

Canaan Carrier

<http://www.canaan-vt.org>



JULY 2016

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Canaan Recreation Committee members we would like to thank the following groups/individuals for their generous donations. Your commitment to helping the community is sincerely appreciated.

Our goal is to continue to make a difference by providing a safe environment. With the help of your donations from supporters such as you, you will continue to see improvements at the Canaan Recreation Park. Fixing the soccer field is scheduled to start in July.

THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR EFFORTS!

Vermont Department of Building & General Services

Neil & Louise Tillotson Fund of the NH Charitable Foundation

North Country Chamber of Commerce

Michael & Bruce Daley

Vernon & Bonnie Crawford

Paul & Connie Jackson

Terri Herr

Kenneth Hann

Wayne & Tirone Dyer

Dale Gray & Carol Kostelnik

Saralyn Corliss

Richard & Joan Labrecque

Canaan Softball League

Ronald & Dallas Chase

We are sorry if we omitted names; however we are grateful for your contributions.

SOLID WASTE UPDATES

On 6/17/16 someone threw a propane cylinder into the compacter at the transfer station. The tank was concealed in a black bag and the outside bag was a regular town bag. When the operator went to compact the garbage bags he heard a crunch and the smell of propane gas. He called in the Beecher Falls Fire Dept. to investigate and mitigate the problem. This is a very serious issue and could have resulted in serious injuries. Under no circumstances are propane cylinders allowed to be thrown into any of the containers. We have a special storage area for these cylinders and a safe program to dispose of these containers at no cost. These containers can be given to the operator and he will store them in the assigned storage area.

We are in the process of reviewing the information on the camera and if we identify the person who disposed of the propane cylinder in the hopper for MSW we will bring legal charges against that person. This is considered illegal dumping.

There are issues in the recycling building that need to be addressed. Non-recyclable materials are being mixed in with the recyclable materials. If you are not sure of what can be recycled ask the operator and he can provide you with a list of these materials or you can get a copy at the town office. This list can also be found on our Town website at <http://www.canaan-vt.org>. In the cardboard holding area all boxes are to be broken down and flat. This saves space and time to bale.

The final issue is that the construction debris container is a fee based use and payment is required to use this container for disposal of construction or discarded household items. Always see the operator when using this container. He will determine the cost per our fee based chart.

The cost of recycling has gone up and we now are being charged more for the disposal of tires. We are not charged for the shipping costs. We are charged per tire. Up to 20" \$2.00- 20 to 24" - \$6.00- 24" plus \$35.00. All rims have to be removed. No skidder or tractor tires accepted.

Our next HHW Event is scheduled for August 12th and 13th.

Planning Commission Meeting

On Thursday, July 14th at 6:30 P.M., the Canaan Planning Commission will hold a Town Plan work session focused on the Flood Resilience and Housing sections of the Town Plan. The meeting will be held in the downstairs meeting room at the Canaan Town Offices at 318 Christian Hill.

Sacha Pealer, River Scientist and Regional Floodplain Manager at the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, will be a featured speaker and will present information on the State River Corridors. She will explain how they were identified, what they signify, and how they are different from other flood hazard areas.

This will be a chance to learn more about fluvial erosion hazards and how they can be mitigated, as well as have a chance to provide input on the Town Plan. All residents are encouraged to attend.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENT

August 12th 12 pm to 4 pm

August 13th 8 am to 1 pm

Accepted Items Listed Below

Household Items

Air Fresheners
Ammonia
Arts and Crafts Supplies
Bleach
Cleaners (includes: drain, oven, floor,
window, rug, etc.)
Disinfectants
Metal and Furniture Polish
Mothballs
Mercury Thermometers
Nail Polish / Remover
NI-CD, LITHIUM, MI-MH,
and button cell batteries.
Spot and Stain Removers

Garden Supplies

Creosote
Dioxins
Fertilizers
Flea Killers
Fungicides
Herbicides
Insect sprays
Muriatic acid
No-pest strips
Pesticides
Rodent Killers

