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News from the Selectboard

Submitted by Laurie Bryan, Chairperson

Saturday, July 2nd the fireworks display will be held at Moose Brook Park, behind the Fire Station. The evening will start at 5:30 pm with live music presented by the Depot Cabaret. The Depot will also be selling grilled hot dogs, chips and soda. Music will be live from 5:30 until 8:30 pm, followed by the fireworks display. It should be a fine way to spend a summer evening. The event is free but donations to the Depot to support the music and the Hancock Fireworks Committee are welcome. You'll see donation jars for the fireworks at the Hancock Market, Fiddleheads, Town Office and the Library. We'll have a donation jar at the entry to the parking lot on July 2nd as well. Please make a donation if you are able.

This year, we were unable to find volunteers to serve on the Fireworks Committee so the Selectboard took on the task. Thanks to wonderful support from Tyler Howe, DPW Director, Chief Horne, Jonathan Coyne, Hancock Fire Department and David Young from the Depot we've been able to organize this event and find volunteers to help with parking. We'd love to have the fireworks continue next year, but need a few people to volunteer to serve on the Fireworks Committee if this tradition is to con-

tinue. It's not a big time commitment, but is more than the Selectboard and town department heads can take on every year. Call or stop by the town office if you're interested in being on the committee and continuing the fireworks in Hancock.

Please remember that the Transfer Station will close at 1 pm on Saturday, July 2nd so the fireworks company can set up for the display.

We've heard comments about the maintenance of town cemetery grounds being inadequate. Unfortunately, we've been unable to find anyone to fill the summer mowing and grounds maintenance position so DPW has been taking care of the town mowing as well as road maintenance. As a result, the grass in the cemeteries has not been mown as frequently as people are accustomed. Please be patient and kind to those who are doing their best to keep the town looking attractive. Hancock is incredibly fortunate to have outstanding and hard working employees in all of our departments. Try to keep in mind that kind words go a long way towards making our employees feel that their work is appreciated – particularly in these challenging times.



Happy 4th of July!

Fireworks: Saturday, July 2nd at Moose Brook Park (details above)

Transfer Station will close at 1 pm on Saturday, July 2nd due to fireworks set up.

They will open early at 1 pm on Wednesday, July 6th.

Hancock Happenings Mission Statement

Hancock Happenings is the monthly newsletter of the Town of Hancock, established in 1999 for the purpose of publishing news articles by Town Departments and local organizations. The publication is self-supported through the sale of block and classified ads. Hancock Happenings is not a forum for opinion pieces of any nature, political advertising and political columns; any such submissions will be edited or rejected.

Hancock Fire & Rescue

Tom Bates, Fire Chief

It's finally summer for us in the wonderful world of Hancock. We have been waiting for the warmer temperatures so we can all get out and enjoy the warmth. With this weather thoughts turn to hiking, grilling, and swimming. All great activities, but also all with their own dangers. Hiking – falls, ticks and other bug bites, Grilling – burns, and Swimming – sunburn, as well as many other dangers.

Water Safety

In this section we want to focus on swimming and cold water. The warm air temperatures in the 80s may cause people to underestimate the dangers of the cold-water temperatures which are currently only in the 50s in the region's smaller lakes and rivers. The cold-water temperatures can quickly cause hypothermia to anyone immersed in the water. When the water temperature is below 60 degrees, the average submerged person could lose dexterity within minutes and be unable to accomplish simple tasks. Anyone on small boats, canoes, or kayaks should plan accordingly and use extreme caution to avoid this threat. Paddle smart from the start and always wear your life jacket!

Yard Work Safety

For those of you that can't spend time in the water you'll probably be doing yard work, so please be careful. Lawn mowers, weed trimmers, and chainsaws can be dangerous if not used properly. It's also time for other work around the house for those of you that have not done your spring cleaning. While you're at it, check to make sure that your address numbers are still up, not faded and clearly visible from the street and on **both** sides of your mailbox. When we respond to an emergency it's good to know your address. You know where you live but we might not!



Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But, a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. July is the peak month for grill fires. Roughly half of the injuries involving grills are thermal burns. A few quick safety tips. Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors. The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches. Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area. Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grill and in trays below the grill. Never leave your grill unattended. Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it. If you're using a charcoal grill and use a starter fluid use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire. Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.

Annual Kayak Raffle Coming Soon

I have a couple of notes from the Fire Department Auxiliary. Their Annual Kayak Raffle is back and tickets will soon be available. The money raised goes toward emergency equipment they feel is necessary to keep the firefighters safe as we perform our duties. I'm sure most of you also know that the Auxiliary also loans out basic medical equipment many elderly citizens can use at no cost. Contact any Auxiliary member for more information. Just remember that when you are done with any items you return them so others can benefit from this program.

Congratulations to newest EMT!

A couple of months ago I told you about our two newest EMT's, Tom Bryan and Bridges Smith. Well, we now have another new EMT, Kelley Akerley! She is now State and Nationally certified. That brings our department up to thirteen members who are recognized as EMT's, AEMT's, or Paramedics. Way to go Kelley!

Raffle winners for the month:

Raffle winners for the month. \$40.00 – Priscilla Klein, \$20.00 – Dave Anderson,
\$10.00 – Brian Marquis, Roger Tyler, Ben Aldrich

Check out our Facebook page. Eric Aldrich is always adding exciting news for all to share.

Telecommunications Committee:

by Mollie Miller, Hancock Telecommunications Committee (chair)

New Hampshire made national news a few weeks ago with the federal government's announcement that our state is one of the first four states to receive money from the Capital Projects Fund of the American Rescue Plan, the large stimulus package which passed last year. The \$50 million directed to New Hampshire is to be spent solely on broadband buildout in rural parts of the state. A few days after the federal announcement, the state released the guidelines and timeline for grant applications. The \$50 million will be awarded to a single service provider in the state.

After these announcements, we met again with Consolidated Communications (CCI), the internet service provider with whom we have been meeting regularly. CCI is in the process of putting together a comprehensive grant application. The grant application deadline is July 22 and the state will announce the sole grant recipient about a month later. CCI feels they are in a very competitive position to be awarded this \$50 million grant, given that they have installed fiber optic cable in so many towns in NH, including most of the Monadnock Region (CCI has recently rebranded their residential fiber optic division Fidium Fiber). CCI is planning on giving the state a few different scenarios for how this money could be spent across the state and Hancock will be included in many, but not all, of the scenarios.

