

Our Community Newsletter



Best Town by a Dam Site
Belmont, New Hampshire

**HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY**

Town of Belmont



June 2013

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Director

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Belmont Senior Center

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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

Father's Day Breakfast

14 June—Coffee Social starts @ 9:00, please call by 5 June for your reservation 267-9867.

CAFÉ BIENVENUE

Our regular menu items are served with a delicious soup and salad bar. Please call ahead with your reservation—267-9867. \$2 donation suggested. Wednesdays @ 11:45.

We also serve lunch on Monday & Thursday @ noon. Friday morning @ 10:00 we have a delicious home-cooked breakfast. Please call the week before by Tuesday to reserve your spot. Sugar-free Lemonade & Iced Tea will be added to our beverage offerings during summer.

Director's Desk Happy Father's Day!!

June 30th marks the half-way point through 2013. June is filled with warm, sunny days, picnics and Bar-B-Q's, weddings, and numerous opportunities to go to the beach or enjoy family/friend outings. June is also the month we celebrate Father's Day. On 14 June we are having a special Breakfast here at the Center to Honor and Celebrate our Father's. The meal has been specially planned and will be prepared with lots of Love and Skill. I hope you can join us. Coffee will be ready @ 9:00. I am a bit scattered today in my mind...the trees are in full bloom and so are my allergies.

-----Last month we assembled in Concord to Honor our Volunteers. We had 19 volunteers who generated 1,702 Volunteer Hours for the Belmont Senior Center. That is just over 1.13 hours for every hour we are open. You are a Pretty impressive group or volunteers. I Thank You from the bottom of my heart. Without your gift, we would not be able to sustain a Senior Center in Belmont. Below is a picture of just a few of our volunteers. You are a wonderful Bunch. I wish for all of you reading this a very Happy Summer. If you have questions about the Senior Center, please give me a call. We welcome all Seniors and try to have meaningful opportunities for your enjoyment. Stop by any time.
Brenda

June 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon. 3rd: AM Cards

Tue. 4th: 9:00 Bone Builders 12:30—Art Class

Wed. 5th: 10:00 Wii Bowling: 12:00 Café Bienvenue;

Thur. 6th: 9:00 Bone Builders

Fri. 7th: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: Scrambled Eggs, Sausage Patty, Biscuit, Melon Slice, Juice
National Donut Day—Coffee & Donuts @ 9:00

Mon. 10th: AM Cards—

Tue. 11th: 9:00 Bone Builders

Wed. 12th: 10:00 Wii Bowling;

Taylor Community Chorus @ 11:00

Thu. 13th: 9:00 Bone Builders;

Fri. 14th: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: **Father's Day Brunch!!** Cheese Omelets, Ham, Blueberry Bread Pudding, Hash Browns and N/A Champagne Punch

Mon. 17th: AM Cards;

Tue. 18th: 9:00 Bone Builders; 12:30 Art Class

Wed. 19th: Wii Bowling 10:00am:

Thu. 20th: 9:00 Bone Builders; 12:00 Bingo Luncheon

Fri. 21st: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: French Toast, Ham, Fresh Fruit Cup, V-8 Juice

Mon. 24th:

Tue. 25th: 9:00 Bone Builders; 12:30: Art Class

Diner's Club @ Patrick's Pub leaving the Center @ 11:00 to start pick-ups

Wed. 26th: Wii Bowling 10:00 am

Thur. 27th: 9:00 Bone Builders

Bingo Luncheon 12:00-2:00

Fri. 28th: Café Bon Appetite is open @ 10:00 serving: Pancakes w/ syrup, Bacon, Yogurt, slice melon and juice.

Library News

Dig Into READING



Belmont Public Library Summer Reading Program For 2013

Belmont Public Library invites children and families to participate in the 2013 Summer Reading Program. The purpose of this annual program is to encourage reading for pleasure, away from a structured classroom environment. This year's theme, "Dig In – Read!" will focus on all things underground – buried treasure, burrowing animals, fossils, rocks, dirt, and caves! Special activities are planned by the Library throughout the summer and are free to children and their families.

