELVE:** You don't say! I never heard she was a nudist. I can't imagine skating without any clothes on.

**THREE:** Gladys, what time did the mailman stop at your house?

**TWELVE:** About half-past nine.

**THREE:** He should be here by now unless something's holding him up.

**FOUR:** Or somebody.

**TWO:** Oh my goodness! (CLICK)

**FOUR:** (laughing) Maybe I ought to call Hiram's wife and tell her why he's been coming home late to dinner.

**TWELVE:** You can laugh all you want but that Edward Mathews will come to a bad end, mark my words.

RING—NG—NG!

**TWELVE:** Get off the line, will you?

**OPERATOR:** Number please?

**TWENTY-ONE:** This is an emergency! I need the doctor right away.

**FOUR:** That you, Bess? Is the baby coming? I'll be right over. (CLICK)

**TWELVE:** Oh all right, I'll hang up. Call me if you hear anything, Emma. Bye.

**THREE:** Just stay out of the woods and you'll be all right. Bye. (CLICK. CLICK)

*The Edward Mathews Guild, "an association of artists and craftsmen devoted to practical idealism", was located on Turner Hill Road in East Antrim in the late 1930s and early 1940s. (The farm is now the residence of Pam Taylor and Bill Prokop.) The Guild hand-crafted shoes for discriminating customers from exotic materials, and at a wide range of prices. Their business was largely done by mail order, which may have necessitated extra work by the rural mail carrier.*

*But Antrim was more interested in rumors of nudism at the Guild than in the manufacture of shoes. Nudist colonies had become popular places of alternative living in the thirties, and while some people thought having one in Antrim was an indication of modern thinking, others thought of it as pure degradation.*

*The enterprise was short-lived, possibly because of the personal problems of Edward Mathews and his life partners. He died in jail, which came as no surprise to some of his Over East neighbors.* ♣

### DICK SCHACHT

The *LIMRIK* was both saddened and diminished by the death of Dick Schacht on January 28th. For several years he had enlivened our proceedings by an energetic stewardship of our out-of-town subscriber service, boosting not only the number of such subscribers but also the quality of service offered to them. His presence at staff meetings was especially valuable because of his in-depth knowledge of Antrim affairs. We are very grateful to him and we miss him.

— Editor

## ANTRIM ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

LOIS BLACK HARRIMAN

Lyman Gilmore, Interviewer

*This is another in the series of interviews with long time Antrim residents that make up the Antrim Historical Society's Oral History Project. The interviewer's questions and comments have been deleted.*

*This interview took place 16 February, 2001, at the Harriman house on Hancock Road, sitting at the dining room with its magnificent view eastward across the Contoocook valley to the twin peaks of Crotched Mountain.*

When asked how old she is, Lois responded:

How old is the Peterborough Hospital? Well, it's seventy five, and I was born there right after it opened. I'm seventy-four. My birthday was August 5, 1926.

We lived in Clinton Village which we considered up Clinton Road to the Grange Hall. Our house is just about across Clinton Road from where the firehouse is now, where the Blackburns live. The brick house next door was where my grandfather Black lived. We had a pasture across the road where Buttercup Lane is now, and we owned almost to West Street.

We didn't know we were poor. My mother was a Butterfield; she married Lawrence Black. She was always a teacher, usually in one room schools, Over East, North Branch which is just before the bridge going into the Hawthorne campus, and the Center School between the house where the Flanders live now and the Congregational Church. (Yes, the stone church.) She also taught 7th and 8th grades down at the Main Street school.

My father was a carpenter and a farmer. He had a big apple orchard, Macs and Delicious, and I just loved to pick apples. He had a huge cider press which was an awful mess. Mother had to wash those glass gallon jugs with screw tops for the cider. It was pretty basic. There was a big tank that used a gravity feed system with a red rubber tube coming out the bottom. A jug would be filled and then a finger put over the hole in the tube and then another jug would be filled. I loved the taste of cider. He sold most of it but some would become hard cider; they never let me taste that. My father had serious asthma and I loved to help him with the apples. Sometimes he couldn't breath

enough, so I put the apples into boxes and lifted the boxes into his truck. I was so proud to be helping him. One fall during the war they excused me from school for six weeks to pick apples. It was my favorite time of the year with the air so clear and cool. We were so stupid back in those days; my asthmatic father smoked cigarettes, but we never realized how bad that was. I felt so lucky to help him roll his cigarettes. He had this device with a rubber roller and I'd put some tobacco in—Prince Albert—and then I'd lick the edge of a thin piece of cigarette paper and put that in, and I'd pull the roller and a cigarette would pop out.

We had a big cold storage place where we kept the apples, with different rooms made of wood and concrete and all covered with sod and dirt, like a huge mound. It was always cool and moist and dark in there. One time my father decided to raise mushrooms for market in the cold storage. I can remember seeing those pure white mushrooms growing in the pitch black soil.

We were poor, so my mother made all my clothes, or I wore hand-me-downs. She sewed beautifully, and my clothes were better than store-bought. My mother never let me wear slacks until I was in high school.

We always had a cow and sometimes a calf, so we had plenty of beef and milk. I used to have to bring the cows home from the pasture. There was one brown and white cow named "Buttercup," and every time I'd get near her she'd dart away. I'd have to chase her all over the pasture. That pasture was where Buttercup Lane is now, and that's how it got its name, after that cow! As a kid I sold strawberries from my mother's garden. I'd sit beside the road under the huge Elm trees waiting for customers. I played with paper dolls, and they were always the Dionne Quintuplets. I can still remember all five of their names: Annette, Cecile, Emily, Marie, Yvonne.

Clinton Village was a good place to live, and there were a lot of families with branches all over town, such as the Paiges, the Brooks, and the Cuddihys. The Cuddihys lived in the house, which seemed to be the neighborhood play area, where Ruth and Bob Alvin lived until recently. Bert and Grace Paige lived across the street from our house, where Joyce Davison lives now. I was fascinated that they had this object next to the front door that looked like a piece of marble that was their doorbell, and they had a porch with a hole in the floor and another in the roof

with a tree growing through it. Did you ever hear about the canal that Bert dug? He started right where Great Brook cuts back under Clinton Road, where the little water fall is across from the entrance to Buttercup Lane, and dug it over behind his house where he used the water to power his mill. He knew all about canals because he had worked on the Panama Canal. There were shops and mills all along Great Brook.

The Grange had many more members back then because there were so many farmers. They used to have lots of dances and suppers. I loved those suppers because they had the best cooks. Sometimes the suppers were held at the Congregational Church just down the road from the Grange Hall. The church women used to make quilts and other things that the summer people would buy. The summer people were mostly at Gregg Lake, and they liked to spend money. I remember Mrs. Rablin who bought the house where the Flanders live now. We thought they were wealthy because she wore stockings and always a very neat freshly ironed dress with a hat and a veil. She seemed so elegant; we thought her a cut above us in our old clothes and bare feet. But she was very nice.

The American Legion was another active group when I was a kid. They held parades, and the marchers were stiff in their navy blue uniforms. I think they were called "The 40 and 8," veterans of World War I. There were lots of Legion bands, and I remember loving the summer band concerts on Sundays in Keene and Exeter and other towns. The band concerts would be a family outings, and we had picnics and games.

