The Arrowsic Arrow

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Dear Reader,

We live among many extraordinary people in this town—hundreds, in fact. One of them, Gertrude Peterson, has just recently (Sept 9) celebrated her 99th birthday. As I write this, an eagle flies over the woods between my house and hers and I can't help but think there are many miracles in this world. Happy Birthday, Gertrude Peterson!

FROM THE TOWN REGISTRAR

Jean Kane 443-4978

Election time is drawing near - if you have not registered to vote, please do so as soon as you can at the Town Hall or by requesting a registration application by phone/mail. The Town Hall is open on Wednesdays from 3 PM until 5:30 PM and again on Fridays from 8:30 AM until ll:00 AM or I can be reached at 443-4978 for information or requests.

Absentee ballots are available to those voters who will be away on Election Day. You can pick these up at the Town Hall or can request it by mail or by

phone.

Let's all do our duty and get out to vote for this Referendum Election.

Election Date: Tuesday November 6th Election Place: Arrowsic Town Hall Election Hours: 10:00 AM until 8:00 pm

This is a Referendum Election with 5 questions on Bond Issues which will be on display at the Town Hall for everyone to view.

Arrowsic Fire Department Open House

Saturday, October 13 from 1 to 4 at the Town Hall.

Children's poster contest Cartooning for teens

Fire safety tips
See new fire truck
Meet Fire Department members
Test fire fighting equipment
Prizes ... Music ... Information
Refreshments ... Fun

"After all, when you come right down to it, how many people speak the same language even when they speak the same language."

-Russell Hoban



VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Jim Arsenault 443-1510

The Town Property Management Committee is seeking volunteers to wash the town hall in preparation for painting that portion of the building which was not painted last year. Interested parties should contact Mark Geiger at 443-1072.

I also wanted to call it to your attention that the phone number following my name on the front page of the last issue is incorrect. It

should be 443-1510.

NEED A TOILET FIXTURE?

Ann Ater, Property Management Committee

Now that we have a new toilet fixture at the Town Hall, we need to dispose of the old one. The toilet has a 3 1/2 gallon capacity and is wheelchair height. It is available at the Town Hall, first come first served.

GARBAGE BURNING PROHIBITED

Mike Kreindler 442-7443

Health concerns have recently lead the Maine legislature to ban backyard burning of trash (this includes burning garbage in your woodstove). Toxic smoke from plastics in garbage and construction debris creates dioxin and other pollutants that can contaminate air and food supplies. Health risks from inhalation and ingestion include asthma, impaired child development, cancer, and diabetes. Therefore, the Arrowsic Recycling and Solid Waste Committee requests that all non-recyclable trash be removed by curbside pickup. Burn permits will no longer be issued for this use.

RECYCLING CONTAINERS MISSING

Craig Rogers of R.C. Rogers and Sons, the Arrowsic recycling hauler, has reported that several Arrowsic residents have had curbside recycling containers stolen during this past summer. Missing items include a canvas tote bag and a garden wheel barrow. Please use containers that have little value or ones that are clearly marked with owner identification.

THE CLAM CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

will be conducting a clam population survey on the flats south of Squirrel Point Light on Saturday October 13, 12:30-4:30 pm. The work involves laying out a grid, digging and counting clams, recording data. If you would like to help please call Bill Blaiklock at 443-3475 for details. Boat transportation can be provided.

"The most pathetic person in the world is someone who has sight but who has no vision."

-Helen Keller

Notices

CEILING TOO LOW

Free to a good home: A lovely ficus tree, stands 9 feet tall with pot. Green all year, decorate for Christmas. Will grow taller if allowed, or cut it back and start again. Hearty, but likes good light and indoor climate. Can deliver, call 442-7443

MUSHROOM FORAY

led by Hal Bonner Sat. October 6 Meet at the sledding hill on Rt 127 in Georgetown. Sponsored by the Georgetown Conservation Commission

HALLOWEEN PARTY for all Arrowsic Children

celebrate Halloween
with Games, Crafts, Food, and Fun
Sunday October 28
2 to 4 at the Town Hall
for more info, call
Francie Tolan 443-4893
Maria Grill 442-8152

The Letter Box

from Bill Bunter:

About last events: Perhaps you will want to share this message from French friends of ours. We have know them since Jean Pierre came to our aid when our car broke down in his home town of Tour, France in 1969. Jean Pierre has often said that he owes America a debt of gratitude for giving him his country back.

