

# The Arrowsic Arrow

### Notes from the Selectmen:

The new Town Hall furnace approved at Town Meeting is now installed and ready to keep everyone warm this winter. Enormous thanks go to Michael Kreindler who stepped in to make this happen when Rob Shultz was sidelined by surgery.

Tax bills are in the mail and will probably be in your hands before The Arrow is. We were able to keep the mil rate at 12.13 per \$1,000 of valuation, just a small bit higher than last year's 12.0 even though our expenses keep increasing and our overall town wide valuation has declined.

RSU 1 cost sharing discussions continue without consensus as yet. The facilitator has been on vacation so we have not met so frequently. Karen Robbins and Sukey Heard are your representatives.

Sukey Heard

### ADVERTISEMENTS

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## VOTE NOV. 6, 2012!!!

Booths are open 10am-8pm, Town Hall

Sign up to vote that day—proof of identification and residency required.

If you would like to volunteer on election day, please call Jennifer Hall ASAP at the office: 443- 4609 or her cell: 843-263-6421

### Solid Waste / Recycling Notes

Several recent inquiries regarding disposal of **compact fluorescent lamps** prompt us to give this update. All types of fluorescent lamps contain mercury. New lamps contain less mercury than some older ones; but still, some mercury is required in their production. Lamps do not release mercury vapor unless broken (Source: EPA)

#### Recommendations:

Use and store fluorescent lamps with care to avoid breakage.

Disposal options for CFL's (compact fluorescent bulbs)-**Take them to a hardware or home improvement store and proceed to customer service desk.** ( Exception-Lowe's has self service drop off bins for CFL's, rechargeable batteries, and plastic bags. Enter the "RETURNS" area near the store entrance to find these bins.) Stores do not accept fluorescent tubes and lamps other than the CFL's. **Take fluorescent tubes and lamps to the Bath landfill and tell the attendant exactly what you have.**

Another recent question was how to dispose of **latex paint**, (NOT OIL BASED PAINT...OIL BASED IS A HAZARDOUS MATERIAL). For water-based paints such as latex, one would leave the cover off the can in a protected area for at least a few days. Once the paint has hardened somewhat, it can go into curbside trash. However, we encourage extra efforts to utilize or donate unwanted paints prior to resorting to disposal.

Please **REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE REPAIR.**

Respectfully submitted, ASWC. Questions call- John Hinds, Roz McLean, Liz Ware, Judy Kharl, and Damian Sokol.

### From the Editor ...

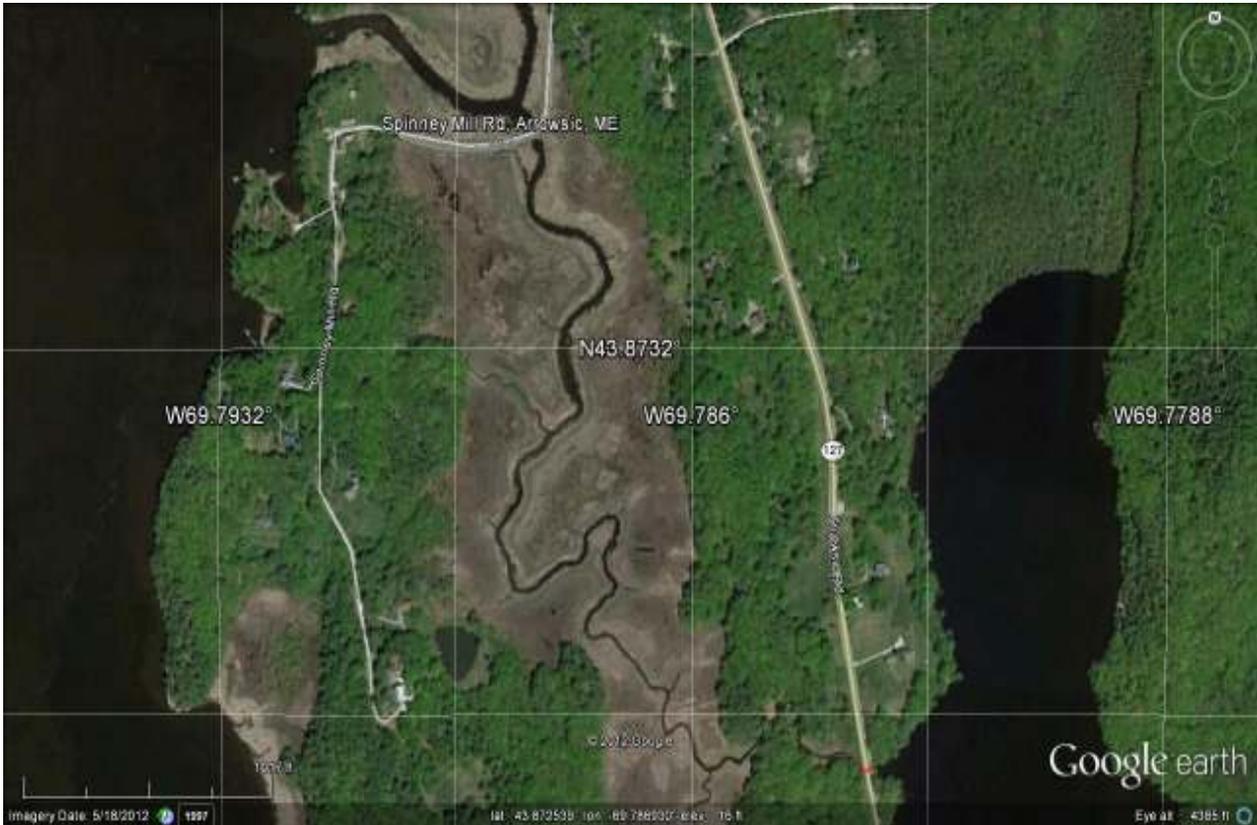
Is something missing? Want those vehicle registrations accessible and up to date? Have an hour per month and want to volunteer? Talk to me about typing up and posting the vehicle registrations to the website once a month. Your Island may thank you!

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## SEWALL CREEK to SEWALL POND

**Sunday November 18th at 9:30 AM** the Arrowsic Conservation Commission invites everyone to a **walk along Sewall Creek**. Come see the stream that Sewall Pond alewives swim up each year when returning to their natal spawning habitat. Learn about alewife biology, the importance of river herring to the Lower Kennebec Estuary ecosystem and current state of Arrowsic's alewife fishery. Volunteers have been working to restore the alewife fishery since 2007. We will talk about the annual monitoring of the fishery, maintenance of the stream passage and barrier removal projects completed and currently underway. The walk will start at the two culverts crossing Spinney Mill and finish at the outlet of Sewall Pond. Rubber boots and warm clothing are recommended for everyone. If you have any questions call 442-7533.

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