

# The Arrowsic Arrow

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**"Imagine all the people living life in peace..."  
John Lennon**

### Town Hall Hours:

Wednesdays 3-5:30; Fridays 8:30-11  
closed the day after Thanksgiving  
Phine Ewing, Town Clerk  
Liz Rollins, Tax Collector

### FROM THE SELECTBOARD

Larry Wilson, Michele Gaillard, Sukey Heard

Over the summer the Selectmen have been preparing for the annual tax assessment. As we indicated at the Town Meeting, we are continuing to refine the valuation system so that it will better reflect the value of properties in Arrowsic and correcting any inconsistencies that we find. We have hired an experienced Assessing Agent, William Van Tuinen, and with his assistance and counsel we feel that we are making good progress.

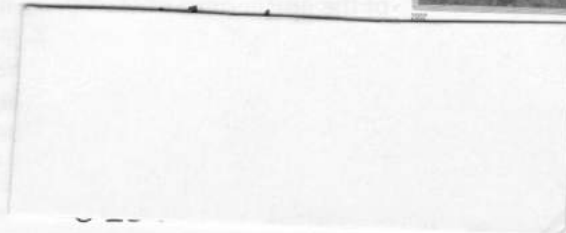
Each year we must perform an analysis using information from recent local property sales in order to update our values to market levels. As well, this year a new value will be assigned to unimproved lots that have waterfront to reflect their increased value over non-waterfront unimproved lots. Based on these and other refinements, there will be changes in some property valuations for this next tax year.

Our plan is to complete this work in October and have tax bills issued in November.

### FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

Hi all from desk of the Chief:

The fire dept open house is set up for Oct 13, 1:00 to 4:00 at town hall. There will be set up of tools and pumps and hoses to be used. Also we'll talk about what to do with woods stove ash after clean out. We will do a 911 demo to show what happens when you call 911 from your home. There may be a demo on a car that is to be cut apart by Georgetown fire who responds to car accidents with us. If any one would like to suggest any ideas for open house please call Tara Heffron or e-mail her at lawrencetara@clinic.net



We are in need of some help with the Education Committee: we are looking to get this up and running. For anyone who would like to help: do not feel you have to be part of the dept or attend a lot of meetings. This would be things for open house, safety notes to send to Arrow, that sort of thing. Also I would like to have some more people who would like to be in charge of writing out burn permits. Would like to add to the Jr. program-- we have 2 students now and they are a big help. If you know someone, please call me at 371-9093.

### Safety tips for cold nights and days:

Please have your chimney clean and checked for winter months. Make sure your ash is cold to touch before dumping them out side. Use metal buckets. Although we have some rain it is still very dry outside. If your ashes are still hot when you dump them you may start a woods fire. PLEASE THINK SAFE AND TAKE CARE OF OUR TOWN!  
Thanks, CHIEF HEFFRON

### TO THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF ARROWSIC

Jean Kane, Registrar

It's getting near election time again. Coming up will be a General Election on

**DATE:** November 5<sup>th</sup> 2002  
**PLACE:** Arrowsic Town Hall  
**LOCATED:** Arrowsic Rd (formerly 127 South)  
**HOURS:** 10:00 AM Polls open  
8:00 PM Polls close

If you have not registered you can do so, in person, at any time up to and including election day by stopping at the town hall on Wednesdays or Fridays and ask for a registration card which you can fill out, sign and give it to the town clerk.

Registrar must receive Mail-in Voter Registration cards by close of business day on October 22, 2002.

You can also vote by absentee ballot if you so desire, but you must apply for this and it must be returned no later than 8 PM on election day. Parents of college age kids can pick up an absentee ballot at Town Hall and send it to their kids

Let's all do our civic duty and vote. It would be really great if we could outdo the total number of people who voted in the last general election. Let's give it our best try.

## **A BIG Thank You from Gertrude Peterson**

What a special celebration you arranged for my 100th birthday—one we will all remember! Thanks to each of you who had a part in wishing me well... G.M.P.

**FROM THE SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMITTEE** from Pete Goodwin

The Shellfish Conservation Committee will be conducting a survey of the northern portion of the Squirrel Point clam flats on the morning of Saturday, October 12. The committee is seeking volunteers to help with this survey by laying out a sampling grid, digging and measuring clams or recording data. If you are interested in joining us please contact Phil Packard at 442-7504.

**FROM THE TOWN CLERK**  
Phine Ewing

Time to think about licensing your dog for 2003 (starting in December). You'll need to bring a current rabies certificate and any spay or neutering papers. If you have moved here from out of state, you will need a Maine rabies certificate. Your local vet can help you with that.

