

# Our Community Newsletter September 2012

## Vital News from the Town Clerk/Tax Collector

State of New Hampshire  
Voter ID Law-Laws of 2012, Chapter 289  
Explanatory Document

During the 2012 legislative session the legislature passed House Bill 1354, also known as the "Voter ID" Law. The new law will phase-in a photo identification requirement over a period of time.

This explanatory document is required under the "Voter ID" law as part of the process of educating the public about the law's requirements and application and outlines the law's requirements for 2012.

### **What type of photo ID will I need to vote?**

For any election before Sept. 1, 2013, you will be asked to provide one of the following:

- Driver's License issued by any state (even if expired);
- ID card issued by NH DMV (Division of Motor Vehicles);
- U.S. Armed Services ID card;
- U.S. Passport (even if expired);
- Valid photo ID card issued by either the federal government or a state, county or municipal government;
- Valid student ID card
- Other photo deemed legitimate by the supervisors of the checklist, the moderator, or the clerk;  
or
- Verification of identity by a supervisor of the checklist, the moderator or the clerk.



### **What if I do not have an approved photo ID?**

Before November 1, 2012, any voter who does not present an approved photo ID will be informed of the new law and permitted to vote.

Between November 1, 2012 and September 1, 2013, any voter who does not present an approved photo ID will be permitted to vote after executing a "challenged voter affidavit."

A voter who does not have an approved photo ID may obtain a free photo ID for voting purposes only by presenting a voucher from their town/city clerk or the Secretary of State to any NH DMV office that issues identification.

### **Is there any post-election action required by me after I vote without an approved photo ID?**

After November 1, 2012, if you filled out a "challenged voter affidavit" in order to vote on Election Day, you will receive a verification letter from the Secretary of State, requesting confirmation that you voted in the election. If you do not respond in writing to the Secretary of State within 90 days of the date it was mailed, the Attorney General will conduct an investigation to determine whether fraudulent voting occurred.

**Where can I get more information?** Your city or town clerk or the Secretary of State.

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(603) 271-3242

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## Land Use News

### Planning Board:

- Site Plan approval and Conditional Use Permit to Pensco Holdings LLC, 8 Church Street, to construct a 258sf commercial addition, add a service business (Salon) and expand parking & driveway.
- Site Plan approval to Route 106 Realty Trust, 36 Laconia Road, to construct a car wash and commercial building, and redevelop existing parking, utilities and drainage.
- Finding that the prior approval granted to Quain Trust, 930 Laconia Road, to convert 2 commercial buildings to a condominium form of ownership has expired.
- Finding that the prior approval granted to Smith, 9 Berry Road, for a Boundary Line Adjustment has expired.
- Approval to Sargent, 308 Bean Hill Road, for a 2-lot merger.
- Approval for two minor changes within the Pine Garden's Mobile Home Park to relocate site D10 and the playground.
- The Planning Board has scheduled a work session on the 2013-2018 Capital Improvements Program review for 7pm, Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at the Belmont Corner Meeting House. A public hearing has been tentatively scheduled for 7pm, Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, Corner Meeting House. The confirmed date for the public hearing will be appropriately posted.

### Zoning Board:

- Approved a Special Exception and Variance for Don & Gail Hawkins, 97 Hurricane Road, for the keeping of agricultural animals (horses).
- Approved a Variance for David Reinauer, 130 Sunset Drive, for a Gazebo.
- Approved a Special Exception and Variance for Michael Farren, 52 Nancy Drive, for a deck.

- Approved a Special Exception and Variance for Beth & John Donahue, 50 Mallards Landing Road, for a dwelling and shed.

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

## Conservation Commission

### Are you considering logging your land in Belmont?

The Belmont Conservation Commission reminds owners of forest land that your timber is a valuable asset. Be wary of unsolicited offers to log your land or buy timber. Before you have your property logged, we strongly recommend you:



