TOWN OF CARROLL WINTER NEWSLETTER

Well, it certainly was a beautiful summer and a gorgeous but unusual fall season, seemed like we were all done with color and then we got some rain and the trees came to life! Now we wait and see what mother nature has in store for us for the winter months!! Time will tell!

I was listening to Imre Szauter at one of the Select Board meetings talk about the savings from the streetlights and the info about the solar panels on the Public Safety Building. I knew that I couldn't do it justice so asked Imre to put something together for you to have the latest update.

I would like to say Happy Thanksgiving to you all and may your entire Holiday Season be everything you can wish for!

Reducing the Town's Electricity Usage and Costs

The Carroll Energy Commission completed two major projects in 2025 to reduce municipal electricity use and lower costs.

Our streetlight conversion project finished in February. Inventory ledger and invoice issues with Eversource Energy persisted through the year, but the town is close to resolving both issues with help from the New Hampshire Department of Energy (NHDOE). Once finalized, monthly streetlight invoices should accurately reflect the energy and cost savings approved by voters at the March 2024 Town Vote.

The Public Safety building solar PV array in July and was completed in September Eversource installed a new net meter and the producing energy for the building during Excess energy is exported to the grid and following month.

In the month before commissioning, the building received an Eversource invoice for delivery and electric supply services. After commissioning, the next invoice showed "No indicating the solar array produced enough the building's needs for that month. The



project began when system started daytime hours. credited to the

Public Safety \$920.27 for

Payment Due," energy to meet invoice also

carried a \$127.42 credit for excess energy, which will offset future charges. As designed, the solar PV array is expected to meet the building's annual electricity consumption.

Voters approved the Public Safety solar PV project at the March Town Vote. The primary funding source was a NHDOE Municipal Solar Grant submitted in August 2024. Commissioning on September 3 triggered final completion and led to an NHDOE check for \$86,236, received by the town on October 23. Two additional funding sources — an Inflation Reduction Act federal tax credit and a State of New Hampshire Commercial & Industrial incentive — are pending.

Anyone interested in viewing energy production data can visit the town website at https://carrollnh.org and click the **NEW SOLAR ARRAY STATISTICS** link. Contact any Energy Commission member for more details and watch the town website for announcements of future projects.

Imre Szauter, Carroll Energy Commission Chair, energycommission@townofcarroll.org

Please Support the addition of a 5th Full-Time Police Officer

The Town of Carroll Police Department is reaching an important juncture regarding its staffing and the pro-active level of law enforcement it can provide. For over two decades, the police department has operated with the same number of full-time officers (and even less part-time officers) despite the changes in the town's overall demands on its law enforcement. Look around us, there are many more homes, people, and traffic than 20 years ago. Not to mention there are several area departments who not only have less of a workload than us but also do not provide as much daily, hourly coverage as we do; yet they have the same if not more full-time officers working there.

Calls for service have quadrupled over this time frame resulting in an ever-growing workload. Officers are often stretched thin dealing with several case investigations at a time while simultaneously responding to calls. Because of this we are now seeing a trend where officers are less available during a shift for proactive police work such as motor vehicle stops or neighborhood patrols as they are tied up dealing with calls.

With the addition of another full-time officer, we would be able to spread out the increased workload resulting in more prompt and thorough case investigations. Also, we will be able to have a second officer on duty at times to deal with traffic enforcement or any other areas of concern that may arise while the other duty officer handles calls, etc.

By adding another full-time officer to the department, we would be able to keep up with the current needs of the community. It has been proven time and time again that pro-active police work helps reduce crime, motor vehicle accidents, and complaints. It is very important that we can provide timely, professional, and effective police services to all who live and visit our town. The time has come to align the departments staffing with the reality of its responsibilities.

Additionally, we had applied for and were just awarded a grant in the amount of \$125,000.00 to help pay for the additional full-time officer for the first three years. The total amount of \$125,000.00 will be spread out over those first three years and reimbursed back to the town each year.

We ask for your support in voting "yes" on the warrant article for the addition of a full-time police officer. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions that you may have, my door is always open!

