Canaan Carrier

http://www.canaan-vt.org



JULY 2021

TOWN OFFICE HOURS

As of MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021 the Town Clerk's Office is OPENED FOR REGULAR SERVICE. Our office hours will remain the same.

ENCOURAGE APPOINTMENTS BY TITLE SEARCHES TO AVOID DELAYED ACCESS TO TOWN RECORDS.

The Town Clerk's Office will be closed on:

JULY 5, 2021 SEPTEMBER 6, 2021

PROPERTY TAX BILLS

The Town of Canaan property tax bills will be mailed around August 2, 2021 and are due on or before October 1, 2021. Besides the regular daily hours Monday thru Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm, the Canaan Town Clerk's Office will be open on Friday, October 1st from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of collecting the 2021 Property Taxes.

ATTEST: Noreen Labrecque, Canaan Town Treasurer

CANAAN REVOLVING LOAN

The Canaan Revolving Loan Fund is intended to enhance the quality of live in Canaan and towns of Norton, Averill, Warren's Gore, Avery Gore, Warner's Grant, Lewis, Lemington, Bloomfield and Brunswick, by increasing economic activity, creating jobs, providing additional affordable housing, rehabilitating existing housing and improving public facilities. To the greatest extend feasible, all these activities are to be achieved by providing loan assistance to individuals and organizations that will benefit individuals, families and households that are of low and moderate income.

If you have a business or wish to start a business and would like to apply for the Canaan Revolving Loan, call or stop in at the Canaan Town Office during business hours and pick up the Policies and Guidelines and Application.

ZONING BOARD ADMINISTRATOR

If you are interested in becoming a Zoning Board Administrator, please contact Morgan Wade, 802-266-7066 or Interim Zoning Board Administrator, Cheryl Cote at 802-266-3480

Zoning permits can be submitted to the Zoning Administrator

GRIEVANCE HEARINGS

The Listers have completed their grievance process; all those individuals that participated in that process will be receiving the results in the mail.

Thank you for all your patience during this process.

CANAAN BOARD OF LISTERS

AWARDS OF APPRECIATION



From (I to r) Haven Haynes Jr., Robert Lee, Frank Sawicki Jr.

Presented to Robert Lee on April 5, 2021 in recognition of his 45 years of dedicated service, devotion and commitment to the Town of Canaan, Zoning and Planning Board

Front row (I to r) Diana Rancourt, Noreen Labrecque, Alfred Buckley Back row (I to r) Haven Haynes Jr., Gregory Noyes, Frank Sawicki Jr.

Presented to Gregory Noyes on May 3, 2021 in recognition of his 16 years of dedicated service to the Town of Canaan, Selectboard Member



TOWN OF CANAAN 2021 JUSTICES OF THE PEACE LIST

Martha Allen Irving Cullivan Michael Daley
802-266-8171 802-266-7763 603-331-2101
Renee Marchesseault Judith Masson Fern Owen Brown

802-266-9666 802-266-7780 603-331-2197

Canaan Fire District #1 & #2 Consumer Confidence Report

The Consumer Confidence Report can be viewed on our Town website at http://www.canaan-vt.org
or you can request a paper copy to be mailed or emailed by calling the Town Office at 802-266-3370

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NEK Community Broadband CUD

Canaan has joined the NEK Community Broadband CUD (Communications Union District), which is working to bring fiber broadband to all addresses in the NEK. There is more funding available this year, as the importance of broadband has been brought to the forefront during the pandemic. Just like any build, the results will not be instant, but the goal is to have fiber broadband to all addresses within 5 years from when building starts.

The CUD is planning to utilize existing "backbone" fiber where possible. From the backbone fiber, main lines are built out into communities, with individual houses being served by drops. The CUD hopes to start work on an engineering design in the next month or so, followed by scheduling and supplies, with building to start Spring of 2022.

Canaan's representative to the NEK Community Broadband CUD is Morgan Wade. You can contact her at morgangoodson@hotmail.com or 266-7066 or the Select Board with questions or thoughts.

Federal Communication Commission's Emergency Broadband Benefit

The NEK Community Broadband CUD is helping to spread the word about some assistance being offered to help pay for broadband services at this time.