Registration begins on July 1. Children who sign up will receive a bookmark and chart to record reading progress and may choose prizes from the Reading Treasure Chest. There are activities and performers scheduled each week. Story time will be held on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m. and families are warmly invited to attend. In addition, we are offering "Crafternoons": an arts and crafts project time, on Tuesdays at 3:30 pm, for kids 6 and up!

Schedule of Events

Tuesday, July 2	Children's Museum of NH @ 3
Thursday, July 11	Building Fairy Houses @ 3 (registration required)
Saturday, July 20	Lindsay & Her Puppet Pals @ 10:30
Tuesday, July 30	Robert Rivest – Comic Mime @ 2
Thursday, Aug. 15	Steve Blunt Sing-a-long & Ice cream party @ 1:30 *

*Thanks to a grant from the Byrne Foundation, CHILIS, Cogswell Benevolent Trust, the New Hampshire Library Association, New Hampshire State Library, and U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Story Time - Wednesdays @ 10:30
Lego Club - Saturday, July 6th & August 3rd @ 10:30
Crafternoons (for kids 6-12) - Tuesday, July 9th, 16th & 23rd @ 3
July 1st – Aug. 16 – Read for prizes!! Sign up for raffles!!! Have fun!!

In the event of construction or inclement weather, performances will be held at a different location, to be announced. All other activities will take place at the Library. Information will be posted and updated on our website: www.belmontpubliclibrary.org or you may telephone 267-8331.

LOOK!

A chance for local businesses and organizations to help the Library provide a great program...

We could use your help! The Belmont Public Library is offering a summer library program to the children of our community to encourage them to read for pleasure during the summer and to retain their reading skills. This year's theme is Dig Into Reading.

To add to the fun and to create a sense of challenge that will keep kids reading, we'd like to offer incentives and contest prizes at various times during the summer. Because of our limited budget, we cannot afford to offer this without help.

We appreciate any donation you care to make. Possible donations include items to give away as prizes, small toys, coupons for free goods or services (admission tickets, fast-food coupons, free film, or film processing), or cash to buy prizes to offer as a Grand Prize. We also like to provide refreshments to kids and families during performances and programs. We will mention the assistance you have generously donated in our publicity.

If you can help us in any way, please contact the library at 267-8331. We hope to include you in our summer plans. Many thanks!





MVA Depot Street Rollover with Ejection!

On April 14th at 19:29 Belmont Fire was dispatched for a report of a motor vehicle accident rollover with ejection on Depot St near the Coke plant. Companies arrived on scene and reported a single black Ford F150 pickup on its roof with heavy damage and two males on the ground. Lt Nugent, who witnessed the incident, was with



one patient who was sitting up with and was administering care to him The Second was on his side on the road and had been ejected from the vehicle. FF Brown was the primary attendant for the 2nd patient. A Tilton/Northfield Ambulance was requested to the scene to transport patient 1. LRMFA was requested to check on the status of DHART but companies on scene determined that they would not be needed. Both patient were transported to LRGH. 3Rescue1 was used for lighting the scene.



Belmont Fire Department Year to date 2013 Alarm by type

Alm_type	Descript	Count
A1	ALS Transport	108
A2	ALS Non-Transport	9
B1	BLS Transport	39
B2	BLS Non-Transport	55
F	Fire Response	64
HM	Hazardous Materials Response	6
M1	Motor Vehicle Accident ALS Transport	6
M3	Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Transport	3
M4	Motor Vehicle Accident BLS Non-Transport	2
M5	Motor Vehicle Accident No Injury	12
MA	Mutual Aid Response	51
NM	No Medical incident Found/No Patient Contact	8
SC	Service Call	29
	Total	392

Belmont Fire Department 2013 Request For Service

MONTH	EMERGENCY RESPONSE	FIRE MARSHAL ACTIVITIES	NON-EMERGENCY	PERMIT	Total
January	118	26	109	19	272
February	89	30	90	6	215
March	86	24	148	17	275
April	99	27	103	274	503
TOTAL	392	107	450	316	1265



Coffee Break Training - Fire Investigation Series

Fire/Arson and Explosion Investigation Curriculum: Processing a Fire Scene for Evidence

No. FI-2013-2 April 22, 2013

Learning Objective: The student shall be able to identify the necessary steps to properly preserve, collect and document evidence at fire scenes for laboratory analyses and use in court proceedings.

