

Town of Carroll's Summer Newsletter

Summer 2009

Well a very happy summer! Or a really long spring! We would like to welcome back all the Snowbirds and hope they had a nice winter. Here's hoping for a nice summer and good vegetable growing season, as I know there are quite a few besides myself who are trying to save a few dollars at the grocery store and enjoy some wonderful home grown veggies.

I would like to encourage people to let me know if they have something to put into the newsletter, or if there is something they would like to see. My e-mail address is pbandjmore@roadrunner.com. You can still mail me at PO Box 152, Twin Mt., NH 03595, call me at 846-5714 or as always, stop by.





Congratulations to all the Town of Carroll graduating Seniors Violet McGee, Kaleigh Morneau, Victoria Caruso, Joanne Arn And Jake Young

We are very proud of all of you and wish you All the best in your future.

*** LET US RECOGNIZE OUR VOLUNTEERS***

This month we are recognizing the Zoning Board of Adjustments. Thank all of you for sitting on this Board.

The ZBA consists of five members who are appointed by the Select Board and who are residents of the Town. ZBA meets on the second Thursday of the month, as necessary, at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall to address timely submitted applications. Our current Board includes Joan Karpf, Chairman, Leslie Bergum, Paul Bussiere, Bill Dowling and Pam Walsh.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days

Saturday, July 18th Bethlehem Highway Garage, Prospect St.

Saturday, Aug. 15th Plymouth Recycling Center, Beech Hill Road

Sunday, Aug. 30th Littleton Transfer Station, Mt. Eustis Road

All Events are from 9AM to 12PM

Open to all residence from, Ashland, Bethlehem, Campton, Carroll, Dandury, Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth, Franconia, Groton, Lancaster, Landaff, Lisbon, Littleton, Lyman, Orford, Peirmont, Sugar Hill, Thornton, Warren, Waterville Valley, and Wentworth

Examples of what to bring: Oven Cleaners, Drain Cleaners, all Pesticides and Herbicides, Insect sprays, pool cleaners, used oil, gasoline, Kerosene, antifreeze, brake fluid, oil based paints and stains, etc.

Examples of what NOT to bring: Ammunition, asbestos, commercial waste, explosives, fire extinguishers, florescent light bulbs, latex paint, medications and smoke detectors.

To register or for more information contact James Steele @ 444-6303 ext. 15 or ask at your local recycling center.

Twin Mountain – Bretton Woods Historical Society

Have put together a CD of 567 Pictures of Carroll History with Postcards CD is available from Becki at the Town Hall for \$40.00 and the proceeds go to the Historical Society's building fund

Bike Path Committee

Looking for volunteers to be in the Bike Path Committee. The time is now, as this is when the group must be set up to move forward with grants and a structure of officers and helpers. Many people have worked very hard to get this far, and now they are asking you to step up and help them with the next phase.

The bike path will be a great asset to the town when it is done. Then in the years to come, it can be added to and improved on. If you are interested or have questions, please call Jim Covey 846-5522.

THE WOMEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

The Women's Discussion Group is becoming more and more active in assisting neighbors and friends in need. This past year we collected and distributed clothing for those in need, assisted in the Eleanor Mason fundraiser, delivered Christmas baskets to some townspeople to let them know we remember them. We also had a spaghetti dinner with proceeds going to the food pantry. Our group worked in conjunction with the Recreation Department to stuff Easter Eggs for the kids Easter egg hunt.

We would like to continue helping our friends and neighbors and are trying to recruit more people who would be available to assist us in setting up for events, cooking, planning, etc. You wouldn't necessarily have to come to meetings but we could call upon you when we need a hand. If husbands, children etc. want to help that is fine also. If you'd like to provide us with your phone number and email address we will add it to our list. Please also pass this email on to your friends who also live in town.

We are planning a food sale at the Fire Station on Sept. 5th while the pancake breakfast is going on. Proceeds for that will go to the Christmas Baskets.

We are also planning the next clothing drive for Oct. We will start to collect gently used clothes at the Town Hall around Oct.17, and have the first day of the drive on Oct 24^{th,} but leave the tables set up so anybody can come in during the office hours and see what they can find. We will be collecting the non-perishable food items for the food pantry as the entry fee.

If you have any questions please contact Bonnie Moroney 846-5714, or Kelly Trammell, 846-5464

Help us to help our neighbors.



Welcome to St. Patrick's Mission

Beginning on July 5th, the regular Sunday morning Catholic Mass will be held at <u>7:30 am</u> at St. Patrick's. The church is at the junction of Route 3 and Route 302. We hope to see you there!