The purpose of the Federal Communication Commission's Emergency Broadband Benefit, (FCC program) is to help families and households struggling to afford internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. This new benefit will connect eligible households to jobs, critical healthcare services, virtual classrooms, and so much more

The Emergency Broadband Benefit will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month towards broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands from **participating providers**. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from **participating providers** if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price. The Emergency Broadband Benefit is limited to one monthly service discount and one device discount per household.

If your provider is not participating, ask them why not! You can also let your federal Senators and Representative know.

You can find more information and eligibility requirements at https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit or,

Go to GetEmergencyBroadband.org to apply online and to find participating providers near you.

Call 833-511-0311 for a mail-in application, and return it along with copies of documents showing proof of eligibility to:

Emergency Broadband Support Center P.O. Box 7081 London, KY 40742

After receiving an eligibility determination, households can contact their preferred service provider to select an Emergency Broadband Benefit eligible service plan.

FIRE PERMITS

No person shall kindle or authorize to kindle a fire in the open air for the purpose of burning brush, weeds, grass or rubbish of any kind except where there is snow in the site, without permission from the Canaan Fire Warden. Persons in violation are subject to fines pursuant to 10 V.S.A. Ch. 83 §2645.

Norman Flanagan Canaan Fire Warden Telephone 603-331-1176

Do I need a permit to burn brush?

A permit is required for home outside burning. If you fail to obtain a permit, and you need assistance from the Town Fire Department to control your fire, you will liable for the cost of assistance.

Permission to burn is granted only if the town fire warden deems it is safe to do so. During periods that local or statewide bans on issuing permits are in effect, no permits may be granted.

Fire properly handled

- Recreational fires must be contained in portable outdoor fire appliances or permanently constructed fire pits.
- Permanent pits must be contained around the entire perimeter with no large openings. Containment walls must be above grade level.
- Fires must be located no less than 15 feet from combustible materials or structures, such as a house, shed or fence.
- The fuel must be clean, dry wood or charcoal. Don't burn trash or yard debris, such as weeds, grass clippings and leaves.
- Size doesn't matter for an appliance or fire pit, but it does for the fuel. The wood stack may not exceed 3 feet in diameter or 2 feet in height.
- Flame height is not regulated.

All fires must be constantly attended by a competent and non-impaired person. Extinguishing equipment should be available for immediate use.

In the rules: Be a good neighbor and monitor the smoke output from a fire.

SELECTBOARD QUARTERLY REPORT

Transfer Station

During the past year we have been working with the State of Vermont on getting the mandated composting up and running. We worked closely with the State to find feasible solutions. Finally, we now have a program we have started which may still have a few kinks to work on, but we are progressing. Saturdays are going to be the day we collect the food scraps at the transfer station. If you look through this newsletter there is a listing of what is accepted and not acceptable. The Town will be looking to hire someone to attend to the shed on Saturday to take care of the composting and make sure the recycling is being taken care of in an orderly fashion. If you are unsure of where things go, please ask because when an item is not put where it needs to be it makes more work for the operator and consequently more tax dollars.

There is a display board for the recyclables showing what does not go into recycling because our recyclables go to the Coos County Recycling Center, and we need to follow their requirements. Items listed on the board are to go into the town trash bags and into the compactor. Presently, that includes Arizona iced tea gallon jugs; yogurt containers; cottage cheese containers; to go containers; prepared food containers from grocery stores, oil containers; and anything where the top is wider than the bottom. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. There are four green sheets on the bulletin board at the Transfer Station that have the A to Z for the transfer station. When you have items that belong in the construction debris container, you need to see the attendant and pay for what is being dumped into the container. Contractors and residents doing big renovation jobs or disposing large amounts of debris need to rent their own dumpsters since the container at the transfer station has limited space and it is not fair to other residents in town who have a small amount of items and cannot dump because the container has been filled up with your debris.

Stump Dump

The Stump Dump is now open every Saturday for May, June, July, August, September, and October along with the second Wednesdays of each of those months. The Stump Dump is for untreated wood, yard debris, and blowdowns. It is also open the first two Saturdays in January to take care of your Christmas trees. If you have are any questions, please feel free to ask the attendant or call the Town office during office hours.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENT

CANAAN TRANSFER STATION

September 10th from 12:00PM - 4:00PM September 11th from 8:00AM - 1:00PM

List of acceptable items can be picked up at either the Transfer Station, Town Office or found on our town website http://www.canaan-vt.org

Town Office Laperle's IGA Quechee Farms

PLEASE RECYCLE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

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METAL

Aerosol Cans
Propane tanks
Aluminum foil,
cookware, pie plates
Aluminum flashing/siding

