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Town Manager's Notes: by John M. Fraser



WEB SITE: Arundel's new web site, arundelmaine.org, should be up and running by the middle of October. Although the site will be under continual development, we hope you will still find it a very useful way to keep up on town events and retrieve information. Please be sure to let us know should you have any suggestions for changes.

HAZARDOUS COLLECTION DAY: October 11, 2003 is the date of our fourth **Hazardous Waste Day**. Once again, the event is a cooperative venture among our neighboring towns, with Kennebunk hosting the event at their Community Recycling Center on Sea Road. Enclosed with this newsletter is a list of acceptable items and, on the reverse side, a list of the proper way to dispose of other household items-please hold onto this flyer for future reference!

NEW RECYCLING OPTIONS; While on the subject of trash, please take a minute to review our expanded list of acceptable materials in the list below, (New flyers are available at the Town Hall & Transfer Station we hope you are finding the new recycling program easier to use and that it is encouraging more of you to recycle. This program has been made possible through a State Planning Office grant, which will eventually reimburse us for 50% of the programs start-up costs. As you may already know, the benefits of the program are that we can accept **all** of your plastics now and it is no longer necessary for you to sort all of your recyclables. However, it is still essential that you **flatten** all of your cardboard boxes in order to guarantee that the containers weigh as much as possible when they are full.

COMINGLED CONTAINER: Glass (amber, green or clear), HDPE Plastic, PET Plastics, Aluminum beverage containers, foil, tin coated steel cans.

MIXED PAPER CONTAINER: Computer, office & copier paper (white & colored, stapled or paper clipped), envelopes (with & without windows), magazines & catalogs, phone books, newspapers, junk mail, Fax paper, NCR paper, paperback books, glossy or slick paper, manila folders, tab cards, cardboard (corrugated & cereal box type **FLATTENED**)

HELP – The Board of Appeals is in need of several new members. Time requirements are usually minimal, with the Board meeting only when necessary. Please give us a call at the Town Office for more information — 985-4201.

November 4th
Referendum Election
8 am to 8 pm
Central Fire Station

NEW VOTER REGISTRATION LAWS



The new Federal Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) requires Maine to make changes to both voting technology and legal requirements. A major legal change is the addition of certain information on the voter registration cards.

Anyone registering to vote must include under Voter ID: either their Maine Driver's license number or the last 4 digits of their social security number.

If the application is mailed in, you **MUST** include a photocopy of your **Maine Driver's License, utility bill or a government document that shows your name and physical address (not a PO Box)**. If applying in person, either at the town office or that day at the polls, one of these documents must be presented or a challenged ballot is cast and the per-

REVALUATION UPDATE -



Vision Appraisal began the first phase of the revaluation the first week in August. The first phase is data collection. Basically they will be making an inventory of all the property in town.

At this point Vision Appraisal has four individuals measuring and listing properties. I would just like to remind everyone that the lister's job is only to gather information. At this phase, values are not being determined, just information gathered. It is very important that the information that they gather is accurate. When they come to your property, if you are not home they will measure the exterior and also take a picture. They will return a second time. If after the second attempt they do not find anyone home, they will make a note that an interior inspection was not made. Vision Appraisal will be mailing letters to all owners that were not home initially. This will give the taxpayers an opportunity to call and schedule an appointment for an interior inspection.

It is extremely important that the assessments are calculated on accurate information. If an interior inspection is not completed then *estimates* must be made. So your cooperation is very much appreciated and it will help assure that all taxpayers are being treated fairly.

The objective of the revaluation is to establish equity amongst taxpayers. We want to ensure that all taxpayers are paying their fair



New Teachers For a New School Year!



The Arundel School Committee has appointed the following teachers for the 2003-2004 school year:

Mr. Craig Pendergrass, Middle School Science – Mr. Pendergrass is a graduate of the Maine Maritime Academy majoring in Engineering Technologies. He has also completed the University of New England teacher certification program. He did his student teaching at Saccarappa School in the Westbrook School System.

Mr. Nathan Pineau, Special Education – Mr. Pineau is a graduate of the University of Maine, Farmington special education program. He completed his student teaching at the Jay Middle School and for the past year taught the Life Skills Program at the Brunswick School System.

Ms. Samantha Freeman, Special Education – Ms. Freeman is a graduate of Lyndon State College majoring in special education. She is certified as a handicapped-special education programs/resource teacher K-12. For the past two years she has taught in the special education department of Barton Academy.

