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**WINTER
NEWSLETTER**

2016/2017

**TOWN OFFICE
CLOSED:**

DEC. 26TH
JAN. 2ND
JAN. 16TH

**PUBLIC HEARING
JANUARY 9TH**

**MUNICIPAL
ELECTION
MARCH 4TH**

**TOWN MEETING
MARCH 6TH**

NEW DATES FOR

*Carmel
Days!*

DETAILS INSIDE



FROM THE DESK OF THE TOWN MANAGER

Happy Holidays! During this special time of year, I would like to thank all of you who have welcomed me into this position and thank you to the Board of Selectmen for their continued support. I recently accepted the permanent Town Manager position and truly look forward to serving you all for many years to come. Time has been flying by as we work to prepare budgets, draft policy, plan for the future and deal with day to day operations. I am very fortunate to have a staff that I can rely on to keep things running as they do in the front office.

We've had some very successful first time community events over the past few months that I hope will become annual traditions. On Halloween, we had hundreds of children turnout for the "TRUNK or TREAT" event that brought the community together with the support of local businesses and organizations. A safe and fun environment for the kids to show off their costumes and collect treats. On Dec. 5th, the students of Carmel Elementary School under the guidance of Principal Devlin took a stroll down Safety Lane to help us decorate the first Town Office Holiday Tree! Each student had their own handmade ornament which will be returned to them after the season to bring home and place on their family tree in future years. They had a great time and I enjoyed seeing them all with big smiles on their faces. I hope you all enjoy the brightly lit tree as you pass by the town office!

I wish you all a very happy holiday season and look forward to seeing you all around town!



Kevin Howell - Town Manager



Post 2018 MSW Disposal
TOWN OF CARMEL

THE OPTIONS

MRC/FIBERIGHT

Tipping Fee	\$70.00
Provide Single Stream at Additional Cost	✓
Rebates/Revenue Sharing	✓
MRC Oversight	✓
Organic Program Cost Included	✓

The MRC Plan for 2018 The building of a next-generation materials recovery and conversion facility, with recovery of recyclables and conversion of organics to biomethane, in-house power and heating needs and other high-value products. This will help us increase recycling, decrease the volume of disposal and save time, travel and money with a single facility to serve our processing needs.

Who is MRC? MRC, the Municipal Review Committee, was formed by municipalities in 1991 and has played a critical role in ensuring our long-term, affordable and environmentally sound waste disposal ever since.

- **187** Communities
- Elected **9** Member Board
- **25** Year History

Project Timeline

Fall 2016 - Site work and facility construction begins

April 1, 2018 - Facility ready to receive MSW

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
 Kevin Howell, Town Manager
 207.848.3361

Public Hearing January 9th @ 6:30 pm
 Carmel Municipal Building
Town Meeting March 6th @ 7 pm
 Carmel Elementary School

PUBLIC HEARING

MONDAY, JANUARY 9TH - 6:30PM - TOWN OFFICE

PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS ARTICLES TO BE INCLUDED ON THE TOWN WARRANT AT THE UPCOMING TOWN MEETING.

Town of Carmel Land Use Ordinance:

1. **Under article VII subsection 6, to amend item "H" to say :** "All new roadways shall be paved with a 19mm bituminous asphalt mix that will meet MDOT specification at a thickness of 2 inches and 9.5mm MDOT specification surface applied at thickness of 1.5 inches for a total depth of 3.5 inches of pavement.
2. **Under Article IX to amend the wording to reflect** "Code Enforcement Officer" in place of "~~Inspector of Buildings~~" in addition to updating the terminology used in subsection 5 under the same article.
3. **Under Article VII subsection 1 (Dimensions) to replace the wording** "~~two (2) acres in area and 200 feet along the front~~" with "One and one half acres and 150 feet of frontage along the road"

Floodplain Management Ordinance:

1. "*Shall an ordinance entitled 'Floodplain Management Ordinance' be enacted?*"

Subdivision Regulations for the Town of Carmel

1. **Under subsection "F" (lots & density) replace the wording** "~~Lot size shall be a minimum of two acres per residential unit.~~" with "no single-family dwelling shall occupy a lot measuring less than one and one half acres in area and 150 feet along the front"

To see if the Town of Carmel will vote:

