

# Our Community Newsletter



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Belmont, New Hampshire

February 2013

## Town of Belmont

### Town Administrator's Monthly Report



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Monthly Report  
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We would like to remind everyone that our 2013 Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday, February 2, 2013 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Cafeteria of the Belmont High School. Following is the Warrant for our meeting:

#### FIRST SESSION

You are hereby notified to meet for the First (Deliberative) Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at the Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 2nd day of February 2013, being a Saturday at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon. The First (Deliberative) Session will consist of explanation, discussion, and debate of each of the following warrant articles, and will afford those voters who are present the opportunity to propose, debate and adopt amendments to each warrant article, except those articles whose wording is prescribed by State law.

#### SECOND SESSION

You are also notified to meet for the Second Session of the Annual Town Meeting, to elect Town Officers by official ballot and to vote by official ballot on the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First (Deliberative) Session, to be held at the Belmont High School, 255 Seavey Road, Belmont, New Hampshire on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, being a Tuesday, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon and 7:00 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following:

**Article #1.** To choose necessary officers, including Selectman three-year term (1), Budget Committee three-year term (4), Budget Committee one-year

term (1), Supervisor of Checklist six-year term (1), Town Clerk/Tax Collector three-year term (1), Town Treasurer three-year term (1), Trustee of Trust Funds three-year term (1), Library Trustee three-year term (1), Cemetery Trustee three-year term (1), Planning Board three-year term (2), Zoning Board of Adjustment three-year term (1), and Zoning Board of Adjustment two-year term (1).

**Article #2.** Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment #1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the town Zoning Ordinance as follows: adopt a definition of and regulations for Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations and allow Municipal Solid Waste Transfer Stations only in the Industrial Zone.

YES  
 NO

**Article #3.** Shall the Town vote to expand the Board of Library Trustees from 3 to 5 members beginning in 2014? If approved, the 2014 Annual Town Meeting shall provide for the election of 2 additional Library Trustees, one of whom shall hold office for a 2 year term and one of whom shall hold office for a 1 year term, and thereafter, at every annual meeting, the Library Trustees shall be chosen to hold office for 3 year terms.

**Article #4.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Fifty Five Thousand Dollars (\$355,000) for the purpose of replacing 3,750 feet of water lines within Belmont Village (Phase II) including engineering costs, acquisition of land or interests in land and all other costs reasonably associated with this project. The intention is that all of this appropriation will be funded by the Community Development Block Grant Program, or from similar grants; however, should the appropriation not be funded in its entirety, to authorize the issuance of bonds or notes in the amount of up to Two Hundred Forty Two Thousand Dollars (\$242,000) in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA 33) and to authorize the municipal officials to issue and negotiate such bonds or notes and to determine the rate of interest thereon, with the balance to be funded by the Community Development Block Grant



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Program, or from similar grants. Future bond payments are anticipated to be funded from Water User Fees. (3/5 Ballot Vote Required) (The Budget Committee recommends \$355,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Article #5. Shall the Town vote to amend the vote taken on Article 7 at the 1999 Annual Meeting to restrict all revenues from ambulance billings (Comstar) to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund to instead restrict all but the first \$91,945 of revenues from ambulance billings (Comstar) received during the 2013 budgetary year to be deposited in the Special Revenue fund known as the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Fund. The first \$91,945 of revenues from ambulance billings will be deposited in the Town's General Fund to defray the Fire/Ambulance cost items identified below. This restriction shall only be effective for the 2013 budgetary year (Majority Ballot Vote).

Overtime Coverage	\$40,000
Telephone Expense	\$ 1,000
Conferences & Dues (EMS related)	\$ 500
Training Expenses	\$ 1,200
Medical & Supply Expenses	\$24,745
Comstar Billing Fees	\$12,500
Office Supplies	\$ 1,000
Vehicle Repair & Parts	\$ 5,000
Fuel	\$ 6,000

Article #6. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000) for the purpose of purchasing a new Fire Department Ambulance and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Revenue Fund (Comstar) previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999). This ambulance will replace two ambulances (1998, 2002) which will be used as a trade-in or sold outright against the purchase of the new ambulance. (The Budget Committee recommends \$180,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Article #7. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) for the purpose of purchasing a Rescue/Fire Suppression Boat for the Fire Department and to fund this appropriation by authorizing the withdrawal of said amount from the Fire/Ambulance Equipment and Apparatus Special Re-

venue Fund (Comstar) previously established in accordance with RSA 31:95, c (Created 1994/Amended 1999). (The Budget Committee recommends \$10,000 and the Board of Selectmen recommends \$25,000.)

