

# The Arrowsic Arrow

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Dear Reader,

The first issue of our seventh year (my, how time flies) is being brought to you with a collaborative effort of the crew at the Arrowsic Arrow and the Arrowsic Recycling committee. We are excited by this partnership and look forward to hearing your reaction. Happy New Year.

## **FROM THE PLANNING BOARD**

**Chair, John Wood**

**PUBLIC HEARING-** The Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the Arrowsic Volunteer Fire Department's application to build a dry hydrant and parking area adjacent to Sewall Pond. Monday, March 2, 7 PM at the Town Hall.

**SURVEYS-** The Planning Board is putting together a file of boundary surveys of property in Arrowsic. If your property has been surveyed, please leave a copy of the plan at Town Hall. This will improve the Town's records and help to insure that your property and others are correctly assessed.

## **FROM THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION**

**Chair, Bill Blaiklock**

There are currently two vacancies on the Conservation Commission. Our program for 1992 includes Sewall Pond Conservation Area cleanup and

monitoring, and Sewall Pond water sampling. We may also undertake some special projects including erosion and parking control, participation in the Shoreline Steward and/or Adopt-A-Wetland program. It all depends on volunteer participation!

The Commission meets at 7 PM on the fourth Tuesday of the month, at Town Hall. If you are interested, please call Bill Blaiklock at 443-3725, or contact the selectmen.

## **FROM THE TOWN CLERK**

**Ann Carlton**

All dog licenses expired December 31, regardless of when in the year you registered your pooch, they all come due at the same time-January 1. You can renew or register for the first time at the town hall during office hours. Wednesday afternoons 3-5:30, and Friday mornings 8:30-11. Thanks!

## **FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR**

**Nancy Brown Stump**

The following vehicles are due in these months (some of these have already been paid. Also, PLEASE NOTE: The tax collector will not have hours Fri. Feb 14 nor Fri Feb 21 nor Wed, Feb 19. Register early in February or late in February, but "Don't mess with Mr. In Between."

(Congratulations to Jim and Nancy Brown Stump on their twentieth wedding anniversary)

### FROM THE TREASURER

#### **Patty Olds**

Many folks have called concerned about the state budget's effect on the Town. Preliminary figures look like we are going to come out about \$3500. short in Revenue Sharing, and \$7,000. short in the school budget. We are fortunate to have these funds in surplus, in part as a result of interest earned on our savings.

THANKS to Art and Carol Dresser for their generous contribution to The Arrow.

## **RECYCLING CORNER**

### **RECYCLING GUIDELINES**

**Cardboard** -- Corrugated cardboard is double-sided with a zig-zag center. Box should be clean, dry and flat. Be sure to remove all staples, tape, and plastic mailing labels. Other type of boxes, such as shoe boxes, cereal boxes, six-pack containers, etc., cannot be recycled at this time. Brown paper grocery bags, however, can be recycled and go in with the cardboard.

**Newsprint** -- Newspapers must be loose, no strings, ties or bags and free of everything but newsprint. Clean newspapers only with no more

The following people have registrations due in February. Nancy Brown Stump, Tax Collector, 442-7527:

AMES, HAROLD	MORSE, GLENN
APPEL, JAMES M	MOSIER, LARRY R
CAMPBELL, SONIA M	MOUNT, PAMELA
CAREY, TONY	MOUNT, PAMELA A
CARLTON, DALE	NICHOLSON, ALLISON
CARLTON, DALE	ORR, EDWARD M
CHAPIN, E BARTON III	PACKARD, NANCY
DUNN, SALLY	PINETTE, ALFRED J
ELWELL, RICHARD H	PUFF, KATHLEEN S
GILES, SAMUEL D	SCOTT, NANCY J
HAINES, BRUCE O	SCOTT, NANCY J
HAINES, JESSE H	SHUFELT, ERNEST F
HALL, E VICTOR	SHUFELT, LESLIE A
HALL, VICTOR	SHULTZ, ROBERT E
HUDSON, MARGUERITE M	SIMMONS, CYNTHIA E
KELLY, JUDITH E	SMITH, JOHN S
KICKEN, RUDDOLF	SMITH, LUCY-DIANE L
KNIGHT, MILDRED E	STAFFORD, GEORGE F
LOVEITT, WILBUR F	STORER, HOWARD
MACMAHAN, JOSEPH	SULLIVAN, CATHERINE C
MCLVER, PAULINE	VITELLI, ELOISE A
MORONG, GEORGE A	WALSH, LOUISE M
MORRISON, HOWARD P	WINWOOD, JOHN D

than normal proportions of ad supplements. Colored newsprint, like comic strips, are acceptable.