1. Hire a [licensed professional forester](#) to represent your financial interests and to protect the long-term health and productivity of your woodlot.
2. Obtain a good written [timber harvesting contract](#).
3. Learn about current [wood markets and prices](#).
4. Obtain free forestry advice from the [Belknap County Cooperative Extension](#). County Forester Andy Fast will arrange to visit your woodlot. Please contact Andy at (603) 527-5475 or [andrew.fast@unh.edu](mailto:andrew.fast@unh.edu).
5. Click on the following links to learn more about NH forestry laws including:
  - a [Intent to Cut permit](#)
  - a [NH Timber Tax](#)
  - a Wetlands permits
    - c [Minimum Impact Forestry Notification](#)
    - c [Best Management Practices for Erosion Control on Timber Harvesting Operations in New Hampshire](#)
  - a [Basal Area law for Stream and Shoreland Protection zones](#)
  - a [Slash laws](#)
  - a [Timber trespass](#)

[NH Division of Forests & Lands](#) inspecting foresters visit logging operations to insure compliance with NH timber harvesting laws and to respond to complaints of timber law violations. Call (603) 271-2214.

Proper timber harvesting provides multiple benefits: income, improved habitat, trails, views, and long-term forest health. Uncontrolled, exploitive cutting results in lost revenue, environmental degradation, public resentment and legal liability.

Your forest has been growing for many years. It will continue to increase in value over time. A timber sale should be an informed decision. [Please do your homework.](#)

Learn about the numerous aspects of forestry and protecting the numerous resources your land provides. [Good Forestry in the Granite State](#) - Recommended voluntary Forest Management Practices for New Hampshire.

[Selling your timber](#) may sound easy but knowing markets, volumes and actual values can be complicated.

Hiring a forester is like hiring a Real Estate agent to sell your house. Letting someone knowledgeable about forest products, timber markets, hiring reputable loggers, silviculture and timber harvesting laws will help ensure you obtain full value for your timber while protecting your interests. [Why pay a consultant forester?](#)

Is watching birds a favorite pastime of yours? Then [managing your forestland to help out these avian critters](#) may be of interest to you.



Twas the night before school started,  
When all through the town,  
The parents were cheering.  
It was a riotous sound!  
By eight, kids were washed  
And tucked into bed...  
When memories of homework...filled them with  
dread!  
New pencils, new folders, new notebooks, too!  
New teachers, new friends...their anxiety grew!  
The parents just giggled when they learned of  
this fright  
And shouted upstairs-...  
**GO TO BED-IT'S A SCHOOL NIGHT!**

# Belmont Heritage Commission: Remembers 20th Anniversary of Mill Fire



Photo Courtesy of Linda Frawley

The 20th anniversary of the Belmont Mill fire was recognized in August by the Heritage Commission, "with utmost appreciation for care, concern and heroism saving the main building and protecting the village," according to chairman Wallace Rhodes, who also serves as Town Historian and President of the Belmont Historical Society. The New Hampshire Union Leader and The Citizen published prominent feature stories with before and after photographs in August editions, along with additional publicity in the Winnisquam Echo and Laconia Daily Sun, through Heritage Commission outreach.

Belmont Fire Chief David Parenti accepted limited edition glass commemoratives featuring the landmark 1833 Mill belfry, "on behalf of all firefighters who served our community August 14-15, 1992." Presentations were made by new Heritage Commission appointees Kelly Rolfe (far left) and Alyce Jewell (far right), shown with Chief Parenti and Lindsey Duggan, a Belmont Elementary School student.

The unique Mill ornament is the second in a series, hand-pressed by League of New Hampshire Craftsman and glass artist Christopher Salmon of Antrim. The Belmont Bandstand was first and sold out. Created from recycled glass using centuries-old techniques, these two Belmont special places are now added to Salmon's portfolio - along with Yellowstone National Park, Canterbury Shaker Village, and the White House Historical Association, among others.

The glass collectible features the bell tower and belfry, Belmont's most visible and signature feature from all crossroads. For ordering information [Belmonthistory@gmail.com](mailto:Belmonthistory@gmail.com) or [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org) search for Heritage Commission. Cost is \$10. each and limited inventory remains in blue, green and amber/gold colors.

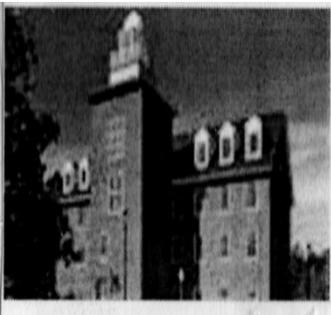
Founded in 2004 the Belmont Heritage Commission also includes Selectmen's Representative Ron Cormier, Wallace Rhodes, Linda Frawley, Margaret Normandin and Shayne Duggan.

