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THE MEDVIL MESSENGER

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Medvil pride.....Shows inside!
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IMPORTANT NOTICES

MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

The candidates Meet and Greet will be held at **9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 14, 2017**, after the Coffee House at the Partridge Lane Clubhouse. Come join us as we introduce your candidates. This will be your opportunity to get to know the candidates, ask questions and get information as to why they are running for office.

We hope to see you Saturday, October 14, 2017, 9:30 am, at the Partridge Lane Clubhouse!

Thank you! ☺Pam Gallagher and Candy Wetherbee, Co-chairs, Nominating Committee

FLU VACCINE CLINIC

The Flu Vaccine Clinic will be held on Thursday, 10/12 from 1 – 2:30 pm at the Partridge Lane Clubhouse. You must be at least 50 years old & covered by Medicare Part B.

Call Irene Gagne at 622-1869 to get on the list & assigned a time.

The forms will be put in the mailroom after the appointment time has been confirmed. ☺IG

ATTENTION READERS

Do you know that Medvil has 2 paper book libraries in the PLC?

One is devoted to Romance novels and crossword puzzles and the other is varying genres and books on cd.

We welcome all book donations, they can be left in the library or call me at 603-518-8250. Hard cover books are also accepted for yard sales.

☺Madeleine “Maddy” Parsons

MONDAY NIGHT CRIBBAGE CLUB

A reminder that the Monday night cribbage starts on 9/4 to play for fun & learning at PLC from 6:30 pm to 8 pm. Anyone interested in joining the group should arrive by 6:15 pm. We play until the end of March and there is no cost.

Contact Irene Gagne at 622-1869 if you have any questions. ☺IG

BORED, WANT TO MEET NEW FRIENDS?

There are many events for you to attend, right here in Medvil, your home community. They are all listed on **the Community Calendar of this Newsletter.**

There are two types of cribbage, pool, Line Dancing with instruction, knitting, Bingo, plus events put on by the Medvil Events Committee, the Fundraising Committee and others. These events include bus trips, dinners, parties, yard sales, **a pool where someone wins \$250 each month, yes**, even the Foot Clinic and the Flu Clinic.

If there are other groups with activities and you could use more people, notify the newsletter committee and we will put you on the calendar - just please let us know of changes in day, time or location. There is also a library for you to borrow from, located in the PLC.

The Community Calendar also is shown on our website. The address is shown on the front page of the Messenger. If the office has your web address, they will notify you in advance of the special events, by e-mail.

So “Come on down” meet nice new friends, we have a lot of very nice people living here and funds raised at these events help to support our

community and keep rent costs down. They are not only that and a good time, but they are **very reasonable too. See you there!** ☺📧

FREE

If you have anthem blue cross blue shield for supplemental insurance, you are eligible for free enrollment to the "silver sneakers program" at either the YMCA, planet fitness, the workout club and wellness center and a few others mentioned on the "silver sneakers website".

Just call the phone number on the back of your anthem card, and they will take your information and send you an identification card to be used at one of these locations.

What a wonderful opportunity for us to stay in shape. ☺

Why not take some time to attend?

Board of Directors Meeting
Third Tuesday of the month
6:00 pm at DDC

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Coffee House
Saturday before the third Tuesday
8:30 – 10:00 at PLC

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Both are open for your attendance

KNOW FIRST HAND, WHAT IS HAPPENING!

BOARD AND COMMITTEES



BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

BOD Meeting September 2017

The Board of Directors meeting was held on Tuesday, September 19, 2017. There were 8 Board

members present. We began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

A member of the audience suggested that Medvil purchase steel-toed boots for the maintenance team. John Menczywor said he would look into this.

After a motion and a second, Greg McKay was appointed to a one-year term as Director-at-Large. He is replacing Steve Palmer, who resigned in June. The BOD is now back to 9 members.

The minutes from the August 2017 BOD meeting were approved.

