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SELECTMEN'S NEWS

How time flies when you're having fun and, when you get to be my age, even if you're not! Yes, it's Town Meeting time again Tuesday, March 4, 10am at the Town Hall. Barnard Academy School Meeting is first this year followed by the municipal portion. The Warning is pretty short and straight forward so we could be done by lunch time. Stay, though, for the Progressive Club's always tasty lunch of Sepp's famous soup and hot dogs and homemade beans in case a second wind is required to return to discussion of Town business. The WUHS budget is voted by Australian ballot 10am-7pm.

Town Reports are ready and available for pick-up at the Town Office, Barnard General Store, Post Office, Doton Farm and Schlabach's in East Barnard. If for any reason it's difficult for you to get one, email me (darylthedog@aol.com) or call me (234-5256) and I'll see that you do.

An informational Pre-Town Meeting will be hosted by School Directors and Selectmen on Wednesday, February 26th at 7pm. Bring your Town Report for this question and (presumably) answer meeting only; no binding action is taken at this meeting.

We head into Town Meeting vexed at the likelihood of another significant tax increase, mostly due to an increase in the State set Education Tax rate which, after last year's 0.23 increase due to increase in the base rate, a reappraisal and an unfavorable CLA, will be up another 0.15+/- this year. 84% of last year's tax was education! And those increases somehow reflect quite modest increases in school budgets. A list of Windsor County Equalized Grand Lists recently crossed our desk and we offer these few for comparison:

Barnard	3,005,210	Bethel	1,720,610
Bridgewater	1,918,430	Pomfret	2,178,550
Reading	1,349,990	Royalton	2,512,350
Stockbridge	1,108,610	Windsor	2,328,820

Go figure! It's simply incomprehensible when you consider population, infrastructure, and commercial real estate.

A reminder that the results of the FY13 audit, as well as previous years' audits, are available at the Town office along with town reports from other towns, Grand List books, land schedule, informational pamphlets from various agencies of the State of Vermont, Vermont Statutes

Annotated, and minutes from various entities of town government. Most anything any of us does leaves a paper trail and it's all a public record except for an occasional legal or personnel matter.

As mentioned a couple months ago, our new recycling roll-off box has arrived and we've begun Zero Sort collection of recyclables. Signs on the box indicate what may and may not be deposited. Glass and cardboard still must be separated. Please take just the minute required to read the signs so we can get off on the right foot. A load contaminated with forbidden items, especially glass, may have to be landfilled at considerable cost to the Town. Note that while newspaper may be recycled in the Zero Sort box, farmers will be grateful if they are set aside bundled and tied as we've done for years. Every bit of the newspaper we've taken in recent years has been used for livestock bedding.

We look forward to seeing you at Town Meeting. We'll be nattering a pretty small portion of the money we pay in taxes but it's the last best chance to have a hands-on say in government at any level and actually get the chicken by his damn neck. Just don't squeeze too hard!

PROGRESSIVE CLUB REMINDER

The Barnard Progressive Club's annual tradition will once again feature "Sepp's Soup" for lunch at Town Meeting on Tuesday March 4th. Plan to buy lunch! All proceeds go to the Club's Scholarship Fund. Every year a scholarship is awarded to a qualified Barnard senior who is graduating from the Woodstock High School.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, February 26 - last date to be added to voter checklist Town Clerk's office open until 5 P.M.

Monday, March 3 - last day to obtain WUHS absentee ballot Town Clerk's office open until 3:30 PM.

Tuesday, March 4 - Town and School Meetings begin 10 AM Polls open 10 AM to 7 PM for WUHS voting.

Tuesday, April 1 - All dogs must be licensed by this date.

The Bulletin Website, www.barnardbulletin.info, now has previous versions of the bulletin available in PDF format. More issues will be added as time allows. If you would like to read the bulletin as a PDF each month, please send an email to info@barnardbulletin.info.

TO OUR EDITOR AND BARNARD CITIZENS

We all read with interest Mr. Lancaster’s plea for ideas on how to preserve our Barnard Bulletin.

It is not right that someone who labors 20 hours month for the benefit of us all should also be out-of-pocket by \$1,000 at the end of the year personally.

We should find a way to mitigate those expenses as a helping community.

It is not easy, but here are a few ideas. Though the Barnard Bulletin does not titillate us like The National Enquirer or the New York Post it does provide “all the news that’s fit to print”, the motto of the New York Times. The Bulletin provides useful information about Barnard organizations, upcoming events and personal stories about Barnard people. It’s a bit of an institution akin to the Barnard General Store.

