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Gill Newsletter

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Town Hall News

Winter Roads & Snow

With the recent arrival of Spring on the calendar, warmer temperatures are sure to follow. Before saying a final good-bye to Winter, let us all give a round of applause to Gill's Highway Department – Eddie Ambo, John Miner, and Mick LaClaire. They kept our roads free of snow and safe to travel during these last few months, no matter the hour or the day. Ernie Hastings helped out too during the February blizzard when we needed all the trucks plowing to keep ahead of the storm. Thanks!

Our thanks also to a great neighbor, Jim Tomasi, for helping with his snow blower to clear the snow from the walkways at Town Hall.

Annual Town Meeting

This year's Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 11 at 6:30 PM. Please save the date on your calendar. We hope to see you there - your thoughts and ideas, opinions and votes are all important!

Warrant articles for the Annual Town Meeting need to be submitted to Ray Purington by May 16 at Noon. A form for petitioned warrant articles can be downloaded from the Town's website (www.gillmass.org) and is also available at Town Hall.

Trash Stickers

"Where may I buy trash stickers?" has been a frequent question at Town Hall during the past month. Four locations currently sell trash stickers: Upinngil Farm, Wagon Wheel Restaurant, Scotty's (on the Hill in Turners), and the Gill Town Hall.

Spring Clean Sweep Collection

Speaking of trash, some things are too large to fit in a trash bag. So the Franklin County Solid Waste District is holding a "Clean Sweep" bulky waste collection on Saturday, May 18, from 9 AM to 12 Noon. The three drop-off sites are: the Buckland Recreation Facility on Rt. 112 South, the Northfield Highway Garage, and the Whately Transfer Station.

Residents of Gill and other district towns may bring a wide range of bulky items such as tires, computers, televisions, appliances, scrap metal, furniture, mattresses, carpeting, construction debris, propane gas tanks, and other



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large items. Materials will be recycled whenever possible.

Residents do not need to pre-register for the collection.

However, there are charges for disposal. Businesses may participate. Disposal fees, cash only, will be collected from residents during check-in at each site. A complete list of prices for the most common items is available on-line at: www.franklincountywastedistrict.org.

There will be another collection in the fall on October 19 at the same locations and hours as above.

For more information call the District office at 413-772-2438, or email info@franklincountywastedistrict.org.

Medication Collection Sites

Previous issues of this newsletter have informed residents about Prescription Drug Take Back Day, a safe, no questions asked way to dispose of old prescription medications, vitamins, non-prescription medicines, and veterinary drugs.

There are now ongoing collection sites at participating Franklin County police stations, including the Greenfield, Erving, and Montague Police Stations. Place your unwanted medications in the green MEDRETURN box. (Liquid medication, chemotherapy drugs, syringes/needles, and IV equipment are not accepted.)

Massachusetts ParksPass

The Town is again participating in the Department of Conservation and Recreation's ParksPass program. The ParksPass is a hanging tag that entitles the bearer to free parking for one vehicle at over 50 facilities in the Massachusetts state parks system that charge a day-use parking fee. The ParksPass may be signed out from the Slate Memorial Library.

Burn Permits

One last reminder – Burning season runs through May 1. Burning brush requires a permit and can only be done during burning season. If a Gill resident would like to burn brush on a given day, please go to www.fcburnpermits.com and complete the online permit. People without computer access may still call 625-8200, and Shelburne Control will fill out the form for them.

*Ray Purington,
Administrator Assistant*

From the Town Clerk

In this busy year, I remind you of several important dates.

State Primary

April 30, 2013, from 7 AM to 8 PM at the Fire Station on 196A Main Road.

Voter registration deadline is April 10 at the Town Hall.

Annual Town Election

May 20, 2013, Noon to 8 PM at the Fire Station on Main Road.

Voter registration deadline is April 30 at the election location.

Nomination papers are available now until March 28, 2013, and the last day to submit them is April 1, 2013.

Office	Term
Selectboard	3 years
Board of Assessor	3 years
Cemetery Commissioner	3 years
Board of Health	3 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Treasurer	3 years

State Election

June 25, 2013 – 7 AM to 8 PM at the Fire Station, 196 Main Road.

Voter registration deadline is June 5, 2013, at Town Hall.

