

The Arrow

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Great Job M.L. Day Kids!

By Wendy Lank, GA Director

On February 29th the children in grades K-5 at the Mildred L. Day School presented the Arundel Social Services, the Church Community Food Pantry and the West Kennebunk Animal Shelter with food that they had collected. This event was called "100 Ways to Give From the Heart – From the Heart of the Community". All together they donated over 1660 items of food which included well over 100 cans and/or bags of cat and dog food for our friends at the animal shelter. What a great way to help out your neighbor. Thank you to all the kids and staff at the school for doing such a great job. Your kindness is deeply appreciated.

Front Row: Mackenzie Gilliam, Madison Richards, Samantha Lovely, Tegan Jackson, Morgan Ayotte, Wyatt Zuke, and Aidan Moody

Back Row: Christopher Caron, Evan Coombs, Matthew Collard, Taylor Phillips



COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMITTEE

The Comprehensive Plan Committee has been meeting this past fall and winter to review the current status of the items in the Implementation Plan. Each item in the Implementation Plan is assigned to a "Responsible Party" in the form of a board, committee, or town official and reports from them have been requested. Thus far, the reports submitted by the Planning Board, Assessor, Code Enforcement Officer, and Town Manager have been reviewed. As a general rule, the Comprehensive Plan Committee has found the progress toward implementation to be satisfactory. In a few instances, some suggestions for change have been made.



During our Spring meeting, the CPC will be reviewing the Implementation Plan responsibilities of the Board of Selectmen, Fire Chief, Road Commissioner, Recreation Committee, School Board, Welfare Director, and Conservation Commission as their reports are received.

2008 Dog Licenses

All dogs 6 months of age or older must be licensed by State Law. Licensing fees: \$6.00 for spayed or neutered dogs—\$11.00 for males or females capable of producing young.

A CURRENT RABIES CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED

A \$15.00 LATE FEE now applies on all late renewals in addition to the licensing fee.

After APRIL 1st, unlicensed dogs will be placed on the Municipal Warrant along with a \$25 warrant fee per dog.



UPCOMING REC PROGRAMS



Don't miss our annual community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday 3/22/08 at 9:00am. Pre-registration is required by Tuesday 3/18.

Fee is \$1 per person. For children up through grade 5. Registration forms are available on our website: <http://arundelmaine.org>, at the Arundel Town Hall or at ML Day School.

Details regarding our exciting summer programs including Summer Rec for grades K-5, and Middle School Summer Trips for grades 6-9 will be released in the next couple of weeks, including dates of programs and fees. Payment plans are available through March and April, with all balances due by May 16, 2008.

The Rec Dept is always interested in your comments and suggestions about our existing programs, or ideas you may have for new programs. Contact Director Jenn Dumas at 286-9241 or arundelrec@roadrunner.com



Arundel Fire-Rescue

The Officers of Arundel Fire & Rescue would like to thank the townspeople for supporting the department over the years. We also would like to thank the current and past members in the department for their continuous support and education to assist the residents, businesses and visitors of Arundel.

In September of 2007, the station became staffed 24 hours a day with 2 personnel. When the department relied on strictly volunteers, the average response time was 14 minutes. With the station being manned the average response time now is 7 minutes.

The level of care has also increased for the Emergency Medical Services. As of right now the ambulance is staffed at 96% of the time with at least a paramedic. The remaining 4% of the time, the ambulance is staffed with an intermediate.



Emergency

We would like to provide you with our annual call volume for the past 10 years. This list includes all Fire, Emergency Medical Calls and Motor Vehicle accidents.

1998 – 247 Calls	2003 – 351 Calls
1999 – 232 Calls	2004 – 299 Calls
2000 – 228 Calls	2005 – 351 Calls
2001 – 299 Calls	2006 – 355 Calls
2002 – 328 Calls	2007 – 424 Calls

As you can see the year 2007 was our busiest year to date. For the months of January and February of 2008, we have had 68 calls for service. Out of the 68 calls so far this year, 25% of them are motor vehicle accidents.

The department is now in the process of a fund raising event. At this time we are attempting to purchase a new cardiac monitor/defibrillator. The current one that we have can not be upgraded to the level of care that we can provide to the citizens. If you would like to donate toward our monitor fund please send to the following address:

Cardiac Monitor Fund
C/O Arundel Fire-Rescue
468 Limerick Road
Arundel, Maine 04046



Please remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors every time you change your clocks during daylight savings time.

York County Sheriff's Office



One Layman Way, Alfred, Maine 04002

It has been a busy couple of months in Arundel for the Sheriff's Office. Our Detective Bureau is still working to wrap up the string of car burglaries that occurred in the area of Limerick Road a few weeks ago. Several people have been charged with the crime and several more to come. If you are a victim of the offense and are curious about articles that may have been recovered please feel free to contact our Criminal Investigative Unit at 207-324-1113.

Special Olympics Torch Run:

Last year's Torch Run was held on June 7th and was definitely a hot one. This year's run will be held on June 6th and from the looks of things, we might be running in two feet of snow. Regardless, I'm sure the Law Enforcement Community and its runners will pull through with great participation.

As in past years we are continuing to assist the Maine Special Olympics with gathering donations for a wonderful cause. We of course, cannot solicit donations for the police department and we must make it clear that we are merely assisting the Maine Special Olympics with their donation drive.

Any donation that you or your business can contribute would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the Arundel Town Hall on Limerick Road or the York County Sheriff's Office. Please make checks payable to: SPECIAL OLYMPICS MAINE.

Matt Nadeau, Deputy Sheriff
York County Sheriff's Office - Arundel Contract Deputy

"Quality Service Through Community Policing"



ARUNDEL... ANNALS, TALES, AND WAYS

Did you know that Arundel's name has changed several times? Originally, from 1719 to 1820, we were Arundel. In 1820 we were Kennebunkport and stayed that way until 1915. In 1915, we became North Kennebunkport. Finally, in 1957 Arundel separated from Kennebunkport and became the Arundel we know today.

As you read old maps, deeds, and other information about our town, keep in mind that our name and boundaries have changed over the years.

From our Town Reports...

In 1958, Arundel had a senior graduating class of 15 students and we had 6 elementary schools in town.

In 1947, the School Superintendent's report included the following:

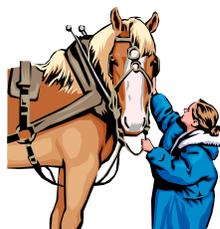
"Oil burning heaters should be installed in all buildings. The present stoves are unsatisfactory and require janitorial attention which is difficult to get. Oil burners would provide better heating with less attention."

In 1916, the total amount of money appropriated for the town was \$9824.85. The rate of taxation was \$27.50 per thousand.

Recollections...

Kenneth H. Taylor [born 1906], in an autobiography, relates:

"Some of my earliest recollections are of my grandfather Jeremiah H. Taylor [1835-1911] peeling me apples and telling me Bible stories. I also remember going with him to the Cook blacksmith shop at the corner of the Thompson Road and the present route #111, to get "Daisy"



our driving horse shod.

Another recollection is of going to Sally Burnham [Fred Kimball's sister] on Kimball Lane. My father and mother took me on the horse drawn market wagon over the old bridge between the "Stones" and the "Standford" farm. The bridge washed out in the spring of 1912 and was never replaced."



If you have your own recollections or facts to share about Arundel's history, the Arundel Historical Society would love to hear from you!

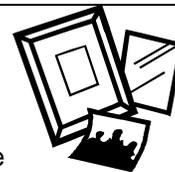
Attention United States Armed Service Veterans



The newly formed Arundel Historical Society wishes to erect a monument in town in honor of those citizens who have done their duty and served in any branch of the Armed Services in defense of our country. We are

looking for the input of local veterans to locate and design an appropriate monument that reflects participation from the Revolutionary War to Iraq and Afghanistan. If you are interested please contact the Arundel Historical Society c/o the Arundel Town Office at 985-4201

Golden Girls Start New Season



The Golden Girls of Arundel will resume regular meetings, weather permitting, on the second Monday, April 13th at 10:00 A.M at the Arundel Firehouse. We meet every Monday except the first Monday of each Month .

For our first meeting I have asked the members to bring pictures of their children or grandchildren so we can guess who they are related to.

Ideas for future meetings will be discussed. For more information please call Elizabeth O'Brien 967-5146

Arundel's Old Homes



The newly formed Arundel Historical Society is interested in locating homes in Arundel that were built around 1900 or before. If you either own or have knowledge of such a home, we would like to hear about it.

At a minimum, we would need to know the address/location of the home as well as any dates of ownership you can provide. Please use the form below as a starting point. If you have additional or more detailed information, feel free to include that on a separate page. We would also like to know if you have old photographs of the home.

Any information, no matter how little, will be helpful. Thanks so much!

The form can be dropped off at or mailed to: Arundel Town Hall, 468 Limerick Road, Arundel, ME 04046. [attn: Arundel Historical Society]

Old Home

Address: _____

Current owner: _____

Date purchased: _____ Old photos: Yes No

Previous owners:

Name	Owned from...to...
_____	-
_____	-
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Contact Information (Phone or e-mail) _____

Other information: [attach separate page, please]

*My Personal Message
from Wendy Lank*

My family and I would like to sincerely thank the many residents and businesses here in Arundel that have shown their kindness during this difficult time of our lives. When we lost Norm, we never felt alone because we were surrounded by so many wonderful people.

*Special Thanks from
the Family of Norm Boissonneault*

Our thanks go out to all of our friends in Arundel who supported Norm throughout the past two years in his valiant struggle with Multiple Myeloma and kidney failure. Norm loved his work at the ML Day School and considered the Staff and Students a second family. We would also like to express our special Thanks to the friends in the Arundel Fire-Rescue and those of the Spring Fire-Rescue departments for the wonderful support to Norm with the Fireman's Funeral and Honor Service. All of your thoughts, prayers and kind words of sympathy have helped to ease the burden of our loss. Simone



Nomination Papers

Nomination Papers will be available on Monday, March 17th, for the June 10, 2008 Municipal Election for the following positions:

- Selectmen (1) for a 3-year term
- School Board (2) for 3 year terms
- Budget Board (2) for 3 year terms
 - (1) for a 2 year term
 - (1) for a 1 year term



A minimum of 25 signatures from registered voters in Arundel is needed for a candidate's name to appear on the ballot.



Budget Board Meeting Dates

The Budget Board will meet on the **1st and 3rd Monday's** of the following few months beginning Monday, March 17th, to review the proposed Town and School budgets for 2009 which will be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting in June.

Budget Meetings are held at the Fire Station Meeting room at 7 p.m. All meetings are open to the public.

Town of Arundel
468 Limerick Rd
Arundel, ME 04046



TAX Reminder

The **2nd Half of the 2008 Real Estate & Personal Property Taxes are DUE April 10, 2008**
Interest on any unpaid balance begins April 11th

Filing Reminders:

NEW Homestead Exemptions, NEW Veteran's Exemptions, Blind Exemptions as well as NEW Tree Growth, Farm and Open Space applications must be filed by April 1, 2008 in order to be applied to the upcoming 2009 tax year.

(If you already have the Homestead &/or Veteran's exemption you DO NOT need to file a new form each year.)

Please call 985-4201 if you have any questions on these applications or need tax balance information.

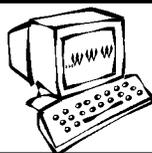
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Kennebunkport, ME 04046

**ARUNDEL RESIDENT
ARUNDEL, ME 04046**



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to keep posted on meetings and events!

Renew your vehicle registration on line with Rapid Renewal www.SOSonline.org