As was stated in last month's Hancock Happenings article, the reason Hancock is "shovel ready" - with Hancock's part of the grant application nearly finished - is because our Select Board voted to use a small part of the American Rescue Funds already received by the town to fund a report which verified internet service speeds at every residence in Hancock. This report is a vital part of the upcoming grant application and any future applications. Also, CCI plans on using parts of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) grant that the Telecommunications Committee wrote last summer. While we didn't receive that NTIA grant, the work we put into the grant application is coming in handy now.

What if CCI is not awarded the \$50 million grant, or what if Hancock is not included in one of the scenarios that the state chooses? In that case Hancock will apply, in partnership with CCI, for the next round of funding from the Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act (IIJA), which will be an even larger pot of funding. The IIJA money will be awarded to individual towns in partnership with internet service providers, as opposed to a single service provider. CCI has assured us that they will partner with us for this next round of money, and for any more rounds after, until we bring high speed, reliable fiber optic internet to every residence in Hancock. Fingers crossed.



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2022 Old Home Days is here! (August 19th, 20th and 21st)

This year's Theme is...
"Supporting our Neighbors"

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Start dreaming up those floats for the parade!
Think about what your neighbors mean to you,
and maybe do a float with the whole neighborhood!!
Let the best float win...



Old Home Days Committee consists of:

Mary Brown

Ashley Naglie

Sandra Faber

Robin Mose

Stephanie Moffat

Connie Heinz & Nathaniel Moffat

Any questions contact us at:
hancockoldhomedays@gmail.com

Art Exhibits at the Hancock Library

Submitted by Heidi Mack

‘A Sense of Place’

The library is currently featuring artwork by Lornie Rawls of Jaffrey. The exhibit, titled ‘A Sense of Place’, will be on display through July 28.

A graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), Lornie paints primarily representational landscapes, still lifes, and portraits in varied mediums of gouache, acrylic, and oil, with a palette that is vibrant and expressionistic.



The exhibit can be viewed in the Daniels Room of the Hancock Library during regular library hours: Mon. and Wed., 2-6 pm; Tues. and Thur., 10 am-7 pm; and Sat., 10 am-4 pm. Call the library (525-4411) before your visit to ensure no special events are scheduled at that time. The library will follow Covid guidelines and restrictions that are current at the time of exhibits.

There will be no art exhibits for the month of August, due to the Library book sale.

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Upcoming Concerts are at Bass Hall at Monadnock Center in August

Aztec Two-Step 2.0 Thursday, August 4, 7 pm \$30

The Kennedys Sunday, August 21, 7 pm \$25

**ANOTHER TALE
FROM HOME**

via Herb Gardner

A saxophone playing friend of mine came up with a good rule for musicians that I'm sure applies to some other professions, too.
“If you're on time, you're late. If you're early, you're on time!”

From the Dump Committee

Recycling in the Town of Hancock is Mandatory
Recycling Center Hours: Wed: 3pm-7pm & Sat: 8am-5pm
Swap Shop Hours: Wed: 3pm-5pm & Sat: 10am-3pm



Important Time Change: Saturday July 2, 2022 only

Transfer Station will close at 1 pm to allow set up of the Fireworks Display

Dump stickers are required

NEW * Check first for fees for fluorescent light bulbs**

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Stop and pay first before all disposals. Microwaves (no fee) go to the red electronics container; freezers/ refrigerators (fees apply) go to the shed. Microwave components and the coolant freon contaminate the metals container. Do not put anything hazardous or combustible in any recycling bin or disposal container. Those items must go to Keene to the Hazardous Waste collection site. Prices do change so ask first. Checks payable to Town of Hancock only. No cash.

PRE-SORT AT HOME to save time and congestion at the recycling windows. ****Please be careful to use the correct bins for your recyclables.**** Contaminated loads (such as glass in the plastic bin) cost more or reduce the income available on those items that generate funds for the Town. This is really important and helps the efficient operation of the Transfer Station.

See Town website for up-to-date recycling regulations and procedures. Changes may be posted on signboard at the compactor and in Hancock Happenings. Ask attendants – all questions are welcomed!

Swap Shop and Salvation Army

Face masks are preferred, and the number of “shoppers” inside will continue to be limited. Please see town website and lists posted on the Swap Shop door for current requirements. A 5 item limit, indoor and outdoor, gives everyone an opportunity to go home with a special find. We welcome clean, gently used, treasures! We will use the tables outside to receive donations and reserve the right to refuse. When in doubt, do ask first. PLEASE do not leave anything outside. Items deteriorate in the weather and can be ruined.

Please continue to use the Salvation Army bin. All donations must be bagged – clean, gently used clothing and shoes only. If the bin is full, try again another day. Don't leave anything on the ground.

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Hancock Historical Society

News and Events for July



There's a lot coming up this month at the Historical Society.

Our museum opens on **July 2** and will be open Saturdays 11 am to 2 pm through the summer. Please stop in to say hello and see our collection – it is varied and fascinating, providing a look into Hancock life in past centuries.

Our **summer exhibit** featuring **Hancock signs** will open a little later in the month. Keep an eye on our Facebook page and the signboard in front of our building for more details.

On **July 14**, we are co-sponsoring a virtual event with the Hancock Town Library. ***The Finest Hours: The True Story Behind the U.S. Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue*** is the fascinating story of a courageous rescue off the New England coast. This event is offered in conjunction with NH Humanities. To register and get the Zoom link, call the library at 525-4411.

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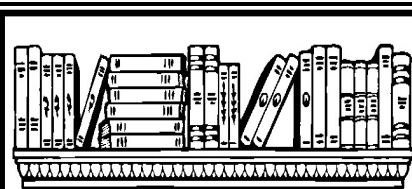
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Hancock's Old Home Days Showing

Moose Brook Park
Sunday August 21st 9am - 11am

Happy
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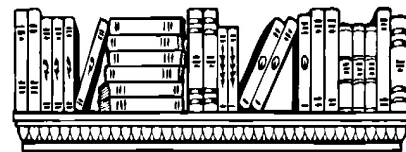
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Hancock Town Library Events

Amy Markus, Hancock Library Director
<http://hancocktownlibrarynh.wordpress.com>
 Mondays and Wednesdays 2:00 to 6:00pm
 Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00am to 7:00pm
 Saturdays 10:00am to 4:00pm



Book Sale! We are accepting your gently used books, DVDs, and CDs for the Friends' annual book sale starting Friday August 19th and going through August 25th. Books must be in excellent condition: no yellowed/browned/speckled/moldy pages. No encyclopedias, pamphlets, magazines, outdated medical, legal, or computer books (no, we really can't sell your Windows 95 for Dummies)! We know how difficult it is to discard books but this is our biggest fundraiser of the year and if the books are in poor condition folks won't purchase them. We are invested in being picky! Especially since our volunteers end up making endless trips to the recycling center if the books aren't in good enough shape to sell. When in doubt please call the library at 525-4411.

