TOWN OF CARROLL NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2020

Happy Spring! I know it might be wishful thinking but I’m going with it! Many times, I have been asked where Twin Mountain got its name. Twin Mountain was named for two prominent summits which rise to the South of the village. North Twin Mt. is 4,761 feet high and South Twin Mt. is 4,902. This picture above is the Twins from Rte. 3 South near Ruth Rd. There are two smaller mountains in front of them that many locals call the baby Twins. The Town of Carroll itself actually consists of the villages of Twin Mountain, Bretton Woods, Fabyans and Crawford’s. Origins are from a grant from King George III to Governor John Wentworth in 1772. First settlers arrived, hardy pioneers, who farmed the land, built roads and homes. The families depended on wood from the forest, and in 1861, six privately owned sawmills operated in Twin Mountain.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

The Town of Carroll has had a Memorial Day Parade for many years. During those years we have tried to add other things such as the barbeque, so neighbors could visit after a long winter. We are at a dilemma this year. First, it appears that each year it gets harder and harder for the American Legion or VFW to get Veterans willing to be in the parade in the Town of Carroll. Last year I was grabbing whomever I could to shoot a gun and work the bugle. This year, we will also be moving to the new Safety Complex about the same time. I am asking for help in deciding what to do, and would truly love to put a Committee together to decide how to move forward. I would like to hear from the veterans, family members of veterans or just our caring citizens as to what your thoughts are and what we should or shouldn’t do. If you’re willing to help, please contact Bonnie-pbandjmore@roadunner.com

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE TOWN OFFICES WILL BE MOVING

Just a friendly reminder for all those that need to register their vehicles in the month of March, please plan on doing it before the 20th of March, just to be safe. With the transition, there may be an interruption in computer service and we wouldn’t want you to not get your vehicles registered on time. Thank you.

Also, the Food Pantry will be moving as well and there may be a week or two that it is not available. Please come in before the 20th of March for that as well and stock up on what you need until we have it open in the New Town Hall, around April 1st.
DON'T FORGET TO VOTE MARCH 10

The following people are running for the open positions. It seems strange to me to see only one person for most of the vacancies. It would be nice to see more people run for these offices to bring in new ideas and different ways of thinking. We do need two alternates for both the Planning Board and the Zoning Board. This is a great way to learn about the Planning Board and decide if you might like to run for a three year term, or walk away deciding that this was not for you.

- **Selectman** – David Scalley
- **Treasurer** – Annette Marquis
- **Moderator** – Ben Jellison
- **Library Trustee** – John Gardiner
- **Trustee of Trust Funds** – John Foster
- **Cemetery Trustee** – Edward Martin
- **Planning Board (2 vacancies)** – Donna Foster and Julie Roesbery
- **Supervisor of the Checklist** – Susan Kraabel or Julie Roesbery
- **Zoning Board of Adjustment (2 vacancies)** - Kenneth Mills and Sandy Pothier

IRISH SODA BREAD

Prep time 15 minutes and Bake in a preheated 375 degree oven for 1 hour.Makes one loaf.

- 2 ½ cup flour
- 1 tsp. salt
- ½ cup sugar
- ½ tsp. baking soda
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/3 cup margarine
- 1 1/3 cup buttermilk
- 1 cup raisins
- 2 Tbsp. caraway seeds (optional)
- 1 egg
- 1 ½ cup sour cream

Stir together flour, salt soda and baking powder. Cream together in a separate bowl shortening, sugar, egg, buttermilk and sour cream. Add flour mixture and stir until just blended. Fold in raisins and caraway seeds. Pour into a greased round 10 inch pan. Smooth all over by dipping a spatula or knife in milk. Bake at 375 degrees for 1 hour, it will be golden brown when you take out of oven.

**A little bakers hint, if you don’t have buttermilk you can use regular milk and add a couple of tsp of apple cider vinegar to sour it in place of the buttermilk, mix them before adding to rest of batter.