# Yard Sale

**@ Belmont High School  
Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>  
8am-2pm**



**Rent a 10' x 10' space to sell your own items, or donate them to the BHS Spanish Club. Drop-Off or St-Up Saturday morning Contact Austin Wilder to reserve a space e-mail: [austinwilder@student.shaker.k12.nh.us](mailto:austinwilder@student.shaker.k12.nh.us)**



# Belmont Senior Center



September 2012

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

Stay Tuned for  
Updates on Winter  
Activities

## Back To School!!!

**4 September—9:30 Breakfast @ Our Family Tree Restaurant**

**11 September—9:30 Breakfast @ Water Street Café**

**18 September—11:00 Gilmanton Winery for a wine tasting and lunch.**

Please call 267-9867 to make your reservation with us.

## Tea Party

*Join us 11:00 am*

*Tuesday 25 September 2012*

*Tea Party Luncheon*

*Belmont Senior Center*

*R.S.V.P. 267-9867*

*By 19 September 2012*



## Coming Attractions

9/13—Bingo@ 12:30

9/14 Area Committee on Aging Meeting @ 10:00 Wesley Woods

9/17-21—Senior Center week

**9/19—Open House 11:00-1:00**

9/21—United Way Day of caring

9/25—Tea Party

9/26—Advisory Meeting

9/26 Activities Committee Meeting

Closed for the Labor Day Holiday!  
September 3, 2012

## Senior Center Week

Join us for a week of Celebrating Senior Centers 17—21st

**Monday:** 10:00 coffee social with Winter Star Charts and discussion of the night sky for winter.

**Tuesday:** 10:45 Wine Tasting and Diner's Club @ Gilmanton Winery

**Wednesday:** Open House 11:00-1:00 with 12:00 lunch and Dessert Buffet.

**Thursday:** Presentation @ 12:30 How to Talk to your Doctor

**Friday:** Day of Caring with United Way.

**Coffee Social 9:30 Fridays**

Mars & Saturn are still visible in the night sky and Jupiter & Venus are visible to early risers. Just look for the bright spots in the sky. Orion is also now visible in the Southeastern sky and will continue to be so during the fall and winter months. Sirius, also known as the Dog Star, is the brightest star in the sky and near Orion's Belt. I find the Night Sky to be beautiful and alluring. Check it out. The night of 20 October will be the Orionids Meteor Shower. Just get to a location away from bright lights, have a seat and enjoy.

Come by the Center any time. We'd love to have you. More on stars and the Night Sky on Monday the 17<sup>th</sup>, hope to see you soon. Brenda

# Belmont Parks & Recreation

Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas: The Musical,  
Boston Ballet The Nutcracker, Shopping & Sightseeing

Saturday—December 1, 2012



## Musical Show & Shopping

Orchestra Center \$85  
Balcony Center \$73

## Nutcracker Ballet & Shopping

Orchestra Side \$115  
Mezzanine \$99  
Balcony \$80

## Boston On Your Own

Shopping & Sightseeing \$29



Our Boston Trip includes luxury motor coach transportation to each theatre for your choice of entertainment with additional stops for shopping. Dr. Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas: The Musical features the hit songs "You're a Mean One Mr. Grinch" and "Welcome Christmas" from the original animated series. Max the Dog narrates as the mean and scheming Grinch whose heart is "two sizes too small" decides to steal Christmas away from the Who's. The Boston Ballet's the Nutcracker is a must-see holiday event for the whole family returning this year with all new sets and costumes. Join Clara on her magical journey through an enchanted winter wonderland to a palace of sugary confections. We have a limited number of seats for the ballet performance,

8:00AM **Depart** Belmont Park & Ride, Route 106  
9:45AM **Arrive** Prudential Center Shops for shopping with Copley Square, Back Bay and Newbury Street Shops are all within walking distance.  
12:10PM **Depart** Prudential Center  
12:20PM **Arrive** Downtown Crossing & the Boston Opera House for Nutcracker ticket holders, show time 1:00PM  
1:20PM **Depart** Downtown Crossing  
1:25PM **Arrive** The Wang Center Theatre for How the Grinch Stole Christmas ticket holders, show time 2:00PM  
1:40 PM **Arrive** Faneuil Hall for shopping, or visit the New England Aquarium is a short walk  
3:45PM **Depart** The Wang Center Theatre  
4:00PM **Depart** Downtown Crossing  
4:10 PM **Arrive** Faneuil Hall, and Quincy Market for shopping and dinner on your own, reservations are recommended  
6:45 PM **Depart** Faneuil Hall for return to Belmont  
8:30 PM **Arrive** Belmont Park & Ride, Route 106