- (i) to authorize the Town to continue as a member of the Municipal Review Committee, Inc. ("MRC"), organized as a Maine nonprofit corporation and acting as a regional association pursuant to Title 13-B and Title 38 of the Maine Revised Statutes, as amended (and specifically Section 1304-B(5-A) of Title 38) for the purposes of managing and facilitating solid waste disposal;
- (ii) to adopt, ratify and confirm the Restated Articles of Incorporation and the Restated Bylaws of the MRC in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk at the Town Office;
- (iii) to authorize the Town to execute and deliver a Municipal Joinder Agreement with the MRC in substantially the form on file with the Town Clerk at the Town Office (the "Municipal Joinder Agreement") pursuant to which the Town will become a Joining Member of the MRC (as defined therein) and deliver its municipal solid waste for disposal to a waste management facility being developed by Fiberight, LLC and/or its affiliates (collectively, "Fiberight") in Hampden, Maine, or other waste disposal facility.
- (iv) to authorize the MRC to take certain actions on behalf of the Town as set forth in the Municipal Joinder Agreement; and.
- (v) to authorize a majority of the Selectmen or their duly authorized designee or designees as a representative of the Town to execute and deliver the Municipal Joinder Agreement on behalf of the Town and to execute and deliver on behalf of the Town in conjunction therewith such other documents and to take such further actions as they may deem necessary or appropriate in order to effect the transactions contemplated by the Municipal Joinder Agreement.

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Winter Newsletter 2016-2017

Story Hour: @ 10:00am Sat. Jan. 14th, the theme is Penguins; Sat. Feb. 11th the theme is Puppies; Sat. March 11th the LEGO's Club is back. New LEGO's will be available. Children's "work" will be on display for one month.

Baby Story Time: Known as "Lap Story Time": Come have fun on Tuesday, Dec. 20th at 11:30 a.m. at the library. This is a 30 minute program for infants and toddlers up to age 3 on Tuesday, Jan. 17th, Feb. 21st, March 21st and April 18th



Adult Coloring Events: Tuesdays, Jan. 10th, Feb. 14th, March 14th, April 11th at 6:00pm. Come enjoy an evening out at the library. Use the library's materials or bring your own.

Craft Group and book discussions: Do you like to knit, crochet or want to learn how? The group will meet at 1:00 p.m. at the library for the winter months. Come see what others are working on. If you need help, someone should be able to assist you.

Home Bound: If you are homebound in the Carmel area and need books, audio books, or movies, please let the library know. Materials will be delivered to your home. If interested, call Becky at the library and sign up for this service.



Book Amnesty: Starting December 1st the Simpson Memorial Library, 8 Plymouth Rd, Carmel will be offering Book Amnesty through January 1, 2017. In lieu of fines for overdue materials, the library will be collecting canned goods, pasta, and dry cereals for the local food pantry. This is a great way to help out struggling community members and clear library accounts.

The Simpson Memorial Library's Board of Trustees and Library Director Becky Ames would like to thank the community for its generosity and support for the library during the library's expansion project. Please come in and see what community commitment can do. This library is a gem the Town of Carmel can be proud of. Please come visit.

Thank you to all our volunteers!! We would like to thank all our volunteers for their outstanding commitment to the library in 2016. Volunteers fill many roles for the library from bakers to story hour helpers. We greatly appreciate all you have done for the library!! We would also like to thank the community organizations we partnered with in 2016. Many of the programs the library offers happen due to your generous support!!

Library closings: The library will be closed on Sat., Dec. 24th for Christmas and Sat.; Dec. 31 for New Year's Eve.

Bottle Donations: The Library would like to thank everyone who has dropped off returnable bottles. The proceeds continue to help the library move ahead on its Building Fund. **Computer Printer Cartridges:** Citizens may drop off their empty computer printer cartridges. Please put them in a zip lock bag, or closed plastic bag, if placing in the book drop off. The library will take them to Staples. Donations earn the library points towards supplies.

Considering giving to a nonprofit this year? The library is a 501 C3 qualified organization.



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FROM THE DESK OF CODE ENFORCEMENT

2016 was a very busy year for Code Enforcement and the Planning Board. Each month the agenda has been full and the board room has been filled with guests. Several ordinance amendments have been discussed and approved to go to town meeting vote. A few subdivisions have gone through the somewhat lengthy approval process which kept us all busy as well.

I issued 54 building permits to date this year, 15 of which were for new homes.