I graduated from high school in 1944 toward the end of the war. I had liked school, particularly math, but I didn't behave the way they wanted me to. I'd always sit in the back of the class, but the teacher would move me up front because I used to pass notes and whisper all the time. I wanted to go to college and become a teacher. Although we didn't have any money, Keene Teachers College gave free tuition if you agreed to teach in New Hampshire after you got your diploma. But my senior year in college they dropped the free tuition policy so the Grange paid my tuition. I told my high school principal, Stanley Spencer, who was also the guidance counselor, that I wanted to teach math, but he said the boys would be coming home from the war and I wouldn't be able to get a job. So I went to Keene Teachers

College and graduated four years later in 1948 with a Bachelor of Education degree in Home Economics and a minor in Mathematics.

My first teaching job was in Warner where I taught Home Economics in the morning, algebra, geometry, and general science in the afternoon, and was junior class advisor, coached the cheer leader squad, and ran the hot lunch program on the side. After three years at Warner I taught in Ludlow, Vermont, worked as an ace spinner in a blanket mill, and then went with my mother to live in San Diego, California, for a year. We came back to the east and I taught in Stamford, Connecticut, for three years while I worked on a Masters degree at New York University in Greenwich Village. I commuted by train and subway every week with a fellow teacher, and Molly and I have remained close friends ever since. She and her husband came to the seventieth birthday party that was given for me at the Presbyterian Church four years ago. In 1959 I received one of just three national graduate scholarships from the American Home Economics Association, and I began a Ph.D. program at Iowa State University. I was there when the Russian President Krushchev came for his famous visit, and I remember everybody in the Home Economics department being furious when *Time* magazine said that his visit was accompanied by the smell of burning pancakes. I didn't like the Ivory Tower atmosphere at the university, so I quit my doctoral program and came back home to New Hampshire where I applied for and got the job of Director of Home Economics for the State of New Hampshire Department of Education in Concord. I loved that job. Unlike my predecessor, I had a lot of energy, and I worked to bring the teachers in the isolated North Country together with people in the rest of the state.

Then, in 1961 I married Smith Harriman and came back to Antrim for good. We moved into this house which Smith designed for his mother and had Gordon Sudsbury build. We moved in after we were married. Yes, the view of Crotched Mountain is beautiful, but when Smith looks at it he says, "It won't feed me." We have two daughters, Marie an engineer in Connecticut, and Cathy a comptroller and mother in Switzerland.

My father died at fifty four in 1945, my mother at seventy-one in 1969. I had a couple of heart attacks and quintuple bypass surgery in 1992. I take twenty-two pills a day. You do what you have to do. ♣

## THE INTERNATIONAL 4-H YOUTH EXCHANGE ALIVE AND WELL IN NH

*The International 4-H Youth Exchange allows people to learn first hand about another country's culture and everyday lives. A need for better communication and understanding among populations was recognized after World War II. There are 28-30 countries now prepared to send and receive exchangees between the ages of 19 and 30.*

*Beth Merrill of Antrim writes, below, about being host to a foreign guest. In the June issue, Liz Robertson will write about being a guest in a foreign country.*

### IFYE PART 1

The experience of being a host family for the IFYE (International Four-H Youth Exchange) program has been an extremely enjoyable one for my husband and me. Our initiation into the process began in 1994 with a Paraguayan, Carmen Galdona, followed two years later by Merete Mostad of Norway, and then Carola Koetsier of the Netherlands in 1997.

All three girls we hosted were a delight, each in her own way. Carmen was 25 years old, very mature and rather quiet. There was only an occasional reference to a boyfriend back home, but we received her wedding announcement just three months after she went home. She was with us in the late Fall and was very cold most of the time, but good naturedly went out riding with our "barn girls" on a couple of occasions. We took her sight-seeing one day and went up into the White Mountains. Carmen was an avid bargain hunter and she found some great deals in the North Conway shops.

Merete, 19, was also a great shopper, but she was a farm girl first and foremost. She pitched in and helped us put in wood, and went riding with the 4-H girls. She shared her custom of Santa Lucia Day with us and showed me how to make Lucia buns. Because of her, I now have cardamom in my spice rack.

At only 17 years, Carola surprised us with her maturity. She was preparing for a career in hotels, so was adamant about making all her own travel arrangements. Her fun-loving demeanor and quick wit were great attributes. She came to us right after her two weeks of free travel time which she spent with her parents, sister, and boyfriend, so we were able to meet them, however briefly. Carola was very athletic and an avid field hockey player. She went to a practice at Great Brook School and came home discouraged and frustrated from playing on Ameri-

can Grass—no Astroturf in Antrim!

All three "daughters" had some things in common. Each spent a day at Price Farm School and loved it. Each presented a program about their country at local meetings—Grange, 4-H, Woman's Club, etc. But perhaps, the most unusual thing we discovered about them was that they had all seen at least part of the mini-series "North and South", a movie set in the time period of the American Civil War. Upon learning that those videos are included in our viewing library, the girls insisted that we watch the entire series—which we did, gladly, each and every time!

Anyone interested in participating in the IFYE program either as host to a foreign guest or as a guest in a foreign country can get information at:

NH State IFYE Committee  
c/o NH Farm Bureau  
295 Sheep Davis Road  
Concord, NH 03301  
Tel: 603-224-1934



## REC CENTER NEWS

Many thanks to all of the parent supporters, coaches, and committee members who give so much of their time to our community. Without this network of volunteers we would not be able to provide Antrim with the recreational programming that we are so very proud of.

We just wrapped up another successful basketball program. Basketball is well loved by both boys and girls in town and offers them the chance for indoor fun and exercise during our cold New Hampshire winters.

We have also just celebrated Winter with the Third Annual Fire and Ice Day. This has quickly become an Antrim tradition. Activities included ice fishing, skating, a hike, winter games, and of course the chili contest. Hot drinks and toasted marshmallows were enjoyed by many standing next to the bonfire.

Rick Seavy is offering a kickboxing aerobics class on Monday and Wednesday nights at the town gym from 5:30–6:30. Drop in on the class for more information.

With Spring and Summer just around the corner, please check the June issue of the *LIMRIK* for Rec Center baseball and softball information. Swimming lessons and beach events are being planned as well.

For the latest recreational information, visit our Web page at: [www.antrimnh.com/reccenter](http://www.antrimnh.com/reccenter). ♣



# ABOUT TOWN

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

by Izi Nichols

A reminder to all Antrim residents of 2001: Dotti Penny and Jacque Cottle are planning a Summer 2001 exhibit of pictures of all Antrim homes and their present occupants. The deadline is July 1, 2001, and the instructions are:

1. Only two pictures from each household, one of the house and one of its occupants (ideally, one picture of both house and occupants.)
2. Each picture should be labeled on the back with the street address and the names of the people.
3. If you need someone to take pictures for you, free of charge, call Pat and Carole Webber, 588-2332, or Phil and Ann Dwight, 588-3605.
4. You may leave your pictures at the Tuttle Library.

The pictures will become a permanent part of the Historical Society collection, and will be of untold value to future generations who wish to seek out their ancestors, or the history of their homes. Please take advantage of the coming days of Spring to show off your home (and family) at its best, and become a part of this major project. You are a part of Antrim's history: let's have a record of it.