Garage

Antifreeze
Brake Fluid
Corrosives
Car waxes and cleaners
Engine degreasers

Garage

Gasoline/dry gas
Kerosene
Lighter fluid
Oil based and latex paint
Paint thinner
Sealants
Stains/Strippers
Swimming pool chemicals
Transmission fluid
Wood preservatives

Please Do Not Bring:

Alkaline batteries - Throw in regular trash
Asbestos
Explosives, including gun powder,
Ammunition
Flares
Infectious waste
Prescription medications
Radioactive waste, including smoke
detectors

Transfer Station (Accepted Weekly)

**MUST SEE OPERATOR FOR
PROPER DISPOSAL**

Used motor oil / filters
Used cooking oil
Fluorescent light bulbs / CFL's
Lead - acid car batteries
Propane Cylinders
Electronics

TRANSFER STATION

Revised list of recyclable items can be picked up at the
Transfer Station or Town Office

TO FLUSH OR NOT TO FLUSH DISPOSABLE VS. FLUSHABLE



Clean water is critical to sustaining life and health, yet people often take for granted the flow of water into and out of their homes and businesses. Where does it go after we flush the toilet, empty the sink, take a shower or do laundry?

Wastewater drains into a community's sanitary sewer system, an underground network of pipes that leads to the wastewater treatment plant. At the wastewater treatment plant, the used water is "cleaned" by several treatment processes and returned back to the environment to be used over and over again.

Sewers are designed to take away used water from sinks, baths, showers, laundries and toilets. Flushing away "unflushable" items such as garbage, paper towels, feminine products, and disposable wipes causes blockages in sewers, which leads to backups and adds to the cost of operating and maintaining your sewers and the treatment plant. "Disposable" does not mean flushable. Disposable is a product for single use that can be recycled or thrown away after it is used. Most baby wipes and adult wipes are not flushable because they stay intact in water and don't disintegrate like toilet paper. They should be thrown away in a trashcan. Other items such as rags, towels, diapers, kitty litter, cigarette butts and unused medicines should be disposed of properly – in the trash!



CANAAN FIRE DISTRICT #1 PROJECT

We are almost 50% complete with the Water Main Replacement portion of our project. We certainly understand how disruptive this process has been as this size project has not been seen in Canaan for many years. The Treatment Plant Project was a sizable project but did not encompass as much area and impact as many individual properties as this project. Like any construction project, we are going to have to endure the disruption before we get the finished product and there is a procedure that the Contractor must follow in order to complete the water service tie-ins to your home. It may require several returns to your property to pressure test, disinfect, tie-in and activate the service. Then complete any finishing touches including concrete sidewalks, asphalt, curbing, finish grading, and loam/seed where applicable. Also, PLEASE NOTE that during the construction period there may be times when your water may become turbid, contain sediment or discolored. We ask that you maintain your plumbing system by more frequently flushing your lines, clean filters, or clean water heaters, or other connected devices.

Again, we appreciate your cooperation and patience through this phase of the project and if you have any concerns you can contact Noreen at the Canaan Town Office and she will try to get these answered as soon as possible with help from the District's engineers and/or contractors. The result of the project will provide all with quality water, more consistent water pressures and additional emergency supply of water.

The Canaan Fire District Prudential Committee meets monthly and the meeting is open to the public. Our meeting schedule during construction will be as follows: July 20th, August 17th, September 21st, October 19th, and November 16th. The meetings begin at 7:00 PM.

SUGAR ON SNOW

Sugar Social or Sugar on Snow is a great family community event. The event will take place in Fletcher Park Aug. 5th, 2016 at 3:00 PM – 8:00 PM, with Sugar being sold from 5:00-8:00. The event will include artisan tables, kid friendly activities, food tables, music, and most importantly sugar on snow (homemade local maple syrup on snow from winter with a donut and a pickle). This will help support Grace Community Church in Canaan, VT. If you are interested in having a table to sell your wares or help to volunteer your time please contact Frank Sawicki at [802-266-3071](tel:802-266-3071) or e-mail him at knarf17@juno.com. Come and enjoy this local community tradition and help support the community in Canaan.