Article #8. Shall the Town vote to expend the income from the John M. Sargent Trust Fund for the purposes recommended by the Sargent Fund Committee?

Article #9. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Five Dollars (\$15,895) for the purpose of entry modifications and ADA compliance renovations in the Lower Level of the Corner Meeting House? (The Budget Committee recommends \$15,895 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)

Article #10. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and Eighty Six cents (\$16,922.86) to reimburse the Belmont Historical Society for the renovations to the Province Road Meetinghouse completed in 2012 and to fund this appropriation by withdrawing that amount from the expendable trust fund known as the Province Road Meetinghouse Fund created in 2005, and thereafter to discontinue the Province Road Meetinghouse Fund? (The Budget Committee recommends \$16,922.86 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.) (Majority Vote required.)

Article #11. Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the deliberative session, for the purposes set forth herein, totaling Seven Million Two Thousand Two Hundred Six dollars and Thirty Five Cents (\$7,002,206.35). Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be Seven Million Thirty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Six Dollars and Seventy Nine Cents (\$7,038,456.79) which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Note: This warrant article (operating budget) does not include appropriations in ANY other warrant article.

(The Budget Committee recommends \$7,002,206.35



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and the Board of Selectmen recommends \$7,040,435.18.)

**Article #11.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Sixty Six Thousand Ninety Four Dollars and Sixty Four Cents (\$166,094.64) for the reconstruction of highways, said appropriation to be offset by Highway Block Grant funds provided by the State of New Hampshire? **(The Budget Committee recommends \$166,094.64 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #12.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Ninety One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Seven Dollars and Ninety Eight Cents (\$491,587.98) for the operation and maintenance of the Sewage Collection and Disposal System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by user's fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$491,587.98 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #13.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Seventy Four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Six Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$274,856.70) for the operation and maintenance of the Water Distribution and Treatment System for the ensuing year, said sum is to be offset by users' fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$274,856.70 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #14.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand dollars (\$30,000) to be placed in the Accrued Benefits Liability Expendable Trust Fund previously established (2007), and further to fund said appropriation by authorizing the transfer of \$30,000 from the unexpended fund balance as of December 31, 2012. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$30,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #15.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Municipal Facilities Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$75,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #16.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000) to be placed in the Library Building Improvements Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2000). **(The Budget Com-**

**mittee recommends \$10,000 and the Board of Selectmen do not support this recommendation.)**

**Article #17.** Shall the town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to be placed in the already established General Cemetery Maintenance Fund governed under the provisions of RSA 31:19-A for the purpose of cemetery maintenance, said amounts to be expendable at the discretion of the Cemetery Trustees (1997). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$2,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #18.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) to be placed in the Water System Repair and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006) said sum is to be offset by user's fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$40,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #19.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) to be placed in the Property Revaluation Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2005). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$75,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #20.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) to be placed in the Highway Department Heavy Equipment Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2002). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$20,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #21.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$650,000) to be placed in the Highway Reconstruction and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2006). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$650,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #22.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Drainage Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2003). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #23.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500)



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to be placed in the Dry Hydrant and Cistern Repairs and Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2010). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$2,500 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #24.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to be placed in the Sewer Pump Station Upgrades, Replacement and Repairs Capital Reserve Fund previously established (2010), said sum to be offset by user's fees. **(The Budget Committee recommends \$25,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #25.** Shall the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to be placed in the Heritage Resources Fund previously established (2005). **(The Budget Committee recommends \$5,000 and the Board of Selectmen support this recommendation.)**

**Article #26.** Shall the Town vote to change the name and purpose of the BRATT Phase II Capital Reserve Fund to the BRATT Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of funding any and all costs related to BRATT and further, to continue to designate the Selectmen as agents to expend money from this fund. (2/3 vote required).



The Voter's Guide will be available later this month on the Town's website and a copy will be included in the Town's Annual Report which will be available for distribution no later than Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.



The Town of Belmont is a member of the Lakes Region Cable Television Consortium which has been meeting since early summer 2011 relative to our Cable TV Franchise Agreement with Metrocast which is due to expire in December 2013. We have been meeting monthly and Consortium minutes are available on the Town's website, [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org). As more information becomes available it will be posted to the site. Please send any comments regarding the renewal process to [jbeaudin@belmontnh.org](mailto:jbeaudin@belmontnh.org).



We would remind everyone of the winter parking bans which typically are in place from mid-November through mid-April; your cooperation is as always greatly appreciated.



Town Hall will be closed Monday, February 18, 2013 in observance of President's Day.



We would like to remind residents/taxpayers that recycling bins are available at Town Hall so if you haven't picked up your bins (2 per household), please stop by Town Hall.