If you are building a new home or accessory building, adding a deck or making any other structural improvement to your home, please be sure to contact me first to obtain the proper permit. Call or email me with any questions as well.

I am now available at the town office during our normal business hours, Monday thru Friday. Please call or email in advance to set an appointment since I am often in the field for inspections and other duties I perform for the town.

Kevin Howell

Code Enforcement Officer/Local Plumbing Inspector
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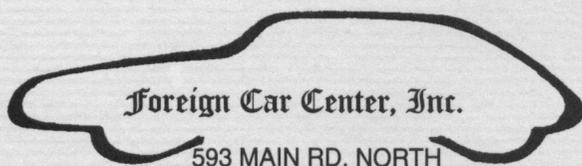
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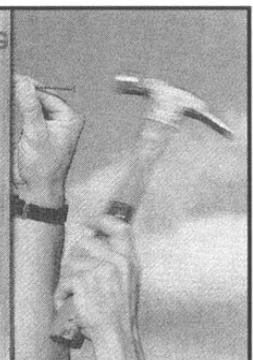
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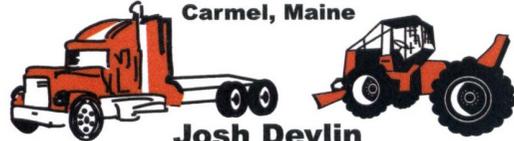
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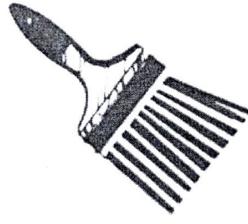
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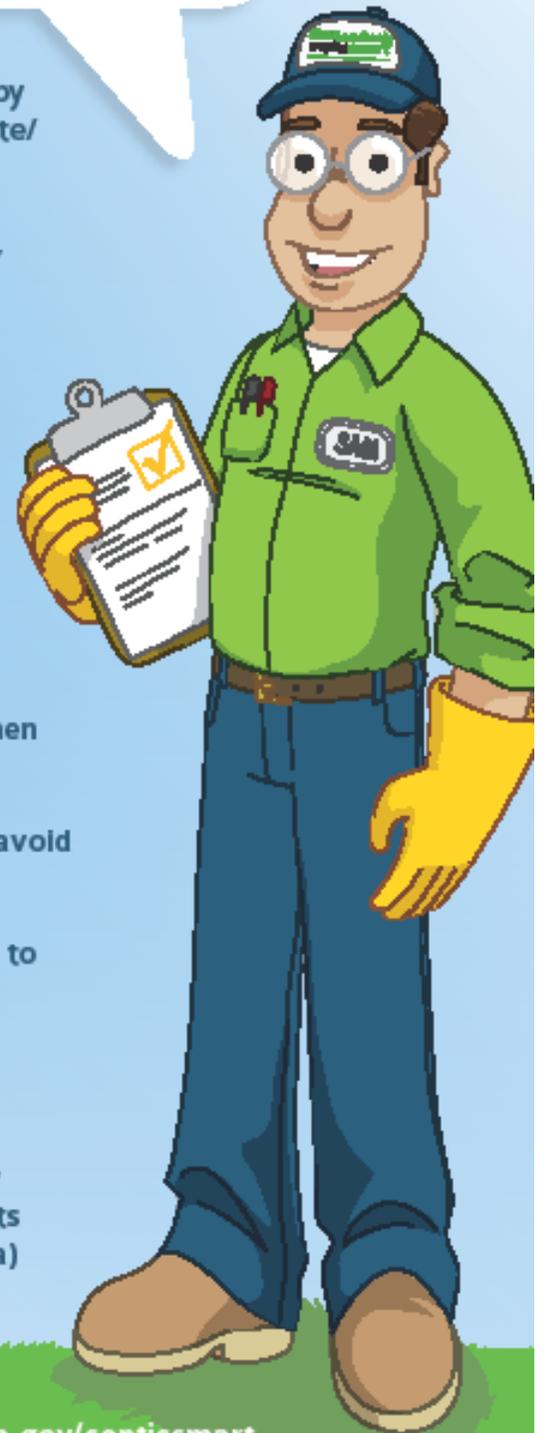