Meanwhile Dotti and Jacque have arranged an intriguing display of local historical quilts in the upstairs hall of the Tuttle Library. It was a charming custom of the nineteenth century for groups of ladies to make quilts with each square signed by its creator. The quilts were then given to an outstanding member of the group, or a minister, as a tribute. These are on view during regular Library hours. ♣

## FOLK TALES THE AXE

by Fred Roberts

*Herewith the second of three Crises in Antrim's Roberts family, the first having appeared last issue. This one, about Fred, happened in the mid-40s, described by his older brother, Edwin. The Roberts family at that time lived on Concord Street in the third house after Elm Street heading east.*

One day we were sitting around the backyard minding our own business when we heard a terrible moaning and groaning coming from down the road toward the cemetery. It was Fred with his gang returning from some rampage or other.

Fred was limping and wailing and carrying on at great length—about what we couldn't tell. They had probably been in the cemetery or in the woods behind the cemetery. But they usually didn't get into trouble—or am I dreaming again?

At any rate, when Fred got to the front porch, it was all he could do to drag himself up onto the stoop. Well wouldn't you know, blood was gushing down his leg below the knee at a great rate. In fact, his whole leg was bright red and thick with red blood the likes of which none of us had ever seen.

I got him calmed down and cleaned up at length, and the cut wasn't so bad that we had to amputate. I called Dr. Chandler and he said probably it was superficial and not to worry.

But Fred most likely has the scar to show us to this day.

Well of course, you're all wondering what he had done to inflict this awesome wound. He had been chopping down trees with a dull axe! They were on the edge of the cemetery by the pond with the lily pads—a favorite place for Della Muzzey to go skinny dipping. Still I don't expect she was there on that day!

Gosh—do you suppose she was there?

## INTERIM MINISTER AT ANTRIM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Antrim Presbyterian Church is presently searching for a minister to replace Rick Palmer who resigned last December to accept a call from a church in Florida. During the search, the Rev. Jonathan T. Lange is serving as an interim pastor.

The Rev. Lange has had an unusual career, working fourteen years in marketing for the DuPont Company prior to attending divinity school. His undergraduate degree is from Princeton University. He has held pastorates in Phoenixville, PA, Litchfield, NH, Bedford, NH, Lewiston, NY, New Hartford, NY and Colebrook, NH. Along with his wife, Nancy, he presently lives in Calais, VT where he owns and runs a country store.

The Rev. Lange will be in Antrim all day Sundays and Mondays, staying at the homes of parishioners during this time. ♣

## THIRD ANNUAL ANTRIM CELTIC CELEBRATION

by Andy Chapman

I know it's hard to think "Fall" when we haven't even slogged through mud season yet, but plans are already underway for the Third Annual Antrim Celtic Celebration, to be held Sunday, September 20, 2001. Beautiful music, intricate dancing, delicious food and wonderful Celtic merchandise will again be the order of the day. In addition to some popular favorites, we plan to invite a variety of new performers this year. If you have ideas or time or a desire to become involved in the production of this community celebration, please contact Kathy Chisholm at the Tuttle Library, 588-6786. We also need folks who would like to help out on the day of the celebration. It's a great way to get involved in an outstanding community event. ♣



## CHURCH NEWS



### Antrim Presbyterian Church

588-2209

Rev. Jonathan Lange

#### Sunday Schedule

Adult Sunday School	9:15 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Youth Sunday School	10:30 AM
Fellowship hour	11:00 AM

(child care available for 4-year-olds and under)

**April 8 Palm Sunday** 10:30 AM

**April 12 Maunday Thursday** 6:30 PM

**April 13 Good Friday**

(doors will be open for those wishing to use the vestry).

**April 15 Easter Sunday** 10:30 AM

**May 5 May Breakfast** time: TBA

### Antrim Baptist Church

588-6614

Pastor Charles V. Boucher

Cherryl Boucher, Associate Pastor

#### Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (for all ages) 9:15 AM

Worship 10:30 AM

(Nursery and junior church provided)

**March 7, 14, 21, 28, and April 4**

**Lenten Lunches** 12-1 PM with area pastors speaking. Bring a bag lunch.

**March 31 Turkey Dinner** 5-6:30 PM

Adults \$6, Children (ages 4-11) \$4,

Family \$18.

**Auction** to benefit Youth Ministries 7 PM

(preview at 6:30 PM)

**April 12 Maunday Thursday** 6:30 PM

**April 15 Easter Sunrise Service** 6:30 AM

**April 15 Easter Sunday** 10:30 AM

### Antrim Church of Christ

588-6178

Pastor Bill McNich

#### Sunday Schedule

Bible Study 9:30 AM

Worship 11:00 AM

Potluck Lunch (as announced)

#### Bible Study

Mondays-Ladies 10-11:00 AM

Wednesdays-General 7-8:00 PM

Thursdays-Pre-Teen & Adults

7-8:30 PM

Clothing shop and Food Pantry open the 2nd and 4th Saturday from 10:30 AM-12 NOON.

### Bennington Congregational Church

588-2398

Rev. Dan Poling

**Sunday Worship** 10:30 AM

**Thursday Bible Study** 11:00 AM-12 NOON

### Saint Patrick Church

588-2180

Rev. Richard A. Smith

#### Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:15 PM

Sunday 8 & 10:30 AM

Mon-Fri 7:30 AM

Penance ½ hour before all

weekday masses and by request

**March 8, 15, 22, and 29** 7-8:30 PM

**Introduction to Spirituality** A Lenten seminar led by Fr. John Grace introduces participants to general principles of the spiritual life and prayer. Father Grace was trained in Formative Spirituality at Duquense University and is currently in his eighth year as director of Spiritual Renewal Services.

#### Sacramental Life

Baptism by appointment

Marriage arrangements 6 months before wedding.

Sacrament of the Sick. Please notify rectory of confined or sick members.

#### Religious Education Classes

Grades K-8 following 8:00 AM Mass on Sunday

Grades 9 & 10 on Sunday evenings from 6-7:30 PM. For more information contact Brenda Wesoly at 547-2670.



### ANTRIM WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club collected \$735.00 for the Rescue Squad at this year's Christmas Card signing at Wayno's Store. The Club has been offering this community service for many years. ♣

## THE ANTRIM FIRE DEPT. AND RESCUE SQUAD

ALIVE AND WELL

by Dick Winslow

When I asked Antrim's Fire Chief, Mike Beauchamp, how things were going at the Fire Department, his mind went straight to the Department's new meeting room at the Fire Station on Route 31. Volunteer labor is turning the second floor into a handsome, well-appointed space that will have kitchen facilities. Major equipment such as a refrigerator is being donated. The room will be used for monthly Fire Company meetings among other things.

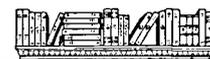
At a time when many volunteer fire departments are having serious trouble getting enough people to fill their ranks, Antrim's department is in good shape. We have two Companies—Co. #1 located at the station on Route 31 and Co. #2 at the North Branch in its station on Route 9. Co. #1 has about 25 volunteers and Co. #2 has about 15. These numbers are sufficient for present operations, but more volunteers, especially for Co. #2 would allow those in charge to breathe easier. Anyone interested in volunteering should speak to Chief Beauchamp (588-2068) or to any member of the Department.