### Town Clerk/Tax Collector News



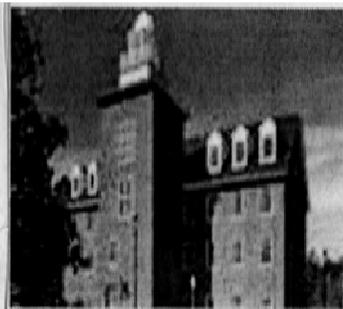
The Town Clerk's Office would like to remind residents, dog license renewal time is here. Dogs must be register by April 30, 2013, per RSA 466:4 "that the owner or keeper of a dog should license any dog 4 months or older". The Town Clerk's office is open Monday - Friday 7:30 am to 4:00 pm and you may also license your dog online at [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org).



The Deliberative Session is February 02, 2013 at 10:00AM at the Belmont High School cafeteria.  
&  
Town Election March 12, 2013 at 7:00AM to 7:00PM at the Belmont High School gymnasium.



# Belmont Senior Center



February 2013

*Brenda Stark Fortier,  
Director*

267-9867

*Belmont Senior Center  
14 Mill Street  
Belmont, NH 03220*

*Email:*

[bfortier@bm-cap.org](mailto:bfortier@bm-cap.org)

*Serving Communities of:*

*Belmont  
Canterbury  
Gilford  
Gilmanton  
Loudon*

*Hours:*

*Mondays 10:00-2:00*

*Tuesday-Friday*

*8:00-2:00*

*Community Dining*

*M-W-Th*

*12:00*

*Breakfast—Friday*

*10:00 a.m.*

*Door-To-Door*

*Transportation*

*Wed. & Thur.*

*8:30—1:30*

*Service Link Resource*

*Center*

*1-866-634-9412*

*528-6945*

## Director's Desk

For those of you who haven't heard, Café Food For Thought and the LRCC Culinary Arts Program have moved from the Mill building. We have shared many a lovely meal with them over the years and will miss Chef Hall, Chef Walsh, all of the students and the wonderful scents that have been a part of our experience here at the Senior Center. We will miss you, our very dear Friends!!

February is a wonderful month if you like Valentine's Day, President's Day, Bitter Cold Day, snow, ice, cold temps and more snow, ice and cold temps. :):):). And to be sure, there are a lot of other days to celebrate in February: The **1st**—National Freedom Day; **7th**—send a Friend a card; **11th**—make a Friend Day; **12th**—**Abraham Lincoln's Birthday**; **16th**—Do a Grouch a favor Day; **17th**—Random Acts of Kindness Day; **22nd**—**George Washington's Birthday**; **26th**—Tell a Fairy Tale Day; **28th**—National Tooth Fairy Day. There is a reason to celebrate almost every day; you just have to find your reason.

We will be celebrating a few days here at the center. The 1st is National Wear Red Day; won't you put on your festive reds and join us for Breakfast? We will have a Mardi Gras Party on the 12th to celebrate Fat Tuesday. Valentine's Day will bring a Birthday Party and ice cream social and on the 19th we are having a soup & sandwich day. After breakfast on Friday the 22nd we will have a "Games" day. We will also celebrate Black History Month with a trivia selection each day. Please call for details and to sign up for our events.

I Hope to see you all soon. Brenda

## MONTHLY EVENTS

### BELKNAP COUNTY AREA COMMITTEE ON AGING

Next Meeting will be Friday  
8 February 2013

Our Topic: TBA

The monthly meeting of the Belknap County Area Committee on Aging is held at Wesley Woods (First United Methodist Church, Route 11 A) @ **10:00am**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Fri. 1st: 9:00—Coffee social:** Café Bon Appetite is open serving: Pancakes, Syrup, Sausage, Egg, Juice, and Fruit

**Mon. 4th: AM Cards**

**Tue. 5th:** 9:00 Bone Builders 12:30—Art Class

**Wed. 6th:** 10:00 Wii Bowling: 12:00 Café Bienvenue;

**Thur. 7th:** 9:00 Bone Builders

**Fri. 8th:** Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00am

Serving: Oatmeal w/raisins & brown sugar, Hard-boiled Egg, Bacon, Blueberry Muffin, Juice