Twin Mt. Recreation Dept.

The summer recreation program will be starting June 22, 2009. We have 5 new personnel: Greg, Lead for grades 7-8, Pam, Lead for k-3, Eliza Counselor for 4-6 and part time helpers Ben and Amanda. We also have 4 returning from last year: Adam, Councilor 7-8, Alex, Lead for 4-6 and Violet, Counselor k-3

Themes and fieldtrips that have been chosen for this year are:

Week 1 Earth week, field trip Lost River

Week 2 History week, field trip Freedom Trail in Boston

Week 3 Sports week, field trip Ham arena, with a bonus of a Fisher Cats game

Week 4 Adventure week, field trip Canobie Lake Park [Break Week] Week 5 Water week, trip to Whales tale and a bonus trip of a Whale watch

Week 6 Animal week, field trip Stone Zoo

Week 7 Technology week, field trip Boston Museum of Science Week 8 Carnival week, in home magical Al the Magician, a clown, dunk tank, bounce house. **Subject to change

A special thank you to Father Ray for the music, the Women's Discussion group for the snacks, Rena for some lights and all those who helped chaperone. Our 1st teen dance was a big success and the kids had a really good time.

Coming soon will be Community Pride day. This will be a day for friends, neighbors, and family. We will have food, a baseball game, some swimming and a movie. This will be a chance for our community to pull together and fill our very low food pantry. Look for more information coming your way.

Also coming back again this year is our 2nd annual Halloween Haunted trail. We start out at the Town Hall, get a tractor ride to the park, and walk the haunted trail. It will be better and longer this year, with the help of the Snowmobile Club who cleared out an old snowmobile trail at the park. Any and all who would like to help scare the kids please let us know, we love to hear the screams!!!

And finally don't forget the tree lighting ceremony in December. This will be the 1st of its kind. Let's get together and celebrate the season. More info to come, but if you have any question please don't hesitate to ask.

The Recreation Committee meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the Town Hall. Everyone is welcome. Enjoy your summer; have a safe and happy one.

Sincerely the Twin Mountain Recreation Committee

JUST IN CASE YOU DON'T KNOW

Spring is here and the ticks are too! Here is a good way to get them off you, your children or your pets. Give it a try.

A school nurse has written the info below and it is good enough to share and it really works! I had a Pediatrician tell me what she believes is the best way remove a tick. This is great because it works in those places where it's sometimes difficult to get to with tweezers: between toes, in the middle of a full head of dark hair, etc.

Apply a glob of liquid soap to a cotton ball. Cover the tick with the soap-soaked cotton ball and swab it for a few seconds (15-20), the tick will come out on its own and be stuck to the cotton ball when you lift it away. This technique has worked every time I've used it (and that was frequently), and it's much less traumatic for the patient and easier for me.

Mosquito Spray....Worth a try

I was at a deck party awhile back, and the bugs were having a ball biting everyone. A man at the party sprayed the lawn and deck floor with Listerine, and the little demons disappeared. The next year I filled a 4-ounce spray bottle and used it around my seat whenever I saw mosquitoes. And voila! That worked as well. It worked at a picnic where we sprayed the area around the food table, the children's swing area, and the standing water nearby. During the summer, I don't leave home without it....Pass it on.

The Recreation Committee would like to thank the Women's Discusion Group and the members of the community that helped us stuff the hundreds of plastic eggs for the April 5th Easter Egg Hunt. This is a favorite event of the kids, but in the past would take a few people hours and hours of work. Instead the group spent just over 1 hour and not only stuffed the eggs with candy, but had a great time eating, drinking and just enjoying everyone's company.

The kid's favorite event has now turned into the adult's favorite event. As Karen Moran, so graciously commented "this is one of the best Town activities of the year". Everything was wonderful, but special mention must be made of the Turtle Dessert ~ just outstanding. A BIG thank you to everyone who participated.

Members of Twin Mountain Recreation Committee

PLEASE REMEMBER

We have mentioned this in several Selectmen's meetings but not all attend or read, so I am hoping to reach out to even more of you. I want to remind everybody that the employees of the town are just that, employees. Yes, you pay for them from your taxes but if we calculated it out your share would be very small.

We have had people come into the Town Hall and tell the ladies who work there, "you work for me"! Well maybe in one sense of the word they do, but that gives you **NO** right to demand, yell, accuse, or anything else. These people are here doing a job like all the rest of us who work, and you certainly wouldn't like it if somebody did that to you.

We have had cases where the person has been extremely loud and beligerent, something nobody should have to deal with. So in all fairness, the ladies have been told and we have told the PD that if anybody comes in and starts acting like that, they are to call the PD and have them removed.

