

THE ARROWSIC ARROW

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Dear Reader,

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN... JIM, TED, AND PATTY, YOUR FRIENDLY ASSESSORS WILL BE OUT VISITING PROPERTIES IN THE NEXT MONTH OR SO. PLEASE DON'T SHOOT AT US.

The following dogs need licenses (they came due January 1)

Randy Appell	Brandy Arsenault	Lady Devon Campbell
Muffin & Gizmo Collier	Marley Sewall	Jesse Cowley
Scratch Doyle	Mim & Willie Dunn	Bee Bee Dunn
Tippy Elwell	Rizzio Elwell	Friskey Elwell
Charlie Gardner	Peppy Gates	Cobalt Herigstad-Heath
Ben Kahrl	Keesha Kenney	Lady & Benji MacMahan
Rugby Marhle	Brandy Mitchell	Sam Phinney
Kritter Pinette	Harley & Doger Root	Morgan & Ashley Schlein
Lucky Kalish	Minna West	Ginnie Daniels

Dog licenses can be purchased from the Town Clerk during her office hours: Wednesdays 3-5:30 pm, and Fridays 8:30-11:00 am. *EXCEPT ON JUNE 6TH AND 8TH* Thanks- Ann Carleton

From the tax collector:

The Tax Collector's annual report includes a partial report for the 1989-90 tax year that goes up to May 1, 1990. For bookkeeping and auditing purposes I have to include a list of unpaid taxes. All delinquent property taxes paid before May 1 will therefore not be included on the list. Taxes paid after May 1, 1990 will be on the list. These are the auto registrations due in May. *I WILL NOT BE AT THE TOWN HALL FRIDAY, APRIL 20TH* Sorry for the inconvenience- Nancy Brown Stump

Planning Board News

The Planning Board will hold a public hearing Monday, May 7 at 7:00 pm on proposed changes to the zoning ordinance for Mobile Home Parks. A Special Town Meeting on those amendments is planned for Thursday, May 31 at 6:30 pm.

Here is your chance to get the inside scoop on taxes: On May 23 Representative Maria Holt, along with John Mitchell, Chairman of the Legislative Committee on Taxation, and John Mayo, also a representative on the State Committee, will be at the Town Hall to answer questions at 7:00 pm.

FROM THE ARROWSIC CONSERVATION COMMISSION: Join us for the **annual Roadside Litter Patrol Pickup, this year at 9:00 am, Saturday, April 28.** We will provide the bags and some general direction, and maybe cookies and juice. If you can't make it on the 28th, and would like to do something, why not pick up in front of your property, or come by the town hall during office hours and get a plastic bag to do the roads another time. Hope to see you then.

Our Spring Cleanup Day is Friday, April 20. T&R will make a special collection to pickup everything except tires and yard waste. For more info, call Jeff Mann 443-6174

On May 1, the Fiddler's Reach Morris Dancers will dance their annual May Day Celebration at Fiddler's Reach (across from Ted and Margaret Bertocci's house on the Doubling Point Road). They will dance at the Town Hall parking lot beginning at 6:30.

Legal Notice: Diane Smith of Doubling Point has changed her name to Lucy Smith

News from the Recycling/Solid Waste Committee

We held a public meeting on March 28, 1990 to discuss recycling options that will be voted on at Town Meeting this year. The Committee presented three options:

- 1) Curbside pickup once a month by a local hauler with households separating recyclables into four categories.
- 2) Curbside collection of co-mingled (all recyclables in one bag) recyclables once a month, and
- 3) A central drop-off which would require the town to purchase a segmented roll-off container available to residents at all hours.

After presenting and discussing the various options, we took a survey of preferences. The popular opinion was in favor of a drop off center, the vote approximately 16 for a central drop-off center, 5 for curbside collection with separation, and 3 for curbside collection without separation. The Arrowsic Recycling Committee will present the drop-off container option at Town Meeting for approval.

Also for vote at the Town Meeting will be a Recycling Ordinance that was discussed at the meeting, modified from the sample ordinance that was printed in the last Arrow. The ordinance will require Arrowsicans to separate recyclables from landfill garbage, according to rules established by the Arrowsic Recycling Committee and the Selectmen. It proposes fines for non-compliance which will not be imposed if the situation is corrected, and would only be levied after several notifications.

In addition, the ordinance will define the membership and function of the Committee, which has been ad hoc for years.

CURRENT ARROWSIC RECYCLING GUIDELINES:

Sorry for all the changes. The regional program now has several steady markets which should not require any further changes until BBARD's program starts.

Arrowsic's rules may differ slightly from the regional program and should not be confused with their's.

CARDBOARD: Corrugated only. Cardboard should be flattened.

GLASS: Separated by color, rinsed and caps removed. Labels and rings are fine. No lightbulbs or window glass.