**Mon. 11th:** AM Cards—

**Tue. 12th:** 9:00 Bone Builders; Mardi Gras Party @ 11:00 am; 12:30—Art Class

**Wed. 13th:** 10:00 Wii Bowling

**Thu. 14th:** 9:00 Bone Builders; Happy Valentine's Party/Birthday Party, ice cream social @ 12:00

**Fri. 15th:** Café Bon Appetite is open serving: Cheese Omelet, Sausage, Stewed tomatoes, Croissant & Fruit Cup

**Mon. 18th: Closed for the Holiday**

**Tue. 19th:** 9:00 Bone Builders; 11:00 Soup & Sandwich Day; 12:30 Art Class

**Wed. 20th: Tentative date change for Advisory/Activities Committee Meetings to begin @ 9:00 am.** Wii Bowling 10:00am:

**Thu. 21st:** 9:00 Bone Builders

**Fri. 22nd:** Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: Cheese Omelet, Home Fries, Cinnamon roll, Tropical Fruit Cup and Juice 10:45—Game Day! Bring your favorite game or join in one that we have here...scrabble, cribbage, cards, you name it, we will figure it out!

**Mon. 25th: AM Cards**

**Tue.: 26th: Social Gathering @ 11:30!!!**

Please note the change in time. Call for details.

**Wed.: 27th:** Wii Bowling 10:00 am

**Thur.: 28th:** 9:00 Bone Builders

## THANK YOU!!!!!!!

I will be away on Vacation February 26-March 4. Thank You Betty & Cindy for your dedication to the Senior Center while I am away. I do so appreciate the time off.



Your business tag line here.



Belmont Fire Department
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14 Gilmanton Rd
Belmont, NH 03220
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Fax: 603-267-8337
E-mail: fire@belmontnh.org

The Year in Review



2012 was a very eventful year for the BFD. We lost a longtime member and friend when Steve Dalton lost his battle with cancer. We had several retirements including long time members Deputy Brad Lawrence and FF Dana Chase. We welcomed a new addition to our extended family, Colin McCarty, and sent one of our family away to boot camp. Our call volume has increased by more then 13% and our total request for service for the year was 4184. We responded to 37 Structure fires and treated over 700 patients. Their were 614 fire marshal activities completed and 1379 permits issued. Through it all the men and women of the Belmont Fire Department performed at the highest level. As we move into 2013 we will continue to strive toward our vision of being the premiere fire department in the Lakes Region. I personally extend my thanks to all of you



and look forward to another challenging and exciting year.

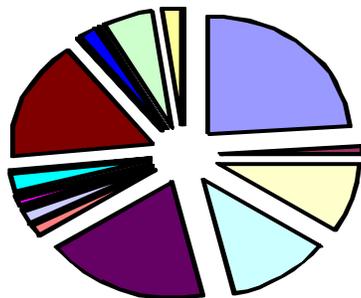
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Chief Parenti



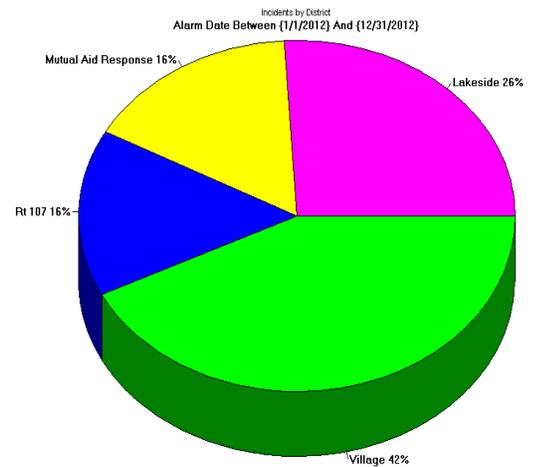
BFD Mission Statement

The Mission of the Belmont Fire Department is to provide fire, emergency medical, and fire prevention services in a caring and compassionate manner. To be prepared to respond to any request for assistance and to ensure that every member of the department returns home safely.

2012 Alarm by Type Summary



- ALS Transport
ALS Non-Transport
BLS Transport
BLS Non-Transport
Fire Response
Hazardous Materials Response
Medical Response
Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Transport
Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Non-Transport
Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Transport
Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Non-Transport
Motor Vehicle Accident No Injury
MVA No Incident found
Mutual Aid Response
Natural Disaster Event Response
No Medical incident Found/No Patient Contact
Rescue Response
Rescue Response W/ BLS



BFD Vision Statement

The Belmont Fire Department will continuously work to meet the changing needs of our community by striving to be the premiere fire department in the Lakes Region. We will do this by maintaining a high level of readiness and by focusing on the professional development and training of all our personnel.