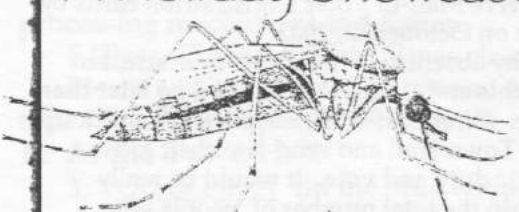
Also, absentee ballots are available at the town hall for college kids. Parents may pick them up and send them to their kids.

**HOW ABOUT A QUIET SUNDAY WALK**  
Lisa Holley 443-1510

I'd like to propose a Sunday hiatus in driving on the Old Stage Road—allowing our kids to ride their bikes safely and walkers to enjoy a peaceful walk. Closing it altogether for a couple of hours would be ideal, but I'm thinking about just asking folks to slow down to 5 mph from 1-3 on Sundays before hunting season starts. If you like this idea or if you have other thoughts, please call me.

Clay...fiber...glass...wood...mixed media

Arrowsic Artworks  
a swarm of Island artists  
presents  
A Holiday Showcase



Saturday  
November 2, 2002  
9 am - 4 pm

Arrowsic Town Hall  
(1.5 miles from Rt. 1 on Rt. 127 South)

**FROM THE TAX COLLECTOR:**  
Auto registrations due in these months

SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
ARSENAULT, JOHN	AL'S PLUMBING HEATING
BENNETT, CHRIS E	ARSENAULT, MARK A
BERRY, TAMMY	BLAIKLOCK, WILLIAM C
BLAKE, LORRIE A	BRIGGS ADVERTISING IN
BOYCE, BARBARA	BROWN, PAUL
BOYCE, STEVEN F	BRYANT, JACOB E
BROWN, MICHAEL D	BUNTER, CAROLE A
CAMPBELL, SHERMAN W	CARLTON, ANN
CARLTON, VERNON F	CARLTON, JAMES
CARR, WILLIAM F	CERRONE, WARREN E
CHAFFEE, JOHN JR	CHAPIN, E BARTON III
COLE, CHARLES D	COLE, CHARLES D
COSSART, MOLLY M	DAVIS, SHAWN K
DETWILER, BRIAN W	DEMERS, THOMAS W JR
DRESSER, CAROL H	DRESSER, ARTHUR E
ELWELL, KIMBERLY	DUBE, MICHAEL D
EWING, JOSEPHINE W	ELWELL, RICHARD
FITZHERBERT, MELODY	ELWELL, ROBERT A
GALUZA, JAMES J	GALUZA, JAMES J
GARFIELD, ELIZA	GILL, DEBORAH S
GILES, DOROTHY	GUCKENBURG, BARTON E
GOWEN, LILLIAN L	GUCKENBURG, GREGORY V
HILLERY, MARY	HIGGINS, RICHARD A
KANE, MICHAEL M	JORGENSEN, MARK
LOVEITT, WILBUR F	JORGENSEN, MARK
MITCHELL, ROBERT D	JORGENSEN LANDSCAPING
NEILSON, PIA B	KIMBALL, SUSAN C
NEILSON, WILLIAM L	KREINDLER, MICHAEL L
NEILSON, WILLIAM L	LEBRUN, JEAN M
NELSON, ROBERT M	NELSON, ROBERT H
PATRICIA F JOHNSON	OLEARY, ROBERT W
PAULE, SUZANNE E	PARSONS, CALLIE JO
PIEH, TIMOTHY T	PETERSON, GERTRUDE W
RON ELWELL PLUMBING	PUFF, DAVID M
SIMMONS, CONNIE	ROBINSON, MATTHEW B
STARBUCK, JAYNE E	SIMMONS, WILLARD
STONE, ALBERT E	STAFFORD, GEORGE F
SWEARINGEN, RICHARD	TEXTOR, MELISSA
WILSON, LAWRENCE A	WARD, DUSTY M
WISEMAN, KENNETH	
WISEMAN, KENNETH W	
WITHAM, JACK W	
WRIGHT, SUZANNE M	



Saturday November 2, 2002

Arrowsic Artworks

Join us for a day full of surprises. Discover the amazing works your friends and neighbors have created in their Arrowsic homes and studios.

Beginning at 9 am at the Arrowsic Town Hall, Arrowsic Artworks will host our Annual Showcase and Sale.