Summer Reading Program for Adults - Don't forget to grab a raffle ticket for every library book you read through August 17th. We'll have drawings for weekly prizes as well as a Grand Prize in August. This year's theme is *Oceans of Possibilities!*

Thursdays from 8-9am

Yoga on the Beach at Norway Pond with Betsy DiPrima

In case of rain the class will be held in the Daniels Room. Donations based class.

Tuesday July 12th at 7:00pm

ON THE HANCOCK COMMON

A History of Joni Mitchell

with Chris Albertson & Cait Murphy

Join us for a musical performance and conversation on the life and music of 10-time Grammy Award Winner and Kennedy Center Honoree Joni Mitchell. Her music reflects our times since the mid 1960's to the present. Chris and Cait cover Joni's inspirations for her work, personal experiences, friendships, musical collaborators, and her influence on numerous songwriters and artists. The performance spans her work before "Song to a Seagull" to her final album "Shine." The true object of the presentation is to honor the importance of her work as an artist, woman, musician, and vocalist. Her work is as relevant today as the day it was born! Chris Albertson is a Jazz, Blues/Rock guitarist, composer & percussionist who has been featured on stages throughout New England for over 30 years. Chris has worked with The Platters, Amy London, The Vermont Philharmonic, Straight No Chaser, The Best of Times and Neal Martin to name a few. He is a retired public and private music educator in New Hampshire. Cait Murphy is a versatile singer whose unique and soulful voice embraces Jazz, Blues, Pop/Rock. In years past, throughout her teens and early 20's, she toured the country singing gospel, performing in musical theater productions and various competitions. Her vocal talents have more recently found her on recordings "Animal Songs for Kids of All Ages" & "The Last Stand" by Chris Albertson. This concert is free and open to all. In case of rain we'll meet in the Meeting House.

Thursday July 14th at 7:00pm via Zoom

The Finest Hours: The True Story Behind the U.S. Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue

On February 18, 1952, an astonishing maritime event began when a ferocious nor'easter split in half a 500-foot long oil tanker, the Pendleton, approximately one mile off the coast of Cape

Cod, Massachusetts. Incredibly, just twenty miles away, a second oil tanker, the Fort Mercer, also split in half. On both tankers men were trapped on the severed bows and sterns, and all four sections were sinking in 60-foot seas. Thus began a life and death drama of survival, heroism, and a series of tragic mistakes. Of the 84 seamen aboard the tankers, 70 would be rescued and 14 would lose their lives. Michael Tougias, co-author of the book and soon-to-be Disney movie *The Finest Hours*, uses slides to illustrate the harrowing tale of the rescue efforts amidst towering waves and blinding snow in one of the most dangerous shoals in the world. A graduate of St. Michael's College, Michael Tougias is a lecturer and award-winning author of 20 non-fiction books published by Simon and Schuster. Several of his books focus on true survival stories including *The Finest Hours: The True Story of The Coast Guard's Most Daring Rescue* (now a major motion picture by Disney), *Fatal Forecast*, and *Overboard!* His book, *Ten Hours Until Dawn: The True Story of Heroism and Tragedy Aboard the Can Do in the Blizzard of 78*, was selected by the American Library Association as one of the "Top Books of the Year" and described as "a white-knuckle read, the best book of its kind." His latest book is *Above & Beyond*, a bestseller about the Cuban Missile Crisis. This program is free and open to the public and is made possible by a grant from NH Humanities which nurtures the joy of learning and inspires community engagement by bringing life-enhancing ideas from the humanities to the people of New Hampshire. They connect people with ideas. Learn more at www.nhhumanities.org. Additional local support is provided by the Hancock Town Library and the Hancock Historical Society. Contact the library at hancocklibrary@comcast.net (or by calling 525-4411) to register for the Zoom link. Please put Finest Hours in the subject line.

Monday July 18th at 7:00pm in the Daniels Room

The Cookbook Book Club Cooks Caribbean

This month we'll be making dishes from the cuisine of the Caribbean. We'll be scouring the internet for recipes and will have a cookbook or two to lend at the front desk. As always, we'll eat al fresco if the weather permits. You can drop in anytime to the Cookbook Book Club – no need to commit every month. Call the library at 525-4411 if you'd like to join us as seating is limited.

Thursday July 21st CLOSING AT 4:00pm for the 2nd Annual Hancock Thanks You Event for Town Employees

Join us on the Hancock Town Common for this fun family and town-wide event. To find out how you can help please contact Stephen DiCicco at 525-3594 or bwc1904@gmail.com.

Wednesday July 27th at 7:00pm in the Daniels Room

The Cultural Richness of the Monadnock Region with Gordon Peery

The Monadnock region is a cultural potpourri, inspiring to those who visit, and to those who live here. What are its ingredients, and how did it evolve to the point where we are today, with vibrant intersections of the arts, the business community, and deliberate lifestyles which embrace and foster creativity?

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From music to magazines, pottery to poetry, dancing and designing: there is a dynamic juxtaposition of tradition and innovation. This program is a refreshing, non-scholarly ramble through some of the people, places and institutions that make this area unique. Gordon Peery has been playing music in the region since the late 1970s. He was a founder of the Monadnock Folklore Society, and started the Music in Bass Hall Concert series at the Monadnock Center for History and Culture. He is currently the curator of "Nelson In Common," a website for the communities of Nelson and Munsonville. Free and open to all! Seating is limited so please call the library at 525-4411 to register.

From the Children's Room *Deb Thompson, Children's Librarian*

Summer is finally here, and so is the **Summer Reading Program!** The theme this year is **Oceans of Possibilities**, and we'll have lots of different programs and prizes! **Registration has already begun, and the program will run through August 17th.** If you haven't already registered, you may do so at any time by coming in to the library, or by emailing Miss Deb at hancockkidlib@gmail.com. You can also call me at **603-525-4411**. Once registered, you'll receive a packet with more information, reading logs, activity pages and other fun things! We'll have **weekly prizes** (like books, stuffed animals, water bottles, and gift cards) as well as **2 grand prizes:**

Grand Prize for younger kids: a giant stuffed whale (or sea turtle,) plus a Toadstool gift card!

Grand Prize for older kids/teens: a pizza party for friends or family, plus a Toadstool gift card!

The more you read, the better your chances of winning! Everyone who participates will be able to choose a book and a small prize from our treasure chest. Come join the fun and experience the joy of reading this summer!

In keeping with the theme, we'll have an **Ocean Scavenger Hunt** in the Children's area of the library during the month of July. See if you can locate all the sea creatures on the list! And while you're at the library, try to **guess the number of** (candy) **fish** "swimming" in the jar. If you guess closest to the actual number, you win the jar and a \$20 gift card to Hancock Market! We also welcome musician **Volkert Volkerz**, during **Storytime on Thursday, July 7th at 10:30**. He'll read a book and lead us in some fun ocean-themed songs! In addition, we hope you'll try to join us for the following:

Thursday, July 6th, 6:30 pm

Talewise "Pirate" Show: Town Meeting House

This STEM show is a science and storytelling adventure! Help find the pirates and see some cool experiments! This show is open to all, but it's aimed at kids from about 3 to 9 years old. At the **Town Meetinghouse**.

Thursday, July 14th, 2:00 pm

Making Shell "Fossils" with Susie Spikol

We're excited to welcome our good friend, Naturalist Susie Spikol from the Harris Center, who will lead the craft and explain how this area once was covered by ocean! **Group size is limited, so registration is required. To register, call Miss Deb at (603) 525-4411, or email me at hancockkidlib@gmail.com.** (Note: this date reflects a change from the original save-a date.)

Wed., July 13th, 10 am Touch-a-Truck: Moosebrook Park

Come meet some of our town's first responders and maintenance crew, and explore the vehicles they use! This is always a popular event as we're joined by members of the Hancock Fire

Dept, Police Dept, and Town Maintenance Dept. All ages welcome! Meet at Moosebrook Park. Rain date is Wed. July 27th.

Wednesday, July 13th, 3:30pm-4:30pm

Lego Club – Ages 6 and up

Have some fun as we build unique creations, and afterwards we'll put them on display! Ages 6 and up. Group size is limited, so **you must register by calling Miss Deb at (603) 525-4411, or email me at: hancockkidlib@gmail.com.** Now that kids are on school vacation, we've had a lot of interest. If the group gets too large, we may add a second club time during the month.

Monday, July 18th, 10:00 am

UNH "Rocky Shores" Presentation: Town Meetinghouse

We're fortunate to have a docent from the UNH SMSOE (School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering) here to explain which creatures are crazy enough to live on NH's rocky shores and how they survive. You'll get to meet some of the little creatures as well! Open to all ages. At the Town Meetinghouse.

Monday, July 25th, 10:30 am

Potato Prints with Melody Russell

Melody, a local artist and good friend of the library, will show us how to make beautiful prints using an ordinary potato. Kids will make a print to take home, and together we'll create a banner to hang in the library... which we'll carry in the Old Home Days Parade in August! **Please register so that we have enough supplies: (603)525-4411 or hancockkidlib@gmail.com.**

Every Thursday, 10:30am-11:00am

Family Storytime/Sing-Along

Enjoy a fun Storytime every Thursday from 10:30am-11:00am. We'll read books with Miss Deb, sing a few songs, and chat with a few puppets! We'll also welcome guest readers, musicians, and even a therapy dog from time to time! Volkert Volkerz will be our guest reader/musician on the first Thursday of the month!

Thursday July 14th, 10:30am-11:30am

and Monday, July 25, 3:30pm-4:30 pm

Reading with Coffee, the Therapy Dog!

Coffee, a gentle Chihuahua, loves having children read to him! Be sure to stop by the library the second Thursday of the month (10:30-11:30 during Storytime) and the fourth Monday (3:30-4:30) to practice your reading!

Craft/Activity Kits to-Go: Stuff-a-Sea Creature!

For this month's take-home craft, we're offering a stuff-your-own snuggly sea friend! These are very popular and supplies are limited, so come in soon to adopt yours! (You may also contact Miss Deb to reserve one.) Choose from **Willie the Whale**, **Crystal Dolphin**, or **Blue Shark**, while they last. First come, first served, and you must be a Hancock Library patron.

Whew! Lots to do this month! We'll also be adding one or two **town-wide scavenger hunts with Susie Spikol**, so be sure to keep an eye on social media and your email! Or pop into the library to see what's happening! And hold the date: **Wednesday, August 17th at 6:30** we'll welcome **Magician Mike Bent!** Mike has performed his magic at the White House numerous times, and has won several awards, including "Boston's Best Children's Entertainer." Mike also teaches comedy at Emerson College, so this should be a fun time for all ages! Also coming up in August will be a **Teen Pizza and Paint Night...** more info on that to come, along with more info on the **Old Home Day Parade!** Happy Summer!

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July 7 (Thu) Ask a Naturalist: Summer Edition

Join us for a fun, informal, nature-focused happy hour — via Zoom! If you have photos, videos, or audio recordings to share (*what's this thing I found in the woods?*), please submit them in advance to Miles Stahmann by email at stahmann@harriscenter.org.

5:30 to 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Closed captioning will be available. **Registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. This event will be recorded.

To ensure access to the recording, please register for this event, even if you cannot attend live.

July 11 (Mon) Snake Search

Join wildlife artist and snake enthusiast Matt Patterson and naturalist Susie Spikol for an afternoon snake search along the Harris Center grounds. Perfect for families with children in upper elementary school and beyond. Rain date: July 12. **3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Harris Center. Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For more information about this particular event, please contact Susie at spikol@harriscenter.org or (603) 525-3394.

July 12 (Tue) Babies in Backpacks and Toddlers in Tow at Casalis State Forest

Join Harris Center naturalist Susie Spikol for a wild ramble in search of summer birds, wildflowers, salamanders, and other amazing finds. Spend time with other families interested in being outside and exploring this magical world we live in. A perfect hike for little legs! **10 to 11 a.m. at Casalis State Forest in Peterborough. Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For more information about this particular outing, please contact Susie at spikol@harriscenter.org or (603) 525-3394.

July 12 (Tue) Wetland Shrub Identification Walk

Join Mike Gagnon and Matt Tarr of UNH Extension for a relaxed ramble focused on wetland shrub identification. **4 to 6 p.m. at the Willard Pond Wildlife Sanctuary in Antrim.** Come prepared for sun, ticks, and other biting insects, and for some walking on uneven ground.

Space is limited, and registration is required at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about this particular outing, please contact Mike at Michael.Gagnon@unh.edu. *Co-sponsored by the Harris Center and UNH Cooperative*

Extension.

July 13 (Wed) What Research Into River Otters Reveals About Their Lives

Join wildlife biologist Mike Bottini — once a Harris Center naturalist — as he shares his latest research on the resurgence of river otters on Long Island, New York. **5:30 to 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.** Closed captioning will be available. **Registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. This event will be recorded. To ensure access to the recording, please register for this event, even if you cannot attend live.

July 16 (Sat) Plein Air with A Flair: Women's Caucus for Art Paint Day & Exhibition Opportunity

Painting “plein air” allows artists the opportunity to capture the emotional and sensory dimensions of a particular landscape at a particular moment in time, bringing a spirit of spontaneity and truth to their art. Stop by anytime during this special event to wander along the Harris Center grounds, observing painters and photographers from the New Hampshire Chapter of Women's Caucus for Art (WCA/NH) at work. In addition to people painting, actors from Project Shakespeare will be strolling around in their “Taming of the Shrew” costumes. **10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the Harris Center grounds. Co-sponsored by the Harris Center and the NH Chapter of Women's Caucus for Art.**

July 19 (Tue) Birding for All: An Accessible, Inclusive Birding Outing at the Tenant Swamp Boardwalk

Join naturalists Phil Brown and Susie Spikol for a birding outing at the Tenant Swamp Boardwalk in Keene, where gently curving paths and a wheelchair-accessible boardwalk traverse an ecologically and culturally rich woodland. Birding for All outings are designed with inclusivity in mind, for people who experience accessibility challenges as a result of a disability or other health concern. Beginning birders welcome! **8 to 9 a.m. at the Tenant Swamp Boardwalk in Keene.** We'll meet and park by the ballfields behind Keene Middle School for the short stroll (or roll) to the boardwalk. Dress for the weather and conditions, including sun and biting insects. Loaner binoculars will be available. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about this particular outing, please contact Phil at brown@harriscenter.org. *Co-sponsored by the Harris Center and Keene Parks and Recreation.*

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July 20 (Wed) Bobolinks: *Grassland Ambassadors*

Join Dr. Amber Roth of the University of Maine on a migratory journey with bobolinks from their breeding grounds in the northeastern United States to their overwintering habitat in central South America. **5:30 to 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events.

July 27 (Wed) First Session of ESI Course: *Bird Language Study Group*

Birds are the messengers of the forest. With powerful awareness, mobility, and the ability to communicate loudly, they're able to help other animals (including humans) know what's happening unseen in the landscape. This course meets on **Wednesdays, July 20 & 27 and August 3 & 10, from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. at the Harris Center.**

Cost: \$40 for Harris Center supporters / \$60 for all others. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about registration, please contact Miles Stahmann at stahmann@harriscenter.org. For other questions, contact Susie Spikol at spikol@harriscenter.org.

July 27 (Wed) First Session of ESI Course: *Fantastic Ferns of New Hampshire*

Join acclaimed naturalist Lynn Levine for a day of learning all about ferns! Author of the award-winning guide *Identifying Ferns the Easy Way: A Pocket Guide to Common Ferns of the Northeast*, Lynn will begin this one-day course with an indoor introduction to ferns — incredible plants which have survived four mass extinctions. After a short break for lunch, we'll head outside in search of ferns to observe and identify. Although we won't be hiking far, it will be on uneven ground. **10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Harris Center and local field sites.** Rain date: July 28. Cost: \$40 for Harris Center supporters / \$60 for all others. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about registration, please contact Miles Stahmann at stahmann@harriscenter.org. For other questions, contact Susie Spikol at spikol@harriscenter.org.

July 28 (Thu) Kids Count for Wildlife: *Monarchs & Milkweed Survey*

Calling all kids ages 9 through 18 who care about wildlife! Try your hand at field research, develop your naturalist skills, and do something to help the wild animals of our world by counting critters with the Harris Center. In July, help scientists find out more about monarch butterflies by counting monarch eggs, caterpillars, and butterflies with the Harris Center's team of naturalists at a milkweed patch in Peterborough. **9 to 10 a.m. in Peterborough.** Exact meeting location will be provided upon registration.

Children under the age of 12 need to be accompanied by an interested family member. All others can attend without parental supervision. Rain date: July 29. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For more information about this particular event, please contact Susie at spikol@harriscenter.org.

July 28 (Thu) Monitoring for Monarchs

Join Harris Center ecologists to survey for monarch eggs, caterpillars, and butterflies in a Harris Center-conserved milkweed patch in Peterborough. No experience necessary! Come prepared for sun, ticks, and other biting insects. **10:30 a.m. to noon in Peterborough.** Exact location will be provided upon registration. Rain date: July 29. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about this particular event, please contact Brett Amy Thelen at thelen@harriscenter.org or Karen Seaver at seaver@harriscenter.org.

July 28 (Thu) Golden Hour Paddle at Center Pond

Join Brett Amy Thelen and Jeremy Wilson for a leisurely evening paddle around Center Pond, where we'll listen for loons, look for beavers, and learn about the curious connection between the Currier Museum of Art and the conservation of this Nelson town gem. **7 to 8 p.m. at Center Pond in Nelson.** Bring your own canoe or kayak, paddles, and a PFD for each person in your boat. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For questions about this particular outing, please contact Brett at thelen@harriscenter.org. *Co-sponsored by the Harris Center and the Nelson Conservation Commission.*

July 30 (Sat) Insect Safari & Bug Bonanza

Join naturalist Susie Spikol for a morning meadow adventure in search of crickets, leafhoppers, butterflies, and grasshoppers, to name just a few. A great way for families with elementary-age children to learn about the wild world of arthropods! **10 to 11 a.m. at Beech Hill in Dublin.** Exact meeting location will be provided upon registration. **Space is limited, and registration is required** at harriscenter.org/events. For more information about this particular outing, please contact Susie at spikol@harriscenter.org. *Co-sponsored by the Harris Center, the Beech Hill-Dublin Watershed Association, and the Dublin Public Library.*

For more information, visit harriscenter.org/events!

