

Our Community Newsletter July 2011

News from Great Brook Village

Great Brook Village held their annual meeting on June 7th with most of our members attending. We elected new directors, we had 5 openings and 5 residents running, worked out perfect. We are very lucky that we have so many residents willing to help in keeping our community running smoothly. The outgoing directors were presented with a gift, as a token of the Board appreciation. Pat Cloutier our little newspaper editor received a Editor Hat, Calendar, 2 pens and a lucky Bamboo plant; for doing such a good job in keeping our little paper The Scribe going every month. Drink, cookies and candy were served.

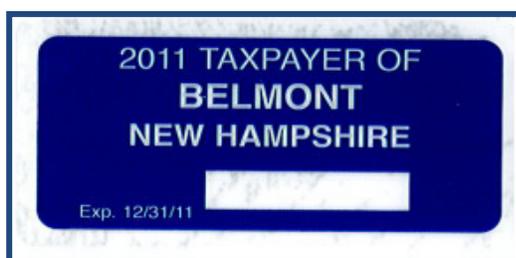
I, Glenda had the honor of helping with the Classic Car show on June 4, and what a good time I did have. I was real pleased that a classmate of mine, Executive Councilman Ray Burton arrived with one of his Classic Cars. I informed him we were honored to have him join our first show and introduced him to Selectmen/Chairman Ron Cormier. He then gave a short speech and made the rounds to see all the other cars and mingled with all the people in attendance. The quilt that was made and donated by one of our residents was won by Mr. McLound. Our July 4, cookout has been cancelled this year, but we hope to celebrate the end of summer instead, that is if summer ever gets here.

That's all for now folks!



Town Clerk/Tax Collector

The Town Clerk's Office would like to remind everyone that you do need a beach sticker to be able to go to the Leslie Roberts Beach. A sticker can be obtained at the Town Hall from Monday -Friday 7:30-4 pm. Full-time Belmont residents need only bring a copy of their registration. Out of State or Part-time residents must bring a copy of their tax bill. All residents will need their plate #. As always the stickers are FREE!!!



Capital Improvements Program

The Planning Board will soon begin the annual review and update of the Capital Improvements Program (CIP) which is a multi-year schedule for capital expenditures defined as projects costing in excess of \$25,000 with a useful life of at least one year. The CIP, originally adopted in 2004, is updated annually in response to the actual budget appropriated by the voters at the previous Town Meeting and requests for new or amended capital projects for the upcoming six years.

During this annual update the Board will review capital requests from municipal departments. Members of the public are also invited to suggest needed projects by submitting a completed CIP Funding Request Form which can be obtained in the Belmont Land Use Office at the Town Hall or at http://www.belmontnh.org/data_cip.asp. The Planning Board will schedule a public hearing and once adopted the schedule is provided to the Selectmen and Budget Committee for their consideration during the upcoming 2012 budget season.

The CIP is a budgeting tool linking Community Vision from the Master Plan with the implementation of capital projects. The CIP assists the Selectmen and Budget Committee in developing and presenting to the voters an overall budget which avoids unanticipated expenditures by scheduling capital projects over the term of the CIP. Historic and projected trends in revenues, expenditures and growth are evaluated along with the community's ability to fund the cost of improvements. The projects are prioritized over the term of the 6-year plan resulting in a more level tax rate impact.

CIP Funding Request Forms with all supporting data to be considered can be submitted to the Land Use Office no later than August 15th. CIP information is available in the Land Use Office and in the Data Center at www.belmontnh.org.

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Just a reminder Property Taxes are due July 6th. Please note we do not send copies of your tax bill to your mortgage company. It would be in YOUR best interest to send a copy YOURSELF!! Also if you would like a payment receipt please send the whole bill with a self addressed stamped envelope and we will gladly mail you one! Don't forget you can now pay ONLINE!!

Belmont Website

Two new features have been recently previewed on our website.