A Reminder

I have been so pleased with the response to the census, but for those who may have forgotten, please send them in as soon as possible and do not forget the March 31 deadline for getting your dog licensed. Anyone who has not licensed their dog by March 31 will be asked to pay a \$10 late fee.

Town Clerk Assistant, Doreen Stevens has been very busy throughout the winter typing all our early town meeting minutes so that we will have digital copy. This will help us look up information and decisions made in the past.



The work she has done on this project is greatly appreciated.

Carrie Stevens continues to work on and keep up with our effort to have all of our vital records recorded digitally. A special thanks to her for all she is doing.

If you have any questions, please call the Town Clerk at 863-8103

Lynda Hodsdon Mayo, Town Clerk, has office hours Monday-Thursday, 1 PM to 4 PM and Monday evening, 5:30-6:30 PM and other times by appointment. 413-863-8103

From the Memorial Comittee

The Memorial Committee is considering a feasibility study for a new Memorial Monument. The current Memorial Monuments date from the Revolutionary War through 1975. It is our feeling that it may be time to update from 1976 to present, in recognition of those men and women from Gill who have served our Country. We are seeking your input on this project. We ask you to contact any Committee Member before we meet in late April or early May to discuss this further. Date and time will be announced.

Topics:

1. Ways of funding this project.
2. Monument design, contractor contact and estimate.
3. Placement drawing and land-

scaping changes.

4. Names of servicemen and women who entered the Service while residents of Gill.

5. Any additional ideas that apply to the project.

We would also like to invite everyone to attend the annual Memorial Day service on Sunday, May 26, 2013, beginning at 10 AM at the Gill Congregational Church and concluding across the street for a short ceremony at the Memorial Monuments. Any Gill Veteran in attendance will receive a free Gill Veteran baseball cap.

The Memorial Committee:

Chet Kuzontkoski 863-9284

Doug & Elaine Smith 863-3115

Gary & Merri Bourbeau 863-8613

Friends of Gill

Many thanks to everyone who made the Pancake Breakfast on March 23 a success. Well attended, the breakfast gathered many community members for good eating and conversation. The Friends of Gill would like to thank Jacob Rau of Gill and Liam Sullivan of Northfield Mount Hermon for their donations of local Maple Syrup.

Police Department

Now that Spring has arrived with its longer days and warmer weather, the Police Department wants to

remind all motorists to be on the lookout for walkers and bicyclists who share our roads. Please drive at appropriate speeds and be cautious and considerate when passing pedestrians and bicycles.

URGENT MEETING

of the

Gill Riverside Cemetery Commission

Monday, April 8, 6:30 PM

at the Turners Falls Safety Complex
Community Room

All interested parties welcome!

All people interested in the welfare and continuation of the Riverside Cemetery should attend this meeting. There are several key issues which need to be resolved immediately, including the selection of new trustees to fill both current and impending vacancies.

We are hopeful that some younger members of our community will step forward.

Light refreshments will be available.

From the Turnpike Road entrance park on the right, and then walk back to the sidewalk and use the main entrance door to the lobby. The community room is immediately to your right as you enter the lobby. Other doors to the facility are not public access points.



Health News

Prevention is Key to Lyme Epidemic

Lyme is a public health crisis that is now epidemic in many areas of the state. Transmitted by the bite of infected black legged deer ticks, Lyme is a serious health hazard that may be prevented. While ticks can bite at any time of year, the warmer temps of spring are sure to bring an increase in tick activity. Here are some steps to take to prepare for a safe season for you and your family!

- Obtain a tick ID card from town hall or the library to keep on hand. When outside, avoid brushy wooded areas, stay on the path when hiking.
- Use DEET insect repellent on exposed skin or treat shoes, socks, shorts/pants, and shirt with PERMETHRIN tick repellent BEFORE you venture out. Let it dry onto the fabric (takes about an hour or two). At-home treated clothes can be washed up to 6 times.
- Check daily for ticks! Look for “freckles” - ticks can be very small!
- Remove ticks safely: grab with pointed tweezers very close to skin, near or on the head, and pull straight out. Wash skin after removal.
- If you are bitten by a black legged tick, notify your health care provider to determine if treatment

is needed. Generally, it takes more than 24 hours attachment for disease transmission to occur.

- Two great references for more info: www.tickencounter.org and www.mass.gov

Dealing with an on-going health issue of your own or someone you care for?

The Franklin County Cooperative Public Health Service (CPHS) regional public health nurse provides direct assistance to individuals and their family members to be effective managers of their own care. Free to Gill residents, this service is provided through the Town’s membership in the CPHS.

- Medication Management
- Symptom Management
- Goal setting, planning and decision-making
- Connecting with services and support

For more information call Public Health Nurse Lisa White, RN at 665-1400 x 114.

A Thank-You Note

Having retired from the Gill School in January, I would like to thank everyone who came to my special retirement sing at the Gill School on March 1. Also, thank you to all those who made a donation in my name to the School Library. It was a pleasure to be your “Lunch Lady” for over 33

years! I have met so many wonderful and interesting students and parents. I will miss the Gill School and all the great people I have worked with and met over the years!

Thank you all so very much. I appreciate your generosity and kindness!

Carole Lafleur

Energy Commission

The Energy Fair is coming!

The Gill Energy Commission is holding an educational Energy Fair at the Gill Town Hall at 325 Main Road on Saturday, April 6, from 9:30 AM–NOON. This Fair kicks off a campaign to reduce Gill’s energy use by 13% in 2013. The event is FREE to both attendees and exhibitors. Campaign signing up will begin at the Energy Fair. The first 100 homes in Gill that commit to this pledge will receive a Gill Energy reduction lawn sign. Door prizes will be given to the first 50 pledges. There will be exhibitors and demonstrations on practices and techniques to track and reduce energy use, develop a more sustainable lifestyle, live more comfortably, save money, and reduce individual carbon footprints. At 10 AM and at 11 AM, three featured speakers will present useful information and then answer questions. The sessions will be moderated by Ray Steele.



An Energy Tip Turn The Key—Be Idle Free.

Although spring is soon upon us, it is still common to see, hear, and smell cars and trucks with idling engines. For a variety of reasons, people everywhere are leaving their engines running; however, shutting them off prolongs engine life, saves money, conserves fuel, and protects our environment, while helping folks with asthma and other lung related conditions. The harmful effects of excessive engine idling are numerous. So it makes sense that Massachusetts and many other states prohibit idling for more than 5 minutes. But they rarely enforce this law AND five minutes is also much too long to leave an engine running.

The Myth about Engine Warm-up

Some folks think engines need to be “warmed up”. Actually the best way to warm up your engine is to start driving immediately because harmful carbon deposits build up much faster in a cold, idling motor. And if you think that starting an engine uses more gas than idling it, here’s another fact: Idling for over 10 seconds actually uses more gas than it takes to start an engine. This is why a 15 second rule, rather than a 5-minute one, makes more sense.

Will You Help?

If it is this simple and this important, why not start reminding your friends and family how easy it is to make a huge difference with a simple twist of the hand. They also care about this fragile planet and about the health of their children and neighbors. We do not need to wait for a legislative vote or improved police enforcement or a media blitz (although all this would be helpful). After all, it is really just basic common sense to turn off the engine.

What You May Do:

1. Shut off your engine when waiting at a drive up fast food or bank window. Or better yet, park your vehicle



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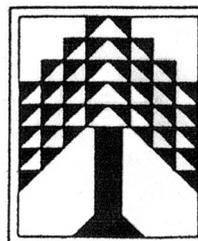
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and walk into the establishment.

2. Ask your school officials to encourage parents and bus drivers to turn off their engines while waiting for children.

3. Talk to your town officials, police, fire, and highway departments about adopting a strict "No-Idling" policy to reduce your town's fuel budget and to show that your town cares about climate change and air pollution.

4. Ask construction workers and the companies they work for to please turn off their pickup truck and car engines when parked or when taking breaks.

5. Approach your favorite stores, banks, gas stations, and other businesses you support to post a "No Idling" sign in their parking lot.

6. Think twice before buying a remote car starter for yourself or a friend. Once installed, the temptation to use it daily and excessively is just too great. And remember -- it's terrible for your engine.

7. Pick-up a stack of information cards at various places including The People's Pint or The Gill Tavern to distribute to folks as a polite reminder—they are free and make asking much easier.

For more information go to www.idlefreefranklincounty.wordpress.com or contact us through idlefreefranklincounty@gmail.com.

Alden Booth lives in Gill and enjoys the challenges and rewards of reducing the use of fossil fuels at work and at home. Along with many others, Alden believes that common sense, science, and morality compel us to make real daily efforts to minimize fuel consumption—an ongoing patriotic act that is absolutely vital to the health and welfare of our communities, our world and ourselves. For further discussion, he may be contacted at alden.booth@gmail.com

Please contact Energy Commission members Janet Masucci @ (413) 863-8694 or Pamela Lester @ (413) 222-9674 for more information.



Slate Library News

Due to the results of our patron survey and the universal desire for more library hours, Slate Library is happy to announce the library is now open every Wednesday from 3–7 PM. Please come and enjoy wireless internet in the center of town and browse our wonderful collection of books and media materials. We would love to have you join us!

New titles include *The Last Runaway* by Tracy Chevalier, *Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker* by Jennifer Chiaverini, and *Harvest* by Jim Crace. If you find you have less time for reading now that spring has finally arrived, why not try a short story collection, such as *Vampires in the Lemon Grove* by Karen Russell or *The Tenth of December* by George Saunders.

We also have many new non-fiction selections to add to our growing collection. *The Power of Habit* by Charles Duhigg, *The Dude and the Zen Master* by Jeff Bridges, and *The World Until Yesterday* by Jared Diamond.

Our young adult collection has a new group of graphic novels as well as the latest Caldecott and the Newberry medal award winners. Check out *This is Not My Hat* by John Klassen to see award winning illustrations or *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate, selected as the best children's book of the year.

RECOGNITION AND HONOR

*Be It Known that the Gill Select Board hereby
Extends its Congratulations to*

EDITH M. HASTINGS.

*With great pleasure the Select Board has presented the
Gill Bicentennial Cane and this citation to
Edith M. Hastings in recognition of her being the
oldest resident at the age of NINETY-SEVEN in
the Town of Gill, Massachusetts.*

*In recognition thereof we have signed our names officially
and caused the seal of the Town of Gill to be affixed on
the twenty-fifth day of March
in the year Two Thousand and Thirteen.*

(signed) Ann H. Banash, Chair
 John R. Ward
 Randy P. Crochier

Attest: Lynda Hodsdon Mayo, Town Clerk

A historical note: The tradition of recognizing the oldest resident of the town was started in 1909 when the Boston Post newspaper gave commemorative canes to towns throughout New England to use for that purpose. At some point, Gill's original cane was lost, and the tradition stopped until 1993 when the Gill Bicentennial Committee purchased a new cane as part of the 200th anniversary celebration. The first recipient of the Bicentennial Cane was Hazel Stevens, who held the cane until her death in 2002 at the age of 105. Mrs. Hastings is the second recipient of the Bicentennial Cane.

Academy award winning movies have just been released on DVD. *The Life of Pi*, *Argo*, *Silver Linings Playbook*, and *Lincoln* are now available for you to take home and enjoy.

Something is always new at Slate Library, so please come by and visit during open times four days a week!




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Gill Elementary School News

Read-a-thon

The Gill Elementary PTO is holding our annual read-a-thon from Wednesday, April 3 to Wednesday, April 10. We are inviting community members to come read to a class on these days in their uniform or work clothes. Farmers, doctors, cooks, authors, military personnel, office holders - all are welcome. Please consider joining us by reading a picture book, an excerpt, or favorite poem to our students in a grade from K-6. Chief Hastings has already signed up to read to our first grade on April 10. Please call Anne Hescock at 863-3255 to schedule a reading time.

President Obama

Just in is the following from Dave Grout of the fifth grade: Earlier this year, the fifth graders wrote letters to President Obama explaining why they feel he should work on certain issues that were important to them. Just today, we received correspondence back from The White House thanking the class for their letters and opinions. We also received an autographed picture of the President. The fifth grade class is very excited to see that their letters were received and acknowledged.

Sixth Grade Newspaper

Gill's sixth grade is creating a newspaper based on their early March trip to Nature's Classroom at Sargent Center in Hancock, New Hampshire. The project includes interviewing someone involved in the Sargent Center experience. Students learned about news reporting from our local reporter Chris Curtis. From these interviews you may learn a little more about three staffers who are helping our children grow and learn.

Dave Grout by *Siobhan Moore*

HANCOCK, NH - Dave Grout, fifth grade teacher at Gill Elementary School, grew up in Troy, New Hampshire, and enjoyed playing instruments like the guitar, piano, and trumpet. He played video games such as the Super Mario Brothers. "I liked the classics."



He went on a trip like Sargent Center when he was little to Camp Beckett, and it was a lot like what we did: team building, hiking, and canoeing. “Camp was very sciency.”

“I was excited to be at Sargent Center because it was interesting to see all of you outside of school. It was fun to hang out with you guys, but I wish I could have stayed for full days.”

Dave decided to visit us because Ms. Flagg needed a chaperone, and he wanted to see what it was like.

He thought it was funny watching all of us get out of bed because he said that all of us were whining because we were tired and we didn’t want to get up. The people who were ready to get up could not disagree.

“If I was ever a kid again, I would go to Sargent Center because it’s a way to make new friends. You can learn a lot more about yourself, and have great experiences.”

Ms. Swanson *by Cailyn Gobeil*

GILL - Melinda Swanson is a music teacher in the Gill-Montague Regional School District. She has taught music for three years and enjoys it a lot.

Ms. Swanson chose to teach music because she was passionate about it, and she was good at it throughout her life and wanted to “spread her love for music” in the GMRSD. She teaches kids in pre-Kindergarten through sixth.

She grew up in Northboro, MA, without any siblings. She played many instruments as a child such as the viola at age ten, the French horn when she was eleven, and the trumpet at age 12, and taught herself the guitar and piano throughout her childhood.

Ms. Swanson enjoyed going to Sargent Center to see the Gill sixth grade on Tuesday. She has never gone to Sargent Center before so it was a new experience for her. She liked seeing the sixth grade in a natural environment instead of school. She would love to go back to Sargent Center because she wants to be able to stay a whole day instead of one night.

Ms. Swanson is a great music teacher. It is fun to learn things on the xylophones and to learn new songs. I am glad she came to Sargent Center for a night.

**HONORS
For Gill Students
Second Quarter**

Frontier Regional School

- Grade 10**
Maximum Honors: Kori Wileman
- Grade 8**
High Honors: Michele Vassar

Pioneer Valley Regional High School

- Grade 12**
Highest Honor: Jaclyn Lafleur
High Honor: Kaylyn Tognarelli and Jennifer Tufano

- Grade 10**
Highest Honor: Malcolm Crosby
High Honor: James Elliott
Honor: Cole Tognarelli

- Grade 9**
High Honor: Julia Wallace
Honor: Bradley Hastings

- Grade 8**
Highest Honor: Sophie Margola

- Grade 7**
Highest Honor: Max van Baaren

Turners Falls High School

- Grade 12**
First Honors: Bethany Laramie, Timothy Meyer, Emily Robertson and Kaleb Warren
Second Honors: Katelyn Dodge, Brittany Rawson and Brittany York

- Grade 11**
Second honors: Elliot Bertini Franseen

- Grade 10**
First Honors: Spencer Hubert and Alexander Morin
Second Honors: Zachary Demars and Nicholas York
Third Honors: Jessica Gaines, Lexi Griffin and Stephanie Robertson

- Grade 9**
First Honors: Mackenzie Phillips
Second Honors: Nadia Hasan
Third Honors: Krystal Cloutier

Great Falls Middle School

- Grade 8**
First Honors: Gabrielle Arzuaga, Tahner Castine, Kaili Lynch, Nicholas Morin and Kate Sprankle
Second Honors: Bryn Kruzic
Third Honors: Daniel Cloutier and Robert Rinaldi

- Grade 7**
First Honors: Daniel Adams and Kyle Kucenski
Second Honors: David Tricolici and John Wheeler

- Grade 6**
First Honors: Reilan Castine



Dean's Lists

Sarah Underwood was named to the Dean's List at Westfield State University for the fall 2012 semester. Sarah is majoring in Early Childhood Education with a minor in History.

Greenfield Community College

Stacey Barnes
 Mariah Black
 Mackae Freeland
 Brooke Hastings
 Steven Hean
 Benjamin Lawton
 Kristina McComb
 Jody Wallenius-Duda

If you are a Gill student who has not been included in this list, please let us know so that we may commend you in the future.

Gill Historical Commission

The Gill Historical Commission (GHC) meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM in the Riverside Municipal Building on Route 2. The Commission is charged with planning for the preservation of historical sites and records within Gill. In addition to gaining a nomination to the National Register for the center of town, the Commission maintains records and artifacts of Gill history in the Riverside municipal building. If you have information or questions about Gill and its history,

please contact Kit Carpenter, Bev Demars, Stuart Elliott, Lynda Hodsdon Mayo, or Pam Shoemaker. In this issue of the newsletter we are sharing some excerpts for April from the Myrtle Jones Diary.

MYRTLE LEONA JONES DIARY FROM RIVERSIDE SECTION OF GILL

16 YEARS, 1905.

Transcribed by Kathy Litchfield

Sun. Apr. 2

A nice but quite windy day. Mamma and Mabel went to church. Papa put in a window light for Mrs. Parke. Mrs. Dora Burrows called and made a nice little visit. Olive Atkins and Arthur Lonsberry were married last evening.

Mon. Apr. 3

A nice day. Mabel's school commenced to-day but she didn't go as Mamma is fixing a skirt for her to wear before she goes. Mamma had to work at store to-day as papa had to go taking orders. I sat on piazza awhile. I wrote a letter to Aunt Ida Dole.

Tues. Apr. 4

Quite a nice day. Mabel went to school to-day as she had her skirt to wear. Papa went to Gill and mamma worked at the store. Papa went to a Masonic meeting in Greenfield with Mr. Howe. Mr. G. Lenois and another man were here painting our kitchen this afternoon. I sat on the piazza about all the afternoon and where there Bertha Savage just came up a

few seconds. Dottie R. came also and Freda H. came this morning.

Frid. Apr. 7

A nice day but quite cold. Mamma worked at the store and papa went to Gill. Miss Emma Grout came over to show me some crocheted collars she made and she combed my hair for me.

Mon. Apr. 10

A nice warm day. I sat out on the piazza and after Mabel got home from school, she took me out in my chair but it commenced to rain so didn't stay out a great while. A bit dump wagon and one horse fell thru the old bridge by the pulp mill while crossing, but they got them out with not much damage, if any, I guess. This evening Will and Rob LeVitre called. Bernard Hastibar of Factory Village started to clerk for us to-day. He is thirteen years old. He takes notes good.

Wed. Apr. 12

Quite a nice day. Mamma worked at the store. I sat out on the piazza and Ruth Summers and Dottie Ruther came. This evening we all went up to the hall as the young people here had their play "Cousin Timmy" presented and then there was another "farce" given. A dance after and Elsie Cassidy played. We had a nice time and quite a crowd there. The name of the farce was "Deacon's Second Wife."

Fri. Apr. 14

Another nice day. Papa went to Gill and mamma worked at the store. I sat on the piazza and Old Lady Johnson and Dottie Ruther called. I received a letter from Aunt Etta. Mabel and



another school girl went up to see the new high school building. It is a fine building.

Sat. Apr. 15

A nice day. Mamma worked at the store. Emma Spencer called this afternoon.

Sun. Apr. 16

A nice but windy cold day. Mabel and Mamma went to church. Papa is forty six years old today. Will LeVitre called this evening. Dottie Ruther and Helen Sulda came in a little while.

Tues. Apr. 18

A pretty good day but rather windy. Mrs. Parke is moving away and Mr. Wright from the Falls is moving in Mr. Potter's house. Mamma worked at store and papa went to Gill. Freda Hammerle called.

Thurs. Apr. 20

A nice day. Mamma didn't have to be at the store to-day so she had aunt Lucinda come down and then we went up to Grandma Landers' for her. Aunt L. rode down and back with Mr. Jamison. Margaret Connelly called also. Grandma Jones is here. Mabel didn't go to school as the company was here.

Sat. Apr. 22

A nice day. I sat on the piazza quite a while. Old Lady Johnson just called to give Mabel and I some Easter cards and a nice little note for me that Miss Allen sent over. Ethel S. was here awhile. Aunt Mary sent our new Spring hats to-day by express. We also got a postal from her and I got a souvenir postal from Bessie Holcomb.



**NEXT GILL
NEWSLETTER**

Copy for the June newsletter should be sent to pshoe27@gmail.com no later than June 20. 2013



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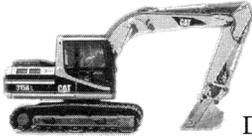
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