Submitted by
David Young

News from the Depot



JULY 2 CABARET AT MOOSE BROOK PARK: FIREWORKS, FOOD, AND LIVE MUSIC!

On Saturday, July 2, we're teaming up with the Hancock Fireworks Committee and will be holding the Depot Cabaret at Moose Brook Park! The event starts at 5:30, when we'll begin serving up hotdogs, sodas, and chips, along with live music, which will continue until dusk when the fireworks kick off! If you would like to purchase food or make a donation to the Depot and Fireworks Committee, please be sure to bring cash as cellphone service at the park isn't great.

THE LIED TO'S

Susan Levine and Doug Kwartler were award-winning solo singer-songwriters when they first met at a folk festival in 2009. After reconnecting at an open mic in 2013, Levine began recording in Kwartler's recording studio. The two started sharing gigs and discovered that they were a match both musically and personally. Three albums and nine years later, the pair, who took their name from The Everly Brothers' "When Will I Be Loved," continues to share music and life. Between them, they have been finalists at the Kerrville Folk Festival, Falcon Ridge Folk Festival, the Rocky Mountain Folks Fest, and the International Songwriting Competition, among others. Kwartler is a respected music producer who owns and runs Hollow Body Recording Studios in Chelmsford, MA. His songs have been featured on network tv shows including CSI, All My Children, The Young and the Restless and Dark Blue.

Taking their name from the revered Everly Brothers song, "When Will I Be Loved," The Lied To's collaborate to put the challenges of relationships squarely under their musical microscope with a formidable blend of folk, rock and country-tinged music. Like their first two releases, The Lied To's third album, *The Worst Kind of New*, explores the challenges of relationships with the duo's trademark grit, honesty and harmony, but this time they also dig deep into the next stage of life, examining loss, grief, memory, and the desire for love and self-acceptance. Their first single, "It's Not Who You Love," is out now – a spirited track that finds the pair reminding themselves, "It's not who you love/it's who loves you." Doug and Susan previously released their 2015 self-titled debut and 2018's *The Lesser of Two Evils*, which chronicled the losing and rebuilding of relationships in the wake of divorce. *The Worst Kind of New* is the next step in the life cycle; Kwartler and Levine both lost parents during the making of the record, which profoundly impacted their perspective. The characters in these songs are no longer lamenting about being lied to or hurt by others, but instead are looking at the lies they tell themselves and belief systems that may no longer serve them or hold true.

For more information, and to listen to some of their music, visit <https://www.liedtomusic.com/home>

SWEET WEDNESDAY

From the moment singer/songwriters Dave Falk and Lisa Housman met, they knew there was a songwriting, performing chemistry at work. Dave and Lisa formed Sweet Wednesday in 2006, and since then the duo has released four albums to critical acclaim, toured extensively as an acoustic duo and with their full band, and been featured on radio and television programs throughout the U.S. and abroad. Originally from Boston, Dave Falk and Lisa Housman have toured the country for the past ten years, both as an acoustic duo and with their band which includes bass player Marty White, drummer Matt Gold, violinist Jackie Damsky, mandolin/lead guitar player Rev Busker, and other rotating special guests.

Sweet Wednesday's songs tell wonderful stories, with beauty, humor, and passion. Rock, folk, and Americana lovers instantly fall in love with the tunes of these nationally touring troubadours. Their engaging personalities on stage make each listener feel part of a community. In addition to inspiring fans near and far, Sweet Wednesday has received several songwriting awards, including First Place in the Great American Song Contest, First Place in the Dallas Songwriting Competition, Runner-Up in the John Lennon Song Contest, and many more.

"Think about the last time you received an unexpected and totally delightful gift. That's just how I felt when I heard the music of Sweet Wednesday. You'll forgive the gushing when you hear the alt-country, folk, roots sound of the Boston-based duo known individually as Dave Falk and Lisa Housman. I didn't think musicians made music this addictive anymore." – Nancy Dunham, MTV Partner Ourstage.

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Check out Sweet Wednesday’s web sites to learn more, listen to some of their music, and see some cool videos:

- <http://www.sweetwednesday.com/>
- <https://www.reverbNation.com/sweetwednesday>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- August 6: Jess Hutchins
- August 20: 7-Year Anniversary Show featuring Caleb Wetherbee, Flinch, Lisa Jane Lipkin, and Jay Hitt

ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Interested in joining the Hancock Depot Association? If you’d like to help out with planning, events, cleanup days, etc., feel free to join us! For information about our next meeting, give David Young a call at 603-525-3085 or send him a note via Facebook.

RENT THE DEPOT!

Have a baby shower, birthday party, or other significant event coming up? Consider hosting your event at the Hancock Depot! The venue is available for parties, meetings, celebrations, concerts, and other special events. To learn more, call David Young at 603-525-3085 or Sean Sweeney at 603-381-1351.

Water Woes Solved!

THANK YOU SCOTT TUCKER, STEVE COTY AND WES BOCKLEY for helping us rectify the “water in the basement” issue we had for the past year! Specifically, ever since the totally wet July last year, every time we got a significant rainstorm, the basement flooded — that is, anywhere from 2-5 inches of water. Generally, the water drained out slowly after a couple of days. However, with this year’s Spring thaw, we had SERIOUS flooding and ended up running two sump pumps around the clock for nearly two full months and pumped out 20,000+ gallons, conservatively. Otherwise, we would have had several FEET of water in the basement, which would have seriously compromised the building’s foundation.

Steve helped diagnose the problem (broken and clogged perimeter drain), Scott saved the day by locating and liberating the drain pipe, and Wes donated 10 yards of handpack to repair the parking lot. What a fabulous community we have here in Hancock!

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Search Committee for a Settled Pastor Formed and Actively Working

Interviews are projected to begin in July. Feel welcome to contact one of the members and share your thoughts and ideas, Chris Streeter, Bob Fogg, Gary Ryer, George Kidd, Mo Baptiste, Shea Higley, Sue Shute.

Helping Hands Fund

Already this year the Helping Hands Fund has assisted five individuals/ families when they needed a little extra. If you or someone you know needs a little extra help, please email hancockcongregationalchurch@gmail.com

Thursdays 4:30, Ring the Bell for Ukraine If you would like to ring the bell for Ukraine, contact Kathy Anderson 603-525-4909.

You are always welcome to worship with us, Sundays at 9:45 am

Find our weekly message on the church's YouTube Channel, [Hancock Congregational Church](#). There are now 90+ weekly messages for you to enjoy and revisit.

If you would like to receive our weekly e-newsletter to keep up with events, send your preferred email address to hancockcongregationalchurch@gmail.com.

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Women's Bible Study - Wednesday 4:30pm & 6:30pm

Bible Study - Thursday 6pm - 8pm

REV 1:8 - Young Adults Bible Study - Thursday Evenings 7-8:30pm

Ages 18-29. Meeting @ 15 Stoneyard Drive, Milford, NH

Contact Justin at 603-801-1336 or

Carolyn at 603-508-8258 or email: carolyndoherty17@gmail.com for more information

Men's Bible Study - Saturday's 8am to 9am

Men's Breakfast - Saturday, July 16th @ 7:30am-9am

Contact Rick Furze @ 603-933-0859 for more information

Intercessory Prayer - Saturday Evening - 6-7pm



Sunday Service 10AM. Doors open at 9:30am.

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Submitted by

Melissa Gallagher, Executive Director

A very special thanks to everyone who supported our NH Gives 24 hour online campaign from June 7 – 8! With your generosity, we reached our fundraising goal of \$15,000 to support the programs of our Avenue A Teen Center!

To inquire about Grapevine programs, please contact us at info@grapevინeh.org or call us at 603.588.2620

Summer Resources & Programs

We still have a few spaces open for our *Backyard Science* summer program for 7 to 9 year olds! Offered August 1 – 5th from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm with Carol Lunan and Rachel Lunan-Hill. “Backyard Science” offers nature exploration through the lens of science. Daily challenges and science experiments will pique the children’s natural curiosity. Activities include camp songs, games, scavenger hunts, and science through art, play with mud, water and slimy stuff. Call/ email to register.

Dads Campfire

Interested in a Dads Group? We have heard that dads don't usually get the time to talk together about being a parent and all of the other things that come up along the way. The group is gathering around the campfire with pizza provided, on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Fall Parent-Child Groups: Contact us to secure a space for the 2022-23 program year.

- The Better Beginnings Program includes a facilitated parent group and an enrichment program for children. Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday 9:30 to 11:30 am. Welcoming children birth to 5 years.
 - Better Beginnings for Babies offers a time for songs, finger plays and adult discussion. Thursday 10:00 to 11:30 am. Welcoming newborns, infants, babies and their caregivers.
 - In our Hillsborough Play Group, parents and children meet together for parent sharing and child fun! Mondays 1:00 - 2:30 pm and Thursdays 10:00 to noon. Welcoming children birth to 5 years.
- Stay and Play group, parents/caregivers and children meet together for parent sharing and child fun! Thursdays at the Grapevine from 9:30 – 11 am. Welcoming children birth to 5 years.

Financial Assistance Available: Do you know a person or family who is experiencing a financial hardship? The Grapevine may be able to help with direct financial assistance. Please contact us to inquire.

Fall Yard Sale Consider gathering some items to donate to our fall yard sale. We are taking household items, toys, and small furniture, no clothes please. Call and talk to Carol before bringing your treasures to The Grapevine.

Youth Programs at Avenue A Teen + Community Center, 42 Main Street, Antrim - All of our programs are free! Registration is required. Please email avenuea@grapevინeh.org to register!

Write Out! Summer Session + Anthology Tour: Tues | Grades 9-12 | 6-8 pm | July 12 - end date TBD
Our writing program is on tour this summer! Facilitated by the legendary Adam Arnone!

Campfire Time: Wed | ages 13-18 | 5-7pm | June 29 & July 13 - Aug 17 - Join us outdoors at The Grapevine for volleyball, badminton, frisbee, basketball, & time to unwind around the campfire. Did we mention s'mores?

Woodworking & Carpentry Crew: Mon | 3-5 pm | Grades 8-12 | June 27 & July 11 - Aug 15th - Learn new skills & help build The Grapevine tool shed annex (the TSA!) to store Avenue A program equipment. Cookie breaks included. Meets at The Grapevine, 4 Aiken St, weather permitting

Middle School Mountain Biking: Thurs | 4:30-6:30 pm | open to Grades 6-9 | July 14 - Aug 11- Led by our awesome team of dad volunteers. This group is geared toward youth who have a basic comfort level mountain biking. We meet at trails in the ConVal area. Help available for bikes, helmets and carpoools!

Open Hours: Fridays | 6:30-9 pm | Grades 9-12 | July 1 - Aug 19 (no open hours Aug 12) - Come play pool, foosball, or ping pong. Unwind & spend time with others in our teen center space. Meets at Avenue A.

Garden Group: Grades 7-12 | dates/times TBD- Help take care of the veggie & flower raised beds at Avenue A & The Grapevine (bring home veggies too!)

Lawn Chair Drill Team: For Grades 7-12 | starts in August | practice schedule TBD - Back for our fourth season! We're creating an epic routine with lawn chairs & performing at community locations - bringing the joy of lawn chairs to the world!

Friends Forever International - Experiential Leadership Days: Ages 15-18 | July 14 & July 21 | 9am - 9 pm- Friends Forever International is a dynamic global youth leadership organization... We are heading to their campus for two exciting visits! (Teens must sign up for both trips.) Lunch & dinner included.

Mt. Monadnock Hike Day! Aug 2, rain date Aug 16 | Grades 7-12 | 8:30 am - 3 pm- Join us for a hike up Mt. Monadnock led by Susie Spikol from the Harris Center for Conservation Education. We'll meet at Avenue A in the morning, carpool to the Dublin trailhead, & hike up the mtn for lunch at the summit. On our way home, we'll stop for ice cream before returning to Avenue A!