**Fire Department News**

**Belmont Fire Department 2012 Request For Service**

MONTH	EMERGENCY RESPONSE	FIRE MARSHAL ACTIVITIES	NON-EMERGENCY	PERMIT	Total
January	104	23	75	37	239
February	106	14	93	14	227
March	102	43	103	135	383
April	82	47	117	158	404
May	97	81	109	365	652
June	82	41	54	177	354
July	132	37	68	117	354
August	83	49	84	88	304
September	76	48	80	108	312
October	122	100	122	77	421
November	104	55	42	66	267
December	87	76	67	37	267
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1177</b>	<b>614</b>	<b>1014</b>	<b>1379</b>	<b>4184</b>

**Belmont Fire Department 2012 Call Breakdown**

Alm_type	Descript	Cnt_inci_id
A1	ALS Transport	282
A2	ALS Non-Transport	14
B1	BLS Transport	112
B2	BLS Non-Transport	140
F	Fire Response	223
HM	Hazardous Materials Response	18
M	Medical Response	1
M1	Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Transport	21
M2	Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Non-Transport	1
M3	Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Transport	11
M4	Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Non-Transport	7
M5	Motor Vehicle Accident No Injury	29
M6	MVA No Incident found	3
MA	Mutual Aid Response	192
NE	Natural Disaster Event Response	1
NM	No Medical incident Found/No Patient Contact	25
R	Rescue Response	1
R2	Rescue Response W/ BLS	1
SC	Service Call	68
SR	Storm Response	25
WR	Water Rescue	2
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1177</b>

**OUR CORE VALUES**

All members of the Belmont Fire Department adhere to the following values:

**Service** - We strive for excellence in the service we deliver through on-going evaluation and involvement.

**Teamwork** - We embrace the concept of teamwork through skillful communication and personal cooperation to achieve our common goal.

**Accountability** - We are responsible, as professionals and individuals for our actions.

**Integrity** - We act ethically, we expect honesty, loyalty and dedication.

**Respect** - We practice mutual respect by setting a personal example of trust and fairness.



**Parks & Recreation Activities**



**Boston Flower Show**  
**March 14, 2013—Thursday**  
**\$50 Per Person**

Our Boston Flower Show Trip includes luxury motor coach transportation to the Seaport World Trade Center and admission to the show. We will depart from the Belmont Park and Ride on Route 106 in Belmont at 8:35AM. Our motor coach transportation has a restroom, and DVD player with ample storage for your purchases. We will serve a light snack in route, arriving at 10:30AM and departing at 2:30PM. Returning from Boston we will stop at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant in Londonderry for an early dinner on your own. Estimated arrival back in Belmont is 5:40PM.

We will be travelling with the patrons of Moultonborough Park & Recreation; there will be a pickup in Moultonborough prior to our stop in Belmont. Seats are limited. Reservations must be accompanied by a registration form and payment. No refund will be granted for cancelled reservations unless the seats can be resold.

**Reservations or additional information for both programs contact:**  
**Belmont Parks & Recreation, PO Box 310, Belmont, NH 03220**  
**(603) 524-4350      recreation@belmontnh.org      www.belmontnh.org**



Outreach Program:

\$69—Belmont Residents with own equipment  
 \$75—Non-Residents with own equipment

**Gunstock Ski & Snowboard**

**3 Week Outreach Program**  
**March 10, 17, 24, 2013**  
**Sundays 12:00PM-4:00PM**

Rental packages are available, see the Rental Information Packet

Participants must be in Kindergarten through 12th grade or be the parents or guardians of the participant. Kindergarten through grade 3-7 will be placed with a group of not more than 6 participants per chaperone. Grades 8-12 participants will be allowed to ski with at least 1 friend (also enrolled in the program), and will be required to check in with a chaperone periodically. The Belmont Parks & Recreation chaperoned program is from 12:00PM-4:00PM. Any participant with adult supervision can arrive at 9:00AM and receive their lift ticket prior to the program start time for independent skiing or snowboarding. Parents or guardians of participants can participate with their children for the same program fee provided they supervise their own children. Our program includes a 1 hour lesson each week that is optional but recommended for all participants. At this time we are all set for chaperones, if you are interested in being a chaperone please let us know in case we have an opening.