**Reservations or additional information contact:**

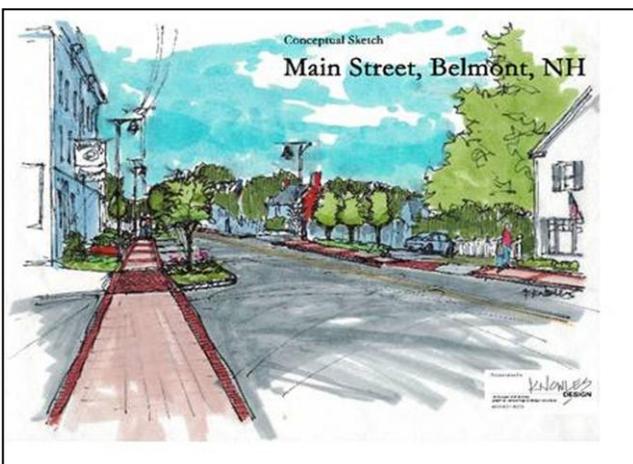
**Belmont Parks & Recreation, PO Box 310, Belmont, NH 03220**  
**(603) 524-4350—recreation@belmontnh.org—www.belmontnh.org**



Town Administrator's  
Monthly Report  
September 2012

Wow!

Village Revitalization project is off and running, temporary waterline has been laid in the village and installation of the new line will begin soon. Liz Ziegler of Hoyle Tanner is the onsite construction manager and you will see her about the Village giving updates on construction as it moves along. Any problems or concerns can be brought to her attention, or please feel free to contact the Town Administrator's office at 267-8300. We will also post updates on the Belmont Village Revitalization web page which can be accessed from the Town's website at [www.belmontnh.org](http://www.belmontnh.org). Your patience during construction is appreciated and our contractor and the Town will work to minimize any inconveniences.



Voters at the Special Town Meeting held on August 21, 2012 authorized the Board of Selectmen to negotiate the purchase of the

former Northway Bank building from William and Carolyn McDonough. Voters also approved the discontinuance of a portion of Mill Street which will facilitate the relocation of the Veteran's Memorial built by Eagle Scout, Alan Bartlett, and the eventually the relocation of the Town's historic bandstand.

The Sewer Pump Station project has been awarded to PRB Construction of Gilford, New Hampshire and they will begin construction the week of September 4, 2012. This project will include the replacement of five (5) pump stations, many of which have been in existence for 25+ years. Funding for this project is through the Wastewater State Revolving Fund at a very favorable interest rate of 2.91% for 15 Years.



To add to our project list, the Town received notification on Thursday, August 23, 2012 from NH DOT that the bridge on Church Street over the Tioga River should be closed and evaluated for repairs. The Town immediately responded to the concerns raised by DOT and closed the bridge. We have retained the services of engineers with Hoyle Tanner and met with State DOT officials to outline a repair plan for the bridge. We will have more information available in the coming weeks, and hope to have the bridge reopened by Thanksgiving.

We anticipate that the 2012 tax rate will be set in early October and tax bills should be mailed by mid-month. Based on preliminary figures, we anticipate a reduction in the Town's portion of the tax rate. As soon as we have final utility values from the Department of Revenue Administration we will be able to give a final estimate.



## **A LOOK at the BUDGET**

The 2013 budget process has begun and the Board of Selectmen will begin reviewing department budgets in September. We would anticipate the Budget Committee to begin meeting in late October. Meetings are typically on Tuesday evening beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Corner Meeting House.

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).