Fire investigators must control access to the fire scene after fire suppression to ensure that evidence is properly preserved, collected, documented and transported to avoid contamination. The investigator should also ensure that packaging, transportation and storage procedures are meticulously followed to prevent any destructive changes in the condition of evidence or lapses in the chain of custody.

The following guidelines should be followed to avoid potential challenges to the introduction of evidence in legal proceedings due to claims of contamination or chain-of-custody issues:

- Maintain the chain of custody of evidence at all times to include all transfers and final disposition.
- Document the location of evidence using written notes, sketches, photographs and logs.
- Place evidence in labeled containers for transportation and preservation. Ignitable liquid evidence collected for laboratory analysis must be immediately placed in clean, unused, vapor-tight containers (e.g., clean, unused paint cans; laboratory-approved nylon or polyester bags) and then properly sealed.
- Label each container so that it is uniquely identified including the name of the investigator, date and time of collection, case number, sample number, description and location of recovery.
- Collect and preserve suitable comparison samples (if available and required).
- Package evidence in accordance with laboratory policies and procedures.
- Recognize the presence of other physical evidence, such as bloodstains, shoe prints, tire impressions, latent prints and trace evidence, and use proper preservation and collection methods.
- Recognize that fuel-powered tools and equipment present potential contamination sources and should be avoided.
- Use clean or disposable tools and gloves for collecting items of evidence. To avoid cross-contamination, gloves should be changed between collecting unrelated items of evidence or when visibly soiled per the recommendations outlined in National Fire Protection Association 921, *Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigations*.
- Store and ship in separate packages fire debris evidence containers collected from different scenes.
- Maintain written records documenting the sample number, description of the evidence, date and location where it was found and collector's name.



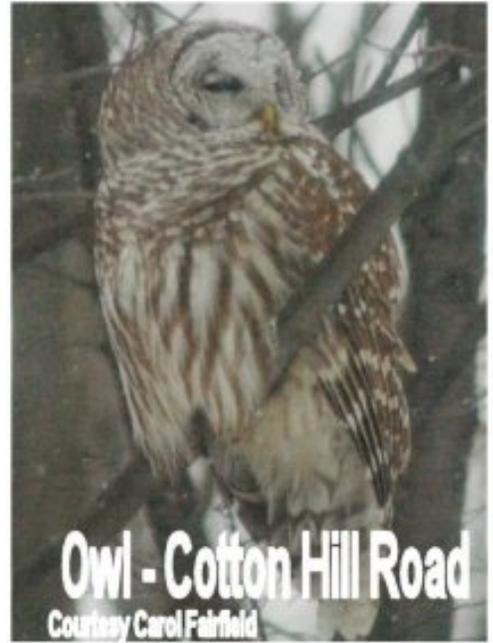
Proper evidence collection practices help to prevent potential contamination issues and admissibility challenges at trial.
Photo courtesy of Maryland State Fire Marshal's Office

Strict compliance with agency policies, protocols and recommended guidelines related to the collection of evidence will ensure a complete and successful investigation and avoid admissibility challenges in legal proceedings.

Additional information on fire scene evidence processing can be obtained from the *Introduction to Evidence and Physical Evidence at the Fire Scene* online training modules at www.cftrainer.net.