And speaking of those in charge, here they are: Fire Chief, Mike Beauchamp; Deputy Chiefs, Dick Edmunds and Bob Bethel; Capt. of Co. #1, Doug Cottle, with First Lieutenant Jay Hennessey and Second Lieutenant Eric Phillips; Capt. of Co. #2, Marshall Gale, with First Lieutenant Gary Woods and Second Lieutenant Dave Mauer.

An important part of the Fire Department is the Antrim Ambulance and Rescue Squad. Administratively, this is under the direction of Fire Chief Beauchamp, but the Squad has its own Deputy Chief, Pat Lovering; Captain, Chris Salmon and a volunteer crew of 16.

How quickly can the Fire Department respond to an emergency call? "At night, we can have an engine on the road in four minutes," says Chief Beauchamp. "During the day, fewer volunteers are nearby, but still we can have an engine on the road with five men and an officer in five minutes. The ambulance, also, we can have out in five minutes."

How about that? ♣



**BOOK DISPLAYS**

- March History of Medicine and Medical Thrillers
- April Earth Month
- May Mental Health Month

**PROGRAMS**

- March 2 Pet Read-In—Turtles 10 AM
- April 19 Storytime with The Grapevine to introduce the children's rotating book collection
- April (TBA) Massage Therapy workshop with Madeleine Dusky
- April Poetry Challenge including Poets' Tea

**FREE TAX ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Sponsored by the AARP

**Saturdays from 2-4 PM**

March 3, 10, 24, 31, and April 7, 14

**LIBRARY HOURS**

Mon & Wed ..... 2-6:00 PM

Tues & Thurs ..... 2-8:00 PM

Friday ..... 9:00 AM-12 NOON

Saturday ..... 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

**HOLIDAY HOURS**

The Library will be closed on Monday May 28, Memorial Day

**INTERNET ACCESS/COMPUTER USE:**

If you would like to use the library's computer to access the Internet or for word processing, you may need to schedule in advance because it's becoming more and more popular. Come in and check it out. The library staff can help you get started; the only requirement is that you must already know how to use a computer—especially the mouse.

**NEW ADULT BOOKS: FICTION**

Krentz *LOST & FOUND*; Grisham *PAINTED HOUSE*; Delinsky *COMMITMENTS*; Pullman *THE AMBER SPYGLASS*; Carcaterra *GANGSTER*; Rice *DREAM COUNTRY*; Patterson *PROTECT AND DEFEND*; Sheldon *THE SKY IS FALLING*; Brown *RILEY IN THE MORNING*; Trollope *LEGACY OF LOVE*; McMurtry *BOONE'S LICK*; Follett *CODE TO ZERO*; Roberts *HEART OF THE SEA*; LeCarre *THE CONSTANT GARDENER*; Deveraux *A SEASON IN THE HIGHLANDS*; Evans *THE CAROUSEL*; Koontz *FROM THE CORNER OF HIS EYE*; McMillan *A DAY LATE AND A DOLLAR SHORT*; Stirling *THE STRAWBERRY SEASON*; Goldsmith *BAD BOY*.

**SCIENCE FICTION/FANTASY**

Andre Norton *TO THE KING A DAUGHTER*; Piers Anthony *THE DASTARD*; Brian Herbert *DUNE: HOUSE ATREIDES*; David Eddings *THE REDEMPTION OF ALTHALUS*.

**NON FICTION**

Mary Karr *CHERRY*; Jimmy Carter *AN HOUR BEFORE DAYLIGHT*; Anna Quindlen *A SHORT GUIDE TO A HAPPY LIFE*; Gillman *THE WILDEST DREAM*; Barry *DAVE BARRY IS NOT TAKING THIS SITTING DOWN!*; Smith *HOSTAGE TO FORTUNE: The letters of Joseph P. Kennedy*; Schoen *KINDRED SPIRITS: How the remarkable bond between humans and animals can change the way we live*; Newcomb *ABANDON SHIP: The saga of the U.S.S. Indianapolis*; Peck *ABOUNDING GRACE*.

**MYSTERIES**

Cross *HONEST DOUBT*; J. Kellerman *DR. DEATH*; Dams *KILLING CASSIDY*; Kaminsky *THE BIG SILENCE*; Braun *THE CAT WHO SMELLED A RAT*; Marston *THE WILDCATS OF EXETER*; Stabenow *NOTHING GOLD CAN STAY*; Muller *LISTEN TO THE SILENCE*; Barr *BLOOD LURE*; Alexander *THE COLOR OF DEATH*; Pickard *THE SECRET INGREDIENT MURDERS*; Rendell *PIRANHA TO SCURFY*; Babson *TO CATCH A CAT*; Perry *THE WHITECHAPEL CONSPIRACY*.

**BOOKS ON TAPE**

Anne Perry *THE WHITECHAPEL CONSPIRACY*; Jance *TRIAL BY FURY*; R.N. Patterson *PROTECT AND DEFEND*; MacDonald *ALL SOULS: A family story from Southie*; Cornwell *THE LAST PRECINCT*; Godwin *SHERWOOD*; King *BLOOD AND SMOKE*.

**MUSIC CDS**

Ken Burns' *JAZZ*; Rick Nelson *LEGACY*; Joni Mitchell *HITS*; The Beatles *YELLOW SUBMARINE*; Enya *PAINT THE SKY WITH STARS* Sarah McLachlan *MIRRORBALL*.

**VIDEOS**

CHICKEN RUN; CIDER HOUSE RULES; GHIDRAH, THE 3-HEADED MONSTER: Godzilla vs Mechagodzilla ; THE GREEN MILE; THE PERFECT STORM; THE QUIET MAN; STOP MAKING SENSE (Talking Heads); THE TALENTED MR. RIPLEY; DINOSAUR (Disney); NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS' I LOVE DINOSAURS.

**HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR**

Many, many thanks to all those who supported the Trustees and Friends of the Library House Tour, especially to those who graciously opened their homes for us to visit: Pam Taylor and Bill Prokop, Diane and John Kendall, the Maplehurst Inn, Lois and David Essex, Helene and Bill Newbold, and the Parkside Gallery. Thanks too to the Organizing Committee: Diane Chauncey, Pam Bagloe, Mary Payne, Lauren Kirkpatrick, Janet MacLachlan and Maura Pascucci, and to all those who made cookies for the tour. Proceeds went to benefit the Tuttle Library Building Fund. Thanks also to Madeleine Dusky and Carole and Pat Webber who donated Christmas trees to the homes on the tour, and to Mary Payne who created boxwood Christmas trees for all of the homes.

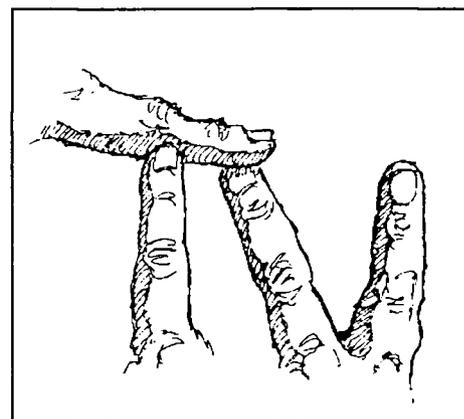
**OVERDUES**

Between the holiday season in December and the stormy weather in January, many library materials are now seriously overdue. Please help us out by returning things as soon as possible so that others may use them.

**WE HAVE MORE THAN BOOKS**

- Genealogy Assistance
- Income tax forms
- Interlibrary loan
- Photocopying
- Public use computer for Internet access or word processing (including Internet tutorials for the beginner)
- Reader advisory
- Telephone renewals
- Research and Reference assistance

*When in doubt, ask a librarian.*



Digital TV by Russ Russell

## **GIRL SCOUTING IN ANTRIM**

by Kristy Boulé

The months of February and March signal some important dates in history for Girl Scouting. "Thinking Day", February 22nd, is a day to reflect on Girl Scouting throughout the world. March is celebrated as the birthday month of Girl Scouting in America, founded by Juliette Low. Not only has Girl Scouting grown and flourished nationally and internationally, but right here in Antrim also. A member of the Swift Water Council, Antrim now boasts more than 96 members, offering six different troops, ranging in age level from kindergarten through eighth grade. Thanks to the efforts and commitment of volunteer leaders, there's one Daisy troop, two Brownie troops, two Junior troops, and for the first time, a Cadette troop. The girls have been busy doing community service, overnights, dog sledding, winter camp-outs, and working on badges.

All of the troops are very appreciative of the local support of their annual Cookie Sale, which funds their various activities. If you missed out on the initial cookie order, you can still get boxes by contacting a girl scout leader, or at the Cadette Troop Booth sale at the Antrim Town Meeting.

For more information about Girl Scouting in Antrim, contact a troop leader or Robin Quinn, Service Unit Manager at 588-3209.



## **BROWNIE TROOP 2125**

by Wendy Ducharme

Our Troop has been very busy since September. We made bird feeders to hang on the town Christmas tree. We also went on an overnight trip to the See Science Center in Manchester. The girls had the opportunity to sleep among the exhibits. Some of the girls experienced what it would be like to walk on the moon. There were turtles, lizards, iguanas and tarantulas to observe. The museum had several computers that the girls could learn and play on. We had a good time and learned more about the world around us.

We will be learning about safety next and how and when to use 911. Our goal is to learn from each other and use our creativity to build a better community. ♣

## **JUNIOR TROOP 2172**

by Jeana Biehl

The Girl Scouts have a new motto: Girl Scouting, where girls grow strong! Well, there is no doubt that this group of 14 girls, ages 8-12, are growing stronger everyday. And so are their leaders!

Meeting every other week at the First Presbyterian Church, we are now half-way through our scouting year. We hope you have seen our girls this Fall and Winter as they participated in a variety of community activities: posting their signs around town reminding you when and where to vote; joining the Boy Scouts in the Scouting for Food drive; decorating the Town Christmas tree with garland and ornaments for the birds; shoveling out the Food Bank after the New Year's Eve storm; and selling those wonderful cookies!

In addition to our community activities, we have spent lots of time outdoors: hiking to Antrim's Lily Pond; Fall camping at the Windblown ski touring center; learning to use a map and compass; casting and identifying tracks; exploring gravestones to learn some interesting town history.

One of the highlights of the year was a visit from Nina Harding and Marguerite Roberts. The girls interviewed them to learn about girl scouting in the past. We found out how things were supposed to be (from Nina, the leader at that time) and how things really were (from Marguerite, one of her "girls").

We found out that a lot has changed in scouting—no more air raid drills or clean finger nail checks. But more things have stayed the same—working in the community, enjoying our beautiful lakes and trails, dues, cookies, and having fun being girls!

If you know a girl who would like to join us, we'd love to hear from you. Troop leaders are: Jeana Biehl (588-3014), Linda Bryer, Brenda Allen, and Martha Pinello. ♣

## **JUNIOR GRANGE 153**

by Renee Mercier

Antrim Junior Grange has been growing in many ways since the last issue. We have raised kids' awareness of how some people are needy by asking them to donate food for Thanksgiving baskets. I think they all found that it made them happy knowing that they made someone else happy by giving them something that they needed.

In December, we made lots of decorations for our tree that Beth and Arthur Merrill cut from their land. We put up trees at the Grange Hall and it looked great! Braving the cold Grange Hall we got to enjoy a Christmas Party and exchanged gifts and had fun.

On January 6 quite a few of our Junior Grange members attended the First Night Party held at the Grange Hall by the Old Pound Road School. We were invited to do a skit, the old standby of the Subordinate Grange "Is It Time Yet?" The kids were great and very proud of their first public performance.

On January 8 we had a very special guest. Melissa Lawless, who works at the Tuttle Library, joined us for the evening. She read some books to the kids to get them ready to write their own stories for the Creative Writing Contest. Many thanks to Melissa for coming and helping to spark their interest. Some great stories and poems were written which will be submitted to the State Grange contest.

We also did a study of Iowa as part of the state study program of the State Grange because this is where National Grange will be held this Fall.

We have a program ready for this year that we think the kids will really enjoy. There will be lots of crafts, learning nights and special meetings coming up soon. If anyone is interested in having their kids (ages 5-14) join the Junior Grange, please contact Renee Mercier (leader) at 588-2334 or Beth and Arthur Merrill (co-leaders) at 588-6615.

We are currently meeting at The Grapevine during the winter months due to lack of heat in the Grange Hall. Hopefully we will be back at the Hall by April 16 when we will be having a Penny Carnival. Everyone is welcome, just bring your penny jar and have a good time! ♣



# GREAT BROOK SCHOOL NEWS

By Barbara Black



## DIME A DIP

Can't beat those prices! Great Brook School's Parent Advisory Council (PAC) will host its annual Dime A Dip Dinner on Wednesday, April 4th at 6:00 PM in the school cafeteria.

What is Dime A Dip? Bring your favorite dish or dessert to share. Pay a dime for each large spoonful of food you place on your dinner plate. Drinks are extra. It's that simple.

Word has it that there will be surprise entertainment by the many talented GBS students—maybe even a selection by some teachers.

This unique fundraiser is open to everyone. Good food, laughs—come join the fun.

## THE CIRCUS IS COMING TO TOWN

Too young to remember the circus trains that brought the animals, carny games, and acrobats to outlying farm communities? Never seen the parade of elephants, jugglers, and clowns down Main Street? Heard the call of the ring master in his tall top hat? Well you won't this time either—except for the ring master, maybe.

But ... the circus is coming to town. PAC is sponsoring the Yankee Doodle Circus on March 30th. The GBS Gym will become the "big top" complete with pop corn and cotton candy. Come to the early show at 5:15 PM or the evening performance at 7:30 PM. Bring the kids! Bring Gramma! Bring grandpa! This is an event for the whole family!

## AROUND THE WORLD IN LESS THAN AN HOUR

This isn't science fiction; it's simulation. Twelve future pilots have spent their Friday afternoons exploring the physics of flight. They have studied how the parts and instruments of airplanes work together to create flight.

Assisted by Jim Brough of Lincoln, NH, students have learned to start the engine, take off, fly level, and attain altitude. Using the Microsoft "Flight Simulator", students have maintained their heading and landed their plane—usually in one piece. Watching the horizon and six of the instruments on the control panel at the same time is quite a challenge.

On February 9th Pat Webber visited the club to share his experiences as a flight engineer. He explained how he became in-

involved in flying, celestial navigation, meteorology, and the evolution of smaller aircraft.

Aviation club advisors Helene Newbold and Paul Bolduc have planned a field trip to Boston's Logan Airport. Club members will tour the facility and see first hand what is involved in getting a plane off the ground.