Auto
Registration

Learn More
Be Safe

Several new *Quick Links* have been added. These frequently used links are prominently displayed on the home page to make navigating the site more streamlined.

A new page containing useful and important information has been added to the site. *Be Safe* provides public safety notices and instructions. *Learn more* provides public insight and education on Town functions



Belmont Public Library

Summer - the Perfect Time for a "Novel" Experience!

Sometimes the hazy lazy days of summer are also crazy days with lots of things to do, but hopefully there will be some time to relax beside a pool or lake, or under a shady tree and enjoy a book or two. Whether you read e-books on a reader, listen to audio books on an i-pod or MP3 player, or prefer plain, good old print on paper, there are lots of great choices at the Library. Dig into a best seller. Among our favorites are **The Help** by Kathleen Stockett, **Dreams of Joy** (sequel to **Shanghai Girls**) by Lisa See, the crime/thriller trilogy by Stieg Larson (**The Girl Who...**), **One Summer** by David Baldacci, **Water for Elephants** by Sara Gruen, and in non-fiction: **In the Garden of Beasts** by Erik Larson, **Area 51** by Annie Jacobsen, and **Unbroken** by Laura Hillenbrand. A great way to enjoy a book is to join a Book Discussion Group. Everyone has a chance to share opinions about the book, in a social, relaxed environment. Currently both book groups at the Library are reading **Breakfast with Buddha** by Roland Merullo. In this humorous novel, religious enlightenment meets cynicism on a road trip across America's Heartland. Come on in and sign up & get a book today!



Don't forget to set aside time on your busy summer schedule for the kids events at the Library. Story time for families will be on Wednesday mornings at 10:30. On Thursday, June 30th we will welcome the Hampstead Players wonderful performance of "Aladdin". This takes place at 3 p.m. at the Library. On Thursday, July 14th, Simon Brooks, Storyteller will entertain us with exciting and magical tales from many lands. Simon is a member of the National Storytelling Network and encourages lots of audience participation - fun! Josh Rupp will teach kids from 8-12 years of age about Origami, the art of Japanese Paper folding on July 28th at 2 p.m. Pre-registration is required as space is limited. This is a fun way to learn an art from another culture.

If you have questions about any of our programs, call the Library at 267-8331. We look forward to a summer full of stories and "novel" experiences and so should you!!



Did you know? The Declaration of Independence was not signed by all representatives until August, 1776. To make it official, John Hancock, President of the Continental Congress signed it. Now, can anyone guess where the saying "put your John Hancock on it" came from!?!

Cruisin' the Village-Official Results

Belmont: Cruisin' the Village - June 4, 2011
First Annual Event: Official Results - Trophy Winners

Classic Era (1925-1948)

3rd Robert and Irene Marden, Gilford - Dodge Sedan, 1928
2nd Ricky Lane, Alton - Chevy Pickup, 1938
1st Don and Sally Haddock, Laconia - Plymouth Roadster, 1928



Chrome and Fins (1949-1963)

3rd Paul and Jeanette Boudreau -Sanbornton. Ford Angilia, 1949
2nd Cathy and Frank Sweeney, Belmont - Buick Country Convertible, 1957
1st Bill and Lois Porter, Franklin - Ford Thunderbird, 1956

Muscle (1964-1971)

3rd Jeff Angwin, Northfield - Triumph Spitfire, 1967.
2nd David Malone, Belmont - Dodge R/T 1968
1st Ed Sarno, Moultonborough - Chevy Chevelle, 1971

OPEC Era (1972-1983)

3rd Ken Knowlton, Belmont - GMC Vandura, 1979
2nd Don and Cindy Winget, Lancaster - Chevy Corvette Stingray, 1976
1st Alan Cushing, Gilford - Chevy Corvette Roadster, 1974

LED/TBI/Front Wheel Drive (1984-1994)

2nd Tina Barry, Belmont - Chevy Corvette, 1992
1st Linda Frawley, Belmont - Buick Reatta, 1989