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- ✓ Have your system inspected every three years by a qualified professional or according to your state/ local health department's recommendations
- ✓ Have your septic tank pumped, when necessary, generally every three to five years
- ✓ Avoid pouring harsh products (e.g., oils, grease, chemicals, paint, medications) down the drain
- ✓ Discard non-degradable products in the trash (e.g., floss, disposable wipes, cat litter) instead of flushing them
- ✓ Keep cars and heavy vehicles parked away from the drainfield and tank
- ✓ Follow the system manufacturer's directions when using septic tank cleaners and additives
- ✓ Repair leaks and use water efficient fixtures to avoid overloading the system
- ✓ Maintain plants and vegetation near the system to ensure roots do not block drains
- ✓ Use soaps and detergents that are low-suds, biodegradable, and low- or phosphate-free
- ✓ Prevent system freezing during cold weather by inspecting and insulating vulnerable system parts (e.g., the inspection pipe and soil treatment area)



For more SepticSmart tips, visit www.epa.gov/septicmart

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Troy J. Morton
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William E. Sheehan
Chief Deputy

Happy Holidays from the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office,

The holiday season is now upon us and this becomes an opportune time for criminals to take advantage of the season. Many people think that burglars target people during the night hours under the cover of darkness. This may be the case in some instances but a majority of the burglaries that the Penobscot County Sheriff's Office investigates are during the day when the homeowners are away.

Here are a few safety tips to help prevent crime in your area:

- If you leave home lock all your doors and windows. Even if it is for a short time. Daytime burglaries are more frequent as burglars know that residents are usually at work during the day time hours.
- Even when you are home, lock your doors to the residence and vehicles. It is not uncommon for a burglar to think that the house is vacant and walk right inside and then discover that the homeowner is inside.
- If you keep valuables in your vehicle, store them out of plain sight. Remember to lock your vehicle at all times, most burglary to motor vehicles cases are a crime of opportunity targeting unlocked vehicles.
- Be careful of what you post on social media (Facebook, Twitter) in reference to you not being home for extended periods of time. Post your family vacation pictures after you return.
- If going out of town, have someone check on the residence daily and pick up the mail or newspaper.
- If a stranger comes to your front door and their reason for being there seems suspicious, do not let them enter your residence. Do not hesitate to call the Sheriff's Office to report the suspicious activity and try to obtain the license plate number and vehicle description as well as the description of the suspicious person.
- Don't wait to report suspicious activity, the quicker we can investigate it the better the results on our end. The report that you provide could be a small piece to a big puzzle that can help our investigations.
- If you become the victim to a burglary at your residence, report it **immediately**. Do not enter your home or vehicle. Do not touch or clean up anything. Call the police from a cell phone or neighbor's residence and wait for the police to arrive.

If you follow some of these tips you are less likely to become a victim. **DON'T BE A VICTIM!!! If you SEE something, SAY something!** Have a safe and Happy Holidays.

Happy Holidays,

Chief Deputy William Sheehan

CARMEL SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Winter has arrived. Hopefully everyone is ready. As the Carmel Snowmobile Club president, I can honestly say we're as ready as we can be. A devoted group of volunteers have given hundreds of hours thru the spring, summer & fall to make sure the trails in the town of Carmel are at least passable & some are exceptional. We have 1.5 +/- miles of new trail between Grist Mill Rd, Damascus intersection thru to Fuller Rd / Damascus intersection which connects directly to Newport's trail system. Thanks to the landowners that made it possible. We have also rebuilt a few bridges & brushed 35+ miles of trails... **yes the town has 35+ miles of trails to maintain.** This is not an easy task when you only have a few devoted members to help. If you own/ride a snowmobile in the town of Carmel, you should consider joining and volunteering to help provide a corridor for local trails connecting area clubs and towns. Imagine traveling from your door yard to Moosehead and beyond on groomed trails or just day tripping around your local clubs. **We have a new trail map at the printers as I am preparing this letter. Thank you Rich at Snowman Printers. They will be available at the Carmel Town Office, Ricks Mini Mart, and Ye Ole General. ENJOY THE SEASON!!!**

The clubhouse has new bathrooms that were finished last winter. This winter's project is the kitchen, hopefully to be completed by spring. We could use help from any experienced plumbers, carpenters, electricians and laborers. If you're interested in lending a hand I can be reached at the number below. I can see Hunters Breakfast in our future!