**Glass** -- Rinse all bottles and jars clean and remove caps and rings. Labels can be left on. Separate glass by color. Other types of glass, such as window panes, lightbulbs, kitchenware or pyrex cannot be recycled.

### **WATCH OUT FOR THESE!**

#### **Plastics**

Arrowsic can only recycle HDPE or #2 plastic. Many things are made of this plastic, from joint compound buckets and caulk tubes to medicine

bottles, but it is important that everything going into the plastic dumpster has the #2 or HDPE symbol on it, usually on the very bottom. Caps and rings, such as you find on milk bottles, must not be included, since they are made of a different plastic. One way to avoid the problem is simply avoid buying products with caps that leave rings. Also, please **crush** milk jugs so they won't take up so much space.

### METALS

Arrowsic is not able to recycle metal cans at this time. We will notify you when we are able to. Non-deposit aluminum (such as cat food cans, foil, pie pans, other non-returnable cans) can be recycled easily. You may rinse and crush them and leave them in a bag in the white recycling shed or take them to Harding Metals in West Bath. Aluminum cans can easily be distinguished from steel cans by using a magnet. Harding buys aluminum, brass, and stainless steel.

### COMPOSTING

Aside from kitchen scraps, you may compost used tissue, dirty paper towels, plates, and soiled pizza boxes. If you are concerned about germs getting into your garden, you can keep one pile for your garden and one for flowers, trees and lawn. Composting is a great way to

reduce our Solid Waste. A recent study in Maine has found food waste and food contaminated paper accounts for up to 30 % of domestic solid waste.

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### PLEASE RECYCLE PROPERLY!

Because of contaminated loads, recycled materials may be rejected at the mills, making our program more expensive and defeating the purpose of recycling. Please crush bulky items.

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### VOLUNTEERS

We would like to put out recycling information on a regular basis and to that end we will need volunteers. We especially encourage students. If interested call Jeff Mann at 443-6174.

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### DUMP INFO

Depending on cost, your garbage is either going to MERC, an incinerator in Biddeford, or to the Bath landfill. It now costs us \$65 a ton to dispose of it. Bath landfill will take many items that do not go out with your regular trash, such as: Tires (\$1 per car tire, \$2 for truck); metal (white goods), \$5 minimum up to 500 LBS. Demolition debris and bulky waste (non-burnables such as shingles, couches, sheetrock,

etc.), \$5 minimum up to 500 LBS. Costs are subject to change. Burnables are free. For more information call the landfill at 443-8355. Let it ring.

### WASTE EXCHANGE

Do you want specific items that others may throw away? Have something you want to get rid of but feel it may be of value to others? Write down a brief description and drop it off at the Town Hall, addressed to the Recycling Committee.

PAPER EGG CARTONS WANTED BY JEFF MANN

### FUTURE NEWS

Our trash removal contract with T&R is for one year. Anyone interested in bidding for next year's contract contact the Recycling Committee.

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We are discussing the idea of charging each resident for the amount of trash thrown out. The method used by other towns is to have residents buy tags for each bag or can of garbage. Our initial concern about implementing such a program are families or individuals on fixed income or assistance. Another concern is how much to charge? Charging

\$1.50 per tag would help reduce our disposal costs dramatically. Let us know what you think!

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We have a supply of recycling wheels. These are handy reminders that make it easy to determine what is recyclable and what isn't. Plus lots of information about recycling and waste management. If interested, call Paul Perkins at 443-8456.

### WHAT'S NEW

**Phone books** -- can't be recycled along with newspapers. Put phone books in the white recycling shed.

**Button batteries** -- These are the little batteries found in hearing aides, light meters, watches, etc. They have mercury in them and shouldn't be disposed of in the trash. They can be recycled. Drop them off in the special container located in the white recycling shed.

### NEXT ISSUE

Question & Answer column -- give us some questions, we'll give you answers.