

## Get involved: help plan Damariscotta's future



On Tues., Sept. 22 at 6:30 p.m., the public is invited to a fun and engaging meeting at the Round Top Barn in Damariscotta to discuss the future of the town.

The Damariscotta Planning Advisory Committee (DPAC) and consultants hired by the town will hold a public workshop to present the findings heard to date in the Heart and Soul planning process, to present the plans for the October planning charrette and to solicit more feedback from the public. Please join this meeting at the Round Top Barn on Bus. Rt. 1.

The Damariscotta Planning Advisory Committee has been

meeting with citizens over the past year listening to stories about the town, getting feedback through surveys and talking to community members. DPAC will share this information with people attending to see if it accurately reflects their opinions about the values of the community.

In mid-October, a multi-day planning workshop or charrette will be held to further refine the vision for the future of Damariscotta with professional in the fields of planning, landscaping, transportation, and retail.

Recently the term charrette has come to mean an intense collaborative planning session that brings all interested parties (municipal officials, developers, business owners, property

owners and community members) together for at least three days in which anyone with a stake or interest in the town participates directly with the design team to develop and review ideas about future plans.

The design team, a group of town designers, architects, retail consultants, traffic engineers, landscape architects, illustrators and land use professionals, draft possible solutions to local design problems, based on the Heart and Soul process that Damariscotta has undertaken over the past two years.

For more information, visit [www.damariscottame.com](http://www.damariscottame.com) or visit the Heart and Soul office on Mondays and Tuesdays at the Chamber of Commerce on Courtyard Street in Damariscotta.