“Remembrance Park” Rededicated
By Wally Berg

The morning of 11 November 2014 broke bright and clear over the beautiful town of Greenland NH. The temperature was a brisk 40 degrees, but it was forecasted to reach the mid-fifties by midday. It was a wonderful day to rededicate “Remembrance Park,” the town's memorial park dedicated to those who have and who are serving. The official rededication ceremony began promptly on the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month to remember and honor that ended World War I, now a national holiday called “Veterans Day.”

A citizens’ veterans’ committee embarked last fall on an ambitious project to upgrade and renovate the existing Remembrance Park located on Post Road. The objective was to research and honor our colonial ancestors who fought for our freedoms during our nation’s formative years, provide a public monument for a Medal of Honor Recipient buried within our borders, and, lastly, provide an inscription monument for those presently serving and for those future generations who will serve. To meet these needs, new dedicatory stones were needed. No veteran’s names have been added since the end of the Vietnam War, almost 40 years ago. The research to find these names is ongoing and cannot be easily completed without the assistance of those who live here!

A flawless program was conducted by Kevin Forrest, Vaughan Morgan, and other members of the committee. After opening remarks, a USN Honor Guard from the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard presented the colors, and the Pledge of Allegiance was rendered by all. Reverend Dan Weaver of Greenland’s United Methodist Church gave the invocation, and the National Anthem was sung by a very young man of 10 years, Mr. Ryan Menter, who frequently sings with the Pease Greeters when they welcome the troops. Mr. Bud Fitch, from US Senator Kelly Ayotte’s office, presented a memorial flag that was recently raised over the Capitol in Washington DC. When the Memorial Flag was raised by members of Greenland’s Scout Troop 158, a musetet salute was fired by the 1st Newmarket Colonial Militia. The squad of six was indeed handsome in their colonial uniforms.

The keynote address was given by Pam Tucker, Greenland’s District Representative in the NH House of Representatives. Mr. Forrest then recognized the Van Ettens family members, present, and read Mr. Hudson Van Ettens Medal of Honor citation from the Spanish American War. Reverend Weaver concluded the formal part of the program with a benediction.

Concluding program remarks were made by Wallace Berg (WWII veteran), which included some historical “snap shots” from his notes on a few of Greenland’s other WWII veterans. These included nurse Ruth Ladd with General Patton (Normandy), Calvin Wilder, firebombing (Tokyo), Paul Donovan, (D-Day, Cherbourg), and Everett Bennett (only US Artic Battle), etc. The concluding

Making Greenland a Better Place to Live!
By Lorraine Barrows

Greenland's women’s club celebrates activities and projects that make Greenland a better place to live!

• Annual Pie and Crafts Festival—As this issue of the Grapevine is completed, the Greenland Women’s Club is celebrating another successful completion of its major fundraising event for the year. The annual pie sale and craft fair, held at the Greenland School on the Sunday before Thanksgiving, brings together skilled artisans, expert bakers, and hungry shoppers ready to buy their holiday pies and shop for the holidays. This year’s fair date saw shoppers from all around the area picking up their pie orders, feasting on tasty soups and quiches, filling their shopping bags with unique hand-crafted gifts and greeting friends and neighbors over a delicious piece of pie. All the proceeds from this lively event fund the work of the club throughout the coming year. Congratulations to the committee chairs and their members who worked efficiently and well to bring another year’s event to fruition! The funds generated through the event will be used to continue the Women’s Club’s work in the community.

A sampling of these projects include the following:

• Donations and support of non-profits and good works—The club’s funds are spent fulfilling needs in the community and in the Seacoast area. Projects vary from year to year and have included buying and filling book bags for needy students, monthly donations to area food banks, assistance to Greenlands Eagle Scout projects, funds for local students to participate in Arts in Reach and self-development programs, home- less relief and soup kitchen assistance, among many others.

• Citizen of the Year—Each year the Greenland Women’s Club recognizes an outstanding member of the community, after seeking nominations throughout the town. This year the club recognized Sheila Pratt. A lifelong resident of Greenland, Ms. Pratt was a teacher at Greenland Public School for 40 years. An active member of the Pease Greeters, she also serves as the coordinator of events at the school’s annual Veterans’
event was the firing of both cannons, recently refurbished by “Powder Coating Alternatives” of Greenland. These cannons were originally designed and fabricated by Greenland residents Harold Pratt (deceased) and Nat Hazen. The cannons are half scale, six-pounder replicas. Real cannons, as found on colonial war ships, could fire a ball three inches in diameter, or “grape-shot,” up to 1500 yards with devastating effect. The new cannons were made by master craftsmen, who do similar work on the USS Constitution. The oak carriages, crafted and finished by these craftsmen, are truly works of art.