	INCLUDES	PREPARATION
GLASS	All glass bottles and jars.	Wash food residue out of all containers.
ALUMINUM	All beverage cans.	Make sure all containers are empty and rinsed out.
STEEL OR TIN CANS	All steel, tin or bi-metal food cans, empty paint cans.	Food cans must be empty and rinsed out.
PLASTIC	include soda, water and liquor bottles,	Empty bottles, rinse them.
PLASTIC HOUSE- HOLD BOTTLES.	includes detergent and personal care bottles, like shampoo; cof- fee containers	Rinse containers
PLASTIC JUGS	Includes milk jugs and water jugs.	Rinse jugs.

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PAPER

Milk Cartons
Food and Meat Wrappers
Waxed Paper
Foll
Gift Wrap

Carbon Paper



Town of Canaan trash bags can be purchased at

NOTICE

the following businesses:

CANAAN, VERMONT COMPOSTING RULES

COMPOSTING MATERIAL ACCEPTED ON SATURDAY'S ONLY

DO'S	DON'TS
Fruit	Bones
Vegetables	Plastics — Recycle Bin
Meats	Keurig containers
Coffee grounds & filters	Newspapers – Recycle Bin
Liquids (keep to a minimum)	Grass trimmings & lawn debris — Stump
(less than a cup)	Dump
Egg shells	Rice (cooked or uncooked)

KEEP AN EYE ON FUTURE UPDATES AS NEEDED

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Join Us in Improving Our Recreation Facilities

July 10th starting at 10 a.m., Canaan Recreation Park

Please pre-register before July 10th to ensure enough tools and supplies are available for park projects. Call 802-266-3370. Appreciate any help you can provide.



Special thanks to the Beecher Falls Volunteer Fire Department and the Canaan Naturally Connected. You went above and beyond in helping us with the Car Wash.

We really appreciate it.

Canaan Recreation Park Committee

Healthy "U"

Fun, New, All Adult,
Physical Activity Program
at the
Canaan Recreation Park
Friday's only, July 9th – August 6th
8:00- 8:45 a.m.



!!FREE!!

for Residents of Canaan & Beecher Falls All Others Nominal Fee!

!!EARN PRIZES!!

Build Strength, Flexibility & Improve your Heart, Lungs & Blood Vessels while you work on Balance, Coordination, Improving Cognitive Function

Have Fun & Make Friends in a Lively Group Setting
Experience Chi-Gung, Resistance Training, Pilates & Yoga,
Brain & Coordination Training, Balance Training in a
Safe, Fun, All Adults & Abilities!

FMI contact Diana Rancourt 802-266-3036

Francine Bigney 603-237-2508

Registration Required!

!!Sign Up by July 1st!!

Sponsored by Canaan Recreation Park Committee, Canaan Naturally Connected, Inc., in cooperation with FIT Program dba Francine Bigney, ACE Gold Certified Health Coach, ACE Gold Certified Personal Trainer, AFAA Certified Group Fitness Instructor, Member Functional Aging Institute

CHALLENGER SOCCER CAMP

Interested in signing up for soccer camp or have questions: Go to their website below:

https://challenger.configio.com/pd/222194/canaan-youth-soccer





Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt & Community Forum

Saturday, August 14, 2021

Time: 3 to 5 pm (visits)

Starting point to pick up clues:

Grace Community Church

Ending point:

Canaan Recreation Park for a cookout 5 to 6:30 pm Please RSVP before July 30th by calling: 802-266-3370

No registration fee

Take a chance to win prizes

Sponsored by Canaan Naturally Connected Inc.

& Canaan Historical Society

COMMUNITY FOREST

The Louise and Neil Tillotson Trust donated 424 acres of land to the town of Canaan in 2013 to establish a Community Forest. We would like your feedback as to what should be done with the forest by answering the following questions.

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If you would like to volunteer to help with the Forest, please give us your name, phone number and email address. Please submit responses and any other comments to lpkline43@gmail.com or to Les Klinefelter, P O Box 598, West Stewartstown, NH 03597. Thanks for your feedback.

Free community event! Star Gazing Night on Friday, August 13th

Calling all stargazers!

The Grace Community Church and Canaan Naturally Connected Inc. are organizing an exciting and unique community event! Join them on Friday, August 13th from 8:30pm-10pm for a fun-filled evening under the stars!

Stargazing with telescopes

Hot cocoa

Big, cozy campfire and more!

Free Admission!

All attendees are encouraged to bring non-perishable items and canned goods,

for donations for NEKCA.

Reserve your Spot! Interested? Please RSVP knarf17@juno.com or call 802-266-3071 or Facebook at: the grace community churchyt Star Gazing Night

Canaan Meadow Lot 27 Gale Street



Telescopes will be set up in the Meadow Lot field. Stop by, have a look, and learn about what you've never really seen. Feel free to bring your own equipment.

This event is weather permitting. In the event of overcast skies, the event will be canceled for that day and will resume the following week. For cancellation notifications, follow our Facebook Page or call the Church at 802-266-3071.

This free program does not require pre-registration, however to help us plan we appreciate you signing up!

The 77th year of Sugar on Snow will be happening on August 6, 2021 6-8 pm in Fletcher Park, Canaan, VT. There will be traditional sugar on snow, hot dogs, chili, and baked goods. The 5th in the series on Christmas ornaments will be available. All social distancing precautions will be taken. Come back in time and experience what sugar on snow was like when it first started!

Grace Community Church

CANAAN NATURALLY CONNECTED, INC

Spring has come and almost gone with an abundance of sunshine! This has brought brilliant greens of every hue, flowers and songbirds. However, we need some rain in order for everything to continue to flourish!

This is how CNC has spent the past three months, with sunshine and some rain. We have had discussions with Rural Edge and the SASH (Support and Services At Home). Also, Katherine Sims and her possible contributions to CNC with applications of grants among other opportunities. Both could impact the Town in a positive way. We will update when more information is known.

The Umbrella Group reached out to us in anticipation of being recipients of a Summer Matters Grant searching for a location to create a mural. After some discussion, the Grace Community Church offered their locale as an option and informed them of the Rec Park as another suitable alternative.

We have been involved with many opportunities and partnerships this spring! We are looking forward to supporting the new Local Scoops in Beecher Falls complete with ice cream, birthday packages and arcade games to highlight some of their offerings. The Beecher Falls gazebo has broken ground and is in the process of being created. Thank you to all who have been involved with this project. The banner brackets were purchased, put up thanks to Eugene and Emmett Reed. The Senior banners from Canaan Memorial High School are very impressive as you enter the town in both directions of Route 114. We will be purchasing banners to replace those once the senior banners are removed.

CNC is looking forward to being involved with the Sugar Social and Stewartstown Day activities, disk golf tournament to name a few. We continue to work on a Community Forum which also involves thoughts and suggestions for the Community Forest. A town-wide scavenger hunt is in the planning stages to make it a different kind of forum instead of a "meeting" style. Summer programs abound in Canaan, as well. The Alice Ward Memorial Library has multiple activities set up to include falconry and a K9 exhibition, Reading in the Park along with many other exciting offerings. Please see their website or Facebook account, or just contact the library to receive more information. We also continue to work on the possibility of a Community Hub for Canaan.

The CNC Cookbook is still available! Please feel free to contact us either on Facebook or our website canaan-cookbook2020@gmail.com for a copy. There will be some members that will make themselves available in the Fletcher Park from time to time during the summer months.

Our rain came when we applied for a Summer Matters grant and were approved. Unfortunately, due to the way the funds would be disseminated after invoices being paid for was not financially practical for CNC. This has made us heartbroken, but we were encouraged to apply for the rushed grant and many great experiences for our youth will not come into fruition. However, a rainbow appeared when the committee decided to offer low budgeted activities such as an Escape Room to our youth at various age levels. More information will be made available soon. Please see our Facebook page for updates.

The Community Band is in desperate need of more band members. Please contact Cecil Hikel, Steve Reich, or CNC and we will relay your information. The next performance will be the July 4th parade in Colebrook.

As always, we would like to hear from the community members, along with surrounding communities. Any input would be most welcome! Of course, more members are always a topic in our meetings. If you would like to become involved in any of our projects, please reach out! Attending meetings is optional, but would also be appreciated! Please contact us at cnaturallyc@gmail.com or our Facebook page. Enjoy the summer and we'll hopefully see you at some events!



PO Box 214

Canaan, VT 05903

canvthistsoc@gmail.com

www.canaanvthistoricalsociety.org

Good news, at last! I recently returned from a vacation trip to learn that the Governor had lifted all restrictions. What this means for hosting visitors is still something to bring up at our next meeting. There are still people who have not been vaccinated so we must still be careful hosting groups of visitors. The Alice Ward Library still prefers that patrons wear masks until the Pandemic is entirely a thing of the past so we must adhere to their guidelines as people enter the library to visit us.

We have had our first official visitor of the year who came to discuss relatives who lived in the Lake Wallace area and owned Twin Spruce Lodge, a summer tourist destination, now owned by Margaret Knapp. She brought us a metal sign that advertised the lodge and some genealogical information that we did not have.

We continue to receive scrapbooks and old yearbooks from past residents of the town and have a fairly large collection of yearbooks that are available for sale. Duplicates of most years are available in varying quantities and are available for "sale". We do not have a set price but only ask for a donation of whatever amount the purchaser thinks is fair. We can mail the yearbooks if the purchaser includes postage.

Our plans for the rest of the year are incomplete but we do plan to share a booth with the Canaan Naturally Connected group at the Moose Festival. The Sugar Social in August is also on our agenda. If there is a flea market or table sale connected with the social, I would like to get rid of non-historical items that have accumulated through the years to make room for newly acquired historical items.

That's it. Enjoy the Summer and we hope to see you somewhere, sometime. Stop by the museum if you have time, there are a few new items to be enjoyed.

Thanks for the support.

Alice M. Ward Memorial Library

The Library is OPEN Monday through Thursday from 12:00pm-5:00pm and Saturday 10am-1pm. Appointments are encouraged but walk in and curbside service are both still available. For more info call 802-266-7135, email alice.ward.library@gmail.com or send us a message via the Alice M. Ward Memorial Library Facebook page.

Recent programming included: online Book Club (all welcome- we always seek new members), two Historical talks given by the VT Humanities Council, classroom programs with Canaan Schools students both here and over at the school including the After School Program. The Library distributed 40 bags for VT Green Up Day. Community members shared a lot of nice photos for the newspapers and it was a fine effort. It was nice to see a lot of young families participate. We also distributed 40 Arbor Day kits to local families including sugar maple plantings, and had one local child reach the milestone of reading 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, our early literacy program. Sign ups are open for this program!

Excuse our appearance while our storm door is replaced with a new grant-funded historically styled, attractive and more functional storm and screen door for our front entrance, as well as grant-funded air exchange HVAC upgrades. These two projects were fully grant funded, made possible by a partnership between the Freeman Foundation and the Preservation Trust of Vermont who funded these projects 100% to improve and preserve our library building. We thank them.

The AWML Book sale is ON during August's Sugar on Snow event and again on Stewartstown Day. The book sale returns for Moose Festival Day in Canaan. **The library seeks a few volunteers to sort books for the sale starting at the end of July and the day before and after the sale(s). Please contact the library Director if you can help sort books by type and alphabetical order, we will do the lifting. **

Summer Reading Program kicks off July 1st with a LIVE visit from VINS Nature Center, from Queechee, Vermont. Lords and Ladies all are invited to celebrate the Sport of Kings—falconry! Experience the history, language, and traditions of this 3000-year-old practice of hunting alongside a trained raptor. VINS will show us their raptors and do a presentation about their long history as hunters. The public is invited and all ages are welcome. If it is a sunny day the program will take place at the Canaan Recreation Park (bring a blanket or chair), if it's a rainy day the program will meet indoors at the Canaan School Gym. This is a free program.

The theme for reading this summer is "Tales & Tails" where we celebrate stories featuring our furry and feathered animal friends. Please come enroll your child in a summer activity that keeps their literacy skills on track while having summer FUN. Reading anything: books, graphic novels, periodicals, e books, audiobooks and more will earn incentives & prizes for the children.

Starting on July 8th there will be a weekly outdoor Story Hour on the Canaan Rec Park Playground followed by free play Thursday mornings at 10:30am. All are welcome, stories are aimed for ages 0-5 years old. For more information call the Library Director. Please bring a beach towel, blanket or a chair. Story Hour will not meet if it's a very rainy day.

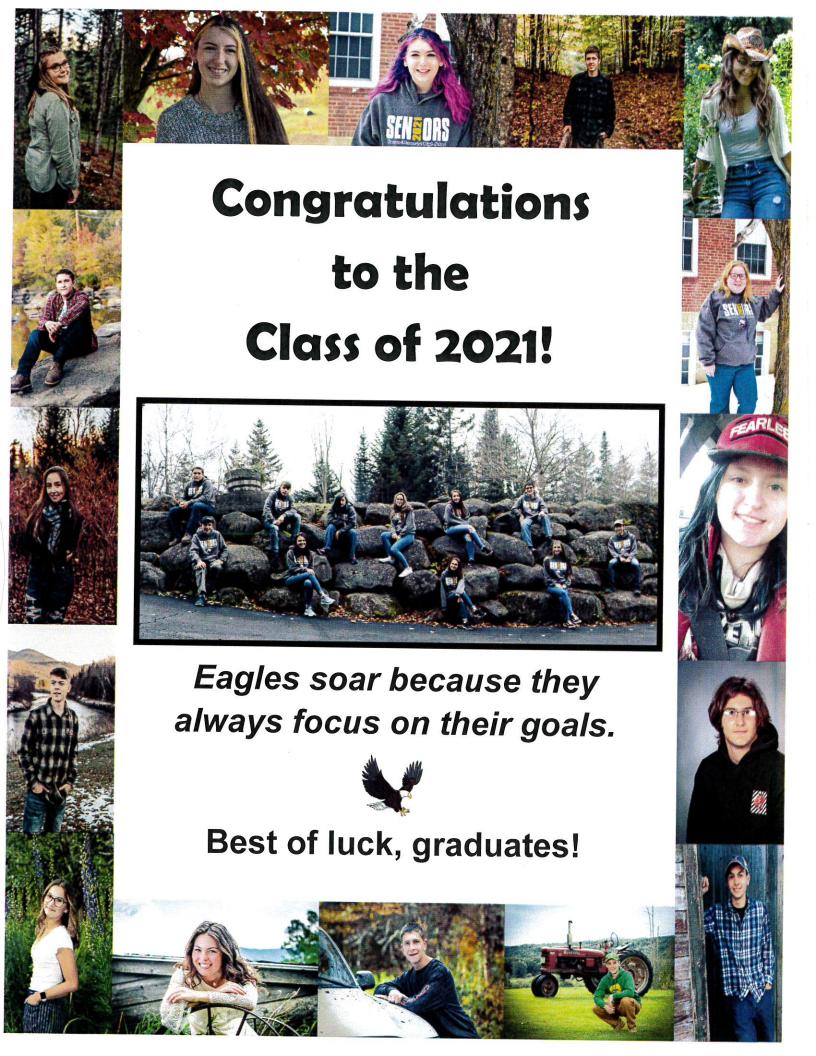
On August 11th, we will host a K-9 Demonstration given by Units from Vermont DMV, Newport Police Department and the Vermont Police Academy. The public is invited and all ages are welcome. If it is a sunny day the demo will take place at the Canaan Recreation Park, if it's a rainy day the program will meet indoors at the Canaan School Gym. This is a free program.

WELCOME new Canaan residents! Please come by to open your free library card, you will find Library information in your Welcome Boxes. We look forward to meeting you!

Last but not least, we honor and thank our Trustee Chairperson Katie Sawicki for her many years of service to the Board. Katie let us know this past winter that she would be passing the baton, due to her very busy schedule and many other commitments. Katie always goes out of her way to help others and we are so grateful to her in every way. After the Town meeting, we welcomed a new Trustee, Kate Larose to the board! Welcome, Kate!

Welcome all, and welcome summer as we emerge from an unprecedented year and a half. Make today a day to check out what your local library has to offer from new books to smiling faces who are eager to help you. See you at the Library!

Sharon Ellingwood White, Library Director



Earn Your High School Diploma. We can help!

Let your journey begin! Call today to speak with a High School Completion Plan Manager.

CONTACT OUR RAREA LEARNING CENTERS

- Newport, VT (802) 334-2839
- Hardwick, VT (802) 472-3183
- St. Johnsbury, VT (802) 748-5624
- Island Pond, VT (802) 723-4261
- Canaan, VT (802) 274-2608

(or contact Newport Learning Center) (802) 334-2839

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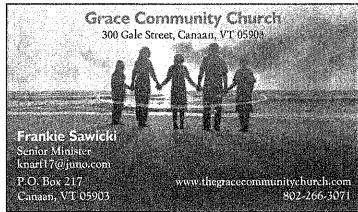


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