Land Use News

**Planning and Zoning News
June, 2013**



Planning Board:

- ◇ Site Plan one-year extension granted to **Brox Industries**, 512 Depot Street to construct a bituminous asphalt plant.
- ◇ Public Hearing – Amendments – June 24, 2013, 7pm, Corner Meeting House:
- ◇ Amend Fee Schedule to include a \$100 filing fee for approval extension applications
- ◇ Amend Subdivision, Site Plan and Earth Excavation Regulations to establish an application review committee to review applications for completeness and assist applicants through the application process.

Zoning Board:

- ◇ At their upcoming meeting the Board will hear applications from **James & Anne Marie Coviello/90 Durrell Mtn Road**.

Land Use Staff Quick Notes:

- ◇ Have you considered becoming a Planning Board or Zoning Board alternate member? No prior experience is necessary. Alternate members are extremely important to the function of both boards. They assure that applicants can be heard before a full board whenever a regular member is away or unable to participate at a meeting. Even when there is a full board in attendance, alternate members are seated with the board and participate in the application review, allowing them to gain experience, stay up-to-date on regulations and procedures and avoid boredom! Both boards meet one night per month.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a member or the responsibilities as a member please feel free to contact the Land Use Office. Alternate members are appointed by the board. You may also review all of the ordinances, regulations, rules of procedure, schedules and other related information at www.belmontnh.org/data_forms.asp and www.belmontnh.org/learnhow.asp. To submit your name for consideration as an alternate member, please submit a land use board membership application found at the above address.

Contact the Land Use Office at landuse@belmontnh.org or 267-8300x19 for assistance or additional information on any land use matter.

Conservation Commission News



A milk snake was the first to greet us.

It had rained most of the night before and was threatening more when a group of Belmont High School Seniors, their Principal Dan Clary, teachers and parents met to clean up an area behind the Belmont Mill that is destined to become a park with access to the Tioga River. The banks were thick with invasive honeysuckle bushes as the crews attacked with loppers, saws and chainsaws. In less three hours work, one hundred fifty feet or so of the river bank was opened presenting a glorious view from the mill-level where soon there will be a pavilion for public activities – a farmers’ market has

been mentioned, as well as the Belmont Senior Center gatherings and Parks and Rec Day Camp programs.

This is the second year of what is hoped to be an on-going collaboration between the graduating Senior Class of BHS, the Conservation Commission and Village Revitalization Committee. The Town receives much-needed labor and the students learn about giving back to the community.



These students are hard at work!



**Panorama of the newly opened shoreline.
Thank You – Belmont High School Seniors!**

Town Administrator News



**Town Administrator's
Monthly Report**

Summer is just around the corner, school will be out soon and we will see many of our summer residents returning to enjoy their homes in Belmont.

The Board of Selectmen at their recent meeting on May 20th declared the former Mill Street Extension discontinued and the new Mill Street complete. Mill Street will continue to be a one-way street from the intersection of Main Street next to the Library to the left at Center Street. Pavement markings will be coming soon as will the finishing touches to the new sidewalks. Construction on Fuller and Sargent Street will begin this month with temporary waterline installation. The handicap entrance to the Corner Meeting House will also be under construction in the next few weeks; so please stay tuned to our website at www.belmontnh.org for information on meeting locations during the construction.

Phase II of the Village Revitalization project will be going out to bid next week which will include the waterline replacement work for which we received a 2nd CDBG grant. The project includes Nelson Court, Spring, High, School and a portion of Sargent Street as well as Lawrence Court.

Tax bills were mailed the week of May 12th and are due on July 1, 2013. The spring tax bill is based on the prior year's assessment and tax rate. The Town's 2013 tax rate will be set in October.

Data collection has begun for the 2014 property revaluation. The Board of Selectmen at their meeting January 7, 2013 voted to contract with Commeford, Neider & Perkins to begin the process of Data Verification, which will include measuring & listing every property, for the 2014 State mandated revaluation. Beginning immediately employees of Commeford, Neider & Perkins will be in town for 2013/2014, for this purpose. Questions or concerns regarding the process should be directed to

Assessing@belmontnh.org or by calling 603-267-8300 Ext 18. Your cooperation in allowing the measure and listing staff into your home will assist the Town in assuring a quality revaluation project is completed. Information collected in 2013 will not be reflected on your property record card until 2014 unless you had obtained a building permit between April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013.

