

## Dedication



We would like to take the opportunity to pay tribute to the Senior Citizens in the community for their tenacity and love of our community.

The Senior Center, having been housed in the Belmont Mill, since the late 1990's closed its doors on January 31, 2020, leaving many seniors in the community bereft of a place to meet and enjoy friendship and good times. As community leaders we were saddened to hear the news as well; we do want to express to our Senior community that we are open to discussing the future and working with you to find cost effective alternatives to the void left by the Belknap-Merrimack Community Action Program.

In 2019, the community lost three of its own; Pleasant (Bill) Oberhausen and Nelson Rolfe. Both men had dedicated themselves to Belmont, Bill Oberhausen served on the Town's Zoning Board and many years ago, the Recycling Committee. He was a staunch supporter of the Belmont Senior Center and would have been saddened by the news that the Center would be closing in 2020. Nelson Rolfe a long-time resident of Route 106, whose many family members still reside in Belmont, and grandson Scott, has given numerous hours to the community's tree maintenance and preservation program and served on the Conservation Commission. Walter Ellsworth, better known to many of us as McGruff, passed away on December 1, 2019. Walter could be seen riding his bike about the community for many years and he had been a fixture in the Old Home Day Parade for many years seen below riding with the Chief.



*"Wrinkles only show where smiles have been".* Mark Twain