Dear Carol and Bill

We are terribly shocked by these events of that "black tuesday". This abominable attack against the "Twins" and "Pentagon",in peace time, taking for target so many innocent people, shows that USA and democracy are facing a terrible threat of terrorism which has been so far practically unstoppable.

To day, we are all American and we share your sorrow and sadness. We do hope that "those who are behind" will be quickly

discovered and punished.

President Bush said that the good will prevail. We hope so too . The problem is that the idea of "Good and Bad" in democratic countries is not at all the same in many other countries ...

Your old French friends are with you and the American people in this ordeal. God save America! Love. Colette et Jean Pierre.

Next Arraw will be out early Dec.

From John Wood:

Greetings from Yiyang, Hunnan Province, PRC, where we're enjoying our fifteen minutes of fame as the city of Yiyang (pop 400,000) goes all out to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Manli's father's birth. "Red carpet" would be an understatement; we have four-story red banners on our building, and a red rainbow over the main drag. Greg and Mary came along and are a big hit. Mary and I taught a middle-school English class the other day, and Greg has been adopted by a local pick-up basketball team. We call him "the basketball mayor" ... he's been conveying best wishes from the peace-loving people of Arrowsic, without mentioning the er, slight difference in size.

all the best ...I.

From Pat Harcourt:

(excerpt of a forwarded email)

...you may have seen the Postal Service's "Fund the Cure" stamp to raise money for breast cancer research. Instead of paying 34¢ for a first class stamp, you pay 40¢ and the 6¢ difference goes to BreastCancer Research. If all of these stamps are sold, \$16,000,000. will be raised. Please show your support: purchase these stamps and tell your friends to do the same...

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"You can't solve a problem on the same level you created it." -Albert Einstein

Auto Registrations Liz Rollins, Tax Collector

SEPTEMBER

ARSENAULT, JOHN
BENNETT, CHRIS E
BOYCE, BARBARA
BOYCE, STEVEN F
BROWN, MICHAEL P
CARLTON, VERNON
CARR, WILLIAM F
CHAFFEE, JOHN JR
COLE, CHARLES D
COSSART, MOLLY M
DETWILER, BRIAN N
DRESSER, CAROL H
ELWELL, KIMBERLY
EWING, JOSEPHINE
GALUZA, JAMES J
GILES, DOROTHY
GOWEN, LILLIAN L
HILLERY, MARY
JOHNSON, PATRICI,
JONES, JUDITH N
KANE, MICHAEL M
LOVEITT, WILBUR F

NEILSON, PIA B
NEILSON, WILLIAM
NELSON, ROBERT H
PAULE, SUZANNE E
PIEH, TIMOTHY T
PINETTE, JEFFREY
RON ELWELL PLUMB
SIMMONS. CONNIE
SMITH, MICHAEL L
STARBIRD, JAYNE
STONE, ALBERT E
SWEARINGEN, RICHA
TOLAN, JAMES
WILSON, LAWRENCE
WISEMAN, KENNETH
WISEMAN, KENNETH
WISEMAN, KENNETH
WITHAM, JACK W
WRIGHT, SUZANNE M

Arrowsic Artworks art & craft

Sat, Nov. 4th 10-4
Town Hall
please join us for fun
food and merriment
for more information
Phine Ewing 443-9795

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AL'S PLUMBING HEATING ARSENAULT. MARK A BLAIKLOCK, WILLIAM C BRIGGS ADVERTISING IN BROOKS, DAVID M BROWN, PAUL BRYANT, JACOB E BUNTER, CAROLE A CARLTON, JAMES CERRONE, WARREN E CHAPIN, E BARTON III COLE, CHARLES D DAVIS, SHAWN K DEMERS, THOMAS W JR DRESSER, ARTHUR E ELWELL, RICHARD ELWELL, RICHARD
ELWELL, ROBERT A
GALUZA. JAMES J
GEORGE, SUSAN M
GILL. DEBORAH S
GUCKENBURG, BARTON E
GUCKENBURG, GREGORY HIGGINS, RICHARD A JORGENSEN, MARK KIMBALL, SUSAN C KREINDLER, MICHAEL L LEBRUN, JEAN M MCKENNEY, KIMBERLY NELSON, ROBERT H DLEARY. ROBERT W PETERSON, GERTRUDE M PINETTE, REBECCA PUFF, DAVID M ROBINSON, MATTHEW B SCOTT, BRIAN D STAFFORD, GEORGE SWEARINGEN. RICHARD FEXTOR, MELISSA WOELL, KATHLEEN