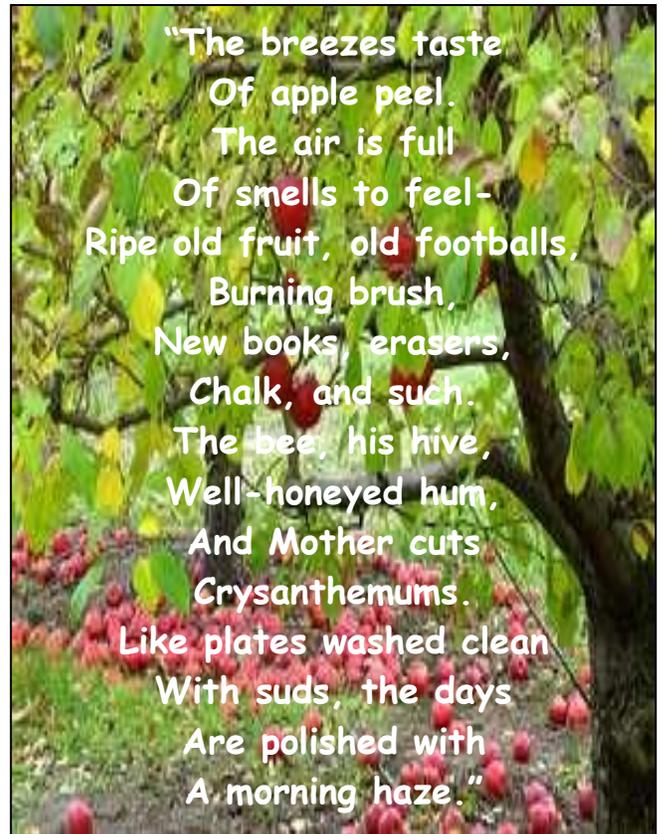


We would like to remind residents/taxpayers that recycling bins are available at Town Hall so if you haven't picked up your bins (2 per household), please stop by and see Tracey Russo.



The Board of Selectmen will be meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 beginning at 4:30

p.m. and our 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting in September will be held on September 17<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 p.m. Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2012 due to the Labor Day Holiday.



"The breezes taste  
Of apple peel.  
The air is full  
Of smells to feel-  
Ripe old fruit, old footballs,  
Burning brush,  
New books, erasers,  
Chalk, and such.  
The bee, his hive,  
Well-honeyed hum,  
And Mother cuts  
Crysanthemums.  
Like plates washed clean  
With suds, the days  
Are polished with  
A morning haze."

September 16<sup>th</sup> is Step-Family Day

Together  
we make a  
Family

# Events in and Around Our Community

<u>What</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>Where</u>
Friends of the Meredith Library Book It 5K Family Fun Road Race	Saturday, September 1, 2012, 8am - 12pm	Community Park, Main Street, Meredith, NH Please contact Beverly Heyduk at 279-1206 or email at bheyduk@metrocast.net or Barbara Brann at 279-5565 or email at babrann@gmail.com
ExitT 20 Farmers' Market at Tanger Outlets Tilton	Wednesday, September 5, 12, 19, 26, 2012, 3 - 6pm	Tanger Outlet Center 120 Laconia Road Tilton, NH 03276
Laconia Main Street Outdoor Marketplace	Thursday, September 6, 13, 20, 27, 2012, 3 - 7pm	In the parking lot between Pleasant and Main Street Downtown Laconia, NH
Hospital Yard Sale	Saturday, September 8, 2012, 8am - 2pm	Lakes Region General Hospital Facilities Garage Off Highland Street Laconia, NH for more info call 524-3211 ext.6720
Grandparents Day	Sunday, September 9, 2012, 9:30am - 4:30pm	Squam Lakes Natural Science center 23 Science Center Road Holderness, NH 03245
3rd Annual Harvest Festival at Prescott Farm	Saturday, September 15, 2012, 10am - 3pm	928 White Oaks Rd., Laconia, NH 03246 <a href="mailto:info@prescottfarm.org">info@prescottfarm.org</a>
Tanger Outlets Tilton Craft Show	Saturday, September 15, 2012, 10am - 5pm	Tanger Outlet Center 120 Laconia Road Tilton, NH 03276 (603) 286-7880
New Hampshire Highland Games & Festival	Friday, September 21 - Sunday, September 23, 2012	Loon Mountain, 60 Loon Mountain Road, Lincoln, NH Lois Meredith - 603.229.1975 <a href="mailto:lois@nhscot.org">lois@nhscot.org</a>
WOW Fest '12	Saturday, September 22, 7pm - Sunday, September 23, 2012, 2am	Laconia Athletic & Swim Club, Laconia, NH Jennifer Beetle, Event Coordinator 603-630-4468 <a href="mailto:jmlines@metrocast.net">jmlines@metrocast.net</a>
Sylvania 300	Sunday, September 23, 2012 2:00pm	NH Motor Speedway for more info <a href="http://www.nhms.com">www.nhms.com</a>