**The deadline to register for this program is Wednesday, February 20, 2013**



Land Use News

**Planning Board:**

- Approval granted to **Mountain Lake Village** for a one-year extension to an 18-lot subdivision off Mile Hill Road.
- Approval granted to **Nutter Ent.** for a five-year excavation permit on Stone Road.
- Approval granted to **Nutter Ent.** for a Contractor's Yard on Stone Road.
- Approval granted to **Salta Family Trust** for a 30-day extension to submit requested info on application acceptance for subdivision on Church Street.
- **Shooter's Tavern & Pizzeria** has completed the required improvements for their expansion and been issued all related occupancy permits.
- **Belmont's growth** in both population and housing remains steady at #4 of the 8 surrounding (first tier) communities. A comparison to a community's first tier neighbors is part of the method required by the State to evaluate whether a community is eligible to adopt a Growth Management Ordinance (GMO). However, an Advisory Petition Article was adopted at the 2012 Town Meeting directing the Planning Board to develop a Growth Plan. State law allows a GMO only when there is a "*demonstrated need to regulate the timing of development, based upon the municipality's lack of capacity to accommodate anticipated growth in the absence of such an ordinance*". In 2005, when Belmont led their first tier communities in both population and housing growth, and the legal need for such an ordinance might have been successfully argued, voters did not adopt a Growth Management Ordinance placed on the ballot by the Planning Board. At this time, the community is no longer eligible and the Board, therefore, will not be placing a proposed GMO on the 2013 ballot.
- **Budget Year-End Accountability:** Each year the Planning and Zoning Boards develop their combined Land Use Budget based on several factors and continually apply cost-saving methods during the ensuing year to minimize overall expenses. As a result of these efforts, for the years 2006 to 2012 the Boards returned to the General Fund an annual average of more than \$11,000 of unexpended budget funds and reduced the requested operating budget by over \$10,000 since 2010. The Boards remain committed to providing quality customer service in an effective, efficient and budget-conscious manner.

**Land Use Quick Notes:**

- **Volunteers:** The Planning and Zoning Boards encourage citizens to volunteer in the community. Service on a municipal board, elected or appointed, is an important civic commitment. Alternate Members are needed and applications are available at [www.belmontnh.org/docs/ords&apps/MembershipAppl.pdf](http://www.belmontnh.org/docs/ords&apps/MembershipAppl.pdf).
- Be sure to use the Town's new e-mail addresses to reach the Land Use and other Town offices. A full list can be obtained at [http://www.belmontnh.org/depts\\_staff.asp](http://www.belmontnh.org/depts_staff.asp).

Contact the Land Use Office at [landuse@belmontnh.org](mailto:landuse@belmontnh.org) or 267-8300x19 for additional information.



### Library News



Is the winter weather getting you down? Febru-weary doldrums? Here are a few new books that might entertain...

Kinsey and Me by Sue Grafton –Short stories featuring 2 of the author’s characters: herself as “Kit” and Kinsey, a private-eye introduced in Grafton’s novels in 1982. Some of these stories are dark, others are humorous.

Mrs. Lincoln’s Dressmaker (a novel) by Jennifer Chiaverini –After years and years of writing novels and books about quilting, Chiaverini has tackled a work of historic fiction based on a slave who became a seamstress for one of the nations most famous first ladies. Carefully researched, this is an interesting worthwhile read for anyone who loves history or stitching.

The Buzzard Table by Margaret Maron – A gathering at a Victorian mansion, mysterious characters, long hidden secrets, and spooky murders are putty in the hands of creative storyteller Maron, in her newest whodunnit.

The Fifth Assassin by Brad Meltzer – Sizzling novel about presidential assassins. Four presidential assassins have been successful in carrying out their crimes. What did they have in common other than that? Will the fifth attempt at presidential assassination be successful?

The Casual Vacancy by J. K. Rowling – It is NOT Harry Potter!! Rowling has made an interesting foray into writing for adult readers with this novel set in a small town where the rich are against the poor and politics gets oh-so-dirty. Good and evil without magic...

An Irish Country Wedding by Patrick Taylor – consistently entertaining addition to the saga of the Doctors of Ballybucklbo in Ireland. Wonderful to listen to on audio book or enjoy in print.

And some new books for the kids:

A Flower in the Snow by Tracey Corderoy - A beautifully illustrated picture book with a sweet story about a girl and her friend Bear.

In the Snow by Sharon Phillips - Denslow. Winter animals, charming illustrations, short, lyrical text good for preschoolers.

Slugs in Love by Susan Pearson - Marylou loves Herbie and leaves him adorable little poems, but Herbie can’t figure out who Marylou is! A good Valentine story!

Wolf Won’t Bite! by Emily Gravett - The three little pigs caught the big bad wolf and put him in the circus.

The Diviners by Libba Bray - Young adult historical fantasy - this murder mystery is set in 1920’s New York City. Dark and spooky and very fast paced.

Son by Lois Lowry - The conclusion to the awesome *Giver* series.

The Peculiar by Stefan Bachman - For middle grades on up – “part murder mystery, part gothic fantasy, part steampunk adventure.”

The Sweetest Spell by Suzanne Selfors - Fantasy, romance, and a girl who churns cream into chocolate. Wouldn’t this be a great talent to have? What could go wrong?