Treasurer's report indicates that we are over budget on income and below budget on both expenses and water usage. Great news indeed.

The Maintenance Team has been busy with fall cleanup. The 2 summer employees are done. A new alarm/pump panel was installed at the septic station on Donald Drive. The flooring has been completed at the front entrance and in the library of PLC. It looks great. The backhoe should be back by Friday.

Membership – the BOD ratified 2 email votes for new members who purchased home on Williams Way and on Rachel Circle.

The 2018 Budget proposal was accepted as needed.

The BOD is preparing for our annual meeting, which will be held on Saturday, November 4.

Barbara gave kudos to all 119 Medvil volunteers. We had the Volunteer Recognition luncheon on Sunday, September 17. Attendees had pizza, salad, and desserts. Everyone who was there received a very nice freezer bag with the Medvil logo along with the words "Thank You to all volunteers". If you were unable to attend the luncheon and have not received a bag, please go to the Reception Office to pick one up. ☺kk



EVENTS COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS: **PAST EVENTS:**

BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL, Saturday, August 26th. This was another FREE event, and

was a huge success. About 40 folks from Medvil community enjoyed many delicious blueberry baked goods (prepared, of course, by our marvelous bakers) and visiting with friends and neighbors. Many donations were brought for our four legged friends at the Humane Society. These were greatly appreciated.

Previous to this, on August 11th was a 1st time event-our BEER & BRATS PARTY. This was held outdoors at DDC & attended by over 90 in our community. If you missed this one, you missed a good one. *A good time was had by all! This is sure to be repeated.*

END OF SUMMER POTLUCK PICNIC

was held Saturday, September 9 at DDCH. This annual event has been enjoyed by many in our community. This year had an added feature. The meat portion (BBQ chicken) of the meal was provided by the Events Committee. Kim, again, did a superb job of cooking assisted by Joe Lamarre. Attendees showed their cooking skills also by providing delicious side dishes. Karaoke was provided by **Steve Keough who donated the karaoke machine to the Events Committee.** After dinner many there enjoyed playing Corn Hole, Bocce and card games. What fun! Best part was getting together as a community and meeting new people and visiting with both friends and neighbors. That is what it is all about. 50/50 prize of \$120 was won by Marge Ball.

As you read this, another one of our famous MADE TO ORDER OMELET BREAKFASTS will have occurred on **September 23rd.** You will read how successful it was with all the details in next month's newsletter.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

APPLE FEST will be held October 7th at PLC upstairs. Time is 10-noon. Please come and enjoy the fruit delights of the season. Tea & coffee will also be provided. This is a **FREE EVENT**, but please remember to sign up at the office to ensure there is sufficient utensils, etc. We need a count. Thank you! When you sign up at the office please tell them if you will be baking. See you there!

HALLOWEEN PARTY: **October 28th at DDC.** Happy hour will be 4:00 with a delicious spaghetti dinner served at 5:00. Beer & wine will be available along with Bloody Mary's for the occasion. Again, *PLEASE sign up at the office,* and those baking skills will be needed; so let them

know if you will be bringing something for dessert. **You can come with or without costume;** but if you are dressed up, you do have a chance to win a prize. Anyhow, dressing up is fun! We do have a limit of 80 people so run on down and sign up. This is another community get together event. You will also have a chance to win the 50/50.

Just an FYI: The Events Committee appreciates it when the community participates in our gatherings. We are a COMMUNITY and this is a great chance to show what a great one we are. A thank you goes out to Peg and Kim for being our leaders and to everyone on the committee who help put these events on. Want to see how much fun we have planning what we are going to do? Join us the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:00 at DDC.

Are you handy with a camera? The events committee is still looking for a photographer for our events. If you would like to assist our awesome team, please let us know.

Have you been missing some of our events because you forgot about it? Give your email address to the office so they can send you our reminders before the event. ☺MB



FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Fundraising Pool – The 9/1 winner was Jo-Ann Thorp for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner. There is currently only 1 resident on the wait list and more are needed.