Train to Old Orchard Beach, Maine! July 28, rain date Aug 4 | grades 9-12 | We'll leave Ave A in the AM & return at night! We're carpooling to the Amtrack Station in Exeter from Avenue A. From there we'll ride the Downeaster to Old Orchard Beach, Maine & spend the day enjoying fun in the sun, the pier, arcades, & more! \$15 suggested donation to help cover train fare.

ACT! (A Community Theatre Project): ACT! Is a welcoming, joyful environment for community members age 13-113 to come together & perform! Our summer 2022 play is The Great Greek Mythology Olympiaganza. Culminating in a heart-pounding, five-minute, two-actor version of the Iliad, this fast-paced, free-wheeling play is wild, light-hearted, & a complete blast for all ages. Contact us for audition & rehearsal info.

Other Programs and Services at The Grapevine:

- Home Visiting: one to one support for families. Call us for more information.
- Kinship & Grandparent Support: resources, help and connection for grandparents and other family caregivers who are caring for a young relative.
- Information & Referral: information and assistance accessing area resources for housing, financial assistance, food, childcare, legal assistance, clothing, health and dental care, and other needs.
- Community Wood Bank: an emergency resource for those who use wood to heat their home. Call if you need wood, if you have wood to donate, or to volunteer for the 2019 season.

Community Tool Lending Shed: borrow tools and light equipment. Email: toolshed@grapevინeh.org

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Get a Ride, or Give a Ride: EVERYONE BENEFITS

Right down the road, right now, someone needs a ride to somewhere essential and volunteer drivers for Community Volunteer Transportation Company (CVTC) drive people where they need to go. For more information on obtaining rides or volunteering to become a driver (mileage is reimbursed), contact CVTC at 1-877-428-2882 x 5.



TOWN OFFICE
 Monday - Friday
 8:30am to 4:30pm
 Summer Hours
 (June - Aug)
 Monday - Thursday
 8:00am to 4:00 pm
 Closed Friday

TOWN CLERK
 Monday:
 5:00 to 8:00 PM
 Wednesday:
 3:00 to 6:00 PM

TAX COLLECTOR
 Tuesday:
 1:00 to 4:00 PM
 Thursday:
 2:00 to 5:30 PM

CLOSED ON FEDERAL HOLIDAYS



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Regular Scheduled Meetings

Week #	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Selectboard 3:00pm BEC		Planning Board 7:00pm BEC (as needed) Cemetery Trustees 10:00am BEC		
2	Selectboard 3:00pm BEC	Conservation Commission 7:00pm BEC	Zoning Board 7:00pm BEC (as needed) Recreation Committee 5:00pm BEC		
3	Selectboard 3:00pm BEC		Planning Board 7:00pm BEC (as needed)	Common Commission 6:00pm DPW (every other month)	
4	Selectboard 6:00pm BEC	Library Trustees 5:00pm LDR Historic District 7:00pm BEC	Water Commission 4:30pm 1CR Zoning Board 7:00pm BEC		

Meetings to be Noticed

Budget Advisory Committee, Capital Improvement Program Committee; Dump Committee;
 Meetinghouse Oversight Committee; Memorial Day Committee; Norway Pond Commission; Old Home Day Committee;
 Telecommunications Committee; Trustees of Trust Funds

Meeting Locations

- (BEC) Barbara E. Caverly Meeting Room:** located on the basement floor of the Town Office Building 50 Main St. Parking and entrance in rear of building.
- (1CR) 1st Floor Conference Room:** located on the 1st main floor of the Town Office Building 50 Main St. Parking and entrance in front of building.
- (2CR) 2nd Floor Conference Room:** located on the 2nd floor of the Town Office Building 50 Main St. Parking and Entrance in front of building. Old classroom.
- (LDR) Library Daniels Room:** located on the main floor of the Town Library 25 Main St. Parking and entrance in rear of building.
- (DPW) Department of Public Works:** located on the main floor of the Highway Office Building 79 Bennington Rd.

HANCOCK 2022 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

July 7 ★ **JERRY DUGGER** Blues

Sponsored by: Bellows-Nichols & Fiddleheads Café 🎵

July 14 **SARAH BAUHAN & THE ELMWOOD
STATION BAND** Traditional Celtic Music

Sponsored by: Michael & Sharon Hartz and Win & Vici Robinson 🎵

July 21 ★ **PAUL KLEMPERER ENSEMBLE** Jazz of the
Americas

Sponsored by: Harv & Doreen Ames

July 28 **20th CENTURY POPS** American Popular Music of the
20s to 70s

Sponsored by: Richard & Josie Warner

★ August 4 **THE MILLIES** Swing

*Sponsored by: Norway Hill Associates – Lauren & Dave Carney
and Thea Fabio & Richard Merrill*

★ August 11 **DECATUR CREEK** Acoustic Original & Classic
American Music
Sponsored by: Christina Madden & Brian Hutchings and Mollie Miller

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CONCERTS 6:00 – 7:30 PM ON THE COMMON

Hancock Farmers and Artisans Market 4 – 7 PM on the Common

IN THE EVENT OF RAIN, CONCERTS MAY BE HELD IN THE MEETING HOUSE.
CONCERTS ARE FUNDED BY DONATION AND ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

2nd Annual



Hancock Thanks YOU! Event

Our town employees are dedicated every day, every season, to steadfastly take care of, protect, and enrich the lives of our community. Whether clearing or repairing roads, processing our trash and recycling, responding to emergencies, enhancing our literary and cultural quests, administering official documents, keeping our water safe, maintaining our public spaces.... they keep the town moving and thriving!

Join us in celebrating their commitment to the Hancock community. Enjoy music and refreshments, gather with neighbors, and meet the employees who keep us going.

Thursday, July 21, 2022

4 – 6 p.m.

Hancock Town Common

Come support this community celebration!

- *Donate towards expenses (food, supplies, music)*
- *Make a dessert to share*
- *Help to set up or clean up*

Please let us know how you would like to participate.

For more information, questions, or to offer a donation, contact Stephen DiCicco at 525-3594 or bwc1904@gmail.com

Our **Hancock Elementary School** students have created large **Thank You cards** for each town department; drop by the library to sign them and show your appreciation.

Bring chairs or picnic blankets

Refreshments include grilled burgers/hot dogs/veggie burgers, delicious salads and desserts

Adding to festivities will be **Summer Concert Series** and newly-revived **Hancock Farmer's Market**

(if rain, event will move inside to Meeting House)