

Patten Free Library Bookstore

In the most recent Arrowsic Arrow the Solid Waste and Recycling Committee suggested a helpful way to recycle gently-used books, CDs, and DVDs through a book seller on the Internet. If you'd rather support a local organization with a lot less hassle, please consider delivering your donations to The Library Bookstore at 194 Front St., Bath anytime during store hours: 10 am - 4 pm on Monday - Saturday. The store is staffed and sponsored by The Friends of Patten Free Library with all proceeds benefiting the Library. Please no encyclopedias, magazines, text books or dirty, damaged, wet, or moldy books.

It's recycling at its best! As donations arrive they are quickly sorted into categories and added to the shelves all week. Gently-used books, books-on-tape, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles for all ages are available for purchase thanks to this steady flow of donations from the community. A colorful children's section allows little ones to find their own favorites. Come enjoy a friendly, vibrant atmosphere.

For more information on the bookstore or if you are interested in volunteering, please send me an email or give me a call.

Thanks, Sandy Weiss, Manager
snipefarm@gmail.com 443-2654



Spring Clean-Up

A big **Thank You** to everyone who helped with roadside clean-up this spring. Nineteen people checked in at town hall the morning of the clean-up, and several others called in to report sections they had already tended. All the major roads in town were covered, and the roadsides look much improved! Special thanks go to John Hinds and Damian Socol for sorting through all the bags to retrieve recyclables, and for transferring the pile to the curb on trash day.

Phinie Ewing



Town Meeting!!

June 13 6:30 at the Fire Station

Town Meeting will be on June 13 at 6:30 at the new Fire Station. The Annual Town Reports should have been delivered by Memorial Day. Please remember to bring your copy to the Town Meeting.

September 15 Bike Ride

BICYCLERS, SAVE THE DATE!

There will be a mass bike ride on Saturday, Sept. 15, from Arrowsic town hall to Waterfront Park in Bath. If you have a bicycle and enjoy riding it, please plan on joining us. Details to follow in the next Arrow.

Arrowsic Evening Sing

**Thursday, June 21, 7:30 pm
Arrowsic Town Hall.**

Come sing with us! Join your neighbors for a friendly evening of singing rounds at the Town Hall. Rounds can be simple, yet deliver a rich musical experience. There are no official vocal parts, so no high anxiety about being soprano (or low anxiety for baritones). If you get lost – just sing the same part over and over! We'll bring a good selection of rounds (American folk, African, Hebrew, solstice, silly, serious, spoken, even a silent one) and invite you to bring yours too. Maybe we'll even try "Sumer is a cumen in!"

Questions? Call Amy Smith or
Bill Savedoff at 442-8763

From the Solid Waste & Recycling Committee:

Please note a few details or save this Arrow for future reference.

- We have replenished **yellow recycling decals** for your roadside recycle bins. **Please pick yours up from the shelf in the town shed today!** Using the decals makes it much easier for drivers to identify your recyclable items as such. Unmarked bins containing recyclables could accidentally be viewed as trash. Please make sure your yellow decals are clearly visible, and separate your trash from recyclable containers by at least 4 feet to help out our hard-working haulers.
- Please consider signing up for the town "Google group." It is one way that we send out news from our committee, and signing up is easy. **Just visit <http://groups.google.com/group/arrowsic> and click on "apply for membership."**
- Dispose of unwanted **prescription or over-the-counter pills at the Bath Police Department.** There is a green Medicine Return chute right inside the station, always available. Put in prescriptions, OTC meds, vitamins, pet meds, samples, etc in pill form. No ointments, lotions, aerosols, thermometers, hydrogen peroxide, inhalers, needles, business/clinic materials, or bloody wastes, please.
- Take syringes to your doctor or to the lab department of a hospital. ***Do not throw syringes in the trash!!!***
- **Compact Fluorescent bulbs and fluorescent tubes contain mercury.** Carefully take spent ones - for free- to any retailer that sells them and find a clerk. Or take them, fee charged, to Pine Tree or Bath landfill. (Broken ones must go to Pine Tree or Bath Landfill in a container or labeled bag.)
- **Please bear in mind that appropriate curbside disposal practices are in the hands of our residents.** There is little to no chance to intercept improperly disposed or recycled items, once they are placed curbside.

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Third Annual Vegetable Garden Tour in Arrowsic

We'll have our Third - yes, our third already! - Vegetable Garden Tour on **Saturday, July 28, from 9 to 12 in the morning.** Please put us on your calendar now! We're looking for some new gardens to be included, as well as some which were on the tour the past 2 years. If you would like your garden to be on the tour this year, please call Janice at 443-1728 or email boborjanice@yahoo.com Remember, our original intention was to help new gardeners by sharing information on how to deal with various problems, such as deer, shade, rocky soil, etc. We've found that experienced gardeners are also taking the tour to enjoy the beauty and bounty of other vegetable gardens. Everyone is welcome, whether you grow vegetables or not.

During the week before July 28, you can find the list of gardens at the Town Hall, inside during office hours and outside, both on the door and in a box below our sandwich board advertising the tour. We hope you'll join us.