Please call the office to place your name on the list. It's only \$5/month.

Consignment Store/Yard Sale – If you have items to donate please contact Irene Gagne at 622-1869. What doesn't get accepted by the consignment stores will be placed in the yard sale on 9/30.

Please do not place any items in the mail houses. Call the office & the volunteer will contact a Fundraising Committee member to make arrangements to rid you of your unwanted items.

Fall Festival – 9/30 – The next yard sale is in conjunction with resident/employee craft

tables. Please call the office if you are available to assist on 9/29 for set up, 9/30 for several areas during the sale, and/or 9/30 after 2 pm to pack up & clean up. Tell your family & friends. See notices in mail houses for more details.

We are collecting yard sale items now. If you're moving out, moving in, remodeling, etc. give us a call. We are willing to help you rid yourself of unwanted items. However, we do not take electronics, TV's, large appliances, furniture, or exercise equipment.

We also have several organizations where we donate unsold items. This benefits everyone and keeps items out of the landfill.

Committee Members – We are a committee of 9. You don't have to be a committee member to give us ideas for projects to use our funds for the benefit of the Medvil community – call Irene at 622-1869 ☺IG



GARDEN COMMITTEE:

We are happy to announce that Jaqueline and **James Colbert of 1 Riverside Drive have won the Best Garden Award for 2017!** They now have a yellow daisy on their light pole for everyone to see. If you have a minute, take a drive over to see their yard! It was stunning this summer and will still be beautiful this fall. They even have their own Rose Garden.

We will be putting our gardens and planters to bed in the next couple of weeks, but will be planting some mums for the upcoming fall season. Don't forget, this is also bulb planting season, so we can have beautiful flowers for early/late spring blooms.

Thank you to all of our volunteers for all they do during the year to keep Medvil full of vibrant, lovely flowers and plants that brighten all the corners of our neighborhood! They spend hours every week digging, planting, mulching, edging, watering and taking great care of their gardens for our enjoyment.

We also want to take this time to **thank John Menczywor and John and Joe**, our maintenance staff, for all their help in digging, planting, mulching, watering, and helping us out whenever/wherever we needed them. **"Thank you!!"** ☺Mary Leonard, Co-Chair



***MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:**

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME TO MEDVIL, may your life be long and filled with happiness.

- Donald & Pauline Rheume @ 251 Donald Drive
- Rebecca Stamp and her sister Sheryl Smith @ 11 Kelly Court
- Giselle Lafleur & Kevin Gallagher @ 76 Country Way
- Karolyn Lightfoot @ 29 Rachael Circle

☺Membership Committee



REAL ESTATE @ MEDVIL:

The first step required when thinking about selling your home is to **get an Intent to Sell Form from the Reception Office** and return the completed form *to the Board of Directors*. The second step is **listing your home**.

The Medvil Real Estate Committee has become active again with new members and chairperson and is ready to help you sell your home. **All proceeds from the sale of Medvil homes the Medvil RE Committee sells benefits our Medvil Community.**

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Dorrie Kossuth.....Chairperson

Paul Allard.....Appraiser

Richard Ball.....Representative

Odie Perron.....Representative

The month of May we had 6 showings, 1 closing and have added 2 addition listings. People have been going to our website and

calling to inquire about homes for sale in Medvil. Medvil Cooperative has become THE 55+ community to live.

If you know of anyone looking to buy a home in Medvil, have them call the Real Estate Committee. When you plan to sell your home. Please call Medvil Real Estate; it will benefit you as well as our cooperative. Thank you. ☺DK



SINCERE CONDOLENCES:

Heartfelt condolences to those who have recently lost a loved one.