Going electronic solves the insolvable mailing cost problem, but then it is no longer a news”paper”. Tweets from Twitter are just not the same, trust me.

A free distribution newspaper, available at the Barnard General Store would save plenty. For those who want a mailed version, they would pay a subscription rate, for as long as we have a Post Office... In an odd sense, it is a good thing that the Bulletin doesn’t make money, otherwise the larcenous Vt., Dept. Of Taxes would be after Mr. Lancaster for “their cut”.

This issue is worthy of discussion and our offers to assist Mr. Lancaster any way we can. It is all a part of the community of Barnard.

Cliff Aikens

EDITORS COMMENT

I sincerely appreciate Mr. Akins letter and his helpful ideas for keeping the Bulletin a viable monthly publication. However, it may be that I have not been clear on what it is I would like to do with the Bulletin.

I intend to keep the Bulletin as independent as possible. I wish to avoid any pressure that might be applied by those who control the purse strings. I am willing to absorb a fair amount of cost in order to remain independent.

I am always open to having the readership help by submitting articles, pictures, stories and such. The main purpose of the Bulletin is to disseminate information, but that does not preclude entertaining stories or interesting pictures.

I understand that many people wish to receive the Bulletin on paper, delivered by mail. If there are those who would prefer to pick up a paper copy at the Barnard Store, please let me know and I will try to make arrangements with the Store. For those that prefer a digital version, I have started sending out e-mails with a link to the PDF version.

Yes, I am looking to reduce the expense of producing the Bulletin. So if anyone would prefer not to get the Bulletin please let me know, so that I can avoid printing and mailing something that is just going to be thrown away.

I have been involved with producing the Bulletin for almost thirty years. It can be allot of work, but I am not ready to throw in the towel. Someday I will have to pass the torch and I hope that there will be someone there to hand it to.

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LOCAL CRYPTOGRAM

A cryptogram is a code in which one letter is substituted for another. For example, the word "Church" could be written BWMSBW. The letter B would be the letter C and would be throughout the entire message. In this message **B = T** The solution is found by trial and error.

BAI IODENWO AYK JEJBH-BSW
 MYNIO JWQ OMWS FIPYZOI EB
 SYO ENCWQBYMB BW BAIN:
 BAIQI WZVAB BW FI YO NYMH
 JWQ GWLI.
 - NYQVYQIB YBSWWK

The answer to the CRYPTOGRAM can be found on the inside of the back page.

WARNING
TOWN OF BARNARD
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
 March 4, 2014

The legal voters in the Town of Barnard are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town Hall in said Barnard on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at Ten O'clock in the forenoon for the following specific purpose:

ARTICLES:

1. To elect a Moderator for the year ensuing.
2. To hear the reports of the Officers and take action thereon.
3. To elect the following Officers by ballot: one Lister for three years, one Selectman for three years, a Town Clerk for three years, a Treasurer for three years, one Auditor for three years, a Tax Collector for one year, a Delinquent Tax Collector for one year, a First Constable for one year, a Second Constable for one year, and to elect all other Officers as made necessary by law.
4. To see how the Town will have its property taxes collected and to set the due date.
5. To authorize the Board of Selectmen to carry forward the FY13 General Fund surplus for cash flow.
6. To vote a FY15 budget of \$1,562,502.00 of which \$1,006,202.00 shall be raised by taxes to meet the Town's expenses and obligations and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to provide same.
7. To do any other business which may come legally before this meeting.

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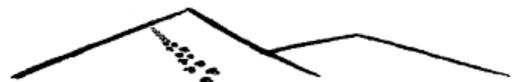
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BARNARTS CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

BarnArts Center for the Arts in coordination with Black History Month, presents “The Red, Black and Green Revolutionary Eco-Music Tour” at 7 p.m. on February 21, 2014, at Barnard’s First Universalist Church.

The 16-piece jazz band will perform the music of two legendary and influential big band jazz composers: Cal Massey, a leading 1960s African-American composer whose long - lost magnum opus “The Black Liberation Movement Suite” is one of the 20th century’s great undiscovered long-form works; and Fred Ho, famed composer, political activist, ecosocialist and “Best baritone saxophonist of all time” (The New Yorker). Ho will showcase the world premiere of his newest work, “The Revolutionary Gardens of Harlem Suite: A Tribute to Clifford Thornton.”

