



# The Arrow

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Newsletter

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## Annual Town Meeting

Todd Shea, Town Manager



I would like to take this opportunity to invite all residents of the Town of Arundel to attend Town Meeting this year. This is the time when the community comes together to elect officials, vote on Land Use Ordinance Amendments and budget items. Elections will be held on Tuesday, June 11 from 8 AM until 8 PM at the Arundel Fire Station. Open Town Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 12 at 7 PM in the ML Day School Gymnasium at 600 Limerick Road. A Town Meeting which is held in two separate parts, as is the case in Arundel, is known as a bifurcated Town Meeting. All residents are invited to attend. There are a few Land Use Ordinance revisions proposed by the Planning Board to be voted on this year. Residents are encouraged to review the Town Meeting Warrant online for a description of these changes.

Total proposed municipal appropriations for FY 2013-14 have increased by \$76,897 which is driven mainly by increases in health insurance, as well as the proposal of an additional full time position for the Public Works Department and additional funding for the Rec Department due to increased demand for services. These increases have been agreed upon by both the Board of Selectmen and the Budget Board. This additional manpower for Public Works will allow for more projects to get done, as well as to allow the current employees to use the vacation time that they are accruing, without having to lose that time due to policy restrictions. Proposed revenues for FY 13-14 show an increase of \$22,875 mainly due to increased permitting activities and increased ambulance revenue. RSU 21 appropriations have decreased by approximately \$30,000 in this same timeframe. In FY 2012-2013 (current budget year) the Town voted to utilize \$300,000 from the Undesignated Fund to lessen the mil rate increase. As proposed the FY 2013-2014 budget will utilize \$310,000 from the Undesignated Fund. The balance of the Undesignated Fund after the \$310,000 proposed use for the upcoming fiscal year will be approximately \$1.8 million. With all of these factors considered, and with an anticipated increase in Town valuation, the increase in the mil rate to taxpayers should be minimal. A definite mil rate will not be able to be determined until the assessor commits taxes in early August. I would like to thank the Budget Board and the Board of Selectmen for their input and hard work on the proposed budget.

Please make an effort to attend Town Meeting on June 12 at 7 PM in the ML Day School Gymnasium. Those who attend will be the ones deciding on all of the matters before them. I look forward to seeing you there.

## Proposed Changes to the Arundel Land Use Ordinance

by Tad Redway, Town Planner

Although the Planning Board has been working diligently to rewrite the Land Use Ordinance, the task has not been completed in time to be voted on at this Town meeting. However the Board recognized several hardships on homeowners in the current ordinance that could not wait until next year, and therefore immediate corrections are being proposed at the June 12, 2013 Town Meeting:

Article 2 of the Town Meeting warrant seeks to remedy hardships on existing residential neighborhoods in the Proctor and Old Post Road area simply because they are in the Industrial (BI) district. Estate lots are currently prohibited in the BI district, preventing homeowners from building in the back portions of their properties. The proposed changes to Section 6.2 footnotes would fix this zoning hardship.

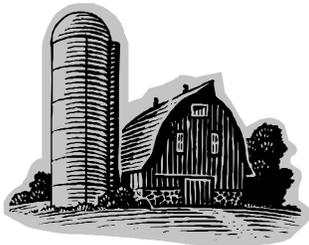
Article 3 follows up on the remedy of Article 2 by specifically permitting estate lots in the BI and the HC districts as long as the access is from Proctor or Old Post Road and not Route 1. This language change to Section 7.7.B.8.a of the Ordinance insures that the Land Use table and the Estate Lot standards do not conflict.

Finally, Article 4 seeks to amend the Official Zoning Map so that the residential property at 225 Old Alfred Road is no longer divided between three different zoning districts. Instead the homeowner petitioned to have his entire lot located in the R1 district and the Planning Board agreed it was appropriate and the right thing to do.

To prevent lots from being carved up between different unrelated zoning districts in the future, the Planning Board is currently redrafting zoning districts to follow property boundary lines where logical and feasible.



