

**FARMERS JOURNAL** by Deb Noonan

**THANK YOU CANAAN CITIZENS!**

The members of the Canaan Farmer's Hall want to thank the townspeople of Canaan for their generous donation of \$15,000.00 toward the purchase of a lift that will allow those who are unable to climb the stairs to access the second story. We still have another \$25,000 to raise and will be having several fundraisers throughout the summer and fall months.



**It will be wonderful to have all Canaanites to be able to access the second story for all events!**



**Newsletter Spotlight**

- **Thank you to Canaan Townspeople**
- **Fundraising for the lift project**
- **Upcoming Yard Sale on May 10th 2014**
- **Real Estate donation**
- **2013 projects a huge success!**
- **Opening of the Farmers Hall**

**2013 Projects Successful**

The Farmers Hall Board of Directors were busy last year! Major goals were achieved through dinners, membership drives, craft fairs, lectures, contra dances, and bake sales. Special thanks go to all the volunteers who made these events so successful.

So where did the money go? Here are *just a few* of the projects that we completed:

- ◆ New septic system
- ◆ Bigger parking lot with better drainage
- ◆ Plumbing repaired
- ◆ 38 new windows

We hope that 2014 will be another banner year for the Canaan Farmers Hall. Thank you to all of you who continue to so generously support our events.

**Land Donation**

This year the Canaan Farmers Hall was surprised when a member donated a 1.27 acre lot with a septic system and drilled well on Route 23 with the purpose to help raise funds for the lift project. The lot has an existing well and septic which may or may not be viable. This is an extraordinary donation and we are grateful beyond words. To sell the property we have decided to do a raffle.

**Two hundred tickets will be sold for \$100 each. Date of drawing to be announced!**

**Upcoming Events**

- **Wed April 30th Spring Cleaning 10:00 am @ Farmers Hall.**
- **Thurs. May 1st & Fri. May 9th**  
5:00 -630 pm  
Drop off donations for Yard Sale @ Farmers Hall
- **Sat. May 10th**  
Yard Sale  
9 am - 2 pm @ Farmers Hall
- **Mon. May 5th**  
General Meeting  
6:00 pm @ Farmers Hall
- **Sat. May 24th**  
Contra Dance  
Caller: John McIntire  
Band: Twisted Strings  
8:00 - 10:30 pm
- **Big Time Raffle!!!**  
Starts May 1st  
See details on land Donation!

**Spring 2014 Fund Raiser**

Nancy Jervey has once again donated her time to help the Canaan Farmers Hall. This year she has created 25 commemorative plates for the 2014 Spring fundraiser. Nice job Nancy and Thank You! Only 25 available so first come first served!!



**BIG TIME RAFFLE**

Only 200 tickets to be sold for a 1.27 acre lot!  
Located at 36 Hinckley Rd, Canaan  
Ticket Price \$100.00  
Tickets available May 1st

**Lending a hand is a good feeling.**

Every organization has a handful of people that go beyond the call of duty in helping make a endeavor a success. Some folks have money to give and some folks have time to give. There are those who are fortunate enough to give both. However you can help, it is no small matter. If you are someone who is looking for a way to reach out into the community more, you may want to consider how you can help the Farmer's Hall. There are plenty of tasks and some volunteers too. Do you know that if you volunteer to work for two events you can get a free membership?

We value everyone's time and contributions. Speaking of contributions, did you know that all monetary donations are tax deductible? That is because we are a non-profit organization.

Beyond this, when you attend an event that you helped organize, whether through time, funding, or both, you feel great. Watching friends, family, and neighbors chatting, laughing and telling stories anchors you to your community. It is a good feeling to know.



**Friends and neighbors of all ages enjoy events at the Canaan Farmers Hall.**

