



TOWN OF CARROLL NEWSLETTER JULY 2019

Happy summer! We were wondering if it would ever get here -- that was one long winter, even by northern New Hampshire standards!

The above picture is a Fire Tower that used to be located on top of Cherry Mt. It was built and used from 1939 until 1968, and was taken down in 1989. There were a known 91 towers throughout the state with 17 still active. The Cherry Mt. Tower stood 3,573 ft. above sea level and the tower itself was 40 ft. high. These were run by the White Mt. National Forest and the only way they had for many years to watch for fires. After they were closed, Joe O'Brien would fly his plane out of the Twin Mt. Airport and watch for any signs of fires.

**Town of Carroll Parks & Rec presents a
Celebration of America's Birthday!**

Fireworks Celebration!

Thursday, July 4, 2019

9:00 PM

St. Patrick's Church Grounds

Garneau's Fields, Route 302, Twin Mountain



CALLING ALL VETERANS AND VETERAN FAMILY AND FRIENDS

After the Memorial Day Parade, we got thinking that it would be great to know who our Vets and their families are in Town and maybe get a group together. Mike Hogan would like to hear from you about your ideas. He also wants to start thinking about something special to put in front of our new buildings showing flags, not only the US and State flags, but also ones reflecting all the Branches of the Military. He said there are a lot of programs out there for Veteran Groups. Mike asked that you reach out to him and he will move forward on trying to get a group together.

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YARD SALE FOR THE FIRE/EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AND THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF CARROLL

We are having a yard sale Saturday, August 17, 2019, starting at 9 AM at the Town of Carroll Fire Station. The proceeds will be divided between the Fire/Emergency Department and the 250th Anniversary. We are accepting donations and will try to arrange for pick up if needed (call Bonnie at 846-5714). If you're dropping off, we ask if it would be possible to drop off Friday, August 16, at the Fire Station. We would also ask that you DON'T donate clothes or things that you just can't get rid of, i.e. no tanning beds!!

This sale will only be one day, and if there is somebody who is interested in taking "**ALL**" of the remaining items, please contact Bonnie (603-846-5714) to make arrangements.

We are trying to raise money for the Anniversary Celebration so that we can have one event a month for the entire year, and we need your help to do this. We are also trying to help the Fire Department acquire equipment which saves tax dollars. These yards sales have been a great success in the past and we hope to make this one just as great -- and as always, we thank you for your support.

We're coming into that great time of the year when we can grow or buy fresh vegetables and herbs, so this is a perfect recipe to make and enjoy!

Tomato Basil Bruschetta

10 Roma Tomatoes, diced small

½ Red Onion, diced small

1/3 cup fresh basil, minced

3 garlic cloves, minced

3 Tbsp. Lemon Juice

2 Tbsp. Red wine vinegar

3 Tbsp. extra virgin olive oil

Salt and pepper to taste

Optional: I add 1 tsp sugar to above mixture as I like it sweeter.

Mix together and let set in refrigerator for at least an hour. Cut baguette bread into slices and brush with olive oil. Grill slices. Spoon tomato mixture onto grilled baguette slices, enjoy!

!!!!!!WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!!!

We have been meeting for the past couple of years about what to do with the Town Hall and the Fire Station in light of the new building project. We are at the point where we need to make some decisions. Sadly, it has been about the same few people trying to decide what is best for the entire town. It is not an easy thing to know what the other 99% of the town wants to do. We are again asking for one and all to come out on Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at 7 pm to the Town Hall for an open discussion of the voters on thoughts and suggestions of what you would like to see happen. We have some information to offer, and are working on hopefully a little more, **but we need to hear from you**. Please come out and let us know -- or email Bonnie (pbandjmore@roadrunner.com) and she will pass your thoughts along.



Twin Mountain Fire Dept. Auxiliary

2019 Breakfast Schedule

Location: at the Fire Station, just north of the intersection of Routes 3 and 302

Time: 7:30a.m. - 10:30a.m.