If movies are your cup of tea, we have the newest Downton Abbey, Ice Age: Continental Drift, The Descendants, Disney’s Secret of the Wings, Dark Shadows (a silly treat from Johnny Depp and Tim Burton), Madagascar 3: Europe’s Most Wanted and The Odd Life of Timothy Green.

Come in to the Library and borrow a little something to brighten up the dreary late winter days!



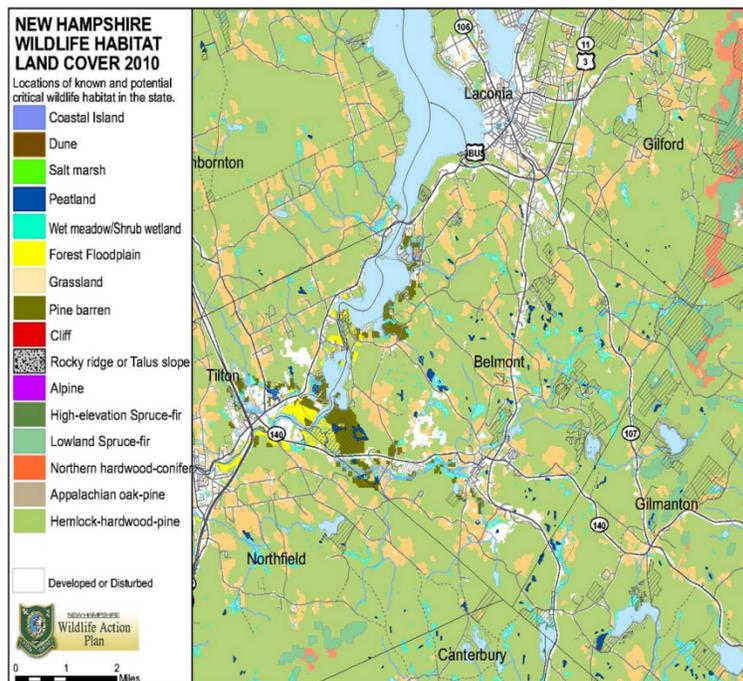
## Conservation Commission News

On Wednesday, February 6, the Conservation Commission will host Amanda Stone of the UNH Cooperative Extension (CE) presenting *Taking Action for Wildlife*. TAFW was developed by NH Fish & Game Dept. and CE to provide resources and direct guidance to communities striving to include wildlife and habitats in conservation planning and actions. At this meeting, Amanda will present an overview of the NH Wildlife Action Plan, discuss the Taking Action for Wildlife resources and identify Belmont’s goals for action.



Wildlife Habitat Type - Floodplain Forest  
Click Picture for Habitat Types

As the Planning Board, with the assistance of the BCE, updates the 2002 Master Plan over the next several months, understanding the role of wildlife habitat as a substantial, perhaps the most important, component of “Rural Quality of Life” will be critically important. Green infrastructure is the network of lands and waters that support wildlife and human life and provide healthy food, clean air, and clean water. Over the last several years, the BCC has produced a Natural Resources Inventory, a study of the most significant wetlands in Town, and purchased ecologically important land parcels. All of these undertakings are part of an ongoing process of maintaining sufficient areas to maintain sufficient habitat, forest land, agricultural lands, riparian lands and protect Belmont’s aquifer resources.



This program will last about an hour and there will be ample time for questions and answers.



# BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT



## Internet Safety for the Future

Internet safety for the whole family has become an important topic that should be discussed. New technology has made it easier to access the internet on our cell phones, tablets, gaming consoles, computers and other electronic devices which allows more frequent and easier opportunities to connect. Our children are learning how to use these electronic devices to gain access to the outside world at very early ages. Many of them know more than we do. Now is the time to foster safety habits.

Most parents are concerned about “stranger danger”, the chance kids will meet a dangerous adult on and off line. While parents do have to be aware of online strangers and teach kids how to avoid them, keeping kids safe online is a lot more involved than just watching out for strangers. Staying safe is about the entire family’s online experience and keeping everyone safe.



Beginning at the age when kids start to interact on the Internet by socializing through social networking sites, playing games, watching YouTube videos, socializing in virtual worlds, getting homework help, and searching the internet; parents need to be actively involved in their kids’ online lives.

We are seeing more and more young people entering the world of Social Media. Facebook & Twitter are becoming the tools that many are choosing to communicate and for many parents this is worrying. Not only do many parents not understand the networks but they are concerned that their children could be leaving themselves open to dangers or acting inappropriately online.