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. As more information becomes available it will be posted to the site. Please send any comments regarding the renewal process to townadministrator@belmontnh.org.



Water Consumer Confidence Reports will be in the mail soon and a copy of the report will be posted on the Town's website at www.belmontnh.org.

The Sewer Pump Station Project is nearly complete; 5 sewer pump stations were replaced with funding from the Wastewater State Revolving Fund during 2012-2013. Completion of this infrastructure project along with updates to the Sewer Use Ordinance and work to repair manholes and eliminate I/I are just some of the ongoing projects we are working on. A public hearing will be held in July or early August to adopt the changes to the Sewer Use Ordinance which is currently being reviewed by the Department of Environmental Services for comments.

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.



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Town Administrator News (cont.)

In last month's newsletter we reported that a volunteer had come forward to assist with taping our Selectmen's meetings; regrettably due to other commitments the individual was able to commit to our meetings so we are once again seeking a volunteer to tape our Selectmen's meetings using Town equipment. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Cary Lagace at 267-8300 Ext. 18, or email the Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin at townadministrator@belmontnh.org.

Board of Selectmen's Meetings for June:
June 3, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.
June 17, 2013 @ 5:00 p.m.



The newly redesigned and rededicated Veteran's Memorial on Main Street

Town Clerk News

We at the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's office would like to give an "atta boy" to all the Belmont residents who are being so prompt paying your first issue 2013 tax bill. We have collected approximately \$309,000 during the first two weeks alone! Way to go Belmont! As an FYI, the first issue tax bill is an estimated tax bill. It is half the amount of the entire last year's taxes. When paying a tax bill, keep in mind that it covers three months behind and three months ahead. The first issued bill, due in July, covers April 1st-Sept 30th. The second issued bill, due in December, will cover October 1st-March 31st and is the actual tax bill.

As a reminder, dogs were due to be licensed by April 30, 2013. As of June, we are required to issue penalties. If you no longer have a dog, please notify the Town Clerk's Office so we can update your records. This will alleviate any further notices from our office.



We at the Town Clerk's Office would like your help naming our office mascot!! He or She is a little black lab puppy statue that welcomes all our customers. If you have an idea for his/her name, please send an email to TCTCClerk2@BelmontNH.org. We'll announce his/her name in the July newsletter.

Just as a head's up... our second issue water/sewer bills are being issued in June. They will cover March through May.

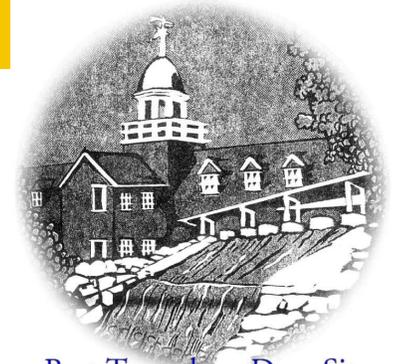
It's that time of year finally!! Belmont Town Beach is officially open June 8th. Don't forget to bring your vehicle registration into town hall to get your 2013 beach sticker.

Congratulations to the Belmont High School class of 2013!! Best of luck to you all!

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June 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						7 Lego Club 10:30am @ Library
2	3 BOS Mtg 5pm at CMH	4 LRGSB 6:30pm @ CMH	5 Conservation Comm. 6pm @ CMH	6 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	7	8
9	10	11 Library Trustees Mtg 6:30pm @ Library	12	13 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	14 Flag Day 	15
16 Father's Day 	17 BOS Mtg 5pm at CMH	18 Book discussion 7pm @ Library	19	20 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	21 Summer Solstice 	22
23	24 Planning Board Mtg 7pm @ CMH	25	26 ZBA Mtg 7pm @ CMH (downstairs)	27 Explorers Mtg at CMH (downstairs) Knitting 6:00pm @ Library	28	29
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