- Dennis Dunn lost his brother David
- Joe Kolenski lost his spouse Maureen

*The nicest place to be is in someone's thoughts,
The safest place is in someone's prayers,
The last place to be is in God's hands.*

☺JS

IN HONOR

Of her memory, Pauline Lussier was the 2nd Vice President of Medvil, the only one to be Acting President and for most of the term. She was also the only Board Member who died while in office. She also served as Chair of the Membership Committee and Annual Meeting Committee Chair.

Pauline was our Vice President when two board members tendered their resignations due to actions of the President. The President excused himself from the meeting and Pauline then presided over the meeting. We discussed the situation and voted the President out. Pauline acted as President until the end of his term and the election of a new president.

The former owners of our community attended the Annual Membership Meeting that she presided over as Acting President. Before calling the meeting to order, Pauline ordered them out with the reminder that they were not members and had no place in the meeting, repeating, "You too,

Beverly!" The Goffstown Police Officer on duty escorted them from the building and told them to leave the property.

She was born, raised and educated in Manchester. Her professional career was as a Registered Nurse. Pauline graduated from the Notre Dame School of Nursing in Manchester Class of 1963 and was an active member of the Alumnae. Her sense of humor displayed at the annual reunions was appreciated by everyone.

During her career as a Registered Nurse she held various positions in hospital nursing and distinguished leadership with the Visiting Nurses Association of Manchester.

"Pauline posed a kind and generous heart. Her main interest was helping others. She cherished the time spent with friends and relatives". It was her unsung job to keep tabs on who among our residents might present a need for a call to known family members or some intervention by Elderly and Adult Services. She concluded her thoughts with the phrase "bottom line" constantly! ☺ GR

Thanks to Jan for adding to this.

From Kim Capen, past President:

Pauline Lussier – Vice President Board of Directors, Organizer of and Original Chair of Membership committee. Temporary Board President finishing out term of President's departure.

I remember Pauline fondly, not only as my friend, but as the glue and moral conscience of the board of directors during the early rough years of Medvil Cooperative. She worked tirelessly everywhere she was needed. I was extremely lucky to have served on the board with her. She was always forthright in dealing with whatever the issue at hand was and with moral clarity. She spoke her convictions without reservation.

Having to step forward as temporary board chair, she successfully held it together during a very rough patch of time in our early history. I viewed her as my co-president because she always had my back and I made sure to keep her in the loop with all that I dealt with as her opinion was most valuable.

The community owed her a great deal of gratitude for all that she was to the community and

all that she gave in time and talent. Truly one of the Medvil pioneers who made a huge contribution on our journey to being a highly sought after community to live in today. Hope she is smiling on us with approval as we strive to live up to the standards of her legacy. ☺KC

NEIGHORS HELPIN NEIGHBORS

**SEE SOMEONE WITHOUT A SMILE?
GIVE THEM ONE OF YOURS!**

AMUSEMENTS

4 Letter Words by Sheila ASSELIN

Oh no. She has finally done it. Teetering on the edge of good taste she has at last slipped on the thin ice and fallen in. Gone too far, pushed the envelope, courted disaster, and all other clichés you can think of.

Relax. I would like to write today about GOOD 4 letter words. Words that uplift and inspire.

We all know the other 4 letter words. Admit it. You know them too. Even those of us who went to Catholic school. Words such as %^&*, !@\$#, and even the dreaded &%*@. But what happens on the playground STAYS on the playground. Sister Mary Rebecca would not have it any other way. And she does have a big ruler and a Papal Encyclical to back her up.

No today I am thinking of the best 4 letter words. Words such as baby, love, hope, home, and free.

One of my favorites is sale. When I see it combined with another 4 letter word, yard my foot just automatically reaches for the brake pedal. A reflex which defies rational thinking I know.

Hmm, wife is a 4 letter. Why does husband require 3 letters more? Does this mean men require more attention? We know they love to be the center of attention. Does this just reinforce that fact? Just another crazy theory of mine.

Always keep in mind the best 4 letter words. Good over evil. Live over dead. Home over jail. Best over dire. Warm over cold. Wear out over rust out. And as always love over hate. Keep using those words. ☺

A Perfect Marriage?