Janice Rodgers

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- Please contact us when in doubt on an item, or if you have another question or comment. Meanwhile, the committee will continue to work on improving our presentation of information and we will look for more opportunities for convenient, efficient recycling, reuse, and donation of unwanted items. If you have a suggestion, please contact a member of the committee.
- Thank you to all residents who work to recycle, reuse, donate, repair, reduce! John Hinds (chair; 751-1550), Roz McLean (386-0179), Liz Ware (522-2930), Judy Kahrl (386-1677), Damian Sokol (442-8669)

From the Editor ...

All signed articles and photos are welcome to submit to the Arrow! Notices are placed at Town Hall and on our Arrowsic groups website two weeks before the submission date. Send articles to me directly, and sign up for important news at: arrowsic@googlegroups.com

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ALEWIVES are running, alewives are running!

Monitors set the monitoring trap early April during a low flow period due to the lack of spring run off. We could see fish arriving at the downstream side of the culvert and stopping due to lack of water in the culvert. April 20th, rain five inches and the alewives are running. While still down from historic highest, this season will easily be the largest run since we began monitoring in 2007. Reports from other runs are similar this season and every season is different.



Since making the 2008 in-stream improvements, the Conservation Commission has been working toward replacing the culvert with an enhanced fish passage control structure. To that end, the Conservation Commission partnered with Kennebec Estuary Land Trust and applied for funding to plan for and design the structure. We received funding through a Maine Coastal Program Grant administered by the State Planning Office now Land Use under the Department of Conservation. This money will be used to map the pond bottom near the culvert, summarize the monitoring results to date and document the history of the culvert and fishery.

If you know anything about the culvert or the historical use of the culvert by fish *please* let us know. "Anything" might be as simple as a childhood (or adulthood) memory or a vague recollection of when it was first replaced or later maintained. One of the most helpful memories we have heard is, a resident recalling what his father was saying when he was a young kid. Any information can be e-mailed to conserve@arrowsic.org or talk to any member of the Conservation Commission.

Karen Robbins

Yard Sale! Coming soon

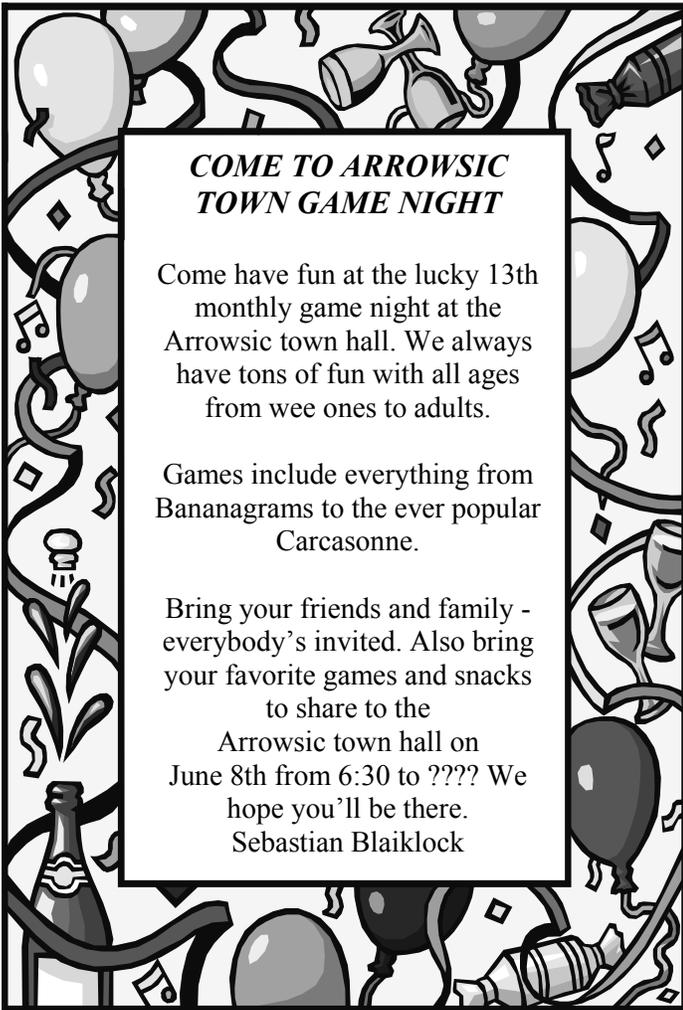
The Umty-Umth Annual
Arrowsic Scholarship Fund Yard Sale
June 16th 9:00am - 12:00 noon
Contact Jeremy Blaiklock
to donate items

443-4630

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COME TO ARROWSIC TOWN GAME NIGHT

Come have fun at the lucky 13th monthly game night at the Arrowsic town hall. We always have tons of fun with all ages from wee ones to adults.

Games include everything from Bananagrams to the ever popular Carcassonne.

Bring your friends and family - everybody's invited. Also bring your favorite games and snacks to share to the Arrowsic town hall on June 8th from 6:30 to ????. We hope you'll be there.
Sebastian Blaiklock

From the Editor ...

Is something missing? All of the vehicle registrations notices in past Arrows have been one to three months out of date and take up to a page of the publication. Help to make a decision! Do we continue to print the registrations or do we save the space (and trees) for other Arrowsic news? Email and I'll let you know the outcome at the Town Meeting!
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