Ms. Sarah-Jane Cesario, Mathematics – Ms. Cesario is a graduate of the University of Vermont. For the past four years she has been teaching at the Sacred Heart School in Hampton, New Hampshire.

Mr. Christian Loef, Social Studies – Mr. Loef graduated from the University of Maine at Farmington with a BA degree in History. He also completed the University of New England teacher certification program and for the past year he has worked for the alternative education program associated with the Westbrook School Department

Golden Girls News



The Golden Girls will meet Monday, Sept. 8th at 10:30 A.M. at Roger's Pond on Water Street in Kennebunk. We will bring our own bag lunch and have a picnic.

On Monday, Sept. 15th there will be a short meeting at the Firehouse in Arundel at 10:00 a.m.

At our Sept. 22nd meeting at the Firehouse we will have Lorraine Jones for our speaker.

For more info please Tel: Elizabeth O'Brien 967-5146

SCOUTS HAVE GREAT SUMMER!

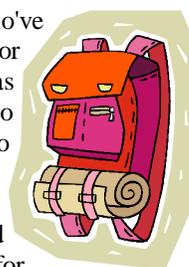
WOW! Our heads are still spinning from all the activities that we've had since we last spoke. We had first time scouts and adult leaders attending summer camp, scouts looking into eagle projects, two crews hiking the mountains in New Mexico and even had Marty selling hot dogs at the Cruise Nights. Life is "Good"! In fact, some of our scouts made the front page of the new Kennebunk Post. It's been one heck of a summer!

In August, we had 14 scouts at Camp Hinds in Raymond, Maine: Logan Douston, Ryan Williams, Sean Butler, Dylan Gagne, Zachary Balomenos, Jared Lank, Ben Sylvain, Garth Douston, David Hanlon, Gavin Cote, Tyler Leskowsky, Travis B. Peverill, Dylan Pelletier and Steven Woodcock plus 4 adult leaders: Scoutmaster Ed Leskowsky, Richard Sylvain, Shawn Douston, and Roger Woodcock while Costas Balomenos ran support mission. All had a great time and have booked their week for next year already. One of the highlights, was spending a rainy night in a home made shelter to complete their Wilderness Survival Merit Badge. The Troop's

summer camp acting Senior Patrol Leader was a rookie, but one of the best junior leaders we have had in a long time. Logan not only took charge at camp but also trained with the Philmont scouts when they hiked the AMT (Appalachian Mountain Trail) in July. A very promising young man with a lot of potential and inner strength. Our team is coming together nicely....at last!

The adventure continued with our older scouts in New Mexico, which was an experience for some who've never left home before or flown in a plane.....it was fun to watch them go through security. We had to take our hiking boots off, backpack and all of our hiking gear was separated and put into the cargo hole for safety reasons, belts were removed, pockets emptied out and some of us even had to be search with a security wand. Took some great pictures!!! Our stay at Philmont was everything that we imagined and more. You had to experience the feeling of being at 12,441 feet above sea level up on Mt. Baldy and being able to see forever. This is double the height of Mt. Washington, which is

6,288 feet high. The hiking wasn't always an easy one, which was steep and slow going while you tried to catch your breath to continue upward. Just imagine, no CD's, no televisions, no electricity, no flush toilet, no refrigerators, no micros just you, your backpack and Mother Nature all around you as far as you could see. Some people would call this a retreat, some hell, but we call it an adventure of a lifetime. There were 20 of us who dared to take the Philmont challenge: Crew 1 Advisor Dave Strassler, Sharon Paul, Tom McGinn, Henry Zwetsloot, Crew 1 Leader Nick Doyle, Instructor John Maloney-Hawkins, Matt McGinn, Ricky Paul, Andy Strassler, Wilder Paradise. Crew 2: Advisor Phil Taschereau, Colleen Barth, Amber Wade, Phil Morse, Crew 2 Leader Derek Pelletier, Instructor Kevin Barth, Sam Morse, Jason Engler, Greg Goodrich, Jared Cascio. All of us shared the same feelings of accomplishment and of wanting to continue but promised that we would return.