**Were you aware that September 21<sup>st</sup> is National MIA/POW Recognition day? Let's all take a moment to remember those who have not come home.**

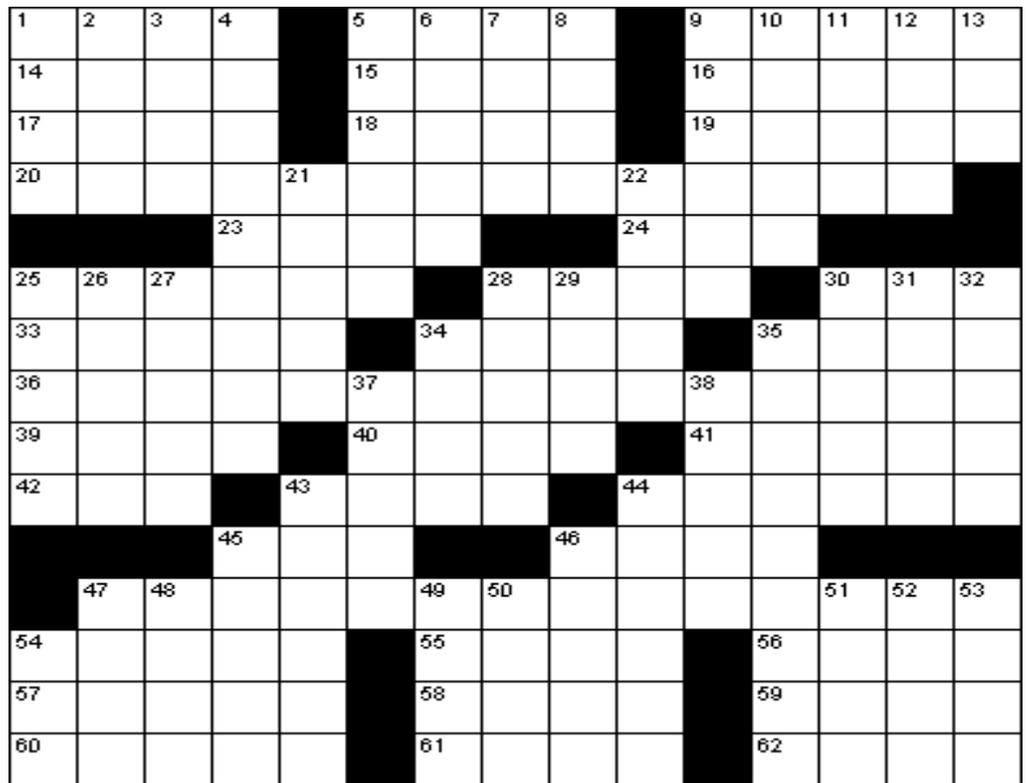
# No Theme Crossword No. 3 by Dave Fisher

## Across

1. Letter opener, perhaps
5. Does a landscaper's job
9. Homer's love
14. Not working
15. Wonky
16. Birdlike
17. Crackle preceeder
18. Youngster
19. Lets
20. Certain fee
23. Forever
24. Not safe
25. AKA John Barleycorn
28. Certain missile
30. Pick up the tab
33. Civet's relative
34. South African settler
35. Van's land
36. Pacts with the devil
39. Jordan's queen
40. Blue flag, e.g.
41. UK biscuit
42. Abner's scam
43. Post
44. Ecological systems
45. Hole maker
46. Nice in Nice
47. Inverted state
54. Caught some shuteye
55. \_\_ Lollobrigida
56. Bonita or yellowfin
57. Lark
58. Declare
59. \_\_ Brockovich
60. Dry out
61. Challenge
62. Lasso or lariat