Performance Resurgence (1995+)

3rd Paul Shea, Belmont - Buick, Riviera, 1995
2nd Ron Cormier, Belmont - Ford Mustang, 2006
1st Stephan Condodemetraky, Derry - Ferrari 360 Spyder, 2001

Best In Show:

Chuck McGee, Moultonborough - Oldsmobile 442, 1970

SPONSORS & SUPPORTERS:

Belmont Firefighters Relief Association, Belmont-Gilford Boys Hockey Program parents, Belmont Heritage Commission, Brookside2-Tap Restaurants, Jordan's Ice Creamery, Village Revitalization Committee

SPECIAL THANKS:

Executive Councilor Ray Burton, Routes '56 Trio, Belmont Town Staff - Administrative, Police, Public Works & Recreation Departments ... and volunteers including Glenda and Stanley Hill, Serena Moody, youth from Belmont-Gilford Boys Hockey Program, Wallace Rhodes



BELMONT FIRE DEPARTMENT
David Parenti, *Fire Chief*
Sean McCarty, *Deputy Chief*
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Belmont, NH 03220
"In Omnia Paratus"
(In all things ready)



The Members of the Belmont Fire Department want to remind all residents and business of the importance of clearly displaying the 911 approved addresses on your residence or business. During an emergency response being able to quickly identify and locate the correct address can mean the difference between a positive and a negative outcome. The Town of Belmont 911 addressing ordinance states the following;

New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers, or approved building identification placed in a position to be plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property.

All street numbers displayed on primary buildings or property shall be at least three (3) inches in height. The size of numbers placed on mailboxes shall be in accordance with U.S. Postal Service requirements. All street numbers displayed on primary buildings on property shall be of a contrasting color to the means of support.

Correctly displaying your building address will help your Fire and Police personnel when they are responding to your request for assistance. If you are unsure of the requirements please contact us and we will be happy to assist you.

Public Works

Road work on Church Hill began on June 13th and will continue through early September. The work will include reconstruction of the road bed, improvement of drainage and the installation of a sidewalk from Main Street to a High School pedestrian entrance on Church Hill. The road will be closed temporarily from time to time and motorists are encouraged to take alternate routes whenever possible to avoid delays. The Town appreciates everyone's patience during this important improvement.

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News from the Conservation Commission

In 2009, as the Belmont Conservation Commission (BCC) was evaluating restoration projects for the Tioga River Wildlife & Conservation Area (TRWCA), Tracy Tarr of Stoney Ridge Environmental, LLC documented the widespread infestation of the non-native, invasive species, *Glossy Buckthorn* (GB), on the property. The problem with GB is that it can quickly out compete native species and form a monoculture eliminating beneficial, native plants. This property has been identified by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Dept as the highest ranking wildlife habitat in Belmont. The BCC applied for and was awarded an Aquatic Resources Mitigation grant for \$30,000 from NH Dept. of Environmental Services Wetlands Bureau to pay for a program over the next two years to reverse, and hopefully eradicate the GB from the property. The ARM program is using this as a test case to determine whether or not it is cost-effective to use ARM funds for the control of invasive species.



The BCC has contracted with the Student Conservation Association (SCA - www.thesca.org) to do the grunt work of actually removing the GB from the site. The GB on the TRWCA is found to be anywhere from an inch high seedling to a four inch tree. The SCA will be in Belmont for a 20 day hitch this year and will try to remove most of the GB and return next year for a ten day hitch to do spot clean up. The students that are in the SCA are anywhere from high school to college graduates who are dedicating a year of their young lives to make difference by accomplishing environmental and recreational projects throughout the USA. A significant part of the SCA program is to provide public outreach to work with the local community to explain what the project entails and to get community buy in to the worth of the project. In that light, on Saturday, July 2, there will be a volunteer opportunity to work alongside the SCA from 8:30AM to 4PM.