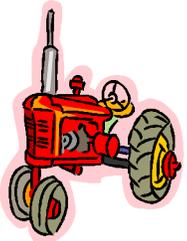
When we returned home we were asked what would we do next: Who knows! Maybe the 2004 Canadian National Jamboree at Thunder Bay, Maybe the 2004 National Jamboree at Fort A. P. Hill



October 2003

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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| | |  | 1 | 2 Farmfest Mtg 7 pm | 3 | 4 |
| 5 FIRE PREVENTION WEEK | 6 Absentee Ballots Available at Town Hall | 7 10/14 FD Training 7 PM  | 8 Fire Station Open House School Board | 9 Planning Brd Mtg 7 pm FS | 10  | 11 HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY |
| 12  | 13 Columbus Day Holiday Town Hall Closed | 14 Appeals Board 7 pm FS | 15 Selectmen's Mtg 6:30 pm FS Comp Plan Pub- | 16 Farmfest Mtg 7pm Fs | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 EMT Training 7pm FS | 22 Fire-Rescue Meeting 7 pm FS | 23 Planning Brd Mtg 7 pm FS | 24 | 25 FARMFEST CELEBRATION 10 am . . . |
| 26 | 27 Selectmen's Mtg 7 pm FS | 28 Appeals Brd Mtg 7 pm FS Village Center Public Hearing | 29 | 30 | 31 |  |

Mark Your Calendar Oct. 25th - 10 a.m. Farmfest is almost here!



A Free Fun Family Day with lots to see and do!

Plans for the celebration are really taking shape with something for young and old!
The Old Post Road from Route 1 to the River Road will be closed to allow for pedestrian traffic.
Most of the activities will take place in the large field located there (have you seen the big sign?)
Highlights include:

- * A petting zoo by the 4-H Club
- * Two Antique Tractor Clubs to display old tractors and farm equipment
- * Demonstrations such as sheep herding, canning, basket making, milking, timber framing and lots more!
- * Displays of old photos and household items used before all these new fangled gadgets came around
- * Great food and baked goods for sale, pumpkin painting, period costume photos, fire muster games
- * Crafters with hand sew, knitted, crocheted & woodworking items, etc. for sale.



**Plans are growing to include a Bean Supper, Dance and bon fire after the main events.
Watch for an upcoming schedule of events in local stores!**

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS? We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help that day with parking, set up and taking down. Cash donations or event sponsorships are greatly appreciated as we are trying to make this a free celebration for all to enjoy!

Also we are still looking for old photos & stories. Do you have pictures of the Mildred L. Day School original and after expansion in 60's, old homes or businesses that are now gone or changed, vehicles, roads, people, events, etc.? We can scan them right here at the town office while you wait.

They would become a permanent record of Arundel's history for everyone to share!



THE HOLIDAY SEASON IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER

by Wendy Lank, General Assistance/Social Services

Where did the year go? It's hard to believe that in just less than two months the holiday season will be here. Again this year the Arundel Social Services Department will provide three wonderful programs for families and elderly in need.



Requests for **Thanksgiving Baskets** may be given to me beginning October 13, 2003. I know that for some us the holidays seem to be so far away but for those on limited incomes it can be a constant and sometimes stressful worry. The baskets, that are so kindly donated, consists of a turkey (chicken for the elderly) and all the fixings. I will be taking requests until November 21st so if you are in need of a little help please do not hesitate to give me a call.



Secret Santa will be starting up another year of providing gifts also to families in need. The request forms should be available around the middle of October. **The applications will need to be returned to me by the first part of November** so that the tags will be ready for the tree. Around Thanksgiving the Town will have its tree set up in the Town Hall lobby with the tags bearing a "most wanted" or "needed" gift for a child.

Elder Elves is a wonderful program that provides gifts to elderly residents who lives alone and will not have someone to

ARUNDEL FIRE-RESCUE

Open House

At the Central Station
Fire Prevention Week
Wednesday - October 8th
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

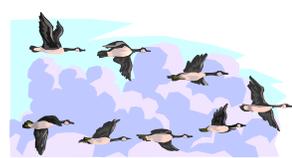


Fire Truck Rides
Refreshments
Visits from Sparky the Firedog
And Smoky Bear
Displays & Smokehouse
Free handouts for the kids



Farmfest — Oct 25th

Old Post Road
Fun Family Day for Young & Old
See Page 3 for more details!

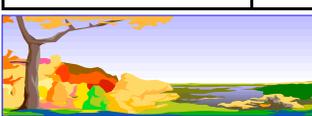



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Arundel Resident
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