It is important therefore for parents to familiarize themselves with social networks, to understand privacy settings and what levels of privacy are appropriate for young adults. Understanding the tools gives parents the opportunity to open a conversation about social media and for them to create a supportive environment in which children will feel more comfortable reporting any issues. Some parents' approach to social media is to ban its use altogether and it’s worth noting that both Facebook and Twitter do not permit users under the age of 13. However, banning a child over the age threshold from using these sites will just encourage them to use them outside the safety of the home. Friends with computers will give them the opportunity to set up accounts without your permission and without your advice.

## Internet and Social Media Informational Meeting

**MARCH 13, 2013 6:00 PM**  
Belmont High School Cafeteria  
255 Seavey Road

Internet safety is a shared responsibility between the public, the Internet industry, and the legal community. However, parents remain the 'first line of defense' in protecting their children against Internet dangers. Please come and join us as **Detective Michael Cassidy of the Concord Police- Computer Crimes Unit** discusses:

1. Risks and benefits of social networking
2. How to recognize your child may be at risk
3. How to prevent your child from becoming a victim



## Police Department News (cont.)

### Internet Safety for the Future (cont.)

Here are some helpful suggestions that allow parents and children to collaborate safely and to continue making safe internet decisions:

**Keep Information Private:** Never reveal personal information online. Educate your child on the dangers of revealing personal information online. Ensure that your child knows not to post any personal information in his or her profiles where information is requested in social networking sites. Other than the obvious, this includes e-mail address, instant message (IM) contact information, sports teams, places frequented, or any other information that could allow a stranger to identify or contact them. Remember photographs can also provide a lot of this information.

**Activate security settings on the Web site and computer itself:** Have your children password protect their web pages and set permissions to allow only persons they know to view and post to their bulletins on social media sites. Password protect home computers to monitor internet use age.

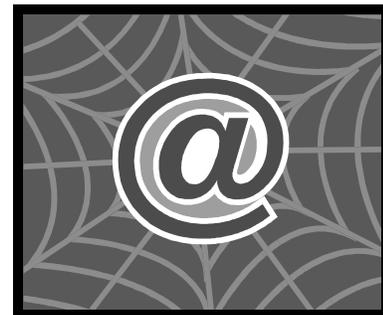
**Discuss the dangers of communicating with strangers online:** Online friends are strangers, not “real” friends. Remind your child that he or she is never to meet an online friend in person, and if asked to do so, to notify you immediately. Facebook and other social media sites allow you to make a decision who can view your information. Most teens will “friend” everyone who requests to see their information in order to show their popularity even though they do not personally know half the people they “friended” This is mainly seen on the social media website: Facebook.

**Spend time online with your child:** Ask your child to show you his or her social-networking page or other internet sites they actively use. Ask about unfamiliar friends and inappropriate content posted on social media sites and in chat rooms. It is a good idea that your child share passwords to social media sites and to the computer itself so you can make sure they are making safe choices.

**Establish rules for posting pictures online:** Posting photographs openly online is dangerous. Details in photos could provide predators with identifiable information, such as street signs, license plates, and school or city locations. Photos can also be inappropriately altered. When sharing photos online, use password-protected online photo sites, and only reveal the password to persons you actually know.

**Talk with your children about the power of words:** Remind your child that anything posted online has the potential of being read by anyone, including parents, principals, bosses, school officials, or friends. The things they say could be copied and passed around, or discovered by someone using a search engine. Cyber bullying often starts and continues on social-networking sites. Businesses and universities often perform Web searches on potential employees and students.

**Please feel free to contact the Belmont Police Department at 603-267-8350 if you or other family members have experienced an internet related situation where there is a cause for concern or if you have questions about keeping you and kids safe on line.**





Other Community News -

New Town-wide email address changes to take effect January 1, 2013



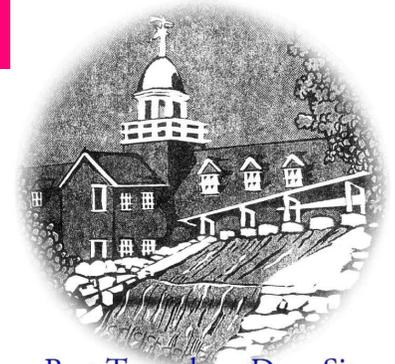
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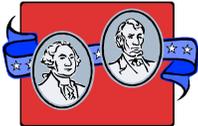
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# February 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5 LR Girls Softball 6:30pm at CMH (downstairs) Story time 3:30pm @ Library Library Trustees Mtg 6:30pm @ Library	6 Conservation Comm Mtg 6pm @ CMH Preschool Story time 10:30pm @ Library Planning Board Mtg 7pm @ CMH (down)	7 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	8	9
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