(JOKE)

A man and woman had been married for more than 60 years. They had shared everything. They had talked about everything. They had kept no secrets from each other, except that the little old woman had a shoe box in the top of her closet that she had cautioned her husband never to open or ask her about.

For all of these years, he had never thought about the box, but one day, the little old woman got very sick and the doctor said she would not recover.

In trying to sort out their affairs, the little old man took down the shoe box and took it to his wife's bedside.

She agreed that it was time that he should know what was in the box. When he opened it, he found two crocheted dolls and a stack of money totaling \$95,000.

He asked her about the contents. "When we were to be married," she said, "my grandmother told me the secret of a happy marriage was to never argue. She told me that if I ever got angry with you, I should just keep quiet and crochet a doll."

The little old man was so moved; he had to fight back tears. Only two precious dolls were in the box. She had only been angry with him two times in all those years of living and loving. He almost burst with happiness.

"Honey," he said, "that explains the dolls, but what about all of this money? Where did it come from?"

"Oh," she said. "That's the money I made from selling the dolls." ☺

RIDDLES

What goes up a chimney down but can't come down a chimney up?

ANSWERS: Last Page

CLICHES

What action do these clichés infer?

- In the blink of an eye.
- Quick as a cat.
- Touch and go.
- Wham, bam, thank you, ma'am!

ANSWERS: Last Page

SPORTS TRIVIA:

What player's number 42 was retired throughout Major League Baseball in 1997? Babe Ruth
Jackie Robinson
Reggie Jackson
Willie Mays

ANSWERS: Last Page

IT'S THE TRUTH

- I don't suffer from insanity....
I enjoy every minute of it!
- I used to have a handle on life....
But it broke.
- Don't take life too seriously....
No one gets out alive.

INTERESTING ARTICLES (SENT IN BY MEMBERS)


HELPFUL HINTS

DON'T THROW IT AWAY, GIVE IT AWAY

What do you do with a television that still works but you have decided to upgrade to another model, or that blender that just wasn't the right size for you, so you bought a bigger one? So many things just get dumped in the trash because there is no time for a yard sale and you don't know anyone who can use it. Who wants to pay to dispose of a computer, TV, etc., at the Recycling Center?

There is a great website called **Freecycle** where you can **list items** to **offer** or items that you may **want** for **free**. The Freecycle network is nation-wide and you choose the site that is closest to the city you live in. For us in Goffstown, **Manchester Freecycle** is the closest. There are also Concord, Derry, and Salem Freecycle sites. There are rules on the site that should be read before using the site. One of the main rules is that "Everything posted must be FREE, LEGAL, AND APPROVED FOR ALL AGES. Another is that you cannot ask for an item before you offer an item. This item may be as small as a candle holder, or it may be a chair, fax machine, even a piano. Once you have offered an item, you are free to ask for as many things as you want.

A friend has had great success with the site. Both times, items offered were picked up in a

reasonable amount of time and went to people that could really use them. Feel good and save the landfills from **good, useable items**. Cars, furniture, clothes, coupons, tickets, nothing is too small or too large to give or ask for. **If you do not have a computer online, talk to a friend, your neighbor, about helping you to do this.** The web address is: <http://www.freecycle.org/> ☺ 

BECOME ACTIVE IN YOUR COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER

ANSWER SECTION

RIDDLE ANSWER:

An umbrella

CLICHES ANSWER:

Fast

SPORTS TRIVIA ANSWER:

Jackie Robinson

THE BEST PART OF COMMUNITY IS UNITY

The Messenger encourages members to submit articles for consideration. Recipes, helpful hints, reminiscences, jokes—anything upbeat and positive. Please submit your items to our email: medvilnewsletter@comcast.net Or place a copy in the Messenger mailbox in the Reception Office in the DDC.☺

SEE OUR COMMUNITY CALENDAR ENJOY YOUR COMMUNITