

# Canterbury Town News

September, 2015

Canterbury, Connecticut

## SELECTMEN'S CORNER

As the Summer of 2015 winds down, I would hope that each of you were able to take advantage of the warm weather of recent weeks. After last Winter, the weather of our Spring and Summer are well deserved. Our children are back in school by now and I would ask that each of you pay special attention to the school buses that are transporting our students to and from school.

The construction of our new Public Works garage is nearing completion. Most of the work is now completed and the crew is using the facility, but we have a few items to finish up. One item that I would like to let everyone know about is the heating system for the garage. We have installed a "waste-oil" heating system that utilizes the waste oil from our trucks and school buses, as well as the waste oil that we collect at the Transfer Station. Rather than having to pay to have our waste oil hauled away, we save monies by using the oil to heat the new Public Works Garage.

The renovation of Manship Park is also nearing completion. The walking/jogging track, children's play area, and volleyball courts have been completed, but some work remains for the baseball and soccer fields. Everyone is welcomed to use the walking/jogging track and allow your children to use the new play area, but we ask that people refrain from using the grassy areas of the fields so that the grass can continue to thicken prior to the fields being opened at a later date. We have posted "No Pets Allowed" signs near the entrance to the children's play area and the volleyball courts and ask that everyone keep their pets out of these two specific areas. If you do take your pet for a walk around the park, please pick up after them.

As with this time of the year and the approach of the Fall season, there are many events and festivities to take advantage of here in the "Quiet Corner". Examples include the Brooklyn Fair, Woodstock Fair, Prudence Crandall Day, Old Home Day, other local fairs, and the Big-E Fair, there is something for everyone to enjoy in the upcoming months.

Roy Piper  
First Selectman

## Land Use Office

It seems that the use of Recreational Vehicles, Mobile Homes or Trailers seems to be a frequent question in the Land Use Office. The Town of Canterbury Zoning regulations state the following in Section 4.13:

### 4.13. Recreational Vehicles or Trailers (RVs)

4.13.1. One (1) RV, registered in the State of Connecticut, may be stored on a residential lot provided the RV is owned by the owner of the property or a resident family member, or legal tenant. A non-owner or non-resident family member may store one (1) RV on a residential property in lieu of the owner or resident family member or tenant for a period of no more than 4 months per calendar year.

4.13.2. No person or family shall utilize an RV as a residence. Temporary stays by the owner or a guest are permissible for a total period not to exceed one (1) month annually. Longer periods, of up to six (six) total months annually shall be allowable by zoning permit which will state the only dates the RV can be occupied. If the RV is going to utilize its water facilities, appropriate hookups must be provided and approved by the Department of Health.

## Emergency Number Signs

Last year, I wrote the article shown below, and due to the response, plus new people moving into town, I have decided to run the article again. If you have not picked up your Reflective 911 Sign for your residence, I encourage you to do so at your earliest convenience.

"It is 2 o'clock in the morning, and you have an emergency (fire, medical, or police matter) at your home. You call "9-1-1" for emergency assistance. Emergency responders are dispatched to

*The house number signs and reflective numbers are available to Canterbury residents ...at no cost.*

your home, but because we live in a rural area, with dark, narrow roads, it is sometimes very difficult for the first responders to locate a specific home on the first pass-through. This delay could prove to be very costly."

One solution is to place a house-number sign at the end of your driveway, with the reflective numbers visible on both sides of the sign. This way, your house number is clearly visible to the first responders, no matter which way they approach your location or residence.

These house-number signs, and reflective numbers, are available to Canterbury residents and can be picked up at the Canterbury Town Hall and, the best part, they are available at no cost. Pick yours up today.

The few minutes that it will take you to pick up your sign, and properly mount it at your home, may save precious minutes of response time in the event of an emergency.

Roy Piper  
First Selectman

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## Canterbury Senior Trips

Greetings to all, especially those who took the opportunity to travel with us this year! We saw and heard many great things and Many people have enjoyed the trips so far this year and are looking forward to the exciting experiences in the coming months.

Costa Rica was amazing! So much to see there!

It's always a wonderful trip to Lancaster and the sight and sound theater. In addition to that show, we were hugely entertained by a comedy show at Hershey Farms and are eagerly waiting to see what is offered along with new "Samson", perhaps Longwood Gardens.

We will complete the year with an overnight to take the cog railroad up Mt. Washington along with several musical shows, a play and a two night get-away to experience in the Christmas season in the Hudson Valley.

Many expressed an interest in Sedona and Mackinac Island so we're looking forward to the presentations for them. Please look over the flyers on our town library and take a newsletter. You would be welcomed to enjoy a trip with us. Contact information can be found on the newsletter. Enjoy the reading and perhaps find a trip you'd like.

## Canterbury Assessor's Office

**Attention Veterans:** If you filed for the Additional Veterans and/or Local Option Veterans Exemptions in 2013, another application needs to be filed no later than October 1, 2015 in order to continue receiving the benefit. Please call the Assessor's Office if you are unsure when you last filed.

**Personal Property** declaration forms will be mailed out at the beginning of October for the 2015 Grand List. If you receive one of these forms, this office has information regarding some personal property that you own. Please don't ignore the form; call this office so we can answer any questions. If you do **not** receive a personal property declaration but you have property that needs to be declared, please call the Assessor's Office or go to the website at <http://www.canterburyct.org>. All personal property forms are available to download. Remember to return these forms no later than **Monday November 2nd, 2015** to avoid a penalty.

For those that receive the farm machinery exemption, please remember that these forms are due **Monday November 2nd, 2015**. The M-28 forms will be mailed with the personal property declarations to all those that currently receive the benefit. If you do not currently receive the benefit but think you may be eligible, please call the Assessor's Office or go to the website.

### PLEASE NOTE:

The Town of Canterbury will be completing the 2015 Revaluation Project in October. Valuation notices will be mailed to every property owner at that time.

**Do not apply the current tax(mil) rate to your new assessment, as doing so will result in an inaccurate calculation. The new mil rate cannot be determined by the town until spring 2016.**

**PA490 applications** for farm, forest, or open space designations are available in the Assessor's Office and on the website. In the year of a revaluation they must be filed on or before **Thursday December 31, 2015**. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact the Assessor's Office.

Please remember the Assessor's Office Staff hours are Mondays, Wednesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm as well as Tuesdays from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The Assessor also works additional hours from home every week. These hours are posted both in the office and on the website. During those hours she can be reached at 860-204-7467.

## Canterbury Constables

Canterbury Constable Supporting the Town

The Canterbury Constable is becoming Active in our town of Canterbury. We promote Public Safety.

The following events that the Canterbury Constables supported:

- Canterbury Constables conducted Traffic Control on Routes 169 and 14 for the Prudence Crandall Nov. Tea.
- Canterbury Constables conducted Traffic Control at the Baldwin Middle School for the QVJC Tournament in the month Feb 2015. It was a three day event.
- Canterbury Constables hosted a Spaghetti Dinner for the Lynne Denning Fund on April 4, 2015. It was another success.
- Canterbury Constables sponsored a Spaghetti Dinner for the Canterbury Care Food Bank on May 1, 2015. The dinner was a huge success.
- The Canterbury Constables and the Canterbury Fire Department supported the Reason to Ride Event on June 14, 2015.
- Canterbury Constables conducted Traffic Control during the 4TH of July.

## Canterbury Volunteer Fire Department

The Canterbury Volunteer Fire Company is a volunteer organization designed to be available for the assistance of the people in our community. CVFC is currently exploring options regarding the replacement / refurbishment for two of our trucks. The Engine and Tanker are two critical pieces of apparatus which are in desperate need of a mechanical overhaul. These trucks are 14 and 20 years old, respectively. We are looking for a solution that is fiscally responsible for the town and ensures the safety of our volunteers. Currently, we are working closely with the Town Selectman's Office and the Board of Finance to formulate a viable solution.

### Juniors

The "Junior" Firefighters is a group of teenagers, ages 14 through 17 that learn from our seasoned volunteers what it's like to become a firefighter and / or part of EMS. Thanks to the community, the Junior Firefighter program had some very successful fundraising events. With this success, we were able to provide training for Juniors who are looking to make a difference in our community.

### Upcoming Events

Stop by and see us at the Annual Old Homes Day on September 19th! We will be there with information pertaining to Fire Safety and you can enter our free raffle. Come on down and meet some of our members. We'll have our ambulance and a fire truck for you and your children to see and explore.

And don't forget about our 3rd annual Toy Drive to help benefit the children of Canterbury, hosted by our Junior members and Santa! The tentative date for the Toy Drive is December 6th and 7th. Watch for our sign and a letter from your child's school with further details.

As always, if you have time to spare and would like to help in your community, we are always in need of volunteers. Please stop by to inquire or give the Station a call at 860-546-9807.

## Canterbury Recreational Woman's Volleyball League

As the seventh season of the Canterbury Recreational Women's Volleyball League winds to a close, we are once again able to reflect back on a very successful year! The league set records by maxing out to its fullest capacity of twelve teams, and setting an all-time high on attendance with nearly one hundred female participants.

The league's official matches began on June 1. However, participants bravely took to the cold sand mid-May for a two week practice session, in hopes of getting their "sand legs" back before the head to head competitions got underway. Nothing could stop these dedicated women from taking to the courts, not even the torrential downpours in the beginning of the season!

Teams were given the opportunity to face off against each other in an eleven week schedule. Matches were played on Monday nights at 6:00pm and 7:00pm on the sand courts located at Manship Park in Canterbury. Competition was inevitable, as teams set, spiked, dug and blocked their way through a three game series each week.

Although the season is coming to an end, there is still time to stop by and catch some of the action, as the top eight teams head into Playoffs. These top ranked teams will compete in a three week, single elimination series for a chance at becoming League Champions. Playoffs will be held on August 17, 24, and 31. Good luck everyone!

In closing, I would like to thank the members of the league for your continue patronage! The league's success is undeniably a direct result of each and every one of you making a concerted effort to show up week after week. I am able to continue doing what I do, because of all of you! Thank you ladies!!!

Wendy Dayger, Director  
Canterbury Recreational Woman's Volleyball League

## Canterbury Town Clerk

The Municipal Election will be held on November 3, 2015.

Offices to be elected this year are:

*First Selectman,  
Selectman,  
Town Treasurer,  
Board of Finance  
Board of Finance Alternate,  
Board of Education,  
Board of Assessment Appeals,  
Planning & Zoning Commission,  
Planning & Zoning Commission  
Alternate,  
Zoning Board of Appeals,  
Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate,  
Constables and  
Library Trustees.*

Absentee ballots will be available starting October 2.

*Natalie Cordes*

## Land Use Office

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4.13.3. Longer periods of occupancy may be allowed by a zoning permit, provided the primary residence has been deemed uninhabitable by the Building Official for reasons of fire or other calamity, or because of major renovations, for a period of no more than six (6) months, renewable once.

Canterbury also allows mobile homes/trailers as a permanent resident provided it is located on a buildable lot of record and can meet the current zoning setbacks. The mobile home/trailer must be served by a well and a septic. It must have a permanent foundation. When a new home is being constructed, the office does allow the temporary placement of a mobile home/trailer provided it is removed before a Certificate of Occupancy is issued for the permanent residence.

If you have any questions, please call the Land Use Office at 860-546-6857.

## Prudence Crandall Museum

The Prudence Crandall Museum invites everyone to join us on **Saturday, September 5** at this year's **29<sup>th</sup> Annual Prudence Crandall Day!** Come and celebrate Prudence Crandall's 212<sup>th</sup> Birthday. The day will include crafts demonstrations and sales on the museum lawn. Young and old can try their skills at period children games! Or enjoy music with Song-A-Day of Coventry! At the Museum Barn from 11am and 1pm, as Former State Troubadour Sally Rogers presents a "Music from the Civil Rights Era." Birthday Cake, will be served at 3pm! The Museum will be open for guided tours. The event runs from 10am to 4pm, Free Admission, Rain or Shine!

**Mark Your Calendars for October! October 9, 10 and 11.** The annual Columbus Day Weekend art installation co-hosted with the Northeast Connecticut Art Guild, in the Museum's John Carter House. Hours: 10am to 3:30pm each day, Free to the Public. In addition, the Guild will host an opening for the exhibit on Friday, October 9 from 5 to 7pm. All are welcome, but please RSVP at 860-546-7800.

**Sunday, October 11- 2 to 3pm.** Sarah Sportman, Archaeologist with *Archaeological and Historical Services, Inc* in Storrs presents an illustrated lecture "**A Landscape of Change: Archaeology at the Prudence Crandall House.**" **Admission is Free,** (This year's archaeology program has been generously underwritten by a donation from Westminster Tool, Plainfield, CT.)

The Museum is open Wednesday through Sunday, 10am to 4pm through October 31. From November 1 through the end of April tours are available Monday through Friday by appointment only. For additional info, please call the Museum at 860-546-7800 or go to [www.cultureandtourism.org](http://www.cultureandtourism.org).

## MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY

Energy Assistance program has started for my office for the 2015-2016 Season. My office will resume the program September 10, 2015. Medicare Saving Programs enrollments are always open; if you need assistance paying your Medicare Part B Premiums please contact my office to apply.

**Senior Fair:** October 10, 2015 from 10-2 pm at Town Hall Community Room. More information will be posted on the town web site and at Town Hall as it becomes available.

**Farmers Markets Coupons:** I have already issued all Coupons that I initially ordered and I am awaiting on a request for more.

**Please stop by my office if you would like to have your Blood Pressure Checked.**

The programs for fall/Winter are as follows.

### Tai Chi Class with Instructor Paula McNally

Fridays 9:30-10:30

Community Room \$1.00 per session

### Art Classes for over 50 years of age

Mary Bingham Abbey Thursdays 1-3:30 pm

Community Room \$3.00 a session

## The Last Green Valley

Fall is Walktober time in Last Green Valley National Heritage Corridor, and we invite you to join in the celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> year of Walktober by exploring as many of the region's 35 towns as you can! The Walktober brochure is available. Be sure to get yours! Canterbury always offers up some great Walktober opportunities and this year is no different.

- October 3<sup>rd</sup>; 5th Annual FACES at FAHS! Finnish American Heritage Society's Open House & Fine Art & Craft Exhibit and Sale
- October 11<sup>th</sup>; A Landscape of Change - Archaeology at the Prudence Crandall House
- October 23<sup>rd</sup>; Walk the Historic Captain John Clark Property, featuring Dr. Nick Bellantoni
- October 24<sup>th</sup>; Maple Leaf Farm Tour

In addition to all the Walktober excitement, TLGV continues with regular programming, events and special projects such as:

- **Tastes of the Valley;** our annual fundraiser featuring a collaboration of local farms and chefs
- **Public outreach** at events throughout the region, like **Canterbury Old Home Days!**
- **Explore! 2016;** a new, updated guide with more outdoor, indoor & around town adventures than ever before!
- **River trails**
- **Historic Grants** were awarded in late summer 2015.
- **Volunteering** opportunities galore!

Keep up to date with all the news and happenings in The Last Green Valley on our website [www.thelastgreenvalley.org](http://www.thelastgreenvalley.org) and on our facebook page.

Bring your own canvas and picture, all other supplies provided

### Senior Exercise Class with Instructor Christine Bernier

Tuesday 9:30-10:30 Thursdays 9:30-10:30 except the 2<sup>nd</sup>

Thursday of the month Community Room

\$1.00 per session All equipment provided

### Bistro Luncheon

12:00 p.m. Every third Wednesday of the Month at Community Hall. A different Menu each month and will be posted in Library and my office, Bring your own beverage. \$5.00 per meal due at Luncheon. You will be responsible for payment even if you don't show. Preregistration is required by calling my office 860-546-9845.

### Senior Luncheon 11:00 am- Community Room

Every Second Thursday of the Month. This is a Pot Luck Luncheon that immediately follows the Seniors meeting and each family is requested to bring in a dish or dessert. There are programs scheduled for after the meal for seniors and events are posted on Town Web site. A monthly Calendar will be available at each meeting for seniors to know what's going on over the

## Friends of Prudence Crandall Museum

Looking ahead to Labor Day weekend ~ Prudence Crandall Day will be celebrated Saturday September 5, 2015. The Friends of the Museum Cafe will be open from 11 am to 3:30 pm. There will also be a vintage glass and china sale, and proceeds raised from both will be used for the museum. Friends will also be participating in this year's Old Home Day which takes place on September 19, 2015. Friends members will be on hand encouraging children of all ages to test their skills at traditional games on the lawn. Please stop by the Museum Gift Shop to see all the new items for

sale! Hand-made scarves, potholders, jewelry and assorted collectibles make perfect gifts!

Please consider becoming a Friend. Your membership includes a year of Free admission to the museum, plus 20 Percent off purchases in the Gift Shop, and access to the Friends' [www.Ancestry.com](http://www.Ancestry.com) account.

We are also looking for Junior Volunteers (ages 16 and under) to assist at museum programs, seasonal activities.

For more information please contact us at 860-546-7800 Extension 7.

## Canterbury Historical Society

**Fall Monthly Programs** The Canterbury Historical Society meets the second Friday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Community Room. Free and the public is cordially invited. **SEPT 11:** Dr. Anne E. Dawson, Eastern Connecticut State University, will discuss American Impressionist J. Alden Weir during his years in Windham. **OCT 9:** Award-winning author Diana Perkins will explore mill industrialization in the Northeast. **NOV 13:** A visit from Santa & Mrs. Merry Claus. They'll fill us in a bit on Christmas lore, then pose for pictures. We will email free digital files to everyone whose photo is taken with the Clauses. Please bring along some of your favorite cookies for everyone to share as refreshments, and bring the kids. **DEC 11:** Holiday potluck supper; no program. Begins at 6:00.

### Fall Special Events:

**SEPT 19:** Canterbury Historical Society's annual Old Home Day fall celebration on Canterbury green, 10:00 to 4:00, rain or shine. The whole family can enjoy live music, great food, animals, traditional crafts and trades, kids' activities, reenactors, farm products, and the 19th century Green District Schoolhouse. Free admission and parking. *For the first time*, to ease congestion and improve safety, Old Home Day on-site parking around the church will be limited to visitors with handicapped permits. General parking will be at the Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School with a free bus running all day from 10:00 to 4:00.

**SEPT 27:** We proudly welcome back the Spinney Brothers bluegrass band for a fundraiser concert in the Town Hall Community Room. Opening the show will be Bear Minimum featuring Dave (Tex) Orlomoski and Dave Shaw. The show will begin at 2:00 PM; doors opening at 1:00. Advance tickets are \$28 if purchased before September 19; \$30 after that. To purchase tickets, mail a check or money order, payable to "Canterbury Historical Society," to PO Box 2, Canterbury, CT 06331. Include a SASE; otherwise your tickets will be held at the door.

**OCT 23** (rain date October 30): Walktober walk on the property of the magnificent, historic Captain John Clark house, 370 South Canterbury Road, 1:00 PM. After a brief architectural discussion with Ellen Wilson, Nick Bellantoni, Emeritus State Archaeologist, will narrate a walk to the Quinebaug River. In addition, historical society member Alton Orlomoski will display an impressive array of Native American artifacts. Have an artifact of your own that you'd like to learn more about? Bring it along and Dr. Bellantoni will share his expert opinion.

We work hard to keep our website (<http://canterburyhistorical.org/>), Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CanterburyHistoricalSociety.CT>), and Twitter feed (<http://twitter.com/CantrbryHistory>) up to date. Have a look. We invite you to join the Canterbury Historical Society, but all of our activities are open to everyone.

## St. Augustine Events

Thank you to all of our townsfolk and neighboring communities for making our May 9th Plant Sale and August 25th Car Cruise a success.

We look forward to seeing you again at the following events this Fall.

### LADIES GUILD RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, September 19, 2015  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

### TURKEY DINNER

Saturday, September 26, 2015  
4:30 PM—7:00 PM

### TURKEY DINNER

Saturday, October 24, 2015  
4:30 PM—7:00 PM

### LADIES GUILD ANNUAL

### HARVEST BAZAAR

Saturday, November 17, 2015  
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

## Canterbury Seniors

At our June meeting, members and guests had the privilege and pleasure of attending a Quilts of Valor award ceremony honoring seven local military veterans. Receiving beautiful, hand sewn, one of a kind quilts were Lloyd Anderson, Wendell Davis, Arthur LeBeau, Richard LeBeau, Joseph "Red" Lisee, Roy Piper, and Irving Woodworth. An eighth veteran, Robert "Bob" Kinne, received his quilt at the Fourth of July Celebration.

Canterbury Seniors membership is open to adults age 50 and over. Upcoming meetings will be September 10, October 8, November 12 and December 10. Copies of the senior activity calendar are located in the front foyer at Town Hall. Call Deb Kinne at 860-546-6136 with any questions.

### Editor's Note

*The next issue will be published in January 2016. Anyone wishing to submit articles may do so by email to [canterburynewsletter@yahoo.com](mailto:canterburynewsletter@yahoo.com) or by dropping them off at the Selectmen's Office before January 15<sup>th</sup>. The editor reserves the right in all instances to edit for length and content.*

## FINNISH AMERICAN HERITAGE SOCIETY

Our FinnFunn weekend in mid May was very successful for the heritage society and the regional attendees. We appreciate the use the Canterbury Community Center for our Tori/Open Market which attracted the largest number of visitors in several years. Over 100 attended the barbeque and dance at the hall on Saturday evening along with presentations related to Finnish culture and design in the afternoon. On Sunday the weekend concluded with a piano concert with nearly 200 in the audience.

Recently, the FAHS has arranged for a veterans memorial board adjacent to our World War II listing of Finnish American Veterans at the Finnish Hall. We are requesting names of Finnish American veterans of the New England region of the Korean, Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts to be submitted to

our new veterans' board in Canterbury. Please forward names to [info@fahs-ct.org](mailto:info@fahs-ct.org) or [swkbrklyn@aol.com](mailto:swkbrklyn@aol.com) or mail to FAHS P.O. Box 252, Canterbury, CT.

A Veterans Day at the Finnish Hall is planned for Wednesday November 11 to honor all war veterans and is being chaired by Burton Jernstrom and Matti Huhta. We are inviting all local veterans' organizations to attend.

Our Wine Tasting event date is being moved to Friday November 13 from our original September date. Our success last year with this event near the Holidays proved to be successful.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual FACES at FAHS art sale and craft show will be held on Saturday October 3 with all available allotted space filled at this time. This is being Co-Chaired by members and also Trustees

of FAHS Beverly Johnson of Woodstock, CT and Patti Folsom of Greenville, RI. Please attend this popular community event where a variety of food will be served including salmon chowder along with coffee bread, pulla.

FAHS is applying for grant revenue to help update many valuable videos and audio recordings to digital technology. This archival information has interviews of many members and previous events held at the Hall over several decades.

Our organization and community was saddened recently with the passing of a former FAHS President Jack Smiley of Preston, CT. Jack was very instrumental in organizing policies of the organization and his invaluable leadership in the construction of the archives, museum, and library many years ago.

## CANTERBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

(Sign-up is required)

*Nature Programs* will continue on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 10:30 am-11:30am. For ages 4 and up.

**September 19<sup>th</sup>**—*Trees*

**October 17<sup>th</sup>**—*Leaves*

**November 21<sup>st</sup>**—*Camouflage*

**December 19<sup>th</sup>**—*Gifts for the Birds*

Each program includes reading from a book, reading a poem, talking about the topic and a craft and take home activity.

*Bouncing Baby Tales* with *Melissa Lennon*

Children, ages birth to 18 months old.

**8-week program**

**Tuesdays and Wednesdays,**

**9:30am—10:00am Begins Sept 8 & 9**

*Music & Movement*

Children, ages 18 months to 3 years old.

**8-week program Begins September 10**

**Thursdays, 2 sessions at 9:30 & 10:30**

*Ladder to Literacy* with *Melissa Lennon*

Children, ages 3 1/2 to 5 years old.

Program runs September—May.

**Tuesdays & Wednesdays 10:15- 11:15**

*Math Gone Wild!*

**8-week program for Grades K-2 begins September 23, 4:00-5:00**

*STEM Saturdays (coming in 2016)*

**5 sessions on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month from 10:00-11:00 am. Ages 7+**

### Fun with Bubbles

**Wednesday, September 9th, 4:00-5:00**

**Ages 6+**

### ADULT AND TEEN PROGRAMS

(Sign-up is required)

*Paranormal Encounters* Connecticut Research and Investigation of the Paranormal

Thursday, October 29, 6:00-8:00 pm

This program is free!

*Card Stamping with Arlene Sweet*

Thursdays 6:00pm-8:00pm

**October 8<sup>th</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>**

Space Limited. Sign-up required.

*Drop-in Monster Party (Ages 11+)*

Saturday, October 31, 10:00 - 1:00

*Art Therapy Series (Ages 11+)*

Coming in November: Dates TBA

Unwind and unleash your creativity.

### FAMILY PROGRAMS

*First Friday Family Movie*

Library is open 5:00-8:00. The movie starts promptly at 6:00.

**October 2<sup>rd</sup>**—*Cinderella (PG)*

**November 6<sup>th</sup>**—*Inside Out (PG)*

**December 5<sup>th</sup>** -- *Minions (PG)*

### LET'S TALK ABOUT BOOKS

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month 7:05 pm Call either library for the book list and/or to reserve a copy of the book, Scotland 860-423-1492 or Canterbury 860-546-9022.



**Hours:** Monday-Wednesday 9am - 7pm;  
Thursday 9am - 8pm; Saturday 9am - 2pm

**Website:** [www.canterburylibrary.org](http://www.canterburylibrary.org)

**Phone:** 860/546-9022 **Fax:** 860-546-1142

### SENIOR PROGRAMS

Coming Soon! Dates TBA

**Medicare 101**

**Intro to Social Security**

### LIBRARY DATABASES

See our Website for easy access!

**FREE Downloadable Audio and e-Books** are now available @ your library on our website.

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**Buy a Book - Make a Donation - Volunteer Your Time**

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## CANTERBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

*Hello from the Canterbury Public Schools team!*

### Central Office Happenings by Superintendent Dr. Lois C. Knapton

During the summer months, when I run into community members, some of them ask me, "Do you work over the summer?" when I reply, "Yes", the very next question is always, "What do you do during the summer?" Well, I continue to oversee all functions of the school system. The custodians are busily emptying every classroom and office, stripping and waxing the floors, and putting them back together again. In addition, we completed a black top project at BMS. Summer school continues during the month of July for students who require it; and the leadership team meets together to go over goals and plans for the future school year. Please take note, our start and end times for school have changed slightly to allow for continuous learning and enrichment for our students. CES will start their day at 8:30 and end at 3:10. DHBMS will start in homeroom at 8:20 and end at 3:15. We have also looked closely at all our bus routes and have the gained some consistency in the morning and afternoon runs. Please check our website for more specifics. In addition, school will be dismissed at 12:00 noon on all scheduled early dismissal days. Please note this is different than last year. We welcomed our new principal Ryan Earley to our school on July 1, 2015. Mr. Earley comes to us from the Jaffrey- Ringe school district in New Hampshire. He is a welcome addition to our school system.

### Canterbury Elementary School, by Sarah W. Cary, Principal

We have many new faces this year at CES. We welcome three new teachers: Mrs. Pisowloski (Grade 3), Ms. Wiza (Grade 1), and Ms. Wernicki (Kindergarten). In addition, we welcome a paraprofessional Mrs. Sabrowski (PreKindergarten with Mrs. Vallandingham) and a tutor, Ms. LaFrance, who is joining us in our NECC (New England Center for Children) classroom.

In June, we had the chance to have

former students come back and perform the play "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" during an afternoon and an evening performance. Thanks to Elena Deluca for leading this event! This summer we began a new project, in collaboration with Canterbury Public Library, to automate our school library. For parents, open house is scheduled for August 25, PK and K come from 4pm-5pm; Grades One through Four come from 5:30 -6:30. We appreciate all you do in the community who support our efforts here at school. Welcome to the 2015-2016 School Year!

### Dr. Helen Baldwin Middle School, by Ryan Earley, Principal

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those in Canterbury whom have made me feel right at home. After ten years working at the administrative level K-12 in New Hampshire, I am truly looking forward to my time in Canterbury. Throughout this school year, the DHBMS faculty and staff will be focused on the core components of effective planning, creating engaging learning opportunities for all. The middle school brain is one that is in constant flux and by better understanding this fact, the DHBMS will be able to provide appropriate support in all aspects of school and learning. The school year begins for students on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 8:20am, which is an earlier start than before and the school day ends at 3:15. This extended time has allowed for blocks of time for extended learning and remedial help without impacting the core classes. For parents, the 2015 Open House is scheduled for August 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.

### Pupil Personnel Services, by Jodi Davis, Special Education Director

It has been a wonderful summer for our students participating in extended school year services. All programs at CES and BMS were held successfully. The students ended the session with a field trip to the Digiplex movie theater at Lisbon Landing to see *Shrek!* Other students attended summer programming at Camp Quinnebaug which is a camp for children with disabilities. Students and their para-educators had a blast!

## Hurricane Emergency Preparedness

Hurricane Season is upon us and here are several reminders for emergencies:

### Contacts:

- Canterbury Emergency Management  
Director: Luther Thurlow –  
dhs\_canterbury@yahoo.com
- www.fema.com
- www.weather.com
- WTIC - 1080 AM and 96.5 FM
- Channel 3 News at www.wfsb.com
- Channel 8 News at www.wtnh.com
- Channel 30 News
- Channel 61 News