PROPERTY TAX BILLS

The Town of Canaan property tax bills will be mailed around August 8, 2016 and are due on or before October 3, 2016. Besides the regular daily hours of 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday, the Canaan Town Clerk's Office will be open on Monday, October 3rd from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of collecting the 2016 Property Taxes since the 1st falls on a Saturday.

ATTEST: Noreen Labrecque, Canaan Town Treasurer

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!

PRIMARY ELECTIONS

AUGUST 9, 2016

POLLS OPEN FROM 8 AM TO 7 PM

Last day to register to vote is August 1, 2016. Office will be open until 5 pm.



GRANTS

Below is a list of grants that have been awarded to the Town.

Vermont Department of Public Safety—Generator at Town Office

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources-Canaan Hill culverts and ditching upgrades

Vermont Department of Building & General Services-Upgrades to recreation park

Vermont League of Cities & Towns-Manhole magnet with dolly and jake manhole cover ext.

New Hampshire Charitable Foundation—Upgrades to recreation park

New Hampshire Charitable Foundation-To complete Phase Two of the Heart & Soul community planning process

SPECIAL THANKS—WE APPRECIATE IT!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Green-Up Day!

Renee Marchesseault, Coordinator

NEKCA HOURS

Monday and Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Interested in being a Town Health Officer

Town Health Officers are responsible for:

- investigating possible public health hazards and risks within the municipality
- taking action to prevent, remove or destroy any such hazards
- taking action to mitigate significant public health risks enforcing health laws, rules and permit conditions, and taking the steps necessary to enforce orders

If interested, contact Noreen Labrecque at 266-3370

Interested in joining the Zoning Board Team

If interested, contact Town Office 266-3370

**SELECTBOARD MEETING WILL BE
TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2016 AT 5:00 PM
INSTEAD OF MONDAY, JULY 4, 2016**

2016 CANAAN YOUTH SOCCER BRITISH SOCCER CAMP

MON—FRIDAY: AUGUST 1ST-5TH

CANAAN RECREATION PARK

Register online @challengersports.com



Canaan Historical Society

PO Box 214, Canaan, VT 05903

canvthistsoc@gmail.com

www.canaanvthistoricalsociety.org

Check out our facebook page

Museum hours: Monday-Friday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The past three months have been good from an historical aspect. A Civil War letter on E-Bay, in the possession of a lady in Australia, has led to a rewarding relationship for the Historical Society. The seller of the letter is the great grand-daughter of Edgar Green, twin brother of Edwin Green and a member of the Green family that was very prominent in Canaan in the late 1800s and early 1900s. Our correspondence has not only provided us with numerous pictures and records of the Green family but has allowed us to add to her family records. We have many pictures and newspaper articles of the Greens that have been, or will be, forwarded to her. The Civil War letter, from the Provost Marshall of Vermont telling Albert Luther he had been drafted, makes for a nice addition to our collection.

Shortly after that occurrence, I received a call from a gentleman in Texas requesting information about one of his ancestors. He wanted to know why his ancestor, a Peter Lang, would move from Michigan to Beecher Falls in the 1890s. A search of John Morrissey's "History of the Beecher Falls factory, 1889 to 1962" indicated that P. J. Lang had been brought from Michigan to Beecher Falls to teach wood carving to some of the employees of the newly built factory. John Morrissey went on to say that Mr. Lang was given a space in the factory for his personal use, making shields for taxidermists. Two days after this conversation, I discovered on E-Bay a brochure for taxidermist shields by the Lang Carving Co. of Beecher Falls, Vermont. It was quickly purchased for the Historical Society and is now on display in our "Beecher Falls Room".

We have also added a number of C. V. Lund photos, courtesy of Bob Lee, that were in the possession of Bea Holmes. Some are the photos she used in her book "The History of Canaan, Vermont" but others are new and unique views of Canaan and West Stewartstown. We plan to post many of these new images to our Facebook page throughout the year.

Our plans for the summer include a revisit of our Beecher Falls Memories event, currently scheduled for August 20th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. This event will be held at the Beecher Falls Volunteer Fire Department. The first session was well attended and interesting so we hope this year's event will be even better. We will place ads around town and in the local newspapers prior to the meeting to remind you of this event.

ALICE M. WARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Summer begins at Alice Ward library with reading lists and weekly programs. We have four reading lists and the books are either in or will be shortly: K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and a Young Adult list. Come by and pick one up. Challenge your child to read them all!

Our regular weekly programs through the summer include.

Tech Tuesdays. 9-11 am. Rising grades 3-7. The kids can play with the Oculus Rift virtual reality headset. They can build simple and fun circuits with our Little Bits sets. They can play with our Sphero remote controlled bots. And they can check out a summer book from our reading lists and take it home. Snack provided.

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Lego Club. Every Monday 2-4pm. All ages. Snack provided. We have buckets of Lego. Come play with it!

We'll have other one-off programs throughout the summer. Check out our Facebook page for regular updates.

Summer adult bestsellers are in and will continue to come in throughout the year. We have a standing order for multiple favorite authors and their new books will come in as soon as they are released. If you have an author you love reading, let us know at the desk and we can add it to our standing order. Or, tell us a title and we'll get it in for you, either purchased or by ILL.

Any questions, give the library a call at 266-7135 or drop by and see us.

Craig Varley Director @ Alice Ward

Alice Ward Memorial Library Canaan, VT 802-266-7135

THE ALICE M. WARD LIBRARY WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We are currently preparing a survey for our patrons and community members to ask you what authors and books you would like to see on our shelves. It will be available via a link on our Facebook page and in paper form that will be included in our next Town mailing. We want to hear from you!

Thanks for letting us know about this. Greatly appreciated!

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Project Goals

- * Through collaboration, revitalize & build the Canaan community based on local values by connecting to and including voices of all members of the community.
- * Enhance & expand bridges connecting Canaan and its neighbors in surrounding communities in Vermont, New Hampshire & Quebec to create a healthy, active destination for community and commerce.
- * Decide what happens *next* to create the future of the Canaan region.

Project's Geographic Scope

The Geographic boundaries include Canaan and its neighboring communities in Vermont, New Hampshire & Quebec.

Project Phases & Milestones

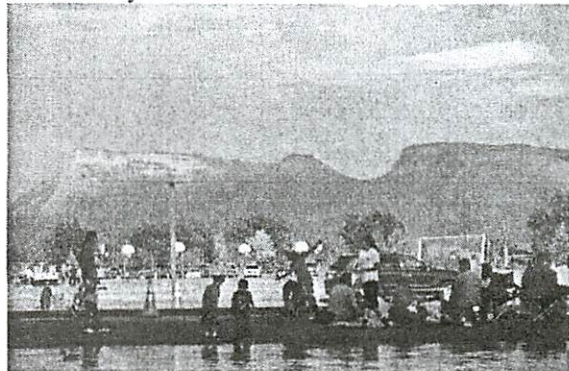
The project is expected to be a 2-year process (2016 – 2018).

Through the Community Heart & Soul™ process, communities have built greater capacity to address future issues and to continue to grow in line with their community values.

Civic participation has improved in Heart & Soul towns. Many more people participated in Heart & Soul events than had participated in public engagement opportunities in the past, and towns are continuing to use new outreach and engagement techniques learned through the process.

The Canaan Heart & Soul Team reviewed over 30 proposed projects and selected 3 projects as top priority, this summer: 1) Expanding & enhancing the annual Sugar Social making it an event Canaan looks forward to each summer.

- 2) Freshening up Fletcher Park. Lights? Action? *And* 3) Proposing a new Soccer Tournament & BBQ during Volunteer WorkDay at the Canaan Recreation Park.



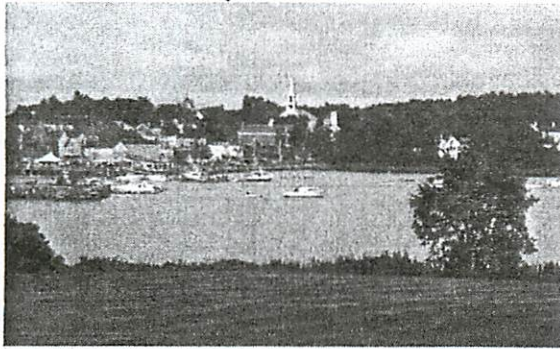
Cortez, Colorado has created trusting and productive relationships between the city and its community members.

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As a result of working side by side to plan their community's future, **trust is built** between local leaders and residents.

When decisions are made based on values defined by the community and through an ongoing ethic of civic participation, Heart & Soul communities have found **increased support for community decisions.**

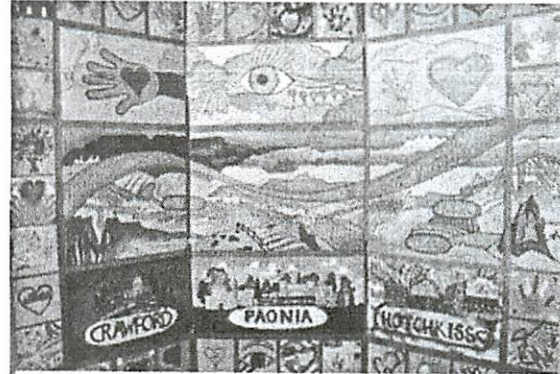
Interested in learning more? Join the Canaan. Naturally Connected. Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/CanaanNaturallyConnected/>



Damariscotta, Maine recently updated its Comprehensive Plan using Heart & Soul information and input received from community workshops focusing on the plan. When voted on at Town Meeting, the plan received nearly unanimous support (95%).

New leaders are discovered and alliances formed as a result of extensive engagement and relationship building efforts in the Heart & Soul process.

Communities are **preserving local history and culture**, and the character that make their communities special.



Towns in North Fork Valley, Colorado are working to increase the capacity of local businesses. A business symposium teaches local business owners how to transform their marketing strategies, engage in common branding with other local businesses, and boost recognition of what the valley has to offer.

What's the plan?

- Phase I: Lay the Groundwork (Jan – June 2016)
- Phase II: Explore Your Community (June-Dec 2016)
- Phase III: Make Decisions (Jan – June 2017)
- Phase IV: Take Action (June – Dec 2017)

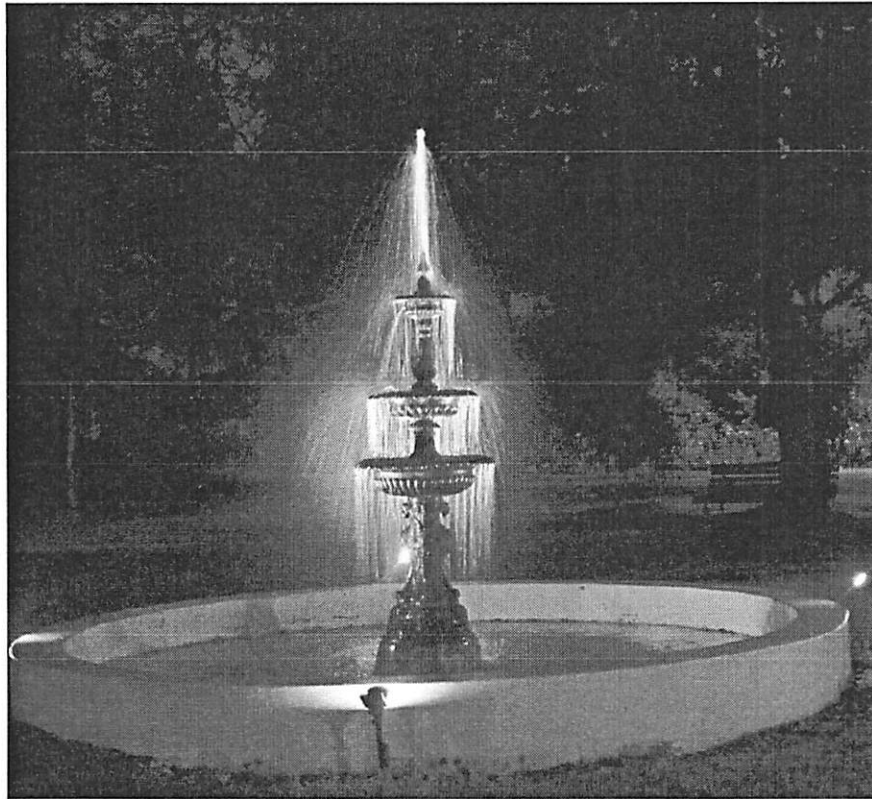
Canaan Heart & Soul Team members:

Greg Noyes | April Lemay | Chris Masson |
 Sue Gosselin | Dana Masson | Jonah Cote |
 Judith Masson | Frank Sawicki | Christine Cote |
 Jeff Richards | Georgina Carr | Kenn Stransky |
 Terry Herr | Mike Daley | Diana Rancourt |
 Craig Varley | Chantal Carney | Pat Beauregard |
 Patricia Grover

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 802 266 3326
- Patricia M Sears | NEKTI Consulting
trish@kingdomcommons.com

The Canaan Community Heart & Soul Project is made possible with support from many partners including the Tillotson Fund, Orton Family Foundation and the Town of Canaan.



"Courtesy Charles Jordan/Colebrook Chronicle."

Thank you!

Thanks to the amazing generosity of so many community members and organizations, we were able to add flowers and lights to the Fletcher Park Fountain. Your support with this project is appreciated tremendously! Keep your eyes open as we work on other beautification projects and stay Naturally Connected!

**Judith Masson &
The Heart and Soul Committee**

THANK YOU COLEBROOK CHRONICLE FOR A GREAT WRITE UP!

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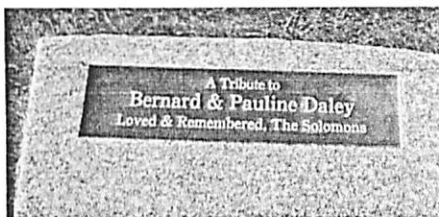
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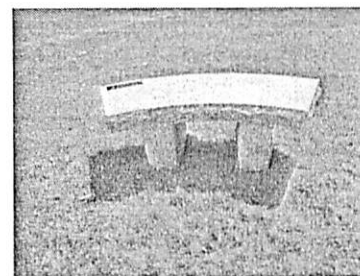
Odette T. Crawford, Broker

Advertise your business \$10 per issue/\$40 per year—
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CANAAN RECREATION PARK



New Memorial Bench in Recreation Park

Thank you to the Solomons!!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
CANAAN RECREATION PARK

We need your help to do some summer maintenance at the park facilities on July 9, 2016 starting at 9 a.m. The town will provide paint and tools for the projects. The projects we do will be based on the volunteers we get.

If you can help, please call the town office by July 6, 2016.

Water and lunch will be provided by the Indian Stream Health Center. Very much appreciated!

JOIN US FOR A JAM SESSION
STARTING AT 5 PM
JULY 9, 2016
REC PARK

BRING YOUR VOICE AND INSTRUMENTS

5 V. 5

AGES 12 AND UP

SOCCER

ENTRY FEE
\$50 Per Team

TOURNEY

SIGN UP
July 9, 2016

WHEN
July 9, 2016

12:00-1:00 @
Canaan Rec Park

WHERE
CANAAN REC PARK

SPONSORS
Canaan Rec Park
Grace Community Church
Canaan Youth Soccer

FEATURING . Food, music,
family fun

BENEFITING
CANAAN REC PARK
REPAIRS AND OPERATING COST
AND
GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH

For Questions Contact:
Rajesh.Hailey@vermont.gov
drancourt@canaanschools.org

The \$50 fee for the soccer tourney will benefit the Canaan Recreation Park.

The Grace Community Church will be selling food and drinks at the rec park on July 9th starting at 1:30 p.m. which will benefit the church.