Respectfully,

Chief Tadd A. Bailey

Carroll Police Department

I THINK IT'S SOAP BOX TIME

My husband and I went up to Parsonsfield Seminary in Parsonsfield, Maine to a Haunting a couple of weeks ago. I had never been there, but I have to say it was very impressive. The building was an old Seminary, and the Historical Society did an amazing job. There were three floors and the basement. The amount of preparation that went into this was extremely impressive, but much more than that was the amount of people young and old involved in putting it all together. They had each room completely decorated and there were anywhere from one to three people in each room ready to scare you!! They were all in assorted costumes and make up. My reason for going on about this is the fact that their town is not a lot larger population wise that the Town of Carroll, but for some reason we have an extremely small group that is willing to get involved in anything! It would be fantastic

to be able to put something like that together with a lot of willing volunteers. If somebody can explain to me why one town can pull something like this off and we have a hard time filling empty seats for an election time or have more than a handful of people from the Historical Society putting on a display or events. I have lived here long enough to remember days when the Snowmobile Club had two of three dances a year, snow rodeo's, barbecues to thank the landowners for using their property, we had penny sales, and for several years we had a musical or play involving quite a group, we had amazing, haunted trails, and Trunk-O-Treats that had no less that 12 or 15 assorted vehicles. Please tell me what happened or what can we do to get more people involved!

So now that I've gotten that off my chest, I will now give you a list of the open seats that we are looking for a "willing" body to run in the March election. Just remember other than the Selectboard most of these only meet once a month, so don't give me I'm to busy! I am currently serving on my 14th plus years as a Selectman, plus I have served one year as Treasure and on the Check List. I'm not asking you to get as involved as I am but when I hear somebody say I've lived here for _____years and don't know anybody!! Have you tried to join a group and get to know new people? Please get involved!! Thank you.

Selectman – 3 year term Moderator – 2 year term Treasurer – 1 year term Trustee of the Trust funds – 3 year term Library Trustee – 3 year term Cemetery Trustee – 3 year term Supervisor of the Check List – 4 year term Planning Board – 3 year term there are 2 seats open for that

Please see Crystal in Town Clerks Office for more information and sign-up dates.

TWIN MOUNTAIN-BRETTON WOODS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Hello All,

Recently the Historical Society received a small bag of the 200th Anniversary coins that had a small history of the town in 1972 included. I have decided to type the contents of the pamphlet below. Don't forget, this was written in 1972.

BICENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE COIN

The front of the coin honors Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Maryland, one of the prominent men of his times and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. In 1776 he was a member of a committee appointed by Congress to examine the possibility of a union with Canada. The committee travelled through New Hampshire to Montreal for conferences which of course proved to be fruitless.

The town of Carroll was first granted as Bretton Woods in 1772, but in 1832, the year of Carroll's death. The town was given its present name to honor his memory. The town of Carroll is in New Hampshire's northern most county, Coos.

The floral decorations remind us of the great importance of the land to the early settlers as they struggled to survive and prosper, utilizing the local substance. Lumbering and agriculture has always played a major role in economic life of New Hampshire's northern area.

The reverse side pays a tribute to Carroll's main role in history—host to the tourist s who have come to enjoy the spectacular scenery of the world-famous White Mountains, made accessible by the growth of the railroad industry of the area. From the very first, the Crawford and Rosebrook families-built inns and taverns to welcome the travelers. As roads were built and because of its location between Franconia Notch and Crawford Notch, Carroll truly became the Crossroads of the White Mountains where Routes 3 and 302 crosses. In each of the four sections of the town, great hotels arose, and they are depicted here in historic view as they looked when first erected.

The Crawford House dates from 1859 and is still there today, standing at the head of Crawford Notch, ready to serve the traveler with its traditional warm hospitality.

At Bretton Woods, stands the gracious Edwardian styled Mt. Washington Hotel, completed in 1902. This hotel served, in 1944, as the site of the International Monetary Conference.

The Fabyan House, at Fabyans, was located down the road at the entrance of the base road which leads to the famous Cog Railroad up Mt. Washington, and from 1873 until the 1950's served a host of tourists. Right at the junction of Routes 3 and 302, stood the Twin Mountain House from 1869 until the late 1950's. These hotels have hosted many famous people over the years such as Daniel Webster, President Ulysses S. Grant, Nathaniel Hawthorne and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Carroll continues today to serve as a major tourist center for the travelers who come in all seasons to enjoy the majestic White Mountains.

We hope to see you all at the Harvest Dinner November 8th at the Fire Station. We will have the coins for sale along with other items.



Twin Mountain Fire Department



Through your generous donations at the 2025 pancake breakfasts, the Auxiliary had a successful season, and is prepared to help the Fire Department as requested. We look forward to seeing you in 2026:

The dates for the 2026 pancake breakfasts are:
Saturday July 4 4th of July weekend
Saturday August 1 First weekend in August
Saturday September 5 Labor Day weekend
Saturday October 10 Celebration of Foliage

TALK ABOUT A SUCCESS!!

What an amazing Harvest Dinner we had; it went way beyond anything I would have imagined! I need to think back on when we started to plan this, and it was about 6 months ago when we were working on the new Master Plan. Part of the conversation came up about new people and how they would get to know people in town. It was discussed how years ago we had 5 to 7 restaurants, and bars where you could meet your neighbors, we also had many activities with the snowmobile club and the chamber, but those aren't happening anymore. So Chief Duncan suggested a Harvest Dinner and it took off from there!