Our meetings are the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month at 6:30. Trail work: days, times & locations are posted on Facebook. You can check out progress and see what's happening on Facebook. The CSC hosts Beano every Tuesday night at 6:20, Kitchen opens at 5:00

The CSC will be open 11:00 to 3:00 Sat / Sun Jan thru March. Stop by, get warm & grab a cup of coffee, burger or hotdog.

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SIMPSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY WISHES TO THANK THE COMMUNITY OF CARMEL, ITS CITIZENS, BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

The Simpson Memorial Library Board of Trustees would like to thank all who have contributed to our Capital Campaign to raise funds to renovate the original building and to construct an addition. We have been so fortunate to have wide-spread support for this project. The Carmel Historical Society has provided storage space, land for a sewer and enabled us to have a larger parking lot. The Masons have provided space for activities during the construction and so has the Golden Harvest Grange. Town Office personnel have provided valuable assistance. We have also had gift-in-kind contributions from local businesses. The spirit of helpfulness in this community has been remarkable.

We appreciate the assistance of the Town of Carmel citizens. The money granted to us at town meeting in 2009 enabled us to begin the fundraising process. We feel extremely fortunate to have received assistance with the fundraising for five years in addition to the funds we have received toward the operational expenses of the Library. Carmel citizens can be proud that we are the only town in our area that has an operating library with a professional Librarian. The services of the Library are free to all as required by our original charter.

As of the beginning of December, 2016 we have raised a total of \$555,500. Our expenses for the renovations and construction to the same date have been \$390,000. We have not completely finished the construction and owe the contractor and the architect their final payments. We also have additional bookcases for the Adult Reading room under construction as well as some other smaller furnishings to purchase. We estimate the total expenses will be \$425,000. This figure is over our original budget but we had unexpected expenses relating to the drainage to ensure a dry basement. We were required by the State of Maine to replace the catch basins and other elements and make changes in our parking lot. The Library lot is not large enough to install a sewer field but we were able to partner with the Historical Society and place one on their lot which was an unplanned expense but much better for the future for both organizations and the environment.

What happens to the remaining funds? When we created a brochure for our fundraising we stated that we would use any remaining funds to create a maintenance Endowment Fund. Also under the terms of a \$200,000 grant we received from the NextGen Foundation our signed acceptance agreement included the creation of an Endowment Fund. At this time we are in the planning stage and hope to complete the process in 2017. We expect to have around \$130,000 left to create the Endowment Fund. The Fund will generate income that can be used for the needs of the Library and/or used to increase the original amount to offset any future emergency or needed improvements, such as a new roof, correcting sewer problems, etc. Endowment core funds are not usually used for operating expenses but serve as a way to provide an income to ensure future emergencies and problems can be remediated.

Simpson Memorial Library receives funds from the Town of Carmel each year but those funds are not sufficient to cover all the operating expenses. The Board holds a book and plant sale, bake sales and an annual appeal mailing to help provide additional programming for children and adults, purchase books and equipment and other necessary items.

Services available at the Simpson Memorial Library include books and other items that can be checked out. We are part of a Library service that allows us to request the loan of any available book in the State of Maine and in some cases beyond. We offer free Wi-Fi connection in the Library during regular hours as well as in the parking lot at all times.

Thank you to all who helped us achieve our goal of a wonderful new Simpson Memorial Library.

FROM THE ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER



Please make sure your animals are secured properly when outdoors. Dogs must be registered by Dec. 31, 2016. Thank you for your help with these issues and remember you are responsible for any property damage done by your animal. Respectfully submitted for Jean Treadwell 848-9913



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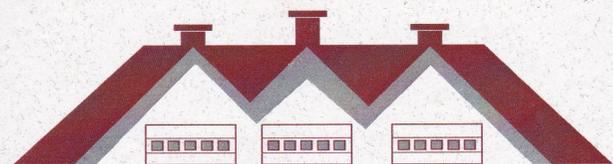


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Nomination Papers for the positions of Selectmen (2 openings) and School Board (1 opening) were made available on December 9th and are due for return by close of business 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 18th with no less than 25 valid signatures and no more than 100. If you wish to participate and serve your local town government please visit the Town Office and take out Nomination papers.

Dogs: Licenses are available for the 2017 year and remember your dog should be registered by the end of December. Perhaps a shiny new tag would be a great Christmas gift for your four-legged friend.

Auto Registration Reminders: So that we may better serve you, please be sure to bring in your current mileage, current insurance card and previous registration (if available) when doing a renewal. If you are registering your vehicle in this town for the first time a previous registration is required so that we may "update" the system.

