

# KNP Konnections



## From Our Editor, Nancy Allenby

### Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower -

**Albert Camus** People come to our area from miles around to witness the beauty of the next few weeks. As we gradually slide into New England's winter, we thank you for your willingness to help our community during the coming months, when our Neighbors' need for assistance is the greatest!



## Winter Wood: Stacked and Ready

**HEATING WOOD DELIVERIES** remain one of KNP's most requested services, and we anticipate record calls this winter. On Sept. 10, twenty-two enthusiastic volunteers stacked six cords of wood in an hour, giving us a total of 20+ cords in our wood pile, ready for the cold months ahead. Huge thanks goes to Nancy Lindsey, our Wood Coordinator, who takes responsibility for organizing supply and delivery, and to First Baptist Church, whose generous donation allows us to purchase the wood to deliver!



## Gift Cards for KNP Neighbors

**WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPACT** of rising costs for food, housing, electricity and gasoline for all of us, but especially among the fifty-four Neighbors currently receiving KNP services. KNP purchased a \$50 gift card for either food or gas for each active neighbor, and nine volunteers wrote uplifting notes to go with gift cards, either mailing or hand-delivering them. We hope the gift cards give each household a boost with the next basket of groceries, or the next stop at the pumps!

## How Can YOU Help?

**KNP HAS ACCOMPLISHED A LOT THIS YEAR** addressing food insecurity, housing, heating, transportation, isolation and community-building in general. President Steve Allenby notes that all the things we do, like checking in on a neighbor, delivering wood, or giving someone a ride, don't only solve a logistical problem, they let people know that they are not alone, and that there is someone who cares about them.

**AS WINTER OPPORTUNITIES ARISE** for us to make a difference in the lives of our Neighbors, we encourage volunteers to *give each "ask" serious consideration*. If we are in the happy situation of having too many volunteers respond to a need, we will let you know. Thanks so much for your continued help, and *PLEASE spread the word* to new folks who might enjoy being part of the KNP Team -- a free window cling goes to each new volunteer!



## Glean Kearsarge is Back!

**THOUSANDS OF POUNDS OF FOOD** go unused each year for lack of someone to harvest it. KNP has formed a strategic partnership with the Kearsarge Food Hub and Colby-Sawyer College to help remedy that problem in our area.

**GLEAN KEARSEARGE** helps build a healthy community with KNP and CSC volunteers harvesting surplus food, and the Kearsarge Food Hub distributing the produce through five local

food pantries. Our first gleaning was Sept. 12, when KNP volunteers, college students and Windy Hill preschoolers worked together to harvest apples on Colby-Sawyer's campus-- and added more fun by pressing some tasty apple cider. Next gleaning: Potatoes! Be sure to watch the [Yankee Chronicle episode](#) about Glean Kearsarge, and to [contact us](#) if you hear of a local gleaning opportunity!

## Window Clings, Hats and Car Magnets, Oh My!

**KNP LOGOS ARE STARTING TO APPEAR** on both heads and cars! Beautiful garment-washed cotton hats embroidered with the KNP logo are \$15. They're one-size with a leather adjuster in the back. Clear Vinyl Car Window Clings: \$2. Car Magnets: \$3. Cash or check accepted. Please [call Kit Ross](#) at 603-526-6511, or [email us](#) to get YOURS.

## Check-In's Are Very Important

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU check in** each time you interact with a neighbor or community partner. Thank you for lining up a substitute if you are unable to fulfill a recurring commitment with one of our partners.

**Friends of KNP** can stay in the loop by subscribing to this KNP Konnections Monthly Newsletter [here](#).

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