## Arundel Historical Society



The Arundel Historical Society has had a busy beginning to 2013. With well attended Spaghetti and Baked Bean suppers in February and April and bake sales on voting days, we have been raising awareness and funds for our North Chapel Common project. Our annual May Raffle Calendar was a large success, due in major part to the generosity of local businesses and individuals who donated prizes in the form of gift certificates, gifts, and cash. Please, when you think of making purchases or seeking services, keep these local merchants and service providers at the top of your list!

We hope that many of you attended the Memorial Day Ceremony at the Arundel Veterans Memorial at the Fire Station. As part of the ceremony honoring our veterans, the



Honor Roll was read aloud. It currently includes 192 names of Arundel veterans, from the French and Indian War to the present. We encourage anyone who knows of or is an Arundel veteran who has not as yet been added to the Honor Roll to contact us so we can add that name! Copies of the Honor Roll are currently available at the M.L. Day School Library and at Town Hall.

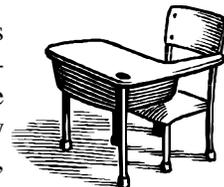
Those copies are updated annually in time for Veterans Day in November.

As part of the AHS mission to educate and to build community, we have begun organizing and planning a fall event designed to celebrate who we are, where we came from, and where we are going as we head into the future. At our initial organizational meeting, the concept was well received and a number of individuals and groups have already stepped forward to participate. We hope to garner a good deal of support from the people in Arundel as we continue planning this town-wide event. At this point we are looking for individuals or businesses willing to participate in, coordinate, or contribute

to the following categories: Agriculture & Animal Husbandry; Historical Items for Display; Natural History; Local Plants & Animals; Craft/Trade/Skill Demonstrations; Local Crafts/Products for Sale; Food; Games/Contests for Adults & Kids; and Information from Local Groups/Businesses. We will also need volunteers to assist with set-up, clean-up, and coordination of activities on the day of the event.

Arundel has a rich history and its residents have a wide variety of skills, talents, and information to offer. Many of you, especially if you are relatively new to town, will be amazed at what Arundel has to offer! This event will be an ideal opportunity for all residents, old and new, to learn a great deal about our town. If you are interested in participating or have something to offer, please contact us. Our next organizational meeting for this event is scheduled for Thursday, June 20 at 7pm in the M.L. Day School Library. Remember: "Many hands make light work".

We are looking for old school/class photos from Arundel's schools. We already have some, but we know that there are lots more out there! If you have any you would be willing to share with us, please let us know. We will return the original photo to you after it has been copied and preserved. Photos of other Arundel people, places, and things are also welcomed.



Please consider becoming a member of the AHS. A membership application is available on our website and our regular business meetings are the first Thursday of each month. To find out more: [www.arundelhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.arundelhistoricalsociety.org). To contact us: 283-9699,

Thank you for your support,  
Jake Hawkins, AHS President

## Arundel Fire-Rescue

The Arundel Fire-Rescue is still collecting returnable bottles. They may be dropped off anytime at the side of the central Fire Station on Limerick Road. There is a special container alongside the building. The members appreciate your continued support.



## Public Works Update

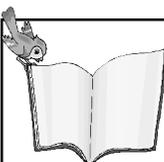
Roger Taschereau  
Public Works Director



After a good old fashioned Maine Winter, Public Works has cleaned, painted and stored most of our snow plow equipment. A full season of drainage work and preparation for pavement is planned on New Road, a section of Mountain Road, a section of Sinnott Road and Curtis Road.

Mowing of the ball fields has already begun and roadside mowing will be underway soon.

Public Works is asking to fill a full time position that was vacated several years ago and would appreciate everyone's support for this at the June 12th Town Meeting.



## ANNUAL TOWN REPORT BOOK

The 2012-2013 Annual Town Report book is available at the Arundel Town Office and at the Arundel Market, J Brothers Variety and Green Mountain

Transplants.

Copies of the Report Book will be available at the Election on June 11th and at the Annual Town meeting on Wednesday, June 12th, at the MLD Gym.



### Arundel Recreation Summer Plans!

Another year of school is drawing to a close, and the Rec Department has plans for a super summer of fun programs. Please visit the main Rec Department page of the town website to find information about all of our programs for adults, families, and children of all ages! <http://www.arundelmaine.org>. To register for Arundel Rec programs, you can download & print a registration form from the town website. Completed registration forms & payment by check can be sent to ML Day School through your student's backpack in an envelope labeled "Arundel Rec," or dropped off/ mailed to ML Day School or Arundel Town Hall 468 Limerick Road, Arundel, ME 04046. (Cash payments are accepted in person at the town hall). Questions? [arundelrec@roadrunner.com](mailto:arundelrec@roadrunner.com) or 286-9241.

#### Upcoming program information:

As of 5/22/2013, we have ten 8-week session slots remaining in our K-5<sup>th</sup> grade **SUMMER REC** program, and a small scattering of 1-week and 4-week session slots remaining, depending on the grade your child will be entering in the fall. Spots will be filled first come, first serve with payment in full.

Our 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade **MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER TRIPS** program schedule for the 2013 season is now available on the website. Camp Counselors Taylor Raymond and Chris Roberts are looking forward to a fun-filled, adventurous summer with your middle schoolers! You'll find the details on the town website <http://arundelmaine.org> under the Recreation Department "Youth & Teen Programs."

**Arundel Barn Playhouse – Family Night.** "SHREK!" Show Information: Friday, July 19, 2013 at 8:00pm. Family 4-packs are available for \$50. Packs include 2 adult passes and 2 student passes. Adult passes can be used by students, however student passes cannot be used by adults. Tickets are sold in 4-packs only. The Arundel Barn Playhouse asks that families consider the late hour of the play when determining if this is appropriate for your family (approximate end time: 10:15pm). Only 20 Family 4-packs are available – sign up soon! Final Registration Deadline: Wednesday, July 3. All sales final. 4-packs can be purchased by Arundel residents only. Tickets are expected to be available to be picked up at the Town Hall beginning July 8. All participants will receive a phone call or email when tickets are ready to be picked up



**Arundel Barn Playhouse – Senior Night** "ALWAYS...PATSY CLINE" The Arundel Barn Playhouse invites adults ages 60 & up to enjoy a discounted evening at the Playhouse! Show Information: Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 8:00pm. 2-packs are available for \$50 (regular price \$39 each). Tickets are sold in 2-packs only. Only 15 2-packs are available – sign up soon! Final Registration Deadline: Thursday, August 8. All sales final. 2-packs can be purchased by Arundel residents only. Tickets are expected to be available to be picked up at the Town Hall beginning August 12. All participants will receive a phone call or email when tickets are ready to be picked up.

**June 5 Half-Day Trip** for ML Day grades K-5. Join us for an afternoon on MACWORTH ISLAND in Falmouth. We will explore the shoreline,

enjoy the walking paths, and perhaps fly a kite and play some games. Take the weather into consideration, and send sunscreen and a hat if necessary, along with a light outer layer for the cool ocean breeze. Fee: \$20. Registration Deadline: Thursday, May 30. Maximum enrollment: 50. Pick up your child in the MLD Gym/Playground between 4:00-5:30pm.

**Last Day of School Half-Day Trip** for ML Day grades K-5. Not that anyone is counting, but the last day of school is Thursday 6/20/13! Join us for an afternoon of MINI-GOLF & ICE CREAM to celebrate the last day of school! Fee: \$20. Registration Deadline: Thursday, 6/13. Maximum enrollment: 50. *This trip will take place on the last day of school, whatever that date is.*

**School's Out – Let's have some fun!** For children entering grades 1-8 in the fall. Hours: 7:00am-5:30pm. Registration Deadline: Thursday 6/13. Friday June 21: (\$25) Funtown (if it shines) Glow-Bowling & a movie (if it rains). No refunds or credits will be available if plans change. Maximum enrollment: 50.



**Summer Horsemanship Camp** for boys & girls ages 8 and up. In conjunction with Arundel Parks & Rec, Hi Stepping Equestrian Center is offering a unique adventure for your child this summer! Theresa Guilmette, owner/trainer since 1992, would like to share her gift of horsemanship with your child. Your child will learn the basics of working around and riding horses including: grooming, saddling, bridling and or course, riding. Requirements: long pants, boots with a short heel, and a water bottle. When: Thursdays, 5:00-6:30pm. June Session: June 6-June 28. July Session: July 11-August 1. August Session: August 8-29. Fee: \$100 per session/child. Minimum enrollment/session: 2. Maximum enrollment/session: 5. Registration Deadline: Thursday of the week prior to each session's start date.

**End of Summer Day Trips** for children entering grades K-8 in the fall. We will offer daily trips to some of the most popular destinations for kids during the week after Summer Rec & Middle School Summer Trips end. Daily hours: 7:00am-5:30pm. Trips will be offered Monday, August 19 through Friday, August 23. Details will be released during the summer, and locations will be chosen by the kids, for the kids!

**Discount Passes to local venues:** Amusement park passes will be available at the Arundel Town Hall now through August 30 to the following popular venues, and the Smitty's Movie Passes will be available year-round. Passes can be purchased at the Tax Collector's Desk during normal business hours, 8:00am-4:30pm Monday-Friday.



- ◆ FUNTOWN/SPLASHTOWN COMBO PASSES: \$27 for anyone 48" or taller (\$9 off gate price).
- ◆ WATER COUNTRY: \$30 for anyone 48" or taller ((\$7.99 off gate price).
- ◆ AQUABOGGAN: includes all slides, pools, along with unlimited rides on the Grand Prix Race Cars, and 1 ride on the paddle boats: \$22 (\$8 off gate price).
- ◆ SMITTY'S MOVIE PASSES: \$6.50 each, this is a savings of \$2 off the adult evening show admission price! These passes can be used for 3D movies, simply pay \$1 more at Smitty's when you turn your pass in for a movie ticket.



### Municipal Election Tuesday, June 11th

Election of 2 Selectmen, 1 RSU#21 Director and Budget Board members. Please note that no candidates have run for the Budget Board positions. Unless you know that someone is running as a "write-in" candidate, please refrain from writing in your friend or neighbor for "fun" as these votes must also be counted and make additional work at the end of night.

### Annual Town Meeting Wednesday, June 12th at 7 pm

#### Mildred L. Day School Gym

This is the open town meeting portion. A voter must be present in order to vote for or against a warrant article.



Copies of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant are available on line at: [www.arundelmaine.org](http://www.arundelmaine.org) on the main page or in the back of the Annual Town Report Book.

### —YEAR END CLOSING —

The Clerk & Tax Collector's office will be CLOSED on Friday, June 28th, in order to process year-end accounts for the annual audit. Please remember to register your cars or boats PRIOR to Friday! ONLINE Services will still be available.

### Volunteers Needed

Todd Shea, Town Manager



The Town of Arundel is in need of volunteers for several boards and committees. Typical meeting schedules are once a month for a few hours. The work that each and every committee does is very important to the future of the Town, and the more residents become involved the more successful the Town will be in planning for these future needs. Anyone who is interested in joining any board or committee can get an application on the Town's website, [www.arundelmaine.org](http://www.arundelmaine.org), by calling the Town Manager at 985-4201, or picking one up during normal business hours at Town Hall. Applicants must be residents of the Town of Arundel and must be registered to vote. Current needs are for the Economic Development Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, Comprehensive Plan Review Committee and Town Hall Building Committee. Applicants are also needed to fill positions that may come about in the future. Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

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