

Canaan Carrier

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



JULY 2015



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

THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR EFFORTS!

Saralyn & David Corliss

Vernon & Bonnie Crawford

Everyone who donates money for Pennies for Park at Towle's

**THANK YOU TO
EVERYONE WHO
PARTICIPATED
IN GREEN UP DAY!**

**Coordinator
Renee Marchesseault**

The Beecher Falls Fire Department has completed our gear replacement project. We would like to thank everyone who contributed to this project.

We were able to purchase 32 full sets of gear. This is a few less than our initial goal but we had three people get done from the department, and some that did not end up qualifying for new gear at this time.

The total cost of the gear ended at \$55,838.57.

We received \$25,500.00 in grants.

The remaining \$30,338.47 came from donations and fund raising.

Thank You

Chief, Steve Young

CHIEF'S CORNER

Construction season

As you are all aware construction season is in full swing. Be mindful that you may experience very slight delays. Be patient. These upgrades are benefitting all of us. The speed reduction along 102 is still forthcoming. Most likely when the paving project starts.

ATV's

Operating atv's on private property without permission is subject to fines of \$220.00. Please stay on the designated trails. ATV's MUST yield right of way to motor vehicles. Know the laws before you ride. They are in place to protect the safety of you and others.

Rec Park

Please respect the rec park. Dispose of trash properly. If you are walking your pets down there please pick up any waste and dispose of properly. Do not throw it into the stream or wooded areas. You can be fined and ultimately refused access to the park. Be respectful of others while at the park. Obscene and vulgar language will not be tolerated and subject to penalties. There are now cameras monitoring the park.

Please report any suspicious activity as soon as possible. Regardless of how minor you feel it is.

Canaan Police 266-9619

VT State Police 334-8881

Essex Sheriff 676-3500



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www.canaanvthistoricalsociety.org
Museum hours: Monday—Friday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The second quarter of 2015 has been a mixed bag of good and bad news for us. The quarter saw a couple of our members fall and fracture a hip. Sickness and instability have also been prevalent for this Spring. Discussions about sharing the carriage house with the Alice Ward Library and expansion of space have taken place. We have been involved in discussions regarding the maintenance of the building, which we feel should be priority number one. In late April, we co-sponsored a quilt show with the Library. Attendance at the show was good and we later received a number of donated quilts that had ties to Canaan families. We also had the "Canaan Corners" event on the 20th of June which followed the format of our previous Canaan sections meetings which was well attended.

A number of items and documents, in addition to the quilts, have been received this Spring. Some of the items will be shared with other historical societies as there is genealogical information for residents of neighboring towns. A partial, hand written, marriage certificate issued to residents of Canaan Hill in the late 1800s and an unidentified object are our most recent donations. The unknown item could be a cradle, child's bathtub, or even an animals food trough. It is made from one part of a trunk of a tree, has "handles", and is extremely smooth. We will post a picture on our Facebook page for an answer. The Facebook page has been well received and we have received many positive comments. New pictures or newspaper articles are added every week or two to keep people interested.

Our main project for the summer will be interviews of as many older residents and former residents of the area as we can schedule. The interviews will be recorded on weekends, edited at a later date, and a new DVD of life in Canaan hopefully available by Christmas. If you have memories of certain aspects of growing up in Canaan and the surrounding areas, please feel free to contact us at 266-3989 and we will try to schedule a date and place that is convenient and comfortable for you. Initial contacts with possible interviewees have been mostly positive. If you wish to make a donation to help with this project, please mail to the Canaan Historical Society, PO Box 214, Canaan, Vermont 05903 or drop it off at the Museum. Donations are greatly appreciated. It is important to us to keep our history alive!

A Stewartstown Day float, glass plate negative project, and possibly digitizing the yearbooks are to be discussed at a later date. As usual donations are greatly appreciated. Visit us at the museum to see if you can identify our mystery item.

Thank you, The Canaan Historical Society

CANAAN & STEWARTSTOWN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

The construction of the upgrade to the Canaan wastewater treatment facility and all of the pump stations has been completed. The construction of the \$3.3 million dollar improvements project has been performed by Daniel Hebert Inc. of Colebrook, NH. The new facility went into operation in October and is functioning fully as designed at this time. The four- 40 year old sewage pump stations located in Beecher Falls and along Rte. 253 have all been completely upgraded as well. The upgraded pump stations are much safer for the operator and less costly to maintain as well. The new treatment facility structures are single story buildings versus the old 3 story below grade building. A new screenings and grit removal head works building will remove inorganic material which will lengthen the life of the other treatment components. A second building houses aeration blowers, disinfection equipment and an office/lab and all electrical controls. The final building houses the final disinfection tanks before the effluent is discharged to the River. The improvements project was designed by Leach Engineering Consultants, now Tata & Howard, Inc., of St. Johnsbury, VT and funded through a grant and low interest loan from USDA Rural Development. The buildings were designed with energy efficiency in mind including insulated concrete walls, high efficient low -E glass windows and a highly efficient wood pellet boiler system. The 3 cell lagoon system has been upgraded with new aeration system and is performing well with an improved effluent being discharged to the Connecticut River.

WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS- FIRE DISTRICT #1

The Canaan Fire District #1 water system improvements are in the design phase and it is anticipated that work will begin in August and be completed by the end of 2016. The improvements will consist of replacing many of the old small AC water mains with larger main lines which will provide fire protection, a new storage tank at an elevation that will provide increased pressure, connection to the Beecher Falls water system and a small treatment facility that will remove iron, manganese and other minerals from the water to improve the quality. The connection to the Canaan Fire District #2 system along the old rail bed will provide redundancy for both water systems. The water mains will be replaced on Rtes. 253, 102, 114, Ethan Allen Drive and Power House Rd. The State of Vermont Dept. of Transportation will be repaving all of these roads next summer. A new storage tank will be constructed on the Town Forest property. The Fire District will continue to provide water to Stewartstown. The project is being engineered by Tata and Howard of St. Johnsbury and will be publicly bid. The project is funded by USDA Rural Development. The project will completely upgrade the system.

CANAAN FIRE DISTRICT #2

Due to the reconstruction of the bridge in Beecher Falls/Stewartstown, NH planned to begin this fall, the District is faced with relocating the 8-inch water main from the bridge to a new location under the Connecticut River. The work is anticipated to begin in August.

Gary A. Leach, P.E.

Vice President



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SOLID WASTE UPDATES

In order to meet the requirements of Act 148 we were required to resubmit our Solid Waste Implementation Plan to incorporate all the new requirements. We were fortunate in that we are already doing most of the new requirements. Many towns are struggling to meet these new requirements. There are timelines in our SWIP that we are required to meet. Our biggest issue we need to address is composting. We need to get all food wastes out of our waste streams by 2020. We will be working on meeting this goal as well as the other timelines that are outlined in our SWIP.

Our new SWIP has been pre-approved. The new SWIP is on our website and a copy can be reviewed at the town office. We will be holding two public meetings which will be announced. These meetings are required for us to get our final approval.

Household Hazardous Wastes/Conditional Exempt Generators. (HHW/CEG) We submitted a new plan to hold HHW/CEG collection events at the transfer station instead of the town garage. We have worked with the Agency of Natural Resources to amend our SWIP to allow us to hold the events at the transfer station. This will allow us to hold an event in the Spring and one in the Fall as required by ANR and meet the requirements of our SWIP. We requested that they allow us to hold a spring event and hold the materials in a protected secure area in the recycling building and after we have our fall event we will contract with a licensed hauler to package the collected materials and ship off site to a licensed recycler. This operational change will reduce the cost of providing these events.

ANR has pre-approved our management plan to meet our needs and their standards. This will be an amendment to our SWIP.

Our draft plan is on our website and a copy can be reviewed at the town office. We are required to place a public notice in a local weekly newspaper. This is to allow for public comments on our plan. Comment period will run for 14 days. After the 14 days the state will determine if our management plan will get final approval.

It has been a challenge meeting all the requirements getting our SWIP completed. The state worked with us to meet these challenges and they offered some options for our HHW/CEG events that meet our needs and theirs and will reduce our costs overall to provide these events.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings are to review Canaan's Solid Waste Implementation Plan. The Department of Environmental Conservation Waste Management Division has pre-approved the plan. The public hearings are to review and take comments prior to adoption of the plan. The hearings will be held at the Canaan Town Office on:

July 1st, 2015 at 5:30PM

July 6th, 2015 at 5:30PM

HHW/ CEG Event Schedule:

Scheduled dates for this year will be:

Saturday July 25th at the transfer station from 8 AM to 1 PM

Saturday October 3rd at the transfer station from 8 AM to 1 PM

✓ Information on what materials are accepted are on the website and you can also get information at the town office and at the transfer station.

✓ You will be required to sign a sign off sheet.

- o We will create a list of all the materials that are brought in. This is to meet our record keeping requirements.

- o These events are for Canaan residents and property owners only.

✓ Special Note:

- o When you purchase household materials look for those that are environmentally safe.

- o If possible use up the total amount of the materials that you purchased.

■ These practices will help reduce the cost of providing HHW/CEG events.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources

Department of Environmental Conservation

APPLICATION FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Town of Canaan – Canaan Transfer Station

186 Route 102, Canaan, Vermont

The public is hereby notified that the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources has issued a Draft Amended Certification to the Town of Canaan for the Canaan Transfer Station facility located at 186 Route 102, Canaan, Vermont. This draft is in accordance with 10 V.S.A. Section 6601 et. Seq. and the Vermont Solid Waste Management Rules.

A copy of the application and the draft amended certification are available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Solid Waste Management Program office, located at 1 National Life Drive, Montpelier, Vermont and at the Canaan town offices. The Agency intends to issue a final Amended Certification without convening a public informational meeting unless a written request for a public informational meeting and extension of the public comment period, signed by at least twenty five (25) residents from Canaan, by the Canaan Selectboard, or by an adjoining landowner or resident, is received by the Secretary no later than July 9, 2015.

Comments regarding the application and draft amended certification should be directed to:

Ben Gauthier

Vermont Solid Waste Management Program

1 National Life Drive – Davis 1

Montpelier, Vermont 05620-3704

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ALICE M. WARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

SUMMER READING HAS BEGUN

It's summertime!

We've been buying a lot of new books for the library. We have picture books, chapter books, middle readers and young adult, and all ready to be taken home. And we have a summer reading program. It goes like this ...

1. Kids grades 1-8 read a book
2. Kids come and tell us. They write their name in the Summer Reading Book of Awesomesauce. We take a polaroid and put it on the Wall of Fame.
3. Kids put their name in a jar.
4. We draw names out of the jar to win end-of-summer prizes as well mid-summer book prizes.
5. The more they read, the more chances they have to win.

The summer dropoff in reading can be tough for kids when they return to school. They have time, so come by and check out a book at Alice Ward. We also continue to have Maker Club on Mondays, Gamer on Wednesdays and Lego Club on Thursdays.

GROWN UPS ALSO GET NEW BOOKS

We also have new books for grown-ups. We have some new biographies of those running for a new job in November, including Rubio, Clinton, Fiorina and Sanders. We have new thrillers by CJ Box and others and we have an interesting new DVD showing woodworkers how to design their own items using free software. Also, exciting, we have books teaching you how to use free software to design your very own 3D object. Why would you do this? Because we have a ...

3D PRINTER AT ALICE WARD LIBRARY

And we're the very first public library in Vermont to get one. A 3D printer makes 3-dimensional objects using heated nontoxic plastic based on your very own computer designs. So far we have printed a tiny green deer head, a 3D topographical map of Vermont, and a toy with moveable parts, among others. But you can do so much more. 3D printing is one of the newest, and could become one of the most revolutionary, technologies in a long time. And! Using free software, at home or in the library, you can design your own items. Come by and see the books, check out the software, send us your print file, and talk to us about printing.

As always, if you have suggestions of what you'd like to see at Alice Ward, or books you'd like to read, come by and tell us. Or email us at alice.ward.library@gmail.com, or give us a call at 266-7135.

Craig Varley

Director at Alice Ward

TRANSFER STATION AND STUMP DUMP

We will help celebrate the 4th of July by keeping the Transfer Station and the Stump Dump opened that day.

NEKCA

**The hours of operation for the Canaan NEKCA office is
8-4 Monday thru Wednesday.**

REC PARK MEETINGS

As of July 13th, the rec park meetings will be at 5 p.m. instead of 3:30 p.m.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CANAAN RECREATION PARK

We need your help to do some summer maintenance at the park facilities on July 18, 2015 starting at 9 a.m. The town will provide paint and tools for our projects. The projects we do will be based on the number of volunteers we get.

If you can help, please call the Town Office before July 10, 2015.

WINNER OF THE ICE OUT CONTEST

Merrick Marchesseault

Thank you to all who purchased tickets for our ice out fundraiser.

Canaan Recreation Park Committee

Canaan Economic Development Committee

We are still working on getting something going and at our last meeting we had a presentation from Leanne Tangay a representative of the Orton Family Foundation offering their help. We also met with Patricia Sears of NEKTI Consulting and she also outlined ways that she could help us meet our initiatives. Currently we are waiting for proposals to move the project forward. The following is information on the Orton Family Foundation:

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

ORTON FAMILY FOUNDATION

The Orton Family Foundation is a small family operating foundation that invests in practices that enhance the ability of citizens to participate in local decision making. Our Initiative, Community Heart & Soul™: Guided by What Matters Most, is a new approach to community planning and development designed to help people in small cities and towns navigate change in a way that honors their connection to community and upholds the unique character of each place.

The Foundation wishes to thank the many individuals, local elected and appointed officials, community volunteers, and likeminded practitioners, non-profits, foundations and trade organizations that have contributed in countless ways to our development of the Community Heart & Soul approach.

A special thank you to the residents, volunteers, and leaders in our nine Community Heart & Soul Towns who learned with us—on the ground—to evolve the Heart & Soul method presented in this Field Guide. We could not possibly have done it without all of you, a community of inventive, determined people.

Finally, deep gratitude to Lyman Orton—founder, board chair, and funder of the Orton Family Foundation—for his generosity, passion, and patience. Community Heart & Soul would be a dream, not a growing reality, without his persistent belief in the regular folks who live and work in America's small towns.

Learn more about Heart & Soul visit www.orton.org/heart-soul.

Heart & Soul

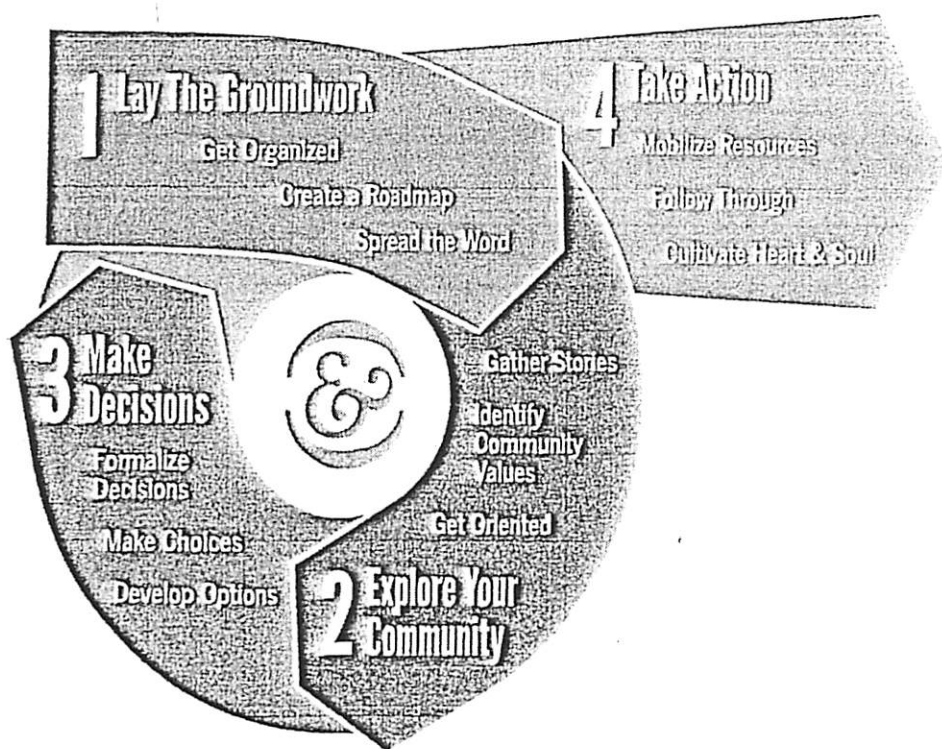
STEP-BY-STEP

If you are working in your community and initiating a new process, you can use this guide to structure your approach to community outreach, participation, and decision making. The Heart & Soul process described here begins with the earliest stages of

project development. It then moves into start-up activities such as project design and partnership development. From there, it walks all the way through to choosing actions and following through for success over the long term.

The whole process is outlined in 12 steps, each with a short list of specific tasks. The steps are organized into four phases that lead to specific milestones.

The four phases of the framework are illustrated here and explained in detail on the following pages.



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Share Your Ideas for the Future of the NEK

The NEK Collaborative and the Vermont Council on Rural Development invite you to share ideas for actions that can:

- Support the NEK Economy
- Boost opportunities
- Support the quality of life for Kingdom residents



Share your ideas at 3 public **"Ideas for the Future Sessions"**

Newport	Goodrich Library	June 18, 6:30-8:00pm
Canaan	Canaan High School	June 30, 6:30-8:00pm
Hardwick	Hardwick Town House	July 15, 6:30-8:00pm

Then, set priorities at the **"Decision Session"**

Lyndonville	Lyndon State College	August 6, 6:30-8:30pm
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