TOWN OF CARROLL LIBRARY NEWS

With the upcoming move, the library will be closed Tuesday, March 25th until Tuesday, March 31st. As of this publication date, we have enough volunteers for the library move itself. After the move, we may need assistance with finishing touches to get the library completely user ready. We appreciate all the folks that have offered to volunteer during the move. Please check in with us to see the progress. We anticipate being open around the 1st of April.
TOWN OF CARROLL GARDEN CLUB

Well, we are knee-deep in the middle of winter, if not knee-deep in the snow. The Garden Club has been a little quiet in the last few months as we wait for things to thaw out a little. The plans are to have our first Town of Carroll Garden Club Meeting in early March. It is going to be an exciting year with many new opportunities to consider. Discussion items during our first meeting will include the creation of garden(s) around the new town complex, plan spring cleaning for our main garden by the train, and discuss plans for each of the boxes located at the town signs. Also, an overall plan will be developed for accepting donations to support the gardening efforts in town.

We encourage new members to join us. Input from the community would be appreciated on how to continue to enhance our common areas. If anyone would like additional information on the garden club, please contact Linda Finn at lindasstuff007@hotmail.com or 603 278 7412.

250th CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Here are a few notes on the 250th Celebration committee.

- Rek-lis brewery in Bethlehem is going to create 2 beers for our celebration. We get to name the beers and decide on the taste. We are looking to have a blast-off of the beers in October of this year. Things may change but that is the plan right now. We are so pleased that Rek-lis is taking on this project with such enthusiasm!
- The Selectmen have acknowledged the 250th Celebration as a sub-committee of the Recreation Department and added a budget line for the Celebration plans. If the budget passes, we will have that money to help us. We currently have the ability to accept donations through the Recreation Committee. At this point we have about $3,400.00 from fundraisers to go into the account.
- In January, the Committee talked about the history book and should we pick up with a new book from 1972. The Committee met with Mike Dickerman, owner of Bondcliff Books and Publishing, to talk about that. After listening to Mike and seeing the different choices in front of us, the Committee decided to move forward with a picture history book. John Gardiner said that the Historical Society would be interested in paying for the new book. It was discussed that the Celebration Committee could reprint the Town of Carroll History 1772-1972 at a cost of $5000.00. At this point, the committee does not have the money, but we are still interested in getting the reprints and possibly by not ordering as many it would lower the cost.
- The committee is still looking into a logo for the celebration. Several have been looked at with varying interest. June Rogier has sent some logos she came up with after listening to the members say what they were looking for. The reaction so far has been good! We are still looking for anyone with ideas on this. Please let us know if you have any ideas for a logo. We will make a decision probably in March.

The 250th Celebration said good-bye to two of its best members in January due to various reasons. We hope that down the road they will rejoin the group with their great ideas and support.
With that being said, the Committee is looking for more members. The more the merrier. We want this to be a great celebration! We don’t know if this will be a weekend celebration, a seasonal celebration or a year-long celebration. We need your energy, your different ideas, creativity and we need your support.

Thank you, Rena Vecchio (renavecchio@hotmail.com 846-5723)

Twin Mountain Fire Department

Auxiliary

The Twin Mountain Fire Department Auxiliary is looking forward to assisting the Fire Department and Ambulance crew in the upcoming months. We also look forward to serving some of the best pancakes in the North Country, in the brand new station! The dates are:

- Saturday July 4, 2020
- Saturday August 1, 2020
- Saturday September 5, 2020
- Saturday October 10, 2020

Building Committee February 2020 Update

Residents and visitors have been watching the progress at the construction site of the New Town Hall and the new Public Safety building.

Following groundbreaking in September 2019, construction crews completed the major structural components of both buildings before the serious winter weather set in. Both buildings were weathertight in December, allowing skilled trade crews to install interior partitions, rough in plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems and work on hundreds of other items necessary for completion. By mid-February, crews had installed all dry-wall in the Town Hall and were painting, while the Public Safety Building was close behind.
The construction schedule currently calls for the New Town Hall to open April 1, but without concrete sidewalks and new asphalt in place. Provisions will be made to safely accommodate employees and the public conducting town business. Scheduled completion of the Public Safety Building and move-in by the Carroll Police Department and the Twin Mountain Fire and Rescue Department is expected in late spring.

I encourage anyone interested in assisting with the movement of town offices, library, food pantry, and historical society materials to the New Town Hall during the period of March 27 through March 31 to contact me for details and to volunteer.

The Dedication Ceremony subcommittee has been planning a formal dedication and tours of both buildings for mid-July. Watch for additional announcements in the Town of Carroll Newsletter and on the town website at www.townofcarroll.org.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 603-846-8039 or via email to izauter@runbox.com, or the Town of Carroll Select Board at 603-846-5754 or via email to selectmen@townofcarroll.org.

Imre Szauter, Building Committee Chair