The band includes some of the nation’s most acclaimed jazz musicians, including Jay Rodriguez (in the bands of Ornette Coleman, Oliver Nelson), bass trombonist Earl McIntyre (Duke Ellington, Mel Lewis/Thad Jones), trumpeter Winston Byrd (Paquito D’ Rivera, Clark Terry), and Fred Ho’s saxophone protégé Ben Barson (Arturo O’Farrill, Craig Harris). Tenor saxophonist and distinguished jazz scholar Salim Washington (Pharoah Sanders, Randy Weston) will be accompanying the tour as performer and a speaker, having worked with the music of Cal Massey for decades.

Following the performance there will be a meet / greet and post-show discussion with the musicians at the Barnard Inn Restaurant & Max’s Tavern where patrons can order a la carte off their full menu until 10 p.m.

Because of a grant by The Canaday Family Charitable Trust this will be a free concert. However, donations are welcomed to help support BarnArts Center for the Arts’ expanding efforts in providing opportunity for local adults and children to engage in musical, stage, and artistic productions.

For reservations please call 802-332-6020 or email info@barnarts.org. For more information visit www.barnarts.org

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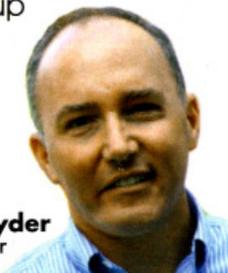


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NEWS FROM HELPING HANDS

At last we had a big snowstorm that wasn't followed by rain. The outdoor enthusiasts among us were out in droves enjoying the snow President's Day weekend. Winter is supposed to be filled with storms like this, but in the past few years, they have been in short supply. Hopefully the rain predicted for next weekend will fall as more snow.

We are grateful for the donations that have poured into our food shelf collection box. As the number of people relying on the Bethel and Woodstock food shelves continues to increase, we are delighted to be making more deliveries to them. There is a tear off list of suggested items on the collection box, if you need some ideas. They always need the following items: peanut butter, tuna fish, canned meat, stews or soups, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, any canned fruits and vegetables, hot or cold cereals, coffee, tea, sugar and personal care items such as shampoo, toothpaste and toilet paper. Thank you for supporting the food shelves!

This has been a quiet winter for Helping Hands as the requests have been few and far between. If you know of someone who could use some extra help, please let us know. We have people ready and willing to help. If the job is too big for us to handle, we can refer you to other available resources.

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CRYPTOGRAM ANSWER
 The eskimos had fifty-two names for snow because it was important to them: there ought to be as many for love. - Margaret Atwood

FIBER ARTS BARNARD (FAB) - 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the Barnard library community room, 3:30-5:30. Contact Janet Andersen, 234-5251, hywynds@aol.com, or Jenney Silva, 457-9000, hsilva86@yahoo.com.

THE BARNARD ACADEMY SCHOOL BOARD meets at 8:30 am at the school on the first Tuesday of each month.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION meets at 7:00pm in the Town Clerk's office on the following dates. 2013: June 3; August 5; October 7; November 4; December 2. 2014: January 6; February 3; March 10.

BARNARD LISTERS listers@barnardvt.us, 234-9576. Office hours, except holidays, Wednesday 9:00am - 11:00am, by appointment, or anytime we are in the office.

BARNARD ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S office hours are Mondays, 9am - 12:00 noon.

BARNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION meets the second Monday of the month, 7:00 PM, Town Hall.

TOWN CLERK office hours are Monday & Wednesday, 8:00am - 3:30pm, Tuesday, 8:00am - 7:00pm.

THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at the Barnard Town Hall as necessary.

RECYCLING HOURS: Saturdays, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

BEES MEETINGS First Tuesday of each month allowing for school vacations, 6:00pm - 7:30pm, at the school library.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets the last Tuesday of the month. Call 457-3020 for location.

The Energy Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Barnard Town Offices.

DANFORTH LIBRARY is open Saturdays 10:00 to noon, Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00. Story hour is the first Saturday of the month. The Book Club meets the first Wednesday at 7:00pm.

SILVER LAKE CHAPEL will not be holding Sunday worship services until further notice.

SELECTMEN meet the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00PM at the Town Clerk's office.

YOGA CLASSES offered at Danforth Library, Mondays 9:00 am - 10:30 am and Tuesdays 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm with Amanda Anderson. Classes are by donation; for more info, contact theonlymissamanda@yahoo.com.

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