We understand times are tough right now, but there is no reason to take it out on these people, they are just doing a job and a very good job at that. So if you're having a bad day, stay home, as they are not your personal punching bags.

This goes for all the town employees; I am not saying all do this, but enough so that we feel all of you need to know. Thank you, Bonnie

*******COME ONE COME ALL TO A CONCERT AND FIRWORKS DISPLAY******* SUNDAY JULY 5TH STARTING 6:30 PM TO 9:45PM OUT IN THE FIELD BESIDE ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, CORNER OF RTE 3 AND 302 MUSICAL PERFORMANCE FEATURING MARK SHELTON AND THE SWIMMING FROGS WITH A FIREWORKS DISPLAY TO FOLLOW***FACE PAINTING***NH STATE POLICE & NATIONAL GUARD DISPLAYS***GRILLED HOT DOGS AND OTHER TASTY TREATS AVAILABLE*** SPONSORED BY THE MOUNT WASHINGTON RESORT AND THE TWIN MT. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



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Mount Washington Resort Issues Good Neighbor Parking Pass to Residents of the Town of Carroll.

With an increase in day visitors in recent years, it has become necessary for us to regulate the flow of traffic to The Mount Washington Hotel. As always, our goal is to maintain the safe and relaxed atmosphere for our guests. That is why we ask visitors who do not have a room reservation, dinner reservation, reserved tee-times or a spa appointment to proceed to the visitor parking lot, where a shuttle to The Hotel will be available. There is a parking fee of \$10 per car for Non-Town of Carroll residents, \$5 of which may be used towards purchases made while at the Resort.

Our neighbors from the Town of Carroll who provide the gatehouse attendant with proof of residency will be issued a Good Neighbor Parking Pass, or one may be picked up at the Twin Mountain Town Hall. This pass will provide Public Parking access without incurring the normal parking fee. This pass is not valid for special events and is not transferable.

We hope that the Resort continues to be enjoyed by all members of our community.

Check out What's New and Exciting at Mount Washington Resort

GOLF

The Mount Washington Course recently underwent an extensive restoration to its original Donald Ross design, and was recently named NH's number one public course by *Golfweek*. Finish the day with another 9-holes on the historic Mount Pleasant Course. Call 603-278-GOLF (4653) for tee-times.

BRETTON WOODS CANOPY TOUR

See Bretton Woods from a whole new perspective: 10 zip lines and 2 sky bridges descending over 1000' and ending with the "Williwaw", an 800-foot dual zip ride! Open year-round. Reservations required - call 278-4ZIP (4947) for this high-flying adventure! Ask about our Wednesday Local's Special, valid for residents of the Town of Carroll and other surrounding communities – save up to \$21!

THE SPA

Relax and rejuvenate in our beautiful new nature-inspired Spa, offering manicures to massage, and hair care to hydrotherapy. Call 278-4286 for a reservation. Join us for our new *Lunch and Learn* series held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month starting in July, featuring an educational seminar by a health and wellness professional, plus use The Spa's facilities including saunas, steam rooms and outdoor whirlpool!

Mount Washington Resort Route 302, Bretton Woods, NH 03575 * 278-1000 MountWashingtonResort.com

TWIN MOUNTAIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SUMMER MUSIC SERIES Saturday Evening 7 to 8:30 PM

Concerts are held at the Town Bandstand located on School St. At the intersection of Rte 3 and 302

July 4th Twisted Ph8July 11th Karrie & the RockfishJuly 18th 60's InvasionJuly 25th Mark Shelton & the Swimming FrogsAugust 1st Kate SigginsAugust 8th Still KickinAugust 15th Bobbie & MeAugust 29th Noteable DecadesSeptember 5th Bill & Denise & FriendsSeptember 5th Bill & Denise & Friends

FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

You may have noticed that your tax bills came out a little later than usual. This is due to the fact that the only printer that we can use for printing the bills died. Being caught between a rock and a hard place, we had to use a billing service and had to make sure they had the information correct. The bills did make it out to tax payers still allowing the 30 day period.

We are aware of the tough situations that tax payers are facing right now and want to remind you that WE DO ACCEPT PARTIAL PAYMENTS. If you cannot make the full payment, it is in your best interest to make partial payments instead of allowing interest to accrue. Please contact our office if you have any questions and we can do our best to try to work with you. Our hours are Mon – Thurs. 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and Mon. nights 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Twin Mountain Public Library

Library Summer Hours:	Monday 5PM to 8:30PM
	Tuesday 9:30PM to 1:00PM
	Wednesday 1:00PM to 5:00PM
	Saturday 10:00AM to 2:00PM

Summer has almost arrived and we a looking forward to the children's return from the "Twin Mountain Summer Recreation Program." The children visit the Library once a week on Tuesday mornings to be part of a summer reading activity. Teens and Tweens area is in a new location; and there have been some changes in the junior section to help the children locate books that may interest them. This year's theme is:

"Summertime ...and the Reading is Easy."