This year, we'll have a holiday tree to decorate. Make an ornament to bring and hang on the tree—fun for the whole family. Also, back by popular demand, Arrowsic Artworks T-Shirts featuring Phine Ewing's wonderful drawing, this year in long sleeves!

As always, we'll have yummy refreshments on hand. If you'd like to show and/or sell your work, or for more information, call Phine Ewing at 443-9795; Patty Olds at 443-4764; Noreen Blaiklock at 443-3725.

# PATTEN FREE LIBRARY NEWS

Elizabeth Hughes, Library Director

## NEW FALL HOURS:

Monday 10am-5pm  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10am-8pm  
Friday 10am-5pm  
Saturday 10am-1pm

## The Sagadahoc History & Genealogy Room

Monday to Thursday 12 Noon -4pm  
Closed Friday  
Saturday 10am -1pm

## New History Room Manager

Welcome Peter Goodwin. He is a professor emeritus of geology from Temple University with a strong interest in local history who has relocated to Arrowsic. Our former manager, Anna Kiefer, has returned to school to pursue a graduate degree in history and museum studies.

## Free Lessons on the Internet

Sign up at the Reference desk or call 443-5141 for your appointment. Training times: Tues., 6-8pm; Thurs. 2:30-4:30pm and 6-8 pm.  
Patten Free Library 33 Summer Street, Bath  
443-5141 www.patten.lib.me.us

## NEWS FROM GEORGETOWN BUSINESSES

**Piano lessons, anyone?** A piano teacher has moved to Georgetown! She asked us to tell you, "If you or your child is interested in lessons, call Susan Hess, 371-9064." ("And don't forget to practice!" adds the TIDE ed.)

**From et cetera:** There's a sale going on until the shop closes for season October 14. Everything except consignment items (at 10% off) will be 25% off. Fall hours are 10am to 5pm Fridays and Saturdays and noon to 5pm Sundays. Fridays will still feature Borealis breads and home-baked goodies. For the Christmas season, et cetera will reopen, weekends only, beginning November 29 and offering holiday foods, gifts, and decorations. If you have craft items to sell for the holidays, don't fail to let Jean or Jim Summers know! (371-9080).

**From West Island Gallery:** For children 7 to 17 the Gallery will offer its After-School Art Program in Bath at 72 Front Street, on the third floor, in conjunction with Bath Danceworks, starting Tuesday, October 1. Susie Wren Perow and visiting artists will guide 90-minute classes of only five children in drawing, painting, mask-making, collage, print-making, weaving, and sculpture. Call Susie at 371-9090 for information.

The gallery will continue its Thursday-through-Sunday noon to 6pm hours through September, then weekends 11am to 4pm until Christmas. Works by Charlie Goodhue hang with those of other artists of the region, and exquisite crafts are available for early Christmas shoppers.

taken from the Georgetown TIDE

# A Junk-Free Mailbox



Did you know that the average American adult receives almost 360 pieces of junk mail each year? One hundred million trees are ground up every year to produce the 4.5 million tons of solicitations that clutter our mailboxes



By definition, junk mail is mail you don't want—a fat catalog of accessories for a sport you don't play or endless offers for credit cards you don't need. It doesn't include the catalogs and causes you want to hear from.

♦ Persistence is the key to eliminating virtually all junk mail. Contact the catalogs, magazines, frequent flyer programs, and nonprofits you like and ask them not to share your name. Call or write anyone who sends you junk and ask to be excluded from future mailings. Find out where they got your name, then contact that entity and tell them to stop. (Go to www.woodwise.org for sample letters and tips on systematizing this process.)

♦ Flex your junk mail muscle at work. For starters, contact Dun & Bradstreet (800-333-0505), a major provider of business-to-business marketing information, and ask that your company be removed from their mailing lists. Be aware that D&B and its competitors often build their mailing lists by calling businesses to "verify your address" without divulging their purpose.

♦ Most credit card companies use a central service to screen out people who don't want to receive their mailings. To stop getting most credit card junk mail, call 888-567-8688.

♦ Whenever you fill out a form or place an order, always write "Do not rent or exchange my name" or ask the order taker to please "flag your file" so that your information won't be shared.

- Speaking of Paper...
  - Next Arrow will be published
  - early December - send submissions
  - to ARROW e town hall or padldsegwi.net
- THANK

Mail to: Direct Marketing Association / Mail Preference Service / PO Box 9008  
Farmingdale, NY 11735-9008

Dear Mail Preference Service:

Please place my address on the Direct Marketing Association's Mail Preference Service list of consumers who do not wish to be contacted by mail for marketing purposes. I understand this request is good for at least 5 years.

Sincerely,

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**FACT:** If every household in America replaced just one package of virgin-fiber paper products with 100% recycled versions, this is what we would save:

- 1 roll 1-ply bath tissue  
297,000 living trees  
1.2 million cu. ft. of landfill space  
122 million gallons water
- 1 roll 2-ply bath tissue  
373,000 living trees  
1.48 million cu. ft. of landfill space  
155 million gallons water
- 1 180 sheet paper towels  
864,000 living trees  
3.4 million cu. ft. of landfill space  
354 million gallons water

## Why you should buy compact fluorescent bulbs

- Save up to \$80 in electricity per bulb!
- Having a full 10-year life expectancy, they last 8 to 10 times longer than conventional bulbs.
- With a 1.7-year cost payback, it's one of the best energy investments in America today.
- If every American home installed one CFL bulb, one Chernobyl-sized nuclear power plant could be eliminated.

# NEWS FROM THE ARROWSIC RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

John Hinds 443 4322, Judy Jones 442 7612, Jeff Mann 443-6174, Roz Mclean 386 0179

**"Mercury Waste and More" collection** In conjunction with Lincoln county, we will be collecting limited types of household hazardous waste. We will be collecting only the following items:

FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULB-ALL KINDS

COMPUTERS (and accessories: printers, modems, keyboards)

TELEVISIONS

LIGHTING BALLASTS CONTAINING PCBs

MERCURY CONTAINING ITEMS

SUCH AS: BAROMETERS & OTHER INSTRUMENTS

SWITCHES AND RELAYS

THERMOSTATS

THERMOMETERS

We will be collecting these items at the town hall: Tuesday, Oct. 15 5-8PM, Saturday, Oct. 19 8-11AM and Tuesday Oct.22 5-8 PM.

Please start saving these items for the collection. This is a one-time collection and has been made possible by a grant; there is no cost to the town. We have not yet received training in how to identify, handle, package, and store these materials, but we will be getting that training soon. Please call us with any questions. If we don't know the answers immediately, we will research and respond. The names and numbers of the members of the committee are at the bottom of the page. We will try to join future collections where possible and will announce the details as soon as we know them.

## 2002-2003 TRASH AND RECYCLING SCHEDULE

2002	SEPTEMBER ----27	2003	JANUARY---3, 17, 31
	OCTOBER---11, 25		FEBRUARY--14, 28
	NOVEMBER---8, 22		MARCH-----14, 28
	DECEMBER---6, 20		APRIL-----11, 25
			MAY-----9, 23

**CURRENT RECYCLING INFORMATION:** Congratulations Arrowsic Residents, Craig Rogers of R.C. Rogers, our solid waste contractor, reports that 90% of residents are recycling at curbside. This saves all of us money as waste disposal costs us \$60/ton tipping fee and \$66/ton (approx) trash collection. (Recycling costs roughly \$38/ton and \$24/ton (approx) collection.) What price do you put on the environmental benefits? However, there are some guidelines to observe while recycling and some are quite forgettable. Please save this flyer to refer to later.

### A. Curbside Pick-up

1. Newspapers, Catalogs, Magazines, Phone Books do not tie in bundles, plastic or paper bags ok.

2. Corrugated Cardboard double sided with zigzag center. Boxes must be clean, dry and flattened.

Reasonable amounts of tape are OK.

3. Plastics #2 ONLY. Rinse clean, remove caps and rings. No oily containers. Recycle your clean #2 bags at the grocery store.

4. Cans Tin-coated steel. Not aluminum. (Test with magnet) rinse clean, remove labels (they can jamb the processing machinery) and flatten.

5. Glass, CLEAR ONLY. Rinse clean and remove caps and rings. No Pyrex, window glass or light bulbs.

Please sort recyclables by type and put into separate bins or bags even if you have only one item of one type. This makes it a lot easier for the collection crew and ensures the marketability of our recyclables.

### B. At the Town Hall

1. Office Paper (In the little white shed) This is high grade WHITE paper only. Computer paper, stationary, envelopes (windows OK) No colored, glossy or coated papers. No sticky notes or plastic (other than envelope windows)

2. Mixed Paper in Dumpster All paper products except what can be included in curbside paper recycling. Also paper juice boxes and waxed milk cartons. No dirty papers. No plastic, carbon paper. Wrapping paper is fine as long as it doesn't contain plastic, foil, glitter, or ribbon. Even though this is a low-end product, garbage or dirty papers will make it unmarketable.