So several meetings and a great deal of planning on November 8th the doors opened a 6PM! We had an amazing turnout we figure well over 150 people! We had about 70 raffle items for people to try to win, thanks to the many generous businesses and people that donated and to Bobbi and Vern Amirault who went out beating the pavement to get a lot of those items! Amazing!! The guests seemed to have a great time waiting to see what they would win!! Some of course were a lot luckier that others but that part of the excitement!

We of course had not idea how many people would come so we had planned for about 125 and sadly we ran short by maybe 15 but there were a lot of wonderful desserts so they "had their dessert FIRST!" We had many people say what a great time they had and look forward to next year!! There are no plans to do this again next year but if any group wants to give it a try, I have a starting list of what you need to do! We did manage to make over \$4,000.00 to put towards a Tennis/Pickle Ball court! We will go see some of the ones in other towns and start moving forward on who installs them and how much. So you may even see a warrant article if we can pull that all together before the end of the year.

Again I want to thank all the great people who worked hard, went to all the meetings, had great ideas, all the businesses and people that not only donated time but food, equipment, and raffle items. It was good to see our town come together and have a fun evening, see old friends, and meet new ones. A thank you to the vendors that set up tables so the guests could get to know about them as well.

A GREAT SUCCESS!!! THANK YOU ALL

Division of Motor Vehicles **NEWS RELEASE**

NH DMV EXPANDS APPOINTMENT-BASED SYSTEM

CONCORD, N.H. – The New Hampshire Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) announces it will be increasing access to services by transitioning to a fully appointment-based system beginning Monday, November 3, 2025.

"This change is designed to reduce waiting times in DMV lobbies and provide a more efficient, personalized experience for all customers," said DMV Director John C. Marasco. "By scheduling appointments in advance, the DMV can manage customer flow more effectively, ensuring that each visit is timely and well-organized."

The DMV conducts over 425,000 in-person transactions at 14 locations around the state each year. Starting November 3, additional appointments will be available to accommodate customer volume. The busiest DMV locations in Concord, Manchester, Nashua, and Epping will also offer appointments during extended hours until 5 p.m., twice a week. Additionally, a limited block of same-day appointments will be made available each day for customers with urgent transactions.

Customers can find appointment availability on the DMV website, where they can select "Make an Appointment" on the homepage. DMV staff will assist walk-in customers with finding appointments, including at other DMV locations if necessary.

The members of the DMV remain committed to providing exceptional customer service by offering online transactions and improving our in-person customer experience.

THANK YOU, ANNETTE MARQUIS

At the October 14th Selectboard meeting, Ben Jellison informed the board he had resigned from his position on the School Board due to an opportunity for a contract with that district for his personal business, and a replacement will need to be appointed. Jellison informed he would run for School Board again in March and would be willing to provide assistance to whomever is interested in taking his place on the Board.

We would like to thank Annette Marquis for stepping up and filling that seat until the March election. We are very lucky that Annette was willing to do this, as she has served on that board, so is familiar with how things are done. Thank you, Annette.

TOWN OF CARROLL RECREATION COMMITTEE

The Recreation Committee had a successful Trick-or-Treat event in conjunction with the Pancake Breakfast! About 20 children and their families enjoyed playing in our spooky sensory tubs filled with "Monster Brains" and "Eyeballs." A big thank-you to the Chamber for donating candy and helping make the event such a fun community gathering. Be sure to mark your calendars for our next event; Photos with Santa on December 13th from 9:00-11:00 in the community room.

PUMPKIN CHEESECAKE

No-bake filling makes this showstopper a breeze to whip up!! Recipe borrowed from Women's World Magazine

1 ½ cups gingersnap crumbs 3/4 cup ground pecans

2TBS.+ 1 ½ cup sugar 5 Tbs. butter, melted.

2 (8 oz.) pkgs cream cheese (room temp) 1 (15 oz) can pumpkin

2 tsp. pumpkin pie spice 1 cup heavy cream

2 (.25 oz) envelopes unflavored gelatin

Heat oven to 350° Coat bottom of 8 x 3-inch springform pan with cooking spray. Mix crumbs, pecans, 2 Tbs. sugar and butter. Press into pan, bake 10 min. Cool.

On low, beat cream cheese and 11/4 cups sugar. On low beat in pumpkin, spice, then cream. In glass bowl, mix ½ cup water and gelatin, let stand 3 minutes. Microwave 15 sec., stir in 1 cup pumpkin mixture. Stir into remaining pumpkin mixture. Pour in crust. Chill 8 hours, garnish as desired.

THANK YOU ALL AND WE'LL SEE YOU IN 2026!!!