



Words from the Editor:

Welcome to the second edition of the Bethel Courier Online. We've received several positive comments about last month's edition and even had some submission for this one. That is precisely as we hoped – because we can't do this alone. The goal is for this e-newsletter to be a monthly source of information on what is going on in and around Bethel. It will be sent to ANY interested persons – not just BBA members. We would LOVE submissions from other individuals and organizations. So if you belong to any other groups, please let them know. The submission deadline is the 25th of every month.

Organization News:

Bethel Historical Society

The Bethel Postcard and History Fair will be held Saturday, May 24, 2008 from 9 AM to 3 PM at the Whitcomb High School. FREE ADMISSION

Churches

United Church of Bethel
Spring Brunch May 18th
White Church, Bethel, VT
10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Cost: \$9.00 / under 6 yrs free

Proceeds to go towards kitchen renovation fund.

We would like to get news from your organization or church. We are especially looking for reports from the town hall committee and the schools.

Organization News:

Bethel Business Association

The BBA's next meeting will be held May 7th at 6:30 PM at Paradigm Consulting, Main Street, Bethel, VT.

According to President Rick Benson: "We have a full agenda this week so come with lots of ideas to get things rolling. Hopefully, the sign painter will be able to attend to give us a quote for rejuvenating the "Welcome to Bethel" signs. We also will have an important discussion of ideas of ways to improve the marketing of Bethel. See you then!"

Agenda for 4/24/08 BBA Meeting

REPORTS

- 1) Secretary's Report
- 2) Treasurer's Report
- 3) Membership Report

OLD BUSINESS

- 1) Welcome Sign Restoration (Nick)
- 2) Main Street Flags for Memorial Day
- 3) Other Old Business

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Bylaws Update
- 2) Improving Cell Phone Service for Main Street & Beyond
- 3) Burying Cables on Main Street
- 4) Recreation Trail through Town Forest Above Main Street
- 5) Catamount Health Program Topic for May Mixer
- 6) Downtown Marketing Plan Brainstorming session
- 7) Other New Business

Next Meeting: Wednesday May 22nd, 6:30 PM - paradigm Consulting.

Rotary Club News

The Bethel Area Rotary Club is looking for some good speakers for our May meetings.

Meeting dates are:

May 12th

May 19th

We are closed May 26th for Memorial Day.

If you would like to come and tell us about your organization, club, company or whatever else is your passion, please contact president-elect Kirk White at 234-9670.

Rotary meets every Monday night from 6 PM to 7:25 PM in the Bethel White Church. Dinner is catered by Maybelle Dumont and costs \$11.

News Around Town:

We'd like to get local "reporters" to tell us what is going on in their neighborhoods. I'm guessing for this month that most will report "muddy". ☺

Wanna volunteer?

We need:

Christian Hill Neighbors

Camp Brook Neighbors

Gilead/ Lympus Neighbors

North Main Neighbors

South Main Neighbors

River Street/ North Road Neighbors

East Bethel Neighbors

Pleasant Street/ Route 12 Neighbors

Classifieds:

Place your FREE ad here!!!

Open only to Bethel individuals and businesses.

HERB WALK

Monday, May 12 & Sunday, May 18.
10 AM – 2 PM

Margaret Daniel will conduct a walking tour of her property, describing identification and harvesting techniques of wild edible and medicinal plants. A luncheon will be served including the items identified on the walk. Things like dandelion greens, nettles and birch sap will be highlighted.

10:00 - meeting and opening remarks at Summersweet Floral, 55 River Street

10:30-12:30 - carpooling to Margaret's house and walking tour of grounds on her Christian Hill property

12:30 - 2 - return to Summersweet for discussion and luncheon including wild edibles.

Fee of \$18 includes lunch. Classes limited to 15 persons.

This fills up quickly so contact Kep Taylor at 234-6744 today!

Please support your local BBA members:

Automotive

Dean's Auto Service
Ted Green Ford, Inc.
Valley Motor Sales

Banks and Money

AM Turk Tax Associates
Grn Mtn Economic Development Corp.
Randolph National Bank
Mascoma Savings Bank
Northfield Savings Bank
White River Credit Union

Gardening and Flowers

Dandelion Acres
Purple Iris Florists

Health and Beauty

Kathy's House of Styles
Kirk White, Licensed Acupuncturist
Massage by Kathleen

Home and Building

Bethel Mills
Chuck Adams Builder
Control Systems Services, LLC
Eric Richardson Painting
Hutchinson's Interiors
Mills Hardware
Rural Appliance
Up Country Chimney Sweep
Used and Unique Home Boutique
Vallee Improvements

Markets, Stores and Supplies

Bethel Central Market
Locust Creek Country Store
Logan Enterprises
Lukana's Dream

Restaurants and Caterers

Black Forest Cafe and Caterers
Cockadoodle Restaurant
Ketner's Second Cup Café
Toziers Restaurant
Travelin' Willy B's Catering

Professional Services

Ellis Music Co.
Eric Benson Appraisal Co.
Herald of Randolph
Mills Laundromat
Mountain View Technologies
My Little Jessie Press
Paradigm Consulting Co.
Ruth Clough, Attorney
Spaulding Press

Local Industry

Power and Tel
Rock of Ages
Ultramotive Corporation

Friends

(tell them "thanks for supporting Bethel")

Jay Caruso
Chris Costanzo
Felicia Dieffenbach
Geneva Gaiko
Robert Gaiko
Carroll Ketchum
Ellen Nobile
Ola O'Dell
Richard Perry
Joyce Richardson
Margarete Viera