Photo courtesy Dale Squires
Belknap Landscape



Safety Tips

From your Building Inspector

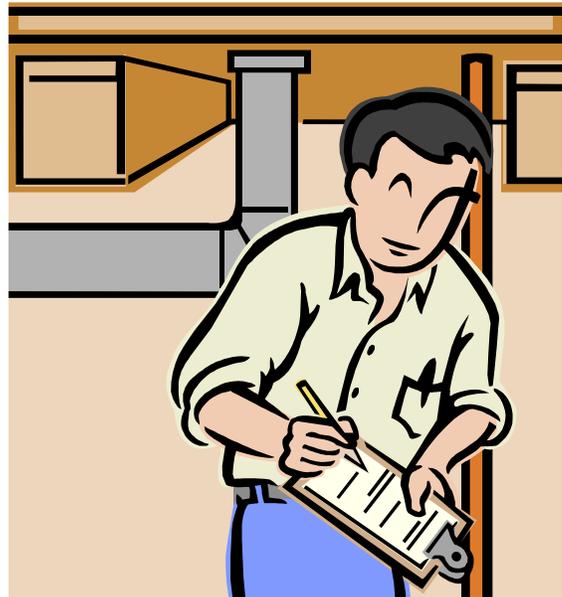
Do I need a Permit for My Home Project?

Check with your local building safety department before beginning home-improvement projects. Requirements vary, but many building safety departments require permits for home-improvement projects, including electrical, mechanical, structural, or plumbing work. As a result of getting a permit, an inspector will check the work. Inspections provide a measure of safety to protect your life and property.

Projects That Usually Require Permits:

- Re-roofing
- Installing electrical outlets
- Replacing Windows
- Remodeling kitchens or bathrooms
- Installing a pool, spa or hot tub
- Building an addition, including seasonal rooms
- Installing appliances and replacements such as furnaces, boilers, water heaters, fireplaces and space heaters
- Building a tall fence-over 6ft in height.

If you are planning to make home improvements, contact your local building safety department to find out what building safety code provisions apply in your area and if you need a permit.



No Joke!!

Did you know that July 15th is Cow Appreciation Day? No? I didn't either! So go out and hug a cow!!





Town Administrator's Monthly Report

Road reconstruction and construction of new sidewalks has begun on Church Street and Monument Square. It is anticipated that the work will be complete by early September. Please be aware of possible road closures and detours during construction. Anyone with questions can contact the Town Administrator's office at 267-8300 or the Public Works Department at 528-2677.

The Town of Belmont in conjunction with McGlaufflin Group Auctioneers of Plymouth will be holding an auction to sell the Town's right, title and interest in Tax Deeded Real Estate on Saturday, July 23, 2011 beginning at 11:00 a.m., at the Corner Meeting House. Further information is available at www.mcgauctions.com.

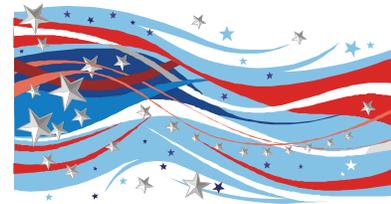
For the past few months, we have been working on a Capital Improvements Plan for our Sewer Department and we will be holding a public hearing in late July or early August to amend our present sewer rates to facilitate future funding for our needs and the needs of the Winnepesaukee River Basin Program of which the Town of Belmont is a member. Please watch our website at www.belmontnh.org for notice of the hearing.

Just a reminder to visit the Town Clerk's Office and obtain your 2011 Beach Sticker. There will be a gatekeeper at the Leslie Roberts Beach this

summer to insure that everyone using the beach has a sticker.

The Town of Belmont in conjunction with the Belknap County Economic Development Council and the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce will be holding a business forum for local businesses on Wednesday, October 12th from 8:00 am to 9:30 am at The Lodge in Belmont. Letters will be going out in early September with the details. Please watch your mail.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, July 4th in celebration of the 4th of July.



Just a reminder that this year's Old Home Day will be held on Saturday, August 6th. Save the date!!

The purpose of this Community Newsletter is to keep all of you informed about Community events taking place in Belmont or surrounding Towns. If you know of an event or have some news to share please let us know so we can include the information in our upcoming newsletters. You can reach us by e-mail at trusso@belmontnh.org or by phone at 267-8300. If you would like to be added to our electronic mailing list please let us know. We would love to hear from you! Please be sure to post the community calendar on your refrigerator so you don't miss anything! All news will be subject to approval by the Town Administrator.

Police Department

In April, the Board of Selectmen asked the Land Use, Planning, Police and Public Works Departments to look into ways to help expand parking for the downtown area in conjunction with the plan to revitalize the Village area.

This was done by looking at current parking, the Town, shop owner and visitor's needs as well as future demand for parking.

The Town has several parking areas in the village area and currently there are 44 available parking spaces in the Village area. Of those, 2 are handicapped, 7 are permanently assigned to the Town, and 6 spaces are restricted leaving a total of 29 parking spaces available to the public at all times.

After discussion and studying property lines, needs and current plans for future growth, the Board of Selectmen approved the addition for current and future expansion of parking at the following places:

- **Mill Street- Add 8 spaces for a total of 12** - The Board added 4 additional spaces on Mill Street and then added an additional 4 spots on Mill Street before Center Street in front of the Mill. There is unrestricted parking in the Mill parking lot for people to use when they visit the Mill, the Library, the Memorial or in the future, the Pavilion.
- **Main Street Municipal Lot - Add 15 additional spaces for a total of 31 plus 1 handicapped space.** Some of these spaces will be made immediately; others will be added at a later time. 6 of these spaces will be restricted 1 hour parking 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Monday - Saturday. One of the spaces is designated for handicap parking only and the 1 hour parking restriction applies to this.
- **Main Street Parking - Restrict parking time to 1 hour** - There are a total of 7 spots, 1 in front of the Town Hall and 6 spots in front of 141 Main Street designed to help our businesses as well as people who come downtown to use the Library and Town Hall. This applies only to the Town portion of Main Street and the 1 hour parking is from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. The 1 spot in front of the Town Hall is designated for handicap parking only.
- **Lower Fuller Street - Added 1 more space for a total of 4** - This parking is restricted for 1 hour, from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. This area is between 141 Main Street and the Town Hall.
- **Nelson Court - 10 spaces behind 141 Main Street**

There are 10 spaces designated for 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Monday - Friday. This will allow us to remove employees from the Main Street Public Lot and in conjunction with the Upper Fuller Street Parking Lot, allow all of the Town Hall and Library employees to park in a more central spot maximizing downtown parking. This will also allow people to park in this lot, as in the Upper Fuller Street Lot, on weekends and between 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. Monday through Friday.

- **Upper Fuller Street - Parking spaces between the Town Hall and Corner Meetinghouse**

There are 6 spaces for town business/employee parking Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. This will stay as is, due to overflow parking for night meetings at the Corner Meetinghouse.

While the Town of Belmont also offers parking spaces for commuters at the Belmont Ride-Share, all parking spaces that do not have time restrictions, the ordinance doesn't allow anyone to park a vehicle on Town property in excess of 72 hours.

The enforcement of this ordinance as well as all other Town ordinances and State laws lie within the jurisdiction of the Belmont Police Department. A copy of the fines for violating the Town Traffic Ordinance can be found at:

<http://www.belmontnh.org/docs/ords&apps/TrafficOrdinance.pdf>.

We now look forward to the summer months. Please remember that kids are out of school, visitors are here and our residents are out walking, running and enjoying their times outside after a long winter. Please drive carefully, slow down and be attentive as you are traveling our roads.

Parks and Recreation

Parks and Recreation has some great programs running for the summer months. All forms and information can be found on our website www.belmontnh.org

Tennis Clinic with Phil Eisenmann
July 5-8, 2011, Tuesday-Friday
Sargent Park Tennis Court,
Belmont
\$60.00
5:00P-6:30P, 5-9 year olds
6:30P-8:00P, 10-17 year olds



Did someone
say
exercise????