Cost: Still just \$6 adults, \$3 kids under 12

SATURDAY Dates:

July 6, 2019 - 4th of July Weekend

\$10 Omelet Station will be open to celebrate the 4th

August 3, 2019 - Mid-summer Fun

August 31, 2019 - Labor Day Weekend

October 12, 2019 - Columbus Day Weekend

All-you-can-eat-pancakes, choice of bacon or sausage, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, orange juice. Come and enjoy the **Best Pancakes in the North Country!**

For additional information, call the Fire Station at: 603-846-5545

The Auxiliary is always looking for new members, we do a lot to help the Fire & Rescue Department and we also have raised money to purchase needed equipment, saving the taxpayers money as well. Please join.

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Historical Society Looking for Town of Carroll Annual Reports

The Twin Mountain-Bretton Woods Historical Society recently learned that Town of Carroll annual reports for about 70 years are available online in digital format.

The University of New Hampshire Library maintains a collection of digitized New Hampshire Cities and Towns documents. Digitized Town of Carroll annual reports (spanning from 1898 to 2003) can be viewed at <https://www.library.unh.edu/search/digital/%2A%3A%2A?f%5B0%5D=category%3ANH%20Cities%20%26%20Town%20s/Carroll%2A>. However, the UNH collection is not complete.

Historical Society member Mike Gooden searched the archives and his own personal collection, and located paper copies for all but 8 reports missing from the UNH collection. Those annual reports missing include 1897, 1900, 1902, 1905, 1907, 1913, 1914, and 1917.

If you have one or more of the missing years listed above and would consider loaning them to the Historical Society so they can be digitized and added to the UNH collection, please contact **Mike Gooden** at **603-846-5536**.

TWIN MOUNTAIN LIBRARY NEWS

Twin Mountain Library welcomes the addition of our newest trustee, Bill Emerson. Bill is a newly retired school teacher, who moved here from Bath 2 years ago. Libraries have always been a valued resource for Bill, as well as for his daughters and his students. He's lived in NH for over 40 years and has been hiking our mountains since he was in his 20s. In addition to hiking & backpacking, he also enjoys beekeeping & gardening.

One of Bill's first assignments on the Board of Trustees was to attend NH Library Trustees Association's Annual Spring Meeting on May 29, themed 'Libraries Transform'. In addition to the breakout sessions designed to teach new trustees about their responsibilities, there were several other informative presentations including an Advocacy Bootcamp, which had four messages he shared:

1. Libraries transform lives.
2. Libraries transform communities.
3. Librarians are passionate advocates for lifelong learning.
4. Libraries are a smart investment.

Bill was excited about his opportunity to go to the annual meeting and looks forward to making contributions here in Carroll! If you have any ideas/suggestions as to how our library could do more for our community, please email him at: walkingmeditator@gmail.com.

TOWN OF CARROLL FRIENDSHIP GARDEN GROUP

The **Town of Carroll Friendship Garden Group** has been very busy this spring. The group has weeded and trimmed the main garden. In addition, a small group worked to remove many of the weeds, bushes, etc... from the rocks in front of the train. A next step may be to clean up the pathway to the train. This looks really good with the new roof.

Greg did some amazing work in creating raised beds/boxes around the four major signs entering town. He filled the boxes and they are ready for planting. The plan is to add donated hostas and day lilies in the near future.

Smaller projects included cleaning up and planting flowers in the island at the beginning of Base Road. Also a little cleanup was done in front of the Fire Station and we assisted the Chamber of Commerce in planting flowers in the boxes around the Information Center.

Summer time will be to watch the flowers grow and maintain the gardens. Thanks to all our dedicated gardeners. Please contact Linda Finn 603 278 7412 or lindastuff007@hotmail.com with questions/comments. We are always looking to add members and/or accept flower donations.

250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF CARROLL GROUP IS LOOKING FOR CREATIVE MINDS!

As you know, we are working on putting plans together for what we all hope will be a fun and memorable 250th Year for the Town of Carroll. We meet the third Wednesday of the month at the Town Hall starting at 7 PM, and would love to have you stop in and suggest, or become part of the group.

Right now, we are looking for creative people as we want to have a LOGO to go with this wonderful Celebration. We would also like an assortment of slogans as well.

So put your thinking caps on and get out your paper and show us what you've got. Please and thank you! You can either drop them off at the Town Hall "Attention 250th Anniversary Committee" or email them to Bonnie (pbandjmore@roadrunner.com).

Building Committee June 2019 Update

Since the April 2019 Building Committee update for the newsletter, the Building Project has been actively progressing. The multi-phase project of which Phase 1 (approval phase) is complete, is now well underway in Phase 2 (design and construction). The final phase will be the transition into the new buildings.

After a review of two proposals from civil engineering firms, the Select Board agreed to hire Northpoint Engineering, LLC of Concord to design the site including driveways, parking, storm drainage, utilities, septic systems, and the relocation of the School Street intersection with US Route 302. The town currently contracts with the firm for other engineering services. Northpoint Engineering, through its principal Jeff Lewis, will also be responsible for obtaining any required State approvals.

On May 9, the Committee together with Project Manager Allan Clark held interviews with four construction management firms that responded to the Request for Proposal to design and construct the project. The four firms were: Bonnette, Page & Stone of Laconia; Conneston Construction, Inc. of Gilford; Ricci Construction Co., Inc. of Portsmouth; and Daniel Hebert, Inc. of Colebrook. Following much deliberation, the Committee adopted a motion to recommend to the Select Board the selection of Ricci Construction Co., Inc. to be the construction management firm.

Later that evening, the Select Board by a unanimous vote accepted the Committee's recommendation and agreed to proceed with Ricci Construction Co. to design and construct the buildings. Ricci Construction's architect, John Tuttle, AIA, principal at T|W Designs, LLC will develop the conceptual building plans into working drawings.

A Task Force consisting of Select Board member David Scalley, Fire Chief Jeremy Oleson, Police Chief Tadd Bailey, Project Manager Clark and myself meet weekly with Ricci Construction Co., T|W Designs, and Northpoint Engineering to be certain that the town receives the best possible project.

The process has focused on converting the conceptual floor plans to actual working drawings and finalizing the footprints of the two buildings so that the site plan can be completed. The Public Safety Building will utilize the same footprint as the conceptual plan and the interior layout is essentially the same as the conceptual design. The Town Administrative Building essentially utilizes the same footprint as the conceptual plans, however the interior layout has undergone significant changes to better reflect the needs of the town and in particular the work flow and safety of those working in the building.

The Task Force has been actively working to make the site plan as efficient as possible recognizing the constraints of the topography, snowmobile trail, sledding hill and the existing Town Hall. It was quickly realized that the conceptual site plan that was utilized for budgeting and obtaining town approval was not going to be physically possible. Northpoint Engineering has developed over 12 conceptual site plans and continues to work to reach an acceptable layout of all of the site components. Fortunately, the relocation of School Street to intersect with US Route 302 opposite St. Patrick's Church Drive was met with enthusiasm by the New Hampshire Department of Transportation.

Project financing was finalized with a 21 year loan at a fixed rate of 2.99%, saving substantially from the assumption of 4% utilized in the Project Budget and the estimated tax rate impact. A \$250,000 detailed grant application was submitted last month to the Northern Border Regional Commission with the award not expected until September.

Other funding applications in progress include a grant from New Hampshire Homeland Security and Emergency Management and a rebate from Eversource for energy efficient buildings and fixtures.

It is anticipated that design and approvals could be complete in August, provided the site planning concept is finalized soon, with groundbreaking taking place immediately after required permits are in place. If you have any questions, please contact me at 603-846-8039 or via email to iszauter@runbox.com.

Imre Szauter, Chair, 2018-2019 Building Committee