Book-bags, book marks and reading logs will be handed out to the children on their first visit this summer.

Our Library has a large number of new audio books, many of which have been donated throughout the year by a generous patron. Audio books are available on tape or CD.

Audio books are available by the following authors: Janet Evanovich, Ken Follett, Phillin Margolin, Stuart Woods, James Patterson, Tom Clancy, Patricia Cornwall, and many more!

The DVD collection is slowly growing and includes some of the new movie releases, as: 'The Boy in The Striped Pajamas'', "The Secret life of Bees'', "The Good Shepherd'', "Frozen River'', "Mama Mia', "The Visitor'', "Babel'', "The Hamish Macbeth series'', "Kit Kittredge -An American Girl'', and "Nim's Island''.

New books **are** on our shelves, and include some of our patrons' favorite and most requested authors! A sampling of these are: David Baldacci-**Stone Cold**, Sandra Brown-**Ricochet**, Patricia Cornwell-**Scarpetta**, Janet Evanovich-**Plum Spooky**, Michael Connelly, **Brass Verdict**, Robert Parker-**Night and Day**, Jodi Picoult-**Handle With Care**, William Young-**The Shack**, Bernhard Schlink-**The Reader**, Jonathan Littell-**The Kindly Ones**. (All new books are not listed here.)

Our Library has a nice selection of newer Bibliographies, Biographies and History books that are now part of our collection.

- When a patron requests a book that is not in our library, we utilize the Inter Library Loan system to bring that book to our library.
- Many of our new books have come from the generous donations of patrons and people in our community; New and Bestselling Titles are purchased by the library throughout the year.

UPDATE ON ELEANOR MASON

Librarian Eleanor Mason is feeling much better and enjoying the warmer weather even more now that her vision has improved because of the Vision Restoration Therapy Program she used to improve her eye sight. It has made it possible for her to keep up-to-date with reading the new and old books from the library. She is also back to work in the library on Tuesday mornings with help from interim librarian Maureen Philbin and volunteer Georgia Brodeur. She looks forward to being there more often this summer helping with the children's summer reading program.

*********THANK YOU********

To Everyone on the Twin Mountain Water System for your cooperation in conserving water during our Emergency from the night of June 22 to June 24. It worked – we didn't run out of water!!

We also want to give Special Thanks to our Water Crew, who worked tirelessly: Bill Rines, Scott Sonia and Greg Hogan; and Rick Skarinka and Branden Kernan, DES; Derek Bennett, Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau; Scott Hayes, Iron Mt. Water Co.; Dave Dube, O E Dube & Son, Inc.; Dan Walker; EMD; Fire Chief Jeff Duncan; Police Chief John Trammell; and to all who stepped in and helped in whatever way they could. (It's easy to understand why we are all so proud of our town!)

Billy Rines found one of the wells not pumping any water and giving the appearance that we were out of water. Chris Hancock spent most of the day at the pump house with Billy. The end result is our wells are at the level they should be. The equipment is antiquated and historically not a reliable source to determine if we have a mechanical problem. The problem we had was an inline safety valve fail along with our flow meter. The valve failure made it very difficult to determine where the real problem resided. Looking at the situation in a worst case scenario Billy contacted DES, Iron Mountain Water (Our current licensed water tech) and a well rigger. Dan Walker was called for an emergency stand point. Collectively we eliminated the possible issues and narrowed it back to a valve. We had a great deal of participation and solved the problem. Billy did an excellent job asking for help and getting the right people there to uncover the issue. All of that without all of the plans for the well and pump house (as they do not exist). Gregg and Scott were great for brain storming and verifying. The two Chiefs were a great help notifying the public and supplying equipment.

Chris found out some interesting information while at the pump house. On average the town uses 160,000 gallons of water a day mid week. The weekends more than double that. There are some readings showing triple the gallons of water in one day. WOW. With that much usage we could not possibly ever truck in enough water in the case of a real water shortage or emergency. The other interesting fact is that the two wells are about 20 feet from each other. If one fails for some reason the other is so close we could not possibly use it. We have no real backup. To just drill a new well would be approx. \$120,000. This is without a pump or plumbing. Chris said after yesterday's eye opener that the water should be at the front of the line.