PAPER: These are the DON'Ts

- no waxed paper such as milk cartons or frozen food boxes
- no plastic coated or plastic lined paper
- no paperboard, such as cereal or shoe boxes
- no magazines
- no paper towels or paper napkins
- no paper with food in it, such as Pizza delivery boxes
- no glossy papers except newspaper inserts

SIMPLEST SYSTEM: Newspapers in paper bags with any other acceptable papers. (including such things as paper bags and egg cartons)

SIMPLE SYSTEM: Two categories. First category as above, second category, white paper only. This means white- not colored, not beige. No envelopes and no gummy computer labels.

FOR REALLY DEDICATED RECYCLERS: you can include envelopes if you remove the plastic windows and be sure not to include the gummy label on it.

Any questions, call Jeff Mann 443-6174, Paul Perkins, 442-8456, or Patty Olds 442-8270

Along these lines, we had a potentially catastrophic situation in Arrowsic a short while ago. Someone had put paint thinner in with their garbage, and T&R picked it up. A bit later, they noticed something smoking, and one of the guys stuck their head in the back to see what was wrong. The fumes knocked him out cold, and he had to be rushed to the hospital. He is OK, but T&R has requested if anyone has any chemical or potentially toxic garbage to set it out separately, and uncovered so they can handle it properly.

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Dear Reader,
MORE NEWS FOR MAY!

Planning Board Public Hearing:

Monday, May 7th - 6:30 pm - Town Hall

To consider three articles for a special Town Meeting on May 31st at 6:30 pm.

Article 1- Mobile Home Parks

New definitions: access road, buffer strip, manufactured housing unit, mobile home park, travel trailer.

Design and Permanance standards for mobile home parks: lot area and lot width requirements; unit setback requirements; buffering; open space reservation; road design, circulation, and traffic impact, groundwater impacts; conversion to other uses; park ownership; park structures.

Housekeeping amendments to reflect new definitions.

Article 2 - Mobile Home Parks

To amend the Zoning Ordinance to create a Mobile Home Park Overlay District, to specify where such a district may be located in town, and to amend table 1 to reflect this district.

Article 3 - Shoreland Zoning

To amend the Zoning Ordinance to reflect the new requirements that went into effect in September 1989 with the Legislature's amendments of the Mandatory Shoreland Zoning Law.

-to prohibit expansion of nonconforming structures towards the water; to limit timber harvesting to 40% removal of trees 4 inches or more in diameter measured at 4 1/2 feet above the ground in any 10 year period; to prohibit new cleared openings on the shoreline.

COPIES OF THE PRECISE TEXT OF THESE AMENDMENTS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE TOWN HALL DURING OPEN HOURS THE WEEK THE WEEK OF APRIL 30. STOP BY TO PICK ONE UP.

Here are the registrations due in May:

ANDERSON, DAVID K	ELWELL, RICHARD	ROLLINS, ELIZABETH J
BARBETTA, MICHAEL	FRAHM, SHIRLEY D	ROLLINS, JOHN F
BERTSCHY, ROBERT C	HEATH, RALPH	SEWALL, ABBIE
BRETT, CHRISTOPHER	LAWRENCE, SANDRA L	SPENCER, WYLIE
BROOKS, DAVID	MORGAN, MARIA B	STINSON, LUCY
BURNHAM, BRETT D	NOYES, JEAN B	STORIN, KEIKO T
CARTER, KARIN	ORR, EDWARD	SWEARINGEN, RICHARD T
COTE, CANDACE	PEABODY, JANE E	WEISS, DAVID R
DAVIS, DIANA L	ROBBINS, KAREN M	WISEMAN, ELIZABETH M
DRESSER, ARTHUR E	ROLLINS, ELIZABETH	

The Fiddler's Reach Morris Team will have their first dance out of 1990 in celebration of May Day on **Monday, April 30 at 6:30** beginning at the Town Hall, and moving to Fiddler's Reach (in front of the Bertocci's home) at 7:15. Come celebrate with us!

MAYDAY! MAYDAY! SAVE OUR EARTH! Now that Earth Day is past, are you ready for action? Let's get together and save what's left of the Earth. Saturday, May 5 at the Governor's Mansion in Augusta 1:00 pm. Bring good, short action proposals to help save our Earth, Signs, and good energy. There will be music, lots of good people, sharing ideas, and planning to save our habitat. Rain or shine- we have inside room if necessary. Remember- to save the Earth's resources, buy only what you need...STOP SHOPPING. For more information, call Mary Hillary 442-8020.

Speaking of the Earth, there will be a public hearing on the revised draft of the Maine Waste Management Agency's plan for Waste Management and Recycling on May 10, 1990 from 9-noon in Augusta at the University, Jewett Hall room 180. The first hour will be devoted to answering questions about the plan, and the remaining two hours will be accepting comments on the plan.

If you would like to receive a copy of the revised plan, please contact Maine Wastre Management Agency, State House Station 154, Augusta, Maine 04333 ... 289-5300

There will be a meeting May 14 at the Wiscasset Middle School at 7 pm for all interested in exploring alternatives to the State's plan to build another bridge across the Kennebec at Bath, (early estimates ran somewhere around \$70,000,000.00) just north of the Carlton Bridge.