## Down

1. Part of CD
2. Author Ferber
3. Winglike



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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 4. Tyrant                           | 30. Embroidery loop     |
| 5. Smooth                           | 31. Show place          |
| 6. Jesse __ (1936 Olympic hero)     | 32. Agreements          |
| 7. It's on the bottom of the barrel | 34. Animal shelter      |
| 8. In __ (together)                 | 35. Run into            |
| 9. Search for plunder               | 37. Give up             |
| 10. Ward off                        | 38. Certain continental |
| 11. Peel                            | 43. Light control       |
| 12. Barrier                         | 44. Watch for           |
| 13. Spaces                          | 45. Jelly               |
| 21. Rube                            | 46. Mistake             |
| 22. Muslim's heavenly virgin        | 47. Arm bone            |
| 25. Squeezed                        | 48. Korda or Sykora     |
| 26. Vietnam's capital               | 49. Mild oath           |
| 27. "_ The Sheriff"                 | 50. Cher, for example   |
| 28. Three dimensional               | 51. New money           |
| 29. Animation art                   | 52. Cut out             |
|                                     | 53. Logical             |
|                                     | 54. Maple syrup source  |



I TRIED TO TEACH MY CHILD WITH BOOKS;  
HE GAVE ME ONLY PUZZLED LOOKS.  
I TRIED TO TEACH MY CHILD WITH WORDS;  
THEY PASSED HIM BY OFTEN UNHEARD.  
DESPAIRINGLY, I TURNED ASIDE;  
"HOW SHALL I TEACH THIS CHILD," I CRIED?  
INTO MY HAND HE PUT THE KEY,  
"COME," HE SAID, "PLAY WITH ME."



# Building Inspection



The Town of Belmont would like to extend a warm welcome to our newest member here at Town Hall Steve Paquin. Steve has taken on the role of Building Inspector/Code Enforcement/Health Inspector.

Raised in Londonderry, NH with an older brother Mike; he graduated from Londonderry High in 1991. He spent summers working at Canobie Lake Park as the games manager. After graduation it wasn't games he was looking for when he enrolled in N.Y. Institute of Technology where he graduated with a 5 year Baccalaureate of Architectural Design Degree. Fresh out of college Steve was offered an opportunity to work for H.L. Turner Architectural Engineering Design Firm where he labored for two years working on blueprints.

Around this time he met his wife Lauraine, who lived right across the street from his family. Together they have a son Wyatt and a daughter Gailine. Shortly after they married they moved to Connecticut.

After a series of jobs that ran the gamut from designing malls in Camden, Mass, to designing construction documents and site visits. Steve decided that maybe architecture wasn't the right fit for him. He was ready for a change. Citing a slowing economy and looking for stabilization for his family like many other Americans, he realized that there would always be a need for Code Enforcement officers. He began getting his certifications needed to become a building inspector. At that point he and Lauraine decided to move to NH to be closer to family and friends.

In his spare time Steve enjoys hiking, wakeboarding, fly-fishing although he hasn't been in a long time and hopes to get back into it. He says the kids are what is important now spending the time with them and family and let us not forget the **four** dogs he has! With his quick wit and sly humor he will be a nice addition to our staff here at Town Hall. Please extend a warm welcome to Steve when you run into him.



# Fire Department

## Emergency Preparedness FOCUS ON FIRE SAFETY

September is  
National Preparedness Month

**PLEDGE  
to  
PREPARE**

[ready.gov/pledge](http://ready.gov/pledge)



Ready  
citizen★corps

National Preparedness Month (NPM) is an annual campaign to encourage Americans to take steps to prepare for emergencies in their homes, schools, organizations, businesses, and communities. NPM is led by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and is sponsored by the Ready Campaign in partnership with the Citizen Corps. While September is the month for recognizing national preparedness, the goal is to engage the public to make preparedness a part of their daily lives every day and not one single month.

This September marks the ninth annual NPM. This year's theme is "[Pledge to Prepare - Awareness to Action](#)". FEMA is asking the public -- individuals, business, and organizations -- to take specific action steps by doing at least one of the following:

1. Learn about emergency hazards - **including home fires** -and their appropriate responses
2. Make a communications plan
3. Build an emergency kit
4. Get involved in preparedness in their community.

### Prepare for a Fire Emergency

In less than 30 seconds, a small flame can get completely out of control and turn into a major fire. It only takes minutes for a house to fill with thick black smoke and become engulfed in flames. By preparing for a fire emergency, you can greatly reduce your chances of becoming a fire casualty.

Install [smoke alarms](#) on every level of your home, including the basement. For extra safety, install smoke alarms both inside and outside sleeping areas.

Test your smoke alarms once a month and change the batteries at least once a year.

Replace smoke alarms every 8-10 years or as the manufacturer guidelines recommend.

Plan your [escape from fire](#). The best plans have two ways to get out of each room.

Practice fire escape plans several times a year. Practice feeling your way out of the house in the dark or with your eyes closed.

Purchase only collapsible escape ladders evaluated by a nationally recognized laboratory such as Underwriters Laboratory (UL).

Check that windows are not stuck, screens can be taken out quickly, and that [security bars](#) can be properly opened.

Make sure everyone in your family understands and practices how to properly operate and open locked or barred doors and windows.

Consider installing [residential fire sprinklers](#) in your home.

Contact the Belmont fire department at 267-8333 if you need help or have questions about fire safety in your home.

### August Crossword Answers

C	E	L	S		W	A	C	O		A	P	S	E	S		
A	M	A	H		A	V	O	W		D	I	E	G	O		
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"When the goldenrod is yellow,  
And leaves are turning brown-  
Reluctantly the summer goes  
In a cloud of thistledown.  
When squirrels are harvesting  
And birds in flight appear  
By these autumn signs we know  
September days are here."



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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](mailto: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.

# Monthly Recipe

## Easy Apple Crisp

### Ingredients

6-8 tart apples peeled, cored, sliced thin  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sugar  
2 tsp. cinnamon  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. nutmeg  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  C. flour  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  tsp salt  
1  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp. lemon juice  
1 bag of oatmeal cookie mix  
1 stick melted butter or margarine



### Directions

Combine sugar, cinnamon, flour, nutmeg & salt in bowl, toss with apples to coat sprinkle with lemon juice place in greased 9" square baking pan. In a separate bowl combine dry cookie mix with melted butter mix well, crumble topping over top of apples. Bake at 375° for 35 minutes or until apples are cooked, serve with vanilla ice cream or whipped cream if desired.

## Roasted Garlic & Tomato Spread Recipe

### Ingredients

2 whole garlic bulbs  
3 teaspoons olive oil, divided  
3 plum tomatoes, quartered  
1 carton (8 ounces) spreadable chive and onion cream cheese  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon Italian seasoning  
 $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon salt  
Crackers or snack breads

### Directions

Remove papery outer skin from garlic (do not peel or separate cloves). Cut tops off of garlic bulbs; brush each with  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon oil. Wrap each bulb in heavy-duty foil. Place garlic and tomatoes in a foil-lined 9-in. square baking pan. Brush tomatoes with remaining oil.

Bake at 425° for 30-35 minutes or until garlic is softened. Cool for 10-15 minutes; squeeze garlic into a small bowl. Drain any liquid from tomatoes; chop and add to garlic. Stir in the cream cheese, Italian seasoning and salt. Serve with your favorite crackers or snack breads. Yield: 1- $\frac{1}{2}$  cups.



# September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1.
2.	3. No School Town Offices Closed	4. L.R. Girls Softball 6:30 @ CMH BOS 4:30	5. Cons Com 6:00 @ CMH	6. Explorers 6:00 @ CMH	7. WRBP 9:00 @ CMH	8.
9.	10. Planning 7:00 @CMH	11. Bogie Busters 7:00 @ CMH State Primary Elections 7-7 @ BHS	12. WRBP 8:00 @ CMH Pre-school Playgroup 10:00 @ Old Winni Fire Station	13. Explorers 6:00 @ CMH WRBP 8:00 @ CMH	14.	15.
16.	17. BOS 5:00 @ CMH BES Open House 6:00	18. BES Open House 6:00	19. Pre-school Playgroup 10:00 @ Old Winni Fire Station	20. Explorers 6:00 @ CMH	21. Historical Society 6:00 @ CMH	22. BMS Fall Fling 3:00 @ Bryant Field
23.	24. Planning 7:00 @ CMH	25.	26. Zoning 7:00 @ CMH Pre-school Playgroup 10:00 @ Old Winni Fire Station	27. Explorers 6:00 @ CMH	28.	29.
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