Students will soon be planning a round-trip flight using charts, plotters, and flight computers (not electronic). Stay tuned for more exciting adventures as students learn to fly, navigate, and read the weather.

## HELP GBS RECYCLE AND EARN MONEY TOO

Stop! Don't throw that cartridge away. Give your ink jet or laser cartridge to your nearest middle school student. Or drop it at the Great Brook School office. Run a business that has many printers? We can handle that too. We will supply you with a free collection bin to be placed right in your office. Give us a call when it's full, and we will pick it up.

Just like aluminum cans, empty laser and inject cartridges have value. GBS receives from \$.10 for each ink jet cartridge to \$8.00 per laser cartridge from the recycling company.

Please help support our efforts to make money while protecting the environment. For additional information, contact Demetria McKaig, Technology Coordinator, Great Brook School (588-6630) or write to: dmckaig@mail.conval.edu.

## MUSIC NOTES

March may be Music in Our Schools Month, but Great Brook musicians will be busy all spring.

Great Brook School musicians will hold their annual Spring Concert on Thursday, April 12th, at 7:00 PM. Featured will be the Beginning Band, Concert Band, Glee Club, Chorale, and Orchestra.

May 6th GBS students will travel to Bow High School to participate in a day-long festival culminating in the All State Band and Choral Concert. Chris Kazanovicz and Justin Ware will play trumpet, Angela Jones clarinet, Sarah Horn oboe, and Roland Courtemanche tenor sax. They will be joined by sopranos Stefanie Short and Anna Cronin and basses Nyles Dechert, Justin Lang, and Adam Kraus.

On May 13th Kari Primiano, Ashly Moeller, and Mason Gloudermans on the

violin will be joined by Erik Kokal on the viola at the All State Orchestra in Litchfield, New Hampshire.

All performances are open to the public.

## NEWS FLASH

Now on the GBS web site—photographs of Great Brook School's own Olympic Boat Races held this fall.

Eighth graders in Mrs. Hamon's and Mr. Anderson's classes have been piloting new units based on the *Connected Math Program* developed at Michigan State University. As part of the algebra graphing unit, students held boat races. These were inspired by GBS's new Assistant Principal, Ms. Lauren Dokas, who brought in rain gutters for the event.

Students raced home-made "boats" (2 inches in size!) and timed three trial runs. They then applied the distance formula, using the gutter lengths and average times, to determine their individual team rates. Gold medals were awarded to the fastest teams.

Ms. McKaig helped students create computer spreadsheets and graphs of times and rates. Students were able to interpret the graphs to determine the inverse relationship between times and rates.

Check out the GBS web site to see pictures of this great unit in action.

## MILL WORKERS AND FARMHANDS WANTED

Did you work at Goodell Company, Abbott Company, The Reel Shop, or any of the other mills that lined Great Brook? Did you milk the cows on cold December mornings or cut hay in the blazing August sun? Have your children and grandchildren heard all your best stories? Well, here's a chance to share those memories once again!

In May, fifth graders will be studying New Hampshire's early economy: its evolution from farm to factory. We would like to interview townspeople who are willing to share their experiences. We'll have done the "book work". What we are looking for is anecdotes to help students see the personal side—to understand that history is everyday life, not just dates and places in books.

Pairs of students will develop interview questions and conduct the interviews, then share the information with the class. Please call Barbara Black at school (588-6630) or home (588-6710) if you would be willing to be part of this oral history project. ♣

## ANTRIM'S FERAL CATS

by Jennifer Anonymous

Every year, thousands of cats are the victims of abandonment by people. Most often the cats have not been spayed or neutered. Non-neutered house cats eventually form colonies and live together wherever they can find food: near dumpsters, behind restaurants, etc. Mother cats teach kittens to defend themselves and be wary of humans and they become "feral". A non-spayed female cat can have up to four litters of kittens each year and those kittens can reproduce, often by or before six months of age. You can do the math and see how quickly a feral cat population can become huge.

An estimated sixty million feral cats live in the United States today.

Being a feral cat is living life without a home, without a reliable source of food, and with no guarantee that there will be a tomorrow. You need look no further than your own neighborhood alley or back yard to find them. I discovered Antrim's feral cats over two years ago when, on one cold winter night, my cars headlights revealed too many reflecting eyes to count. These cats were cold, huddled together near a dumpster and too afraid of me to allow me to be closer than 15 feet. Investigating why over ten cats were afraid and hanging out near this dumpster, my flashlight shone on the frozen body of a kitten who had not been able to survive such cold weather. What a beautiful kitten it was! The deadly temperatures had stopped it's body's functioning but preserved its appearance. This kitten's death became my motivation for attempting to alleviate the suffering of feral cats.

One might think that feral cats should be the concern of animal shelters. Unfortunately, most shelters already have their hands full with thousands of stray animals brought to them. Since feral cats are wary of human contact, they are considered difficult to deal with by many shelters. Often they just euthanize them to keep space and funding available for more adoptable animals.

As I researched on the Internet for answers to Antrim's feral cat population, I quickly learned that this is a worldwide problem. New Hampshire is one of many states that does not have any federal funding to control feral colonies. Local shelters gave advice but that is all they could do. I was able to take litters of very young kittens from the feral colony and bottle-feed them, socialize them, and find homes for them. This was very time-consuming and only a Band-Aid

solution since I kept finding more litters. I needed a real solution to make a difference.

Alley Cat Allies of Washington DC provided lots of information about dealing with ferals. Here are some facts: feral instincts are never far from the surface in domestic cats. A survey has shown that 30% to 60% of unsterilized domestic cats will find themselves living in feral colonies within three years. People who avoid spaying and neutering their cats and let them outside should reconsider. Some animal control agencies try to eliminate feral cats by trapping and killing them. This includes any "pet" cats who might be hanging out with the local feral colony, more of a possible risk if the cat is not spayed or neutered. *Such an approach is not humane and does not work.* Instead of reducing numbers, killing makes room for new cats to move in and the breeding process begins all over again; so does the suffering. Half of all kittens born into these colonies die soon after birth. Their mothers spend most of their lives pregnant and hungry. Non-neutered tom cats roam around looking for mates and getting into fights, possibly spreading diseases to other cats and impregnating females.

The most effective method and humane alternative to killing cats in feral colonies, which Alley Cat Allies promotes, is controlling the growth of feral cat colonies through a "trap-neuter-return" (TNR) method developed in Great Britain over 20 years ago.

This method has been used successfully by many caretakers in the US in cities and towns like Antrim. Cats are trapped in humane cages, spayed or neutered, given a rabies vaccine, and after a recovery time returned to their original location, providing they have a form of shelter. Caretakers monitor these cats and supply food and water on a regular basis. Managed colonies can live for ten years or longer as healthy cats who will no longer reproduce. This was the answer that I was looking for. A compassionate way to end the cycle! Only one problem: I don't have any money to do this myself and there is no available funding to spay and neuter cats unless they are domestic pets and the owners qualify for very low-income status.

The Humane Society put me in touch with volunteers who helped activate the TNR method right here in Antrim. We caught eight cats. The volunteers had connection with Vets skilled at dealing with feral cats and able to spay and neuter them. After the surgeries, I took them to my garage to recover. The day of releasing them

was one of joy for me and I am happy to report that they are now doing well.