Because of the project, there is now city water on site and available—eventually, to the entire park location; previously the only the memorial area has water. Having water made possible the installation of a sprinkler system, which works automatically. The overall result has been a lush green turf, made possible by contractor Hydro Seeding. Other Greenland contractors provided essential heavy equipment, soil and fill material, plumbing expertise, photography, graphic arts assistance, shop carpentry, and catering. This was civic participation at its finest. The Greenland Scout troop cleaned and polished the existing monuments, then made a significant contribution to the ceremony. The Town of Greenland also donated essential assistance and cooperation throughout the construction phase.

Mr. Walt Lang (Lang’s Landscape Service), himself a WWII Corsair pilot, and his remarkable family deserve special thanks and recognition. He kept the “train on the track” and coordinated the work of these many contractors. Mr. Lang designed the enlarged stage area and personally supervised its construction. It became a work of art. Mr. Lang’s expertise has also been utilized in other memorial projects, including the USS Thresher Memorial in Kittty ME.

As a result of research errors, it was found that inscription errors had been made on the new post-Vietnam memorial post. The proper correction of these will require the return of the post to the manufacturer for refinishing. It will be returned to the manufacturer for refinishing. It will be returned and reinstalled in the spring of 2015. A similar problem had existed with the WWI monument: from which, for many years, two names were missing. A bronze addition containing those names has been added to the WWI memorial; it is now believed to be complete.

This project, because of the tens of thousands of dollars in contributions from the citizens and businesses of this community, needs administration. An example of this necessity is the fact that for almost 40 years recognition of Greenland veterans has been largely ignored and undocumented. The GVMC will soon propose to the Board of Selectmen the creation of a commission, trust, or committee that will have a statutory responsibility for park management, maintenance, and utilization. If this should become a “warrant article” next year, your support will be appreciated.

Above, Ryan Menter sings the National Anthem; below, the 1st Newmarket Colonial Militia hold a musket salute for the raising of the flag. Bottom, Pam Tucker addresses the attendees. Photos by John Hurtle

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Following is correspondence received from the troops; see Web site www.peasegreeters.org, for additional information.

Greeting Team, I just want to thank you all for giving us such a warm welcome back! You don’t know how much it meant to us. I hope the support of our fellow Americans and Veterans, keep up the great work in New Hampshire and may God bless you all! —Sgt. Michael J. Armstrong
Children

NEWS! Baby Lap Sit
Tuesday, December 2–16 and
January 6–February 3 at 10:30 a.m.
Join us for stories, finger plays, and open play.
Ages 0 to 24 months. No registration needed.

LEGO Building Days
Wednesdays, December 3, January 7,
and February 4 from 2:00–3:00 p.m.
Come and build with LEGO bricks. All builds will be put on display until the next LEGO day. Snacks and drinks are allowed. All bricks will stay at the library.

Family Story Time
Thursday, December 4–February 5 at 10:00 a.m.
Join us for stories, songs, and a craft. All ages welcome. No registration needed. No story times December 25 and January 1, 2015.

Early Release Wednesday
DDR and Holiday Shrinky Dinks
Wednesday, Dec. 10 from Noon–4:00 p.m.
Dance Revolution will be set up outside. Sign-ups required so supplies can be purchased. Space is limited. Make a variety of chocolate treats for Valentine’s Day.

Drop-in Craft Week for Children
December 15 to 19
A variety of holiday crafts will be available all week in the Children’s Room.

Early Release Wednesday—Movie
Wednesday, January 14 at Noon
Join us for a movie, popcorn, and punch. The movie and additional details will be announced at the beginning of January.

Winter Drop-in Craft Week
Tuesday, January 20–Friday, January 23
A variety of winter-themed crafts will be available for children in the Children’s Room.

Candy Workshop for Grades 4 and up
Thursday, February 5, 2:00–3:00 p.m.
Sign-ups required so supplies can be purchased. Space is limited. Make a variety of chocolate treats for Valentine’s Day.

Valentine Drop-in Craft Week
Monday, February 9–Friday, February 13
A variety of Valentine crafts will be available all week for children in the Children’s Room.

Early Release Wednesday
A Valentine Special Craft on Wednesday, February 11, Noon–3:30 p.m.
Special Valentine crafts will be available.

Winter Recess Drop-in Crafts
Monday, February 23–Friday, February 27
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Events at the Weeks Public Library
By Denise Grime, Director

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News! The library has an official logo! Our logo (pictured right) was designed by John Hirlt of John Hirlt Creative Services in Greenland. We love the logo and its many versions for letterhead, banners, Web site, Facebook, Twitter, and other marketing needs.

Borrow the Early Literacy iPad
For ages 3 to 6
The staff has loaded this iPad with several apps and eBooks geared toward children learning to read and count. The apps and eBooks require adult assistance so plan some special parent-child time! The iPad does not have access to the Internet. Borrow the iPad for two weeks. The iPad was purchased with the funds from the 2014 David Brunassa Memorial Golf Tournament donation. Must be 18 years old or older, have a valid Driver’s License, and a Weeks Public Library card in good standing.

Teen Tech Help Opportunity—Teens needed to help adults with their iPads and other devices. Contact Candace at the library if you are interested in participating, 603-436-8548.

Monthly Book Discussion—Teen Tech Help Opportunity—Monthly Book Discussion—Friday Morning Group—For ages 3 to 6
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Preparing Your Estate Plan presented by Molly C. Ferrara from Bosen & Associates and John St. Pierre from Edward Jones—Wednesday, January 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Learn how to develop a sound estate plan. This free seminar will cover what to consider when creating your will, how to reduce taxes on your estate, the benefits of trusts in estate planning and how insurance can help protect your family.

Classic Movie Night
Wait Until Dark © Warner Bros.
Monday, January 26 at 6:00 p.m.
Wait Until Dark is an innovative, highly entertaining and suspenseful thriller about a blind housewife, Suzy (Audrey Hepburn), who must fight for her life against a gang of ruthless criminals, led by the violent, psychotic Harry Roat (Alan Arkin). The climax of the film, a violent physical confrontation between Suzy and Roat in her dark kitchen, is one of the most memorable and frightening scenes in screen history. All performances are outstanding, particularly those of Audrey Hepburn who plays a vulnerable, but self-reliant woman, and Alan Arkin, in his perhaps best role, as the ruthless, manipulative Roat. This 1967 film is not rated, and runs 105 minutes. Glenn Bergeron introduces the film. Popcorn and soda served.

Classic Movie Night—Marley © Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, Inc.
Monday, February 9 at 6:30 p.m.
Paddy Chayefsky’s Oscar-winning slice-of-life drama originated as a live 1953 broadcast directed by Delbert Mann on the Philco-Goodyear Television Playhouse. The movie version, also directed by Mann, replaces the two leads with Ernest Borgnine and Betsy Blair. The movie tells of 24 very important minutes in the life against a gang of ruthless criminals, led by the violent, psychotic Harry Roat (Alan Arkin). The climax of the film, a violent physical confrontation between Suzy and Roat in her dark kitchen, is one of the most memorable and frightening scenes in screen history. All performances are outstanding, particularly those of Audrey Hepburn who plays a vulnerable, but self-reliant woman, and Alan Arkin, in his perhaps best role, as the ruthless, manipulative Roat. This 1967 film is not rated, and runs 105 minutes. Glenn Bergeron introduces the film. Popcorn and soda served.

Intro to Photography
Presented by Kevin Kimble
Wednesday, January 28 at 6:30 p.m.
Learn the basic principles of digital photography through this slide presentation. Many principles can be applied directly to film photography.

Classic Movie Night—Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner © Columbia Pictures Industries Inc.
Monday, December 15 at 6:00 p.m.
Spencer Tracy and Katherine Hepburn are unforgettable as perplexed parents in this landmark 1967 movie about mixed marriage. Both families must sit down face-to-face and examine each other’s level of intolerance. In Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner, director Stanley Kramer has created a masterful study of society’s prejudices. This movie is not rated, and runs 107 minutes. Glenn Bergeron introduces the film. Popcorn and soda served.

Classic Movie Night—Valentine Drop-in Craft
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Scenes from Sandy Point

Great Bay Discovery Center, located at 89 Depot Road, Greenland NH, may be closed for the season, but its grounds, including a scenic boardwalk and small playground, remain open from dawn to dusk for the public to enjoy. Take care, as the walkways will not be shoveled or salted during the winter season. Special children’s programs planned for the winter season include:

Once Upon a Winter Estuary—ages 2–5
Come dressed ready for some winter wonderland fun outdoors from 9:45–11:00 on select Thursdays in January, February and March!

We’ll start each program outside with activities, games, and winter walks. Following our outdoor exploration, we’ll move inside to warm up with a story, craft, and hot cocoa! This series is ideal for youngsters, ages 2–5; $2 per child participant. Pre-registration is required. Please call 603-778-0015 and ask for Jay or Beth or e mail Beth.Heckman@wildlife.nh.gov.

The dates and activities planned (weather permitting) include:

❄ January 8—The Mitten by Jan Brett—Who’s out and about looking for food this winter? What kind of a winter coat are they wearing? We’ll make a camouflage craft to take home. Bundle up for a scavenger hunt outside.

❄ January 22—Snow Balls by Lois Ehlert—Do you like to go out and play in the snow? Do you think the animals don’t? Come ready to play in the snow and have some fun. We’ll make a craft about snowflakes to take home.

❄ February 5—The Jacket I Wear in the Snow by Shirley Neitzel—Do you think animals wear coats? Come ready to play in the snow and have some fun. We’ll make a craft about snowflakes to take home.

❄ February 19—Footprints in the Snow by Cynthia Bookman—What can you see in our tracks? Although quite different from ours, an animal’s feet are neat and quite useful. We’ll discover different kinds of feet and their uses, then head outside where we’ll identify common animal tracks and make our own as we go through the woods. We’ll make a tracking craft to take home.

❄ March 5—It’s Winter by Susan Swan—Is winter your favorite season? Do you like to curl up with a good book and a blanket or would you rather go play in the snow? Join us as we learn about animals and their strategies for surviving the long cold winter. We’ll look for signs of animal activity outside.

March 19—Sugaring by Jesse Haar—Spring is coming and the sap is running! Come join us as we learn about the age-old tradition of making maple syrup and do some taste testing! Do you know which tree is a maple? We’ll go for a walk and check our taps.

2015 Winter Bayventure Programs
Geared for children ages 6–11, each Bayventure program will run from 9:30am–3pm, with 14 spaces only. Make your reservations today! $35 GBS member $40 N/M. $5/sibling discount.

Animal Autographs—Wednesday, February 25, or Thursday, February 26—Join us as we look for animals and their “autographs” in different habitats around the Discovery Center… on snow! Over the last couple of years we have identified fisher tracks in the woods and otter tracks on the salt marsh, and we even saw a bald eagle fly by while having our snack. Take part in winter activities and games and make a craft to take home.

Syrup on Snow—Friday, March 13 (SAU16 Teacher Workshop Day)—The ice is melting and the sap has started to flow! Join us for a day of maple sugaring, and experience how people through the ages have tapped trees. We will see and touch real tree tapping tools used by Native Americans, Colonists, and people today! Try sap straight from the tree, learn about different kinds of feet and their uses, then head outside where we’ll identify common animal tracks and make our own as we go through the woods. We’ll make a tracking craft to take home.

Pre-care and aftercare available. Regular camp hours are from 9:30–3:00. Pre-care will be supervised activities in the Discovery Center from 8:30–9:30 a.m. for an additional $5/child. Aftercare will be an extension of the Bayventure program called Let’s G.O! (Let’s Get Outside) on the grounds of the Discovery Center from 3:00–5:00 for an additional $10/child.

Please visit our Web site: www.greatbay.org. For all programs, call 603-778-0015 or e mail Beth.Heckman@wildlife.nh.gov to register. Send checks payable to Great Bay Stewards to the address below marked ATTN: Beth, Great Bay Discovery Center, 89 Depot Rd, Greenland NH 03840.

This Old Church

Work wrapped up on the Greenland Community Congregational Church’s steeple repair project on October 10, as steeplejacks reinstalled the weathervane, and cleaned up before heading off to their next lowering project. Photo by John Hirtle

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A Special Breakfast with a Country View of Moose
By Colleen Cote

You don’t want to miss a special breakfast with Santa and Marty the Moose at the Country View Restaurant, located at 692 Portsmouth Avenue, Greenland NH! They will be there on Saturday, December 13 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Twas the weeks before Christmas and all through the town, The people were bustling and running around. The Country View crew was quite busy too, Preparing for Santa to visit them soon. The cooks in the kitchen were stirring their pots, While wait staff was wrapping the presents they’d bought.

When all of a sudden they heard a loud noise, And it wasn’t the dishwasher playing with toys. They ran out the door and looked to the roof. Not believing their eyes when they saw Marty Moose. “I’m waiting for Santa,” he said. “I could help.”

“I knew that I’m better than any elf.” So he sat there and waited, the staff walked away, Marty willing to stay there until Christmas day.

With his sights set on Saturday, December thirteen, Santa assembled his traveling team. The reindeer and helpers were all set to go To the small town of Greenland, despite pending snow. What time should kids be there? It sounds like such fun. Well, Santa will be there between nine and one. The children couldn’t wait to see him that day, And to tell him how well they all had behaved.

With the elves by his side and a line out the door, He told Marty, “I need you, got room for one more.” Marty lit up like the lights on the tree, And placed jubilant children upon Santa’s knee. What a great pair they made, granting wishes all day, But when it came to an end, it was back to the sleigh. Marty thought about leaving, but knew he’d miss home, New Hampshire and Greenland and all that he’s known. And he heard Santa say as he flew out of view, “Seasons Greetings, Warm Wishes, and Merry Christmas to you!”

Come join Santa and Marty the Moose for breakfast at the Country View Restaurant in Greenland from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, December 13th!
Seacoast Family Promise, serving local families with children experiencing homelessness, is offering opportunities for Adopt-a-Family for the Christmas holiday. There are also opportunities to assist with basic shelter needs and supplies as well as clothes, coats etc.

Volunteer opportunities are available for those who wish to give back to their community. Opportunities can be evening or daytime, and for business, individual, or group activities.

Seacoast Family Promise is always looking for active board members who can offer support in finance, grant writing, events, fundraising, and general support throughout the community. Do not hesitate to contact us to discuss any options that you feel may meet your particular needs or desire to serve those in our community who are less fortunate.

Now entering its eleventh year, Seacoast Family Promise is pleased to report that 80% of families completing the program have gone on to stable housing, and some have remained self-sufficient for over nine years. SFP is not your traditional shelter, but rather a no drugs or alcohol, safe environment for families with children who wish to do the necessary work to return to the community as participating members. The program is highly structured with intense case management, financial and budgeting education, and it offers options for training, employment, and housing searches. Over 900 community volunteers and twenty-four faith communities are involved with SFP. This could be your opportunity to join a highly motivated and compassionate group who work to ensure that the local community and future generations will be skilled, healthy, and focused on the vision of family.

For further information, please contact Pati Frew-Waters at sihnhh@comcast.net or 603-658-8448.

Conditions Acupuncture Treats: 1. Fibromyalgia

By David Phreenee

Starting this winter and for the three following issues, Gentle Currents Acupuncture Clinic will offer Greenland residents information on four conditions Acupuncture treats. Included in each is One Patient’s Experience. Acupuncture treats a wide range of illnesses, not just these four. Still, it helps to learn about the particular conditions and individuals’ experiences with them.

Fibromyalgia is one of the most common and troublesome sources of chronic pain, as anyone who has ever had it knows. Acupuncture has treated fibromyalgia quite successfully for years.

In acupuncture the basis of health is the steady, smooth flow of Qi through the meridians or energy channels of the body. When energy blocks occur in the body, they are cleared using acupuncture needling techniques. This restores the flow of Qi—which in turn allows the body to heal and causes pain to decrease or cease.

Indeed, according to WebMD “A recent study showed decreased pain and increased quality of life for fibromyalgia patients who had acupuncture therapy.” www.webmd.com

Licensed Acupuncturist Lisa Rothermich notes: “I’ve treated many patients with fibromyalgia. While each patient reacts differently, complete or nearly complete remission from pain is common, as is improvement in energy. I highly recommend individuals with fibromyalgia to start a course of treatments. Whether or not they seek acupuncture, I also strongly recommend that anyone with fibromyalgia take magnesium and malic acid supplements.”

ONE PATIENT’S EXPERIENCE: EILEEN F.—“Three years ago I was diagnosed with fibromyalgia, although in retrospect I am sure I had had this disease much longer than that. My symptoms—muscle aches all over, IBS and GERD, ‘fibro fog,’ and all 18 points of tenderness—have been mine for a very long time.

“I tried Lyrica, Cymbalta, and Savella. I was at my wit’s end; then a good friend suggested acupuncture. To say I was skeptical is an understatement, but I agreed to try it for two months. That was 18 months ago as I write, and I can honestly say that acupuncture has relieved me of much discomfort and pain.”

“I still get flare ups, but not nearly as often and not nearly as severe and long lasting as before I came to Gentle Currents. A bonus for me is that acupuncture has also helped with sinus and back pain.”

Eileen adds: “I have no idea how acupuncture really works, but I did encourage it because I want to lead a life with much less pain and a much more positive outlook, and I would encourage anyone who has pain management issues to consider acupuncture at Gentle Currents.”

Acupuncture treats every person individually. And each individual reacts differently; some not as successfully as Eileen, some with complete pain remission. If you or someone you know is suffering from pain issues, an acupuncturist can help.

Lisa Rothermich, director of Gentle Currents Acupuncture Clinic in Greenland, has been practicing acupuncture for over 20 years. For more information: 603-436-6883 or email@gentlecurrents.com. To view a brief video about acupuncture: www.gentlecurrents.com/acupuncture/aboutAcup.htm.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT—Thanks to Well Sense Health Plan, families under stress have been enjoying delicious, healthy dinners prepared by Portsmouth High School’s Culinary Department, along with some activity time with Well Sense’s mascot, Sunny. If your family could use a night out, with a family-friendly dinner and a family-friendly activity, join us for Family Fun Night.

THE IMPORTANCE OF PLAY—Encourage sensory play by using balls, sand and water toys, slides, swings, finger paint, and magnets. This play incorporates smell, touch, sound, vision, and movement, and lets the child explore volume, gravity, and texture. Encourage manipulative play using playdough, Legos, blocks, and board games. Puzzles, pegboards, beads, and facing improve a child’s eye-hand coordination.

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New Medical Director at Families First
By Suzanne Laurent

Dr. Eric Samuel was appointed medical director of Families First Health and Support Center, effective July 1. He came to Families First in December 2013 after practicing as a physician in Florida for 14 years.

The state recently kicked off the New Hampshire Health Protection Program, which will expand Medicaid coverage to as many as 50,000 uninsured state residents through the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

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The Health Center’s mission is to provide a medical home for its patients.

The Health Center has four physicians, five nurse practitioners, a behavioral health specialist, social workers, a certified dietitian, and a child development specialist, and a nutritionist. Samuel and the other physicians are affiliated with Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

Families First runs monthly specialty clinics with volunteer physicians specializing in dermatology and allergies, and dental clinics with volunteer dentists.

It also has physicians and nurse practitioners from Harbour Women’s Health who come to the Health Center to provide prenatal care for patients, and then deliver the infants at Portsmouth Regional Hospital.

Having a behavioral health specialist on staff is important, in Samuel’s view. “If I didn’t have that before, and it’s really helpful,” he said. “A lot of patients have other issues going on and they may not feel comfortable just yet confiding in a new physician. We can send them to see the behavioral health specialist during their appointment and that sometimes helps to open the door.” Samuel said that was one of the components of Families First that drew him to Portsmouth.

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Since its founding in 2007, Little Green Homes has lived up to its name in dozens of projects in the greater New Hampshire and southeastern Seacoast region. Redmond is the design guru and Stacy handles the building side of their partnership in a company with six employees. In 2009, Little Green Homes constructed in Portsmouth the state’s first owner-financed Platinum LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) home and 28th in the country. The company has barely caught its breath since then due to growing consumer awareness about the long-term values of sustainable construction and remodeling.

Stacy said the marketplace has caught up with the company’s core values of building smaller and more sustainable homes. “We are busier than we have ever been and booked into the winter and beyond,” Stacy said. “We are blown away by the volume of requests and how sustainably imaginative our clients have become.”

More consumers in the Seacoast region and beyond have been drawn to the specialization in residential projects that maximize energy efficiency, health, and durability. Stacy says Little Green Homes has fine-tuned an integrated design-build process to help clients meet all of their goals efficiently, sustainably, and cost effectively.

Little Green Homes Increasingly Popular
By Michael McCord

A recent trend in sustainable housing is also one of the most obvious—building smaller from the beginning.

A case in point is a recently completed home on Kittery Point designed and built by Greenland-based, Little Green Homes. “The family had a home in Portsmouth, but they wanted to downsize quite a bit,” said Jeff Stacy, business partner at Little Green Homes.

Late in 2013, the Portsmouth couple approached Stacy and fellow business partner Chris Redmond with their vision and goals for a new home for their two-adult, one-child family. The result is a comfortable two-story, two-bedroom home totaling 1,150 square feet built with as much recycled and reused material as possible, which included parts from an old barn. The new structure has a cupola, sliding glass door for a wide natural view, and a durable metal roof. It also maximizes space, and leverages insulation to create a comfortable, energy efficient home.

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“Warm Hands, Warm Hearts” Mitten and Blanket Drive
By Susan Wilbur

Dr. Kimberly Higney and the team at Cardea Center for Well-being will be collecting mittens and sets of twin-size blankets for residents of Cross Roads House in Portsmouth. This is the fifth year that Cardea will lead the “Warm Hands, Warm Hearts” initiative, an effort that reaches out to the Seacoast community to support those who can benefit most during the frigid months of the holiday season.

Cross Roads House is New Hampshire’s largest emergency and transitional shelter, protecting men, women, and children of the greater Seacoast area experiencing homelessness from exposure and hunger.

This year, Cardea’s goal is to collect enough sets of mittens and twin-size blankets to gift to each of Cross Roads’ current residents. One third of the residents are children, and there are currently twice as many men in residence, shared Martha Stone, Executive Director of Cross Roads House.

“Each year community involvement and generosity has been more inspiring. We hope to do a little more for Cross Roads again this season and are calling upon our greater Seacoast community to help,” says Dr. Higney.

Donations are being accepted now until December 24 at noon during business hours at Cardea, located at 390 Portsmouth Avenue in Greenland.

About: Cardea Center for Well-being, established on the Seacoast in 2008 by Dr. Kimberly Higney takes a NeuroStructural approach using a precise and gentle chiropractic process to remove neuro-biomechanical tension and upgrade the body’s physical response to injury and stress. See more information at www.cardeawellbeing.com.

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Mitten and Blanket Drive...
The school year is proceeding well and we are in the midst of many important initiatives to enhance teaching and learning. Noted below are a few important undertakings and actions planned that I believe will be of interest to the broader Greenland community. Many of these are shared through my monthly newsletter that, along with a wealth of additional information about our school, can be found on our Greenland School Web site at www.sau50.org/gcs.

**Important Reminders**

- As we gear up for another budget season, our increasing school enrollment generates important discussion about staffing for the 2015/2016 school year. Our current kindergarten class is at 40 students, and our experience tells us that many more will arrive for first grade. I encourage any parent of a student who is enrolled in kindergarten outside of Greenland Central School (GCS), but intends to attend GCS as a first grader, to please contact our school office at 603-431-6723 to enroll now. Knowing the likely number of first graders for next year at this time will help us to appropriately budget, and not get caught in a deficit-funding situation.

- Speaking of the budget, I remind Greenland citizens that attending the upcoming public hearings and deliberative sessions associated with the SB-2 budget process are extremely important in understanding the justification for all proposed school expenditures. Months of careful planning and preparation will be required to developing a very responsible budget, and we want all voters to make informed decisions in this regard.

**Student Assessment and Data**

We are extremely busy this year gearing up for and implementing new student assessments, as well as examining how to best use and manage data regarding student progress and achievement, to positively impact instruction and learning. All schools in New Hampshire are preparing for the new Smarter Balanced state assessment testing which will begin this coming spring. These comprehensive tests in reading and math replace the previous NECAP testing, and will be administered at comprehensive tests in reading and math replace the previous NECAP testing, and will be administered at

**Next Generation Science Standards being adopted throughout the nation, this prompted our Curriculum Integration and Extended Learning Coordinator, Mrs. Sommers, to apply for a STEM education grant through the Clipper Foundation, which supports educational initiatives in SAU 50 and 52. Greenland’s grant proposal was one of two that were funded for this school year, and it will support STEM integration in grades 2–6. The specific program for Greenland is Engineering is Elementary (EiE), which was developed at the Boston Museum of Science. Through training, Mrs. Sommers has become a certified instructor in this engaging, project-based program that inspires communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. This research-based program subscribes to inquiry learning at an age when students are most open to challenging and creative concepts. In our efforts to meet Common Core State Standards, which emphasize developing “career ready” students, statistics show that STEM-related job growth is three times greater than non-STEM jobs over the past ten years. Over the next decade STEM jobs are expected to grow at an even faster rate.

**Box Tops For Education**

Community Help Requested—Our school’s Greenland Parent Organization (GPO) subscribes to the Box Tops for Education program to raise funds that support many important programs. I am sure everyone has seen the Box Tops for Education coupons affixed to many household products including Betty Crocker, General Mills, Nature Valley, Kleenex, Scott, Hefty, Motts, and Gold Medal Flour, to name a few. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents, and the GPO has raised thousands of dollars over the past eight years of participation in this program. The money received through this program has supported the purchase of technology, reading materials, reading incentive programs, small grants for classrooms, and many more.

Here’s how you can help. Collect these coupons before throwing away packaging, and when you have collected any quantity deliver them to one of three places: GCS School Office during school hours; Weeks Library, either in the drop box outside or in the Box Top collection bin inside the library; Mall to Greenland Central School—Care of GPO Box Tops, 70 Post Road, Greenland NH 03840.

We thank you in advance for your consideration and any Box Top coupons that may be forthcoming.

**Student Safety**

We continue to devote a great deal of time and attention to proactive precautions regarding health and safety in our building. In cooperation with town departments and officials including code enforcement, health, fire, and police, we are doing the utmost to ensure the health and welfare of our students and staff. A recent safety and health inspection of our entire building found us to be in compliance with code and safety requirements. We have conducted fire, lockdown, and bus drills to ensure the safety of all school citizens to the event of any type of emergency. Our school-based Emergency Management Team met in September to review our comprehensive Crisis Emergency Plan, which was endorsed by the School Board and reviewed by town officials. We continue to maintain a secure building during our school day and complete a Risk Management Analysis Report each year to ensure we are in compliance with all state and federal requirements.

**SAU Leadership**

I am pleased to report our new Superintendent of SAU 50, Mr. Salvatore Petralia, has made a wonderful transition, having taken time to meet with all stakeholders as part of his entry plan. Shortly before the start of school he and a representative committee from the SAU hired a new Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. Kelli Killen. Kelli brings extensive administrative experience to our schools, having served in central office and building principal positions in New Hampshire and Maine. Both Mr. Petralia and Mrs. Killen are busy observing in classrooms, and meeting with faculty, school boards, and important standing committees in all four towns. Also new to our SAU staff this year are Administrative Assistant April Fox and Data Administrator Lorraine Curtis.

**Charitable Contributions**—Our school community has participated in a number of charitable efforts during the fall months, including our fall sports teams raising nearly $300 for the American Cancer Society through their Play for the Cure event. Greenland Central School—Care of GPO Box Tops, 70 Post Road, Greenland NH 03840. We thank you in advance for your consideration and any Box Top coupons that may be forthcoming.

**Stem Science**

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Greenland's Veterans were honored on Thursday, November 6, at a special Veterans Day Assembly at Greenland Central School (GCS). Students met veterans, young and old, in person as they filed down the hallway to the gym where the ceremonies were held.

Student co-emcees Suzie Scharff and John McDonough conducted the comprehensive program admirably, which featured a presentation of colors by the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard’s color guard, and a spirited rendition of ‘The Star Spangled Banner’ by Emily Locandro.

Between video presentations highlighting the dedicated service of the nation’s military and veterans, the members of the school community showed their appreciation to the gathered veterans. ‘A Salute to the Armed Forces’ was played by the GCS band where each military branch’s unique march was played. The kindergartners recited the Gettysburg Address, wearing their own renditions of Lincoln’s famous stovepipe hat. The staff choir sang “God Bless the USA” followed by the fifth- and sixth-grade band playing “America.”

Perhaps the most noteworthy portion of the program was the presentation of donations from GCS students to the Pease Greeters, who meet active servicemen stopping at Pease as they fly to and from war zones overseas.

Following closing remarks from Salvatore Petralia, the new superintendent of SAU 50 schools, students encircled the veterans to sing “The Land of the Free” before the conclusion of the observances.

Veterans Day Assembly at Greenland Central School
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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE—During the summer months and throughout the fall, the House and Senate are not in session. We went back in September for a veto session, where three of the governor’s vetoes were sustained. The Senate did not override the one Senate bill that the governor vetoed.

STUDY COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS—Much of the work accomplished at this time of year is done in legislatively established, often temporary, study committees and other statutory committees. For example, instead of moving a bill along, a committee may determine that there is too much missing information and thus sends the bill to a study committee that will look further into the issue. A study committee normally consists of a few House members and perhaps a Senate member. The scope of the study committee is usually limited to a certain time period for a report and to determine an outcome such as legislation creation.

There are also commissions that are established. The difference between a commission and a study committee is quite simple. A commission has outside members, not just legislators, as part of it. A study commission on banking may entail appointing a few bankers, the banking commissioner, and perhaps financial institutions representatives to be on the board. Commissions may exist for a finite period of time, but the report of the study is an interesting read nonetheless.

GREEN FROM 7

“We are seeing a greater variety in the size of the projects, from smaller requests to large scale ones,” Stacy said. For example, Little Green Homes completed a timber frame screen porch with new windows for a home in Durham and has started a new home in Derry. It is the going 19th green home in New Hampshire.

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<td>Christmas Fair at Community Congregational Church</td>
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<td>Holiday Shrinky Dinks / Dance Dance Revolution will be set up</td>
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<td>Holiday Instrument with Mary and Bob Paul—Celtic harp and hummed尔ed dulcimer</td>
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<td>Saturday, December 13, 2014</td>
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<td>Breakfast with Santa and Marty Moose at the Country View Restaurant in Greenland</td>
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<td>Candy Workshop for grades 4 &amp; up; signups required</td>
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**Chowder Luncheons** By Lee Pearl

The Women’s Alliance at the Community Congregational Church will again host the annual Fish/Corn Chowder Luncheons at the CCC Parish House on Tuesdays, February 24 and March 10 (Election Day) and 24 from 11:30-1:00 p.m. The luncheons include fish and corn chowder, homemade bread, homemade pies, and coffee/tea.

For only $7, you’ll be able to enjoy a community event that should not be missed! Where else can you get haddock fish chowder, homemade bread, coffee, and dessert (no tax, no tip) for this price?

Questions? Please contact Lee Pearl at 603-436-3932 or the church office at 603-436-8336 or GreenlandUCC@myfairpoint.net.

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**Congregational Church Christmas Pageant** By Mark Weaver

The Greenland Community Congregational Church’s fifth, sixth, and seventh grade Sunday School classes have been working on this year’s Christmas Pageant to be performed immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service on Sunday, December 21, 2014. This year the Pageant will be loosely based on one of their favorite movies, The Lion King. In this child’s retelling of the Christmas story, we see how a child’s view can be filtered by her love for a small lion. Although the child’s retelling of the story of Jesus’ birth gets to be a bit confused, we learn that in the end God’s love for us shown through the birth of his Son is the message we all can understand from Christmas. Come join us for this special presentation by all of our Sunday School children.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office at GreenlanUCC@myfairpoint.net or 603-436-8336.

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