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CARMEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Mrs. Malachi, the Literacy Coach at Carmel Elementary School and Mrs. Devlin were invited to speak at the Literacy For All conference in Providence, Rhode Island in October. This national conference is attended by educators from throughout the country and features many well-known experts in the field of literacy education. The presentation made by Mrs. Malachi and Mrs. Devlin highlighted the work of the literacy coach and the building principal in providing daily professional development to school staff. On December 13, two educators from Massachusetts will be visiting CES to learn more about Carmel Elementary School as a result of meeting Mrs. Malachi and Mrs. Devlin in Rhode Island.

As part of our grade one curriculum, first graders study our community. The community study culminates in a Tour of Carmel. Students visit Simpson Memorial Library, the Grange Hall, the Post Office, the Snowmobile Club, the Rec. Field, and the Historical Society. The trip concludes with a visit to the Veteran's Memorial. Julia Pike has been a great help in planning the itinerary for our trip, along with Becky Ames and members of the Historical Society. The goal of the community study is for our students to think about the many ways a community and its members are interdependent, working and playing together.

November and December are always busy months at CES and this year has been no exception. Parent teacher conferences, held in early November, offered an opportunity for parents to meet with teachers, ask questions, and receive updates on their students' progress. Parents of Title One students were invited to a Parent Information Night just before Thanksgiving. Title One students performed readings for parents and parents received a few tips of ways to support their students in literacy. The most important tip was READ to YOUR CHILD each and everyday.

After Thanksgiving, the spirit of giving is continuing at our school. Students prepare for concerts, directed by Nicole Middleswart. Our performances have become increasingly more polished over the past ten years and are enjoyed by a full house at each performance. Our students take great pride in the performances and under Mrs. Middleswart's direction, the concerts do not disappoint.

And finally, it is important to recognize the many community members who generously contribute to our school and our school families during the holiday season. The level of giving for our small, rural community is remarkable. Because of generous and often anonymous donors, we are able to provide much-needed items during the holiday season. The spirit of giving is alive and well at Carmel Elementary School.

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FROM THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Hello Everyone,

Another year is coming to an end, as they seem to go by quicker and quicker. I wanted to take a minute and say Thank You to our Selectmen, Office Staff, friends and neighbors for helping 2016 be another great year for Carmel Rec.

For the last 15+ years I have had the pleasure of being part of Our Rec department, and other than seeing my family grow and flourish, it has been the most rewarding times of my life. Growing up in Carmel, and realizing the opportunities the Rec department was providing, in comparison to when I was a child, I was amazed and proud. The more I got involved the more I wanted to do. To see children and families coming together for different events made my heart smile for sure. When the opportunity arose to become Rec Director I was intrigued, and compelled to see what I could do to make a great thing better. I knew that it wouldn't be easy, but also knew that I was surrounded by wonderful, dedicated people on the committee so it was going to be a team effort, and it was. In the last 10 years, I believe we have made great gains and established a wonderful foundation for the future.

I will be leaving these times behind at the end of the year, but they will make me smile until my days are done. To everyone who has helped me, and our neighbors over the years, Thank You! You have made everything possible and deserve all the credit. I am a firm believer of success is a "we" thing not a "me" thing. No one person makes all the difference, but any one person can make a difference. That was my thoughts as I entered this endeavor so many years ago. I have been fortunate to watch some little kids become wonderful Young Adults. I have been able to see the same kids come back around to help Coach, Officiate, and do whatever necessary to help the next generation of Little's enjoy their time. That to me proves success, and that the experience they had was enjoyable enough that they wanted to help provide the same for others. I have had the pleasure of getting to know so many of my neighbors, that otherwise I may have walked by for a lifetime without speaking to.

I need to send a special Thank You to Shelly Farmer. Shelly has stayed on with the committee for years past the time her son was involved to help me ensure we were always doing the best we could, regardless of circumstances.

I also need to thank my wife Michelle, who has been the behind the scenes leader of what needed to be done. I could never count the times I have leaned on her for help, and yes was always the answer. Also, Thank you to my children, Kaylee, Lindsay, A.J. & Cody. They also have been ones I have fallen back on in times of need and they were always there. They were the ones that understood when I couldn't make it to one of their other events because I either had a meeting, or was helping to get a new team going, or whatever else needed to be done. At times this has put a strain on us, but overall it has made us stronger as a Family.

I am excited for the future of Carmel Rec. We have hired a wonderful replacement, in Deidra Ham-McIntosh. I believe she has a great vision for the future and will bring new energy. With the help of Kevin Howell, the Town office staff, and your support, our future is bright.

Best wishes to all of you during the Holiday Season and in 2017. I am very proud of Our little town, my neighbors and Friends.

Thank You Everyone,

Aaron L. Hawes Sr.



FROM THE CARMEL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Once again, the Simpson Memorial Library and the Historical Society had a successful lighting of the Christmas Tree. There were sixty plus in attendance who sang Christmas carols and then gathered in the Historical house to enjoy hot cocoa, sandwiches, sweets and conversations. The following week we held our December meeting with our delicious supper and gift exchange

We are pleased that the schools, residents and past residents are using the resources at the historical society to further their family history and/or to learn more about the Town of Carmel. By sharing our knowledge, we learn from each other and build on the town's history.



CHRISTMAS TREE



SIGNING FOR THEIR SUPPER



HOT CHOCOLATE



THE FOOD IS READY



ENJOYING THE PARTY

The Historical Society meets the second Thursday of the month except for the months of January and February. If anyone would like to access to the museum, please call either Julia Pike (8482407) or Marvin Graves (848-7468). If you would like to support the Carmel Historical Society, Membership is \$12.00 a year or \$50.00 for life membership send payment to Marvin Graves, PO Box 214, Carmel, ME 04419.

GIRL SCOUTS TROOP #1035

We have been enjoying our time together this fall. We have been to Treworgy's Corn Maze. We painted beautiful pictures and made crafts together. We have given back to the community by collecting items for our area's food pantry. We were also blessed to be part of the tree lighting ceremony at the Simpson Memorial Library. We were able to light the luminaries, sing Christmas carols, and enjoy some of our town's Christmas spirit.



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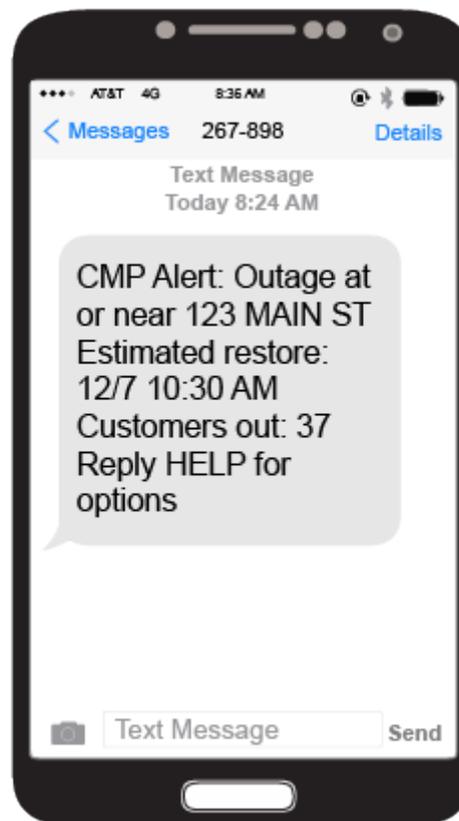
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2016 Holiday Hoopla!!

On Dec. 16, 2016, Caravel held its *Holiday Hoopla* to benefit the Weber Athletic Field. THE CMS Club held a spaghetti dinner and raffled off trees that each grade had decorated. Tree themes were:

- Grade 5: The Great Outdoors
- Grade 6: Let's go to the Movies
- Grade 7: Family Game Night
- Grade 8: Game on! (Sports related)



Community Outreach

The Caravel staff supported eight families through our giving tree this year. Families who needed extra help contacted either the principal, Mr. Turner, or the guidance counselor, Mrs. Davis, and we put those needs on our giving tree. Anonymous staff members bought items for anonymous



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Selectmen usually meet Monday @7:30PM or as posted

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Jared Fitts - 852-4164
John Luce - 848-3538
Suzan Rudnicki - 848-5656
Douglas Small - 848-5167

Town Manager
CEO/LPI
Road Commissioner
Kevin Howell

ceo@townofcarmel.org
848-3361

Planning Board

Meet the 1st Monday of the Month 5:30 PM (unless a holiday)

Please call or email **Kevin Howell** to be put on the agenda.

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