### Emergency Supplies List (minimum recommendations for five days):

- Water – one gallon per person per day
- Food – at least three days supply of non-perishable food items.
- Battery-powered Radio – with NOAA Weather Radio.
- Flashlight – with extra batteries.
- First Aid Kit
- Whistle to signal for help.
- Toilet paper
- Moist towelettes
- Basic tools
- Mechanical can opener
- Prescription medications and glasses
- Infant formula and diapers
- Feminine supplies
- Pet food, extra water, carrier, records
- Household bleach; 1 part bleach to 9 parts water for disinfectant, no scented or added chemicals
- Important documents
- Cash and/or Traveler's checks
- Sleeping bag/blanket per person
- Complete change of clothes, including long-sleeved shirt, long pants, and sturdy shoes
- Fire Extinguisher
- Matches, in a waterproof container
- Mess kit or paper supplies for food, paper towels/napkins & garbage bags
- Books, games, entertainment
- Full tank of gas in car
- List of family/friends contact numbers
- Charge cell phones ahead of storm
- It is also very important to have an Evacuation Plan, including where to meet up if separated.

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## POSTAL CUSTOMER

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### A CANTERBURY STORY

*by Sheila Mason Gale*

#### **Hannah B. Baldwin Part 6**

*Notice how well Hannah describes and enjoys the scenery as she and her mother and Fan (the horse) continue their wagon journey through Massachusetts*

The day was perfect. The air was so clear that we could see Greylock in Northwestern Massachusetts and East and West Rocks in New Haven, Connecticut. How I longed to thank the Hadley doctor for insisting that we should climb the mountain. Of course, the view from Sterling and Heidelberg Castles, the Righi Kulin are all very grand, but this is different. The mountain is not so high, but what all the nearer surrounding country can be seen distinctly and yet, being in the midst of the Connecticut valley the "lay of the land" is such that the view extends indefinitely. We studied numerous beautiful pictures in the Claude Lorrain Glass. We read the time in the Easthampton Clock with the great spy glass and tried to fix in our minds the comparative position of the cities and villages in the valley.

As we were going down the mountain, we saw heaps of loose stones that looked as if they had been broken up and dumped down the mountainside. We had been told that rattlesnakes were sometimes found on the mountain and as this was just the time for them to be going into their winter quarters and this was a very snaky looking place, I did not care to get out of the carriage to investigate the subject of the stones. At the foot of the mountain, we passed once more through "the Gap" or the "Pass of Thermopylae" as the Mt. Holyoke seminary girls call it and drove back to South Hadley where we spent an hour with one of Mother's friends whom she had not seen for twenty or thirty years. Imagine what a fine time they had talking over old reminiscences. We stopped at the Post Office hoping to find home letters, but they had been forwarded to Windsor Locks. From there we went to South Hadley Falls and once more gave Fan a long drink from the fountain there and then crossed the Connecticut river for the third time that day over the long, long bridge to Holyoke. It was now toward evening and we had planned to spend the night at West Springfield some miles

beyond Holyoke. Fan and Mother and I were all very weary and now we drove very slowly. It seemed an endless distance to West Springfield. On the outskirts of the village a lady told us that the Congregational minister lived at the other end of the town, four miles ahead. We asked the lady if we might spend the night with her and she said "No." They said "No" at ever so many other houses until I was quite about in despair. At long last a sweet-faced young lady opened the door at one of the houses and I fairly teased her to take us in urging that we were two women alone—night drawing on—that we were tired, cold and hungry, our horse was foot sore and it seemed as if we could go no further. She, after listening for a moment or two to the most heart rending entreaties I could conjure up at so short notice, retreated into the house and soon returned with another pretty young lady. My appeal was repeated and after a brief consultation, they consented to let us remain with them one night. The family was housecleaning and did not feel satisfied themselves that they could not give us more comfortable accommodations. They had a beautiful home and were most cordially hospitable and we were more than satisfied that they gave us shelter for the night. They evidently took us purely from a spirit of charity.

At nine o'clock next morning we started once more on our journey. Everybody in that region was going to a Great Fair being held in Springfield. West Springfield seems very pleasant and quiet. It is a long village indeed. It seems almost like one long continuous village nearly all the way to Suffield through Agawam. The autumn foliage had now reached its greatest perfection—the roadsides were lined with trees and bushes in all shades of red, yellow and brown, the taller trees sometimes arching over the streets. The day was very cold and I shivered for miles before we reached Suffield. We considered stopping at the hotel there and have a hot dinner and get thoroughly warm and have the horse well fed. She seemed "all drawn up in a bow" that day and we could count her ribs. We dreaded bringing her home "poor as a crow".