Here is your opportunity to do something for your town: we need committee members: a representative to the Bath Recreation Center Study Committee, alternates for the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Recycling/Solid Waste Committee, and Zoning Board of Appeals.

***MANY PEOPLE HAVE ASKED THAT THE NEWSLETTER PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANYONE SEEKING ELECTION TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT THEMSELVES BEFORE TOWN MEETING.** Elected positions include: Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Selectman, School Board Member, Budget Committee (3), and Fire Chief. If you are interested in any of these positions, and would like to introduce yourself to the Townspeople please submit it **IN WRITING** by MAY 30 to the ARROW, Town Hall, Arrowsic. You can drop it in the mail slot at Town Hall, or leave it in my mailbox on the Bald Head Rd. We'll print a Town Meeting Edition of the newsletter the first part of June, posting any notices from those seeking election, and outlining major issues that will be brought up at Town Meeting. Thank you from the Arrow and the Selectmen.

Next Newsletter will be the first of June. If anyone is interested in helping to deliver the newsletter form time to time, please give me a call. **THE ARROW IS NOT A TOWN PUBLICATION- IT IS FUNDED WHOLELY BY THE GENEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS OF ITS READERS.**

from: The Quarterly Newsletter of the Maine Peace Campaign

Are you bothered by the fact that about 52% of your federal tax dollars went to the maintenance of military forces, development of nuclear and conventional weapons, and other components of the military budget?

Given a choice, maybe you'd rather invest your tax dollars in human resources. You *do* have that choice. Now, with your 1989 tax status fresh in your mind, is a good time to think about your 1990 taxes and what you can do to direct their use. You can conscientiously withhold a portion of your federal income, from a symbolic \$10.40 to whatever amount you choose, or you can refuse to pay the federal excise tax on your telephone bill. This tax has been associated with war-related spending since it was first imposed in 1914, and is considered by war tax resisters to be an effective and appropriate focus of protest.

The government collects nearly \$2 billion annually through this tax. Because individual amounts are small, it is a relatively risk-free form of war tax resistance. All you need to do is deduct the itemized tax from your total bill each month and pay the resulting balance. You should include a note each month explaining what you are doing and why. Pre-printed "telephone tax resistance cards" to enclose with your bill are available from several organizations; New England Telephone's business office in Bangor is familiar with telephone tax resistance and can help you provide the needed documentation to properly adjust your bills. The telephone company cannot disconnect your phone or limit your service in any way.

If you choose to withhold federal taxes, and would like more information about how-to's and implications, the Maine War Tax Resistance (WTR) Resource Center can provide literature, speakers and counseling. Write to The Resource Center at 11 Old Mill Road, Orono ME 04473, or call 827-3107.

You may be interested in redirecting this money to fund human needs programs. In Maine, the Maine War Tax Funds for Life (MWTFL), founded in 1985 helps people rechannel their withheld tax dollars. Information about MWTFL is available from the WTR Resource Center or from Jim Stockwell, Treasurer, 2 Robinson

from: The Washington Spectator
P.O. Box 20065
London Terrace Station
New York, NY 10011

• The Defense Department recently found itself in a quandary: it had an oversupply of fire-retardant shirts. Crafty bureaucrats simply changed the military requirement for shirt stockpiles from six months to five years.

The result: 379,000 shirts in the warehouse and more than a million on order—an \$8.7 million, seven-year supply, according to the General Accounting Office.

Moreover, the GAO's investigation showed that the armed forces have much more equipment—about \$34 billion worth—than they need. Senator Carl Levin (D-Mich.) quipped, "Looking into the Pentagon supply system is like opening the door to Imelda Marcos's closet."

• Under a Hudson, OH, dateline, the *Washington Post* tells of yellow school buses that are now running on natural gas: "There are no clouds of exhaust, no fumes. There's hardly any smell of burning fuel, not much more noise than a window air conditioner."

The conversion to natural gas takes about three days and \$1,000 for a standard car or light truck. The business manager of the Hudson school district says, "We save roughly \$10,000 a year on fuel and probably \$100 per bus on routine maintenance."

Italy took the lead in conversion to natural gas, with about 300,000 vehicles, followed by the Soviet Union, with 200,000. Why aren't we doing more in the United States?

• A *Christian Science Monitor* article by Rep. Martin Olav Sabo (D-MN) describes "the B-2 shell game" put on by the Air Force. It's called "Knocking down the rationales." Example: The Stealth bomber is needed to deter nuclear war. "This argument is persuasive only if you believe that our other thousands of nuclear weapons, including those carried on newly deployed systems, such as the Trident submarine, B1-B bomber and MX missile, will not continue to deter attack. Building the Stealth bomber to gain a little bit of extra deterrence would be like insuring a house in Minneapolis against volcano damage."

• Intended as a guide for study groups, *Building a Peace System*, by Robert A. Irwin (Expro Press), is a practical study on how to rescue the world from the horrors of war. The desire for peace is universal, but efforts to achieve it must be organized and the goads to war—overpopulation,