Currently I am hoping to make more individuals aware of Antrim's feral cat problem. Anyone who would like to help should please call Jennifer at 588-4821. ♣

## YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

*Fort Myers, FL:* Eighty degrees and puffy clouds; the weather is perfect and so are the Red Sox. Spring training has begun, and hope springs eternal—even if it's just once a year.

As it is ever eternal with the Red Sox, our own youth baseball season is just around the corner. The freezing grip of a New Hampshire winter will soon give way to Spring and the youth of Antrim will pour onto the fields to begin their Spring training programs.

### YOUTH BASEBALL/GIRLS SOFTBALL (Ages 6 – 12 years)

#### REGISTRATION DATES

Sat. 3/10 10 AM–12 NOON Great Brook Gym

Sat 3/17 10 AM–12 NOON Great Brook Gym

Mon 3/19 6–8 PM Antrim Town Gym

Mon 3/26 6–8 PM Antrim Town Gym

Please take this opportunity to register your youngster during one these sign-up times. We are a volunteer-based program and always need lots of help, so please feel free to chat with Bryan Hebert about volunteering. Bryan, our league president, will be at sign-ups and can be reached in the evening after 6 PM at 588-6195. The program is always looking for umpires, coaches and parent volunteers to help with such tasks as field maintenance, field lining, and fund-raising.

This past season the Antrim girls team entered the softball arena for the first time in many years. Once again, Rick Davis and Shelly Gardner loaned their coaching talents to help the girls compete in the Monadnock Girls Softball League.

The Antrim Baseball program thanks all our annual sponsors for their assistance. As a result of our raffle ticket sales, we now have new pitching machines that assist young players with batting techniques.

You can catch a ball game almost any weekday afternoon or Saturday from April through June. We participate in the Monadnock Bambino and Girls Softball Leagues. All home games are played on the Shea Athletic fields.

Our baseball program will conclude with a bus trip to a Nashua Pride-Atlantic League professional baseball game on Saturday June 23, leaving around 5 PM from Great Brook School. Members of the community who would like to accompany us on this trip should contact Bryan Hebert. ♣

## THE GRAPEVINE

by Kristin Vance

You never know what connections you will make in a small community like Antrim. We at The Grapevine discovered that when you start a family resource center in a town like ours, you end up pulling in all sorts of people with all sorts of talents. The last few months were no exception. The Grapevine welcomed talented people from Antrim and beyond, who shared their time and expertise to help others in a variety of ways. Here are some of the ways people helped:

- In early December, Anne Hennessy of The Wool Room offered knitting instruction to our Monday parent group. Linda Warren caught on quickly, and Sydney Wilson Smith, our parent group facilitator, reports that it is rare to see Linda without her knitting needles. At last count, Linda had knit 5 hats for her children.

- Pam Erdmann, a therapist from Dublin who was a senior instructor for 7 years at Jon Kabat Zinn's Center for Mindfulness at UMass Memorial Health, showed our Tuesday parent group how to use breathing to reduce stress. The parents came up with several ways to use this technique to cope with the stress of parenting. Pam, who has taught stress reduction techniques in schools, prisons and corporate settings, agreed to make a return visit to check in with the parents on their progress.

- Several of the parents feel the parent room is "too pink," and Charlotte Lakus and Dan Heffernan decided to do something about it. Charlotte found a good deal on some paint and, at this writing, Dan has primed the walls.

The Grapevine board and staff are grateful to Ann, Pam, Charlotte and Dan for their contributions, and to all who volunteered their services this winter, including:

Margo Russell, who teamed up with Charlotte Lakus to shampoo the carpets; Amy Zaluki-Stone, OCN, who talked with parents about protecting their children's skin from the winter sun; Wayno Olson, who removed ice from the roof; Ryan and Nathan Plummer, our newest playgroup helpers; Carol Lunan, M.Ed., who talked with parents about preparing their children for kindergarten; Margo Russell, Tammy Nettleton, John Vance and Michael Wright, who shoveled snow; John Fleischman, who contributed his writing talent to our fund-raising efforts; Dan Cody who, along with Dan Heffernan, lugged heavy things up to the

attic; Susan Eddlestone of Franklin Pierce College, who led a parent discussion about women's relationships with eating; Dr. Laura Scheinbulum and Dr. Suzanne Schoel of Monadnock Regional Pediatrics, who talked with parents about children's health; and Doug Stone, who helped us with our corporate fund-raising efforts.

### THE LEARNING VINE

This Winter, the children have been learning how their bodies work. Teacher Carol Lunan, M.Ed. designed a curriculum which combined community experiences with classroom activities, offering the children creative ways to think about the subject. Carol read books from the Tuttle Library to the children about the body and the hospital, including the favorite *Curious George Goes To The Hospital*. The children brought toy stethoscopes, blankets, "hospital gowns" and other items from home and set up a hospital in the play area. One child brought in part of a human body model and set up a science table.

Dan Heffernan, a First Responder for the Antrim Fire Department and The Learning Vine teacher's assistant for the month of January, brought an Antrim ambulance to The Grapevine to show the children what happens before a person is taken to the hospital. The children and their parents then took a guided tour of Monadnock Community Hospital, from the Birthing Center (where they met a 4-hour-old baby) to x-ray to the Recovery Ward. According to Dan, the hospital staff members were impressed with the children's behavior. The visit culminated with milk and cookies.

The parents who worked so hard to make The Learning Vine possible are pleased with the success of the program and are planning for next year. Says Tammy Nettleton, mother of Taylor, age 4, "I see an improvement in my daughter's social skills since she has been attending The Learning Vine." One unexpected outcome of the program is the relationship that the parents have formed in working together for their children's success. "We have developed a strong support network that feels like extended family," says Linda Warren, mother of Nicholas, age 5.

### BETTER BEGINNINGS

The following guest presentations take place from 9:30 to 11 AM, while the children are in playgroup.

- Cheryl Roth, Parent Information Center: Cheryl will offer workshops on aspects

of growth and development in the early years. Monday March 19, Thursday April 5, Monday May 7 and Thursday May 17.

- Susan Eddlestone, M.Ed., Franklin Pierce College: The Grapevine's "Relationship Guru" will lead discussions on taking care of our emotional needs in a healthy way and women's relationship with eating. Tuesday March 20 and Tuesday May 22.

- Diane Kendall, LMT: Diane will demonstrate massage techniques to soothe and comfort your child. Monday March 5 and Tuesday April 10.

- Pam Erdmann: Pam will teach stress reduction through breathing. Monday April 30 and Thursday May 24.

- Anne Hennessy, The Wool Room: Anne will offer intermediate knitting instruction. Monday March 12.

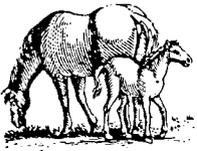
- Rufus Chaffee, NH Division of Alcohol Prevention and Recovery: Rufus will lead a discussion on ways to communicate with our children about the dangers of alcohol and drugs. Thursday March 8 and Thursday March 22.

- Kristin Readell, The Grapevine: Kristin will offer creative alternative to watching TV for families during the week preceding "Turn Off TV Week". Monday April 16, Tuesday April 17, and Thursday April 19.

To register for programs or for more information, call The Grapevine at 588-2620. We are located behind the Tuttle Library (follow the signs to the temporary Antrim Town Office).

The Grapevine is a nonprofit service organization funded by grants from Hillsborough County Incentive Funds, the NH Department of Health and Human Services (Division of Youth, Children & Families, and Division of Alcohol Prevention and Recovery), Monadnock Paper Mills, Monadnock Community Foundation, the NH Children's Trust Fund, Monadnock Community Hospital, NH Ball Bearing, New England Presbytery, The Bishop's Summer Fund of the Manchester Diocese, OSRAM Sylvania, and by generous contributions from local businesses, organizations and individuals.





## HOT TO TROT 4-H CLUB

by Beth Merrill

Over the last three or four years, club members have been raising money to build a new livestock barn at the 4-H Youth Center in New Boston. Funds are now being raised to have a stall dedicated in memory of former member Michelle Willett. The next county fundraiser will be the annual tack sale on March 8-10 in Auburn, NH. This is a great opportunity for members of the horse community to pick up some new-to-you equipment and clothing as well as find new homes for the outgrown and unused items in their barns. For more information call Cher Griffin at 483-8772 or Joyce Cardoza at 654-4097.

Club members will be participating in County Activities Day in Milford on March 17, hoping to earn a chance to advance to the State Activities Day in June. In preparation for this event, the girls will present their demonstrations and speeches to the public at the Tuttle Library on Friday, March 9, at 3:30 PM. Interested children are invited to take advantage of this opportunity to learn about horses and 4-H.

Recently, Caitlin Campbell represented our club and county at the State 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl on the first place Junior team and placed tenth individually.

Beth Lyons, Brigitte Gutgesell, and Caitlin Campbell will be competing at the state 4-H Horse Judging Contest on April 7. Participants will represent every county in the state as they vie for a coveted spot on the state judging teams which then represents NH at the Eastern National Roundup in Kentucky this November.

Plans are being made for a club trip to the Eastern States fairgrounds in West Springfield, MA on May 1 where members will be on hand to witness the last tour of Monty Roberts, noted bestselling author and "horse whisperer". Mr. Roberts will demonstrate his Trust-Based Join-Up® technique by using the language of Equus in starting unbroken horses and correcting behavior problems in horses with "human relation problems". You can learn more about this extraordinary man by calling 1-888-U2-MONTY or by checking out his website at: [www.montyroberts.com](http://www.montyroberts.com).

The club will hold its 8th annual horse show this summer at the riding ring on West Street. Further details will be available in the Spring. ♣

## EMERALD HORSE 4-H CLUB

by Kathy Dumont

A big thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas wreaths. The Club sold a total of 70 wreaths and were able to buy matching shirts for members.

On February 3 club members Jill Dumont, Chelsea Chapman, Caitlin Campbell and Ashley Ladd brought home "blue" when they became Hillsborough County's unstoppable Junior Quiz Bowl Team. Twelve junior teams competed at this day-long event which challenged the teams' horse knowledge in this double elimination competition. Jill also placed 2nd out of the 48 junior competitors for the overall individual high point awards. Great job Jill!

The Club is now in full swing working on this year's charity horse show which will benefit the Horse Power Scholarship Fund. The show will be held at Townsend's Training Farm in Pembroke, NH on September 23. Thanks to everyone who have already become show sponsors. Donations of items for prizes are also needed. Please call Kathy at 588-2719 for more information on becoming a show sponsor or to make a donation. Together we can make this a great event, and can be rewarded by the smile of a Horse Power rider. ♣



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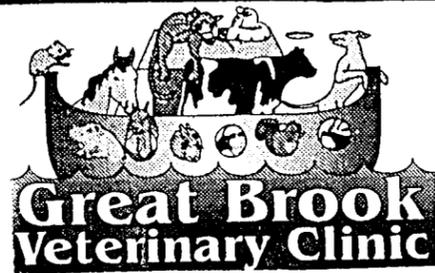
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- 2 Pet Read-In "Turtles" • TUTTLE LIBRARY • 10 AM
  - 3 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 5 BETTER BEGINNINGS Massage Techniques Demonstration with Diane Kendall, LMT • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 7 LENTEN LUNCHESES • Antrim Baptist Church • 12 NOON
  - 8 BETTER BEGINNINGS Discussion on Children & Alcohol/Drugs with Rufus Chaffee • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 8 INTRODUCTION TO SPIRITUALITY SEMINAR • Saint Patrick Church • 7 PM
  - 8-10 4-H ANNUAL TACK SALE • Auburn, NH
  - 9 4-H Hot to Trot Presentation • Tuttle Library • 3:30 PM
  - 10 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL Registration • 10 AM-12 NOON • Great Brook School Gym
  - 10 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 12 BETTER BEGINNINGS Intermediate Knitting Workshop with Anne Hennessy The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 13 TOWN VOTING • 8 AM-7 PM • Fire Station on Rte 31
  - 14 LENTEN LUNCHESES • Antrim Baptist Church • 12 NOON
  - 15 TOWN MEETING • Great Brook School • 7 PM
  - 15 INTRODUCTION TO SPIRITUALITY SEMINAR • Saint Patrick Church • 7 PM
  - 17 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL Registration • 10 AM-12 NOON • Great Brook School Gym
  - 17 4-H COUNTY ACTIVITIES DAY • Milford, NH
  - 19 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Early Childhood Development with Cheryl Roth • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 19 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL Registration • 6-8 PM • Antrim Town Gym
  - 20 BETTER BEGINNINGS Discussion on Health & Emotions with Susan Eddlestone, M.Ed. • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
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  - 24 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 26 BASEBALL/SOFTBALL Registration • 6-8 PM • Antrim Town Gym
  - 28 LENTEN LUNCHESES • Antrim Baptist Church • 12 NOON
  - 29 INTRODUCTION TO SPIRITUALITY SEMINAR • Saint Patrick Church • 7 PM
  - 30 YANKEE DOODLE CIRCUS • Great Brook School • 7:30 PM
  - 31 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 31 TURKEY DINNER • Antrim Baptist Church • 5 PM

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  - 4 DIME A DIP DINNER • Great Brook School • 6 PM
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  - 7 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 10 BETTER BEGINNINGS Massage Techniques Demonstration with Diane Kendall, LMT • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 12 MAUNDAY THURSDAY Services • 6:30 PM
  - 12 SPRING CONCERT • Great Brook School • 7 PM
  - 14 FREE TAX Assistance • Tuttle Library • 2-4 PM
  - 15 **EASTER SERVICES**  
 Sunrise Service • Antrim Baptist Church • 6:30 AM  
 Sunday Services • 10:30 AM
  - 16 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Alternatives to Watching TV with Kristin Readel • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 16 PENNY CARNIVAL • Junior Grange 153 • Grange Hall
  - 17 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Alternatives to Watching TV with Kristin Readel • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 19 STORYTIME with The Grapevine • Tuttle Library • TIME: TBA
  - 19 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Alternatives to Watching TV with Kristin Readel • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 30 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Stress Reduction Techniques with Pam Erdmann • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
  - 30 DOG LICENSE deadline
  - 25 HARVEST LUNCHEON • Antrim
- MAY**
- 5 Antrim Presbyterian Church MAY BREAKFAST • TIME: TBA
  - 7 BETTER BEGINNINGS Workshop on Early Childhood Development with Cheryl Roth • The Grapevine • 9:30-11 AM
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