Circuit Training Class for
Adults
July 18, 25, August 1, 8, 2011
6:00AM-6:45AM
Monday's - 4 weeks
Old Winnisquam Fire Station

Golf Lessons at Bolduc Park
Youth Lessons: 6-16 Years Old
Session #3 - July 12, 19, 26 (only
5:30PM)
\$40.00 per person (3 lessons)
Adult Lessons:
Session #3 - July 14, 21, 28, 2011

Soccer Clinic
Soccer Clinic with Jim White
July 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21, 26, 28,
2011
Tuesday & Thursday Nights
5:00P-5:45PM - 3 years old -
2nd grade
6:00P-7:30P - 3rd grade - 8th
grade



Hazardous Waste Day

Hazardous Waste Day will be held the last Saturday in July the 30th from 8:30-12:00 at the Belmont Fire Department. Please see our website for further information. Volunteers are always needed please call Brenda Paquette at 267-8300 ext.12



Monthly Recipe

In Honor of this great Nation celebrating its Birthday here is a nod to America and a small bonus. This recipe is from www.tasteofhome.com and if you go to their website and click on this recipe 10¢ will be donated to the USO for every person who visits up to \$100,000. So do a good deed and help support the men and women who serve and protect us every day! HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA!!!!

Flag Cake Recipe

Ingredients

1 package (18-1/4 ounces) French vanilla cake mix
1 cup buttermilk
1/3 cup canola oil
4 eggs



FILLING:

1 package (3 ounces) berry blue gelatin
1-1/2 cups boiling water, divided
1 cup cold water, divided
Ice cubes
1 package (3 ounces) strawberry gelatin
2/3 cup finely chopped fresh strawberries
1/4 cup fresh blueberries

FROSTING:

- 3/4 cup butter, softened
- 2 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1 tablespoon 2% milk
- 1 jar (7 ounces) marshmallow creme

- Line a 13-in. x 9-in. baking pan with waxed paper and grease the paper; set aside. In a large bowl, combine the first four ingredients; beat on low speed for 30 seconds. Beat on medium for 2 minutes. Pour into prepared pan.
- Bake at 350° for 35-40 minutes or until a toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pan to a wire rack to cool completely.
- Transfer cake to a covered cake board. Using a small knife, cut out a 5-in. x 4-in. rectangle (1/2 in. deep) in the top left corner of cake, leaving a 1/2-in. border along edges of cake. For red stripes, cut out 1/2-in. wide rows (1/2 in. deep), leaving a 1/2-in. border. Using a fork, carefully remove cut-out cake pieces.
- In a small bowl, dissolve berry blue gelatin in 3/4 cup boiling water. Pour 1/2 cup cold water into a 2-cup measuring cup; add enough ice cubes to measure 1-1/4 cups. Stir into gelatin until slightly thickened. Scoop out and discard any remaining ice cubes. Repeat, making strawberry gelatin.
- In a small bowl, combine strawberries and 1 cup strawberry gelatin. In another bowl, combine blueberries and 1 cup blue gelatin. Refrigerate for 20 minutes or just until soft-set. (Save remaining gelatin for another use.)
- Stir gelatin mixtures. Slowly pour blueberry mixture into rectangle; spoon strawberry mixture into stripes.
- In a large bowl, beat butter until fluffy; beat in the confectioners' sugar and milk until smooth. Add marshmallow creme; beat well until light and fluffy. Spread 1 cup over sides and top edge of cake. Refrigerate remaining frosting for 20 minutes.
- Cut a small hole in the corner of pastry or plastic bag; insert a large star tip. Fill the bag with remaining frosting. Pipe frosting in between rows of strawberry gelatin and around edges of cake. Refrigerate for 1-2 hours or until gelatin is set. **Yield:** 15 servings.

July 2011

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