

## The Town of Sudbury, Massachusetts Town Manager's EMAIL Newsletter – October 27, 2006

Town staff and committees are constantly working to improve the quality of life in Sudbury. This email is designed to share information with Town staff and committee members about the many programs and efforts that are underway.

## **Appointments to Report**

There are a bunch of appointments to update everyone on. I hope I don't forget anyone!

- New Assistant Town Accountant. I am pleased to report that Robin Porcella in the Accounting Office has been promoted to this position, which became vacant when Barbara Chisholm was promoted to Town Accountant. Robin is also the recording secretary for the Finance Committee. With her several years of experience handling payroll for the Town and an undergraduate degree in Business, I know she will be a great asset to this department.
- <u>Jennifer Atwood Burney</u>. She has been appointed to the newly created parttime position of Assistant Planner in the Planning and Community Office, where she is hitting the ground running in assisting the Community Preservation Committee in the various tasks they face with the projects that have been newly submitted to the CPC for funding and keeping up on those already funded.
- <u>Kimberly Polcari</u> is the new Office Supervisor for the Fire Department. She is a town resident and has a marketing and public relations background in private sector. She began work last month.
- Marilyn Martino is the new Executive Director of Sudbury Foundation. The Trustees of the Foundation announced this appointment and those of us who know Marilyn were delighted to hear the news.

Congratulations to all on these appointments and I know everyone wishes you the best of luck and looks forward to working with you.

## **Other People News**

Police Officer Stephanie Howe and Firefighter/EMT Timothy Howe welcomed their first child last month. Son Cameron was born on September 12 at 11:00 a.m., weighing in at 8 lb., 11 oz. Congrats to Stephanie and Tim.



Police Patrolman Charles Quinn, affectionately known as "Barney" to one and all, retired from the Sudbury Police Department effective September 7 following 27 years of service. He will be missed by all who worked with him, especially the staff in my office, as he was frequently the officer who picked up the Selectmen's packets for delivery.

## Make Way for Duckling Rescuers - Sudbury Style!!!

I forgot to mention this great story that occurred in May this year. One Sunday afternoon Sudbury Fire Department received a call from Oishi Too Sushi Restaurant in Mill Village reporting 11 ducklings trapped in a storm drain. The ducklings were passing between two drains via the storm pipes. Lt. Steven Reini and Fire Fighter Kyle Gordon began trying to figure out how to rescue the ducklings when off duty Fire Fighter Mike Hamill passed by with his daughter Olivia. Mike went home and got a large skimming net for his pool and blocked the outfall pipe. Utilizing a five gallon bucket, rope and a Boston rake the team was able to lower the bucket into the drain at the end of the pipe. As the ducklings exited the pipe they scooped them out. An employee of the restaurant, Tammy Chiang, provided a box for holding the ducklings. Mike and Olivia took possession of the ducklings and brought them over to Drumlin Farms in Lincoln. They put them into contact with an elderly couple in Concord who will take care of them and nurse them until they can be released.

This seems to be a new Sudbury tradition. You may recall that last summer DPW workers Ken Anderson, Scott Taylor, Ken Anderson Jr. and Fred Cygan rescued 9 ducklings that were trapped in a catch basin.









My thanks to all the staff and volunteers who work hard to make these things happen. You make Sudbury such a special place.

Maureen Valente, Town Manager