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## A Town Flag for Conway: Quilters Answer the Challenge

by Patricia Ann Lynch

Many residents, especially more recent ones, may not be aware that Conway has an official town flag. Until 2004 it didn't.

In the mid-1990s the Commonwealth of Massachusetts sent letters to each of the commonwealth's 391 cities and towns inviting them to submit their official flag to be hung in the Great Hall of the State House in Boston. Although the idea of creating a town flag was raised with several town groups, no action resulted. A second invitation arrived in 1997, notifying the town that it was one of the 101 communities that hadn't yet responded. Again, the invitation went unanswered. When a third invitation reached the town in December 1999, Conway resident Jack Ramey took it to Mary Merriam, who had been leading an informal quilting group at Town Hall during the winter months. He asked whether the group might consider designing and creating a flag that would represent the spirit and uniqueness of the town. The group accepted the challenge.

Mrs. Merriam came up with a design for a four- by six-foot flag (the size requested) using the appliqué technique. On the front would be stylized representations of the most significant elements of the town: the Burkeville Covered Bridge over the South River, the domed Field Memorial Library, a white-steepled church, homes, a red barn to stand for Conway's farms, and the trees,

fields, and rolling hills of our beautiful area. Incorporated in the design was a banner with the town's name and date of incorporation. The reverse would show a replica of the town seal adopted at the time of the town's bicentennial in 1967, which was embroidered by Lois Vight on a white background.



Paul Franz, *The Recorder*, Greenfield, MA

We – and I was one of the small group of quilters who produced the flag – began work in the winter of 2002, taking turns stitching the various parts of the design together during our weekly sessions. The flag was presented at town meeting as a work in progress, then after it was completed, the flag was displayed at the Field Memorial Library for several weeks. But before we parted with it, we produced an exact duplicate to keep here in town, forever to be a part of the town it represents.

Mary Merriam and a group of her devoted quilters hand-delivered the finished flag to the State House on January 15, 2004, where then-State Representative Stephen Kulik was on hand to accept it on behalf of the commonwealth. The State House is currently closed to the public, but when it reopens, you can visit our flag in the magnificent marbled Great Hall where it hangs. Hopefully a place will be found in town where its twin can be on permanent exhibit.



## Conway Council on Aging

The COA receives a grant from the state Executive Office of Elder Affairs and an appropriation from the town. Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in Town Hall. Next meeting will be January 5. For more information, contact Patricia Ann Lynch, COA chair, at 369-4284 or email [patricialynch@earthlink.net](mailto:patricialynch@earthlink.net).

### Senior Calendar for January

**Congregate Meals** On January 27 there will be a noon meal at Town Hall at which the Attorney General's office will present a "Savvy Senior" training program on how to avoid financial exploitation, spot scammers, and protect yourself online this winter. No menu has been set as yet.

**"First Friday" Walk-in Wellness Clinics** Clinics are held on the first Friday of the month in the Conway Town Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Regional public health nurses Lisa White, RN, and Meg Ryan, RN, staff the clinic. There are no out-of-pocket costs to residents for this service, which is provided through the town's membership in FRCOG Cooperative Public Health Service. For more information, call 413-665-1400 x 114.

**Grab-and-Go Meals** The COA offers fully prepared meals from LifePath most Thursdays at noon for curbside pickup at Town Hall. Menus vary. For more information or to sign up for a meal, call Carolyn Thayer at 369-6948. LifePath suggests a voluntary donation of \$3.00 per meal ordered.

**Healthy Bones & Balance Classes** These free classes, sponsored by RSVP, offer a combination of upper body, lower body, core, and balance exercises. Classes meet on Tuesday from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. and Friday from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. on Zoom. Contact leader Gary Fentin at 369-0001 for information and the Zoom link.

**Monthly Foot Care** Foot clinics are usually held on the first Monday of the month in Town Hall by appointment only. The next clinic will be on December 6. There is a \$20.00 fee. For information or to schedule an appointment, call Peg Tiley at 369-4010.

**Yoga for Seniors** Led by Jody Fontaine on Wednesdays at the library. These are hybrid classes with an option for Zoom streaming. Class times: mat yoga 10:00-11:00 a.m., chair yoga 11:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Call Jody at 413-824-9435 for the Zoom links.

### Senior Services

**Durable Medical Equipment Loans** The COA has items of durable medical equipment available for loan, including wheelchairs, walkers, crutches, canes, tub and shower chairs, commodes, and raised toilet seats. Call Hank Horstmann at 369-4405 to borrow equipment. Owing to lack of storage space, we are currently unable to accept donations of equipment.

**Home-Delivered Meals** Meals on Wheels are provided by LifePath for Conway seniors seven days a week. Call LifePath at 773-5555 for further information and registration.

**Transportation for Medical Appointments and Shopping** The Shelburne Falls Senior Center provides curb-to-curb van transportation within Franklin County for seniors 60 and over, for in-county medical appointments and grocery shopping. Call the center at 625-2502 to make an appointment at least 48 hours in advance or for information about reservations and fees. A short application with a copy of a photo ID is needed to be pre-approved for ridership. Fares range from \$.75 to \$2.25 each way. For rides to out-of-county medical appointments, call the FRTA at 774-2262 x 163 for information and reservations.

## Attorney General's Office Savvy Senior Session

Join the Attorney General's Office (AGO) for a training on how to avoid financial exploitation, spot scammers, and protect yourself online this winter! Following the noon Council on Aging meal at Town Hall on Thursday, January 27, a representative from the AGO's Community Engagement Division will offer a presentation on *Savvy Senior: How to Protect Yourself from Becoming a Victim of Scams*. The aim is to ensure that senior communities and providers are equipped with information and resources to protect themselves from any type of fraud, abuse, or identity theft. Join us to learn how to detect and fight against the most common scams happening right now.

## COVID Vaccine, Delta, and Omicron, oh My!

The year 2021 closed with COVID and its variants having a global effect on the population of our planet. The Conway Board of Health is witnessing an upward trend in cases. We've seen more Conway residents infected in one week than during the entire first year of the pandemic.

This fall, COVID vaccine was made available to children age five and over. Many here in town took advantage of the VAX-BUS to have their children immunized. In addition, adults could also be vaccinated or receive a booster shot.

Currently, the mask mandate remains in effect. Like every person on the planet, we look forward to a time when the mandate can be lifted. We continuously monitor the number of cases and work on behalf of the safety of our community.

Nationally, only 18% of the adult population has gotten a booster. Studies are showing that the booster – together with wearing a mask – increases your level of protection against the virus.

We hope that your holidays were merry and bright and that you all have a COVID-free start to the New Year!

## Burning Permit Changes for 2022

by Robert Baker



To apply for a brush burning permit from January 15 through May 1 you may still apply online at [fcburnpermits.com](http://fcburnpermits.com). If you cannot apply online you may call the fire chief's office at 413-369- 4235 x 6 or the chief's cell number, 413-522-9251. Please remember that you may start calling after 9:00 a.m. Burning hours are from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. with permission.

## Notes from the Town Administrator

2022! It's a new year, and in looking back I remembered that one of the most important aspects of my job is hearing from you. I want to be sure that everyone feels they know how to communicate with the town on matters of importance to them and that you feel you know where to look for important information about the town. The two main avenues for communication from the town to you are the town's website [www.townofconway.com](http://www.townofconway.com) and this newsletter, so please check both often for updates. You can also sign up for automatic updates on topics of your choice through the website. The town is looking into reworking the website layout, so if you have any suggestions for improvement, please do forward them to me.

I also want to remind people that the town's American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) working group is interested in obtaining information on households and businesses in Conway that have been negatively affected by the pandemic. Knowing what the effects of the pandemic are and have been on the Conway community is the first step toward being able to direct these funds to the best uses. All information will be kept confidential and can be made anonymously.

Please do reach out to me anytime at [townadmin@townofconway.com](mailto:townadmin@townofconway.com) or 369-4235 x 3, or you may also use the Resident Feedback option listed under Town Administrator on the website.

I wish you and yours a Happy & Healthy New Year!

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## Almost a Nickel Less than Eversource!

By Bob Armstrong

Conway's Municipal Aggregation is just completing the first year of our three-year contract to purchase electricity on behalf of residents. We offer three power products differing in their supported level of renewable "green" energy, one with the legal minimum, the same as Eversource, one with 25% additional Class 1 renewable and one that is 100% Class 1 renewable. When we polled Conway residents, by a large margin they preferred the goal to buy more renewable than the legal minimum but at a price no higher than Eversource. We set our "standard" product to be the middle one, anticipating (optimistically) that it's price would be less than Eversource's.

When you joined the aggregation, you were assigned the standard product unless you specified something else, and most residents still purchase the standard product. You can switch among our products or back to Eversource at any time at no cost or contract. If you are not in the aggregation (you opted out or were purchasing your power from an independent supplier), you are welcome to join at any time. Some independent suppliers require contracts so you might consider joining when that contract ends. You can tell who your current supplier is by looking at your bill from Eversource. Every six months, Eversource is required to go out to bid for their electric supply, and we generally think of them as having a summer and a winter price. They've just released their

winter price that will begin January 1. On your bill, you can see how you are charged separately for your supply and for it's delivery. All prices discussed here are only for the supply, and you are charged for supply and delivery based on how much of each you consume. Here are the supply prices, starting January 1, all prices in kilowatt hours (kwh) consumed:

Eversource	\$0.13702
Conway Basic	\$0.09345
Conway Standard	\$0.10292
Conway 100% Class 1	\$0.13134

So our basic rate is almost a nickel less than Eversource. An average Conway home might consume 600 kwh per month, so switching from Eversource to basic would save you over \$26/month. Switching to our standard product would save over \$20/month. Even our 100% renewable product is cheaper than Eversource. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 413-522-7617. Or go to our aggregation website at <https://colonialpowergroup.com/conway/>. Or call them, the Colonial Power Group, at 508-485-5858.

## Update from the Field Memorial Library

Many thanks to all who donated to the Friends of the Field Memorial Library Giving Tree. Donated items included books, gift cards, food stuffs of many types, money, and many other items. This was an outstanding example of the generosity of the FML and Conway community. The friends of the library and I thank you all so much!

All donations were given to the Hilltown Churches Food Pantry. The Food Pantry provides food for many needy families in Conway and ten surrounding towns. Food distributions are every other Tuesday from 3:00-5:00 p.m., serving about 600 people at each distribution. For more information go to <https://ashfield.org/2391/Hilltown-Churches-Food-Pantry>.

Meanwhile, the effort to fully implement C/WMars continues. After several Herculean battles with the likes of Comcast, Apple, Microsoft, Dell, Best Buy, and even C/WMars itself, we are happy to report that thanks to the local heroes at Hilltown Networks in Ashfield, we have completed the last few feet of the digital infrastructure upon which our portal to C/WMars will sit! Next steps for 2022 include *cataloging training* on how to add our collection to Evergreen followed by adding every one of our approximately 14,000 items to the Evergreen database. This will take some months, and we need volunteers to be trained and to participate in group sessions for adding items. Fortunately, many of our items already exist in the database, so a good portion of that will be to link a book in hand to an existing record, rather than entering the necessary data. Little of this is likely to be true of our "vintage" collection, so the historically minded among you are especially invited to volunteer for cataloging this collection. Most of this collection will not circulate, but for the first time it can be known outside FML's walls.

After at least 80% of our circulating collection is in the system, we will provide *patron registration training* to begin to enter FML patrons into Evergreen. This will be your chance to get an FML library card: the first in over 120 years and sure to be an instant collector's item!

We very much hope that COVID can be controlled enough to allow us to have an in-person celebration at the library when we get to handing out the new FML cards, so please practice all safety precautions! Patron registration will be followed by *circulation training* and implementation, and then we will be ready to fully circulate online through C/W MARS and participate in all the various forms of resource sharing!

If you signed up to receive notice of when the new FML cards will be available, you will receive an email announcing our training time(s). There is no need to contact us again. If you did not sign up

for email notice, please come in and do so or email [director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org) with your availability.

Happy New Year from the Field Memorial Library! We look forward to seeing you in 2022!

David Whittier, Director, Field Memorial Library  
[director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:director@fieldmemoriallibrary.org)  
413-369-4646 <https://fieldmemoriallibrary.org>

## FOH Scholarship Recipients: An Interview with Zoe Lemos

by Geoffrey Baker and Mikayla Reine

This month we connected with Zoe Lemos, one of last year's Festival of the Hills scholarship recipients, to find out how she used her scholarship to take the next step in her musical career. Even if you haven't met Zoe, you may have heard her band at a show in the Pioneer Valley, since she's been performing as a singer and guitarist and writing songs since she was ten years old.

A western Massachusetts native, Zoe spent her early years in Ashfield before moving to Conway in eighth grade. After graduating from Pioneer Valley Performing Arts school in South Hadley, she moved to New York City to start a career in music and graphic design. Zoe supports herself by designing cover art and videos for musicians and plans on developing her skills further in college in the coming year (wish her luck as the admissions decisions start to roll in!). Her Festival of the Hills scholarship was instrumental in allowing her to purchase an iPad, a critical tool in her line of work. The purchase helped her build a portfolio to share with her potential clients as well as make her own art and music.

Although Zoe seems to be hitting the ground running in New York, she does miss Conway for its trees, its space, and the beautiful drives through the area. We hope she'll find time to visit between her studies and her pursuit of music.

The Festival of the Hills scholarship fund provides scholarships to graduating high school seniors from Conway. The festival is a 501(3)(c) organization, so scholarship recipients can use the money granted for anything that will help them get their start – like Zoe’s iPad. This also means that the festival relies entirely on donations and volunteer support. Please consider donating, whether time or money, so that the festival can continue to provide this wonderful opportunity to our graduating seniors. To donate, or for more information about volunteering, please visit [www.festivalofthehills.com](http://www.festivalofthehills.com).

## Distinguished Conway Residents: William Lester Stevens

Highly regarded landscape painter W. Lester Stevens (1888-1969) was born in Rockport, Massachusetts, where he lived and worked for many years. He began studying art with the painter Parker Perkins and by the age of eighteen had exhibited his first work at the National Academy of Design and entered the Boston Museum of Fine Arts School, where he developed his own impressionist style. After leaving school, he launched an active painting career, interrupted only by a tour of duty in Europe during World War I. In 1921 he was instrumental in organizing the Rockport Art Association – still thriving today – with the goal of making art more accessible to common people. He shared his enthusiasm for painting and his talent not just by exhibiting regularly but also by teaching at both Princeton and Boston Universities.

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20th century, he had by 1964 won a hundred national and international awards for his work. In the 1930s he left Rockport for western Mass., as one source says, because it was "becoming overrun . . . with



artists." Whatever the reason, he and his wife, Angelina, moved first to Springfield and ultimately settled into the Conway farmhouse on Cricket Hill where he lived and painted from 1944 until his death in 1969.

As part of Conway's 250th Anniversary celebration, the Conway Historical Society organized a special exhibit of Stevens's paintings at the Field Memorial Library. Included in the exhibit were works by 15 contemporary New England artists who felt that the work of Lester Stevens had had a major impact on their development as artists.

In an article in the *Republican*, Dr. Judith Wermuth-Atkinson, a member of the W. Lester Stevens Exhibit Committee and a Historical Society trustee, the mark Stevens left on Conway resulted from the value he placed on the act of creating art. To quote her: "To put it simply, with the way he shared his art, with the way he taught, and most of all, with the way he painted, Lester Stevens showed to those who lived around him and who will carry on his views into the future that the life of an artist has to be lived mindfully for the sake of the very process of creating art – not for the prestige, not for the honors and not for the money."

According to the *Republican* article, Stevens was involved in the life of Conway and helped organize the Festival of the Hills. In addition to sharing his work in many small exhibits, he also taught painting to his neighbors.

## Meet Me at the Station

by Kathy Llamas

With the New Year, the Conway Mall is thriving! We have had continuous, generous donations that have filled the mall to the brim! What a wonderful way to not only keep things out of the landfill but to give these gently used items a new home.

Beginning January 15, we will start culling the clothing racks, the book donations, the toys and puzzles and household goods that have been here for some time so that they can be offered to a larger community. If you have had your eyes on an item yet didn't want to take too many items at one time – come and get it! We always want the mall donations to go to Conway folks first!

The mask mandate is still in place. Please remember that one must be worn when visiting the mall. With the February issue, this column will introduce you to the many people who make our Station hum!

Until next time, my friends!

## Winter Parking Reminder

According to the town's bylaws, a townwide winter parking ban is in effect from November 1 through April of the following year, between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 7:00 a.m. On-street parking on public roadways will not be permitted during these times. In addition, vehicles should be removed from public roadways during daylight hours in the instance of inclement weather or stated snow emergency for snow removal purposes. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

## Unheard Melodies

by Nicole Braden-Johnson

*"Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard /Are sweeter"*  
– John Keats *"Ode on a Grecian Urn"*

## Ghost Chrysalis

All year it clings to the thin plum branch,  
At first perhaps a lone lingering leaf,  
But as the paper husk fades to spectral shroud,  
A mummified monarch is revealed, mid-metamorphosis.  
Change is strange and dangerous.  
Like Gregor Samsa doomed in his own mind,  
Myriad tadpoles expire  
While their bodies grow lungs and limbs.  
On the deck a dragonfly becomes stuck half hatched,  
Wings forever fused like crinkled cellophane.

Every new year, however, the garden comes alive  
With the sharp buzz of water nymphs,  
The throaty calls of frogs and toads,  
And the delicate dalliances of the butterflies



## From Conway's Kitchens



*From Gail Connelly; originally published in Conway's Open*

### Blonde Brownies

- ½ cup softened butter
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 cup sugar
- ½ cup light brown sugar
- 1½ cups flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 cup Heath toffee bits
- 1 cup chopped pecans

Beat butter, eggs, vanilla, and sugars together. Combine dry ingredients, including toffee bits and pecans. Mix the wet and dry ingredients together. Grease a 9 x 13" pan and pour batter in. Bake at 350 for 30 minutes. Cool and cut into squares. Makes about 3 dozen.

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**Baker's Country Store** - open seven days a week for all-day take-out breakfast and lunch. Hours: Monday-Friday 6 a.m. – 6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. Call 369-4936. Find a variety of homemade desserts and baked goods and a large selection of last-minute items. We always have freshly baked cakes, muffins, pies, and cookies - put in your order today for one of Helen's famous pies! Check us out on Facebook: [facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store](https://facebook.com/Bakers-Country-Store) for today's specials.



**The Conway Inn** - Open for pizza, chicken wings, and breadsticks, Friday and Saturday, 4 - 10 p.m.; Sunday 5 - 8 p.m. Call 413-369-4428 for takeout. **Bluegrass on Friday, January 14 - IF the mask mandate has been lifted.** Call to check. **Happy New Year and thanks for your support!**



**Join Natural Roots CSA** - for delicious, fresh vegetables grown right here in Conway. We have several CSA share options, including part-time and low-income shares, main season (June through October) and winter shares. Our farm store is also open to the public year-round during daylight hours. We offer eggs from our own pastured hens as well as other local items like beef, chicken, pork, dairy, bread & baked goods, honey & maple products, coffee & tea, ice cream, snacks, beverages and more! Support a horse-powered farm in Conway and



enjoy this beautiful, bountiful farm and the vibrant community that we feed. [www.naturalroots.com](http://www.naturalroots.com). Natural Roots, 888 Shelburne Falls Rd., Conway, MA 01341, (413) 369 - 4269, [farmers@naturalroots.com](mailto:farmers@naturalroots.com).

**Your Home Town Realtor** - As a Conway resident for over 20 years, I provide local, attentive and trustworthy service for both buyers and sellers in our community. Previous experience as a licensed residential architect is valuable for my clients. Please contact me for a free, no obligation consultation! Sarah Newman, Realtor with Coldwell Banker Community Realtors. Call or text: 413-548-6525 or email [sarah.newman@cbcommunityrealtors.com](mailto:sarah.newman@cbcommunityrealtors.com) - Thank you!

**Transportation Services for Elders** - Driving services for doctor appointments, shopping, supermarket visits are available at very reasonable rates. Over 6 years experience assisting community elders. Please call John at 413-369-6099 or email at [johnpitz17@gmail.com](mailto:johnpitz17@gmail.com).

**Rada Cutlery** - support your local church by shopping for Rada Cutlery! All cutlery is made in the USA and includes a lifetime guarantee. This fine cutlery is in high demand; The stylish design makes it attractive but still retains quality that will last a lifetime. Choose from many options, sure to help you in performing any kitchen task and creating all your favorite recipes. And your purchases will support the United Congregational Church! Paper catalogs available by request. To order, call Muriel Antes at 369.4350 or Tina Burnett at 369.8035, or use this simple link: [bit.ly/3mTpO18](http://bit.ly/3mTpO18).

**Viola and violin lessons with Geoffrey Baker** - 215-760-0729. String players of all ages and ability at my Conway studio at 28 Main Street. Experience the fulfillment of playing Bach, Mozart, the Beatles, Bruno Mars, Fire on the Mountain, or anything you like with a bow and four strings. My teaching philosophy: you are an athlete as well as an artist when you play an instrument and playing live music is for your entire life, so why not improve now or pick up where you left off? I have worked with teens in large classes, children in small groups, and coached adults in chamber music. It's never too late to begin! My learning foundation combines technique, expression, and theory to give you the tools to grow. I know from experience that teaching is about reaching people. Learn more at [www.geoffreybakermusic.com](http://www.geoffreybakermusic.com).

**Wilder Hill Gardens** - Contact us in March/April to schedule a spring consultation or pruning for your property. Wilder Hill Gardens reopens in April for plant sales. Our Mother's Day Weekend Sale is a great manual event! Stay tuned for information on a direct-from-the-field Dig

Sale, a fun and economical way to expand your gardens with strong field-grown shrubs chosen to thrive and bloom in our climate. Here's to a warm winter to all and see you in the spring! 351 South Shirkshire Road, Conway MA. 413 625-9446. [Wilderhillgardens.com](http://Wilderhillgardens.com). Email [lilianjackman@gmail.com](mailto:lilianjackman@gmail.com).

**Happy New Year from Jan and John Maggs Antiques.** - Special thanks to everyone who stopped in to say hello and have a look at our shop during December. We're proud of our new barn and love to show it and all it contains to visitors from town and beyond. On the weekend of January 28 we'll be exhibiting at the second New York Antiques Show, an online event featuring more than 100 dealers and shops. It's free to shop, and there's no pressure to buy. Later this month we'll post a link to the show on our website. Here at home, we'll be open by appointment through the winter months. Simply email [jmaggs@jmaggs.com](mailto:jmaggs@jmaggs.com) or call 413-369-4256 to arrange a visit. You might also enjoy browsing our website: [jmaggs.com](http://jmaggs.com).



**Happy New Year from OESCO!** - Maybe it's time to snuggle up for more good reading as you prepare for the growing season. *Compost Teas for the Organic Grower* is very popular as is *Our Native Bees*, *Mushrooms of the Northeast* and *Apples of North America*. Of course, we have a slew of Tractor Mac books for the kiddos! Skip the New Year's diet resolution and try a new recipe in Amy Traverso's new *The Apple Lover's Cookbook*. Of course, the Conway cookbook is a big hit and proceeds go to FOH. When the snow comes and you need a shovel or warm gloves, we are a great source. Thanks for buying locally. OESCO, 8 Ashfield Road, Conway, MA 01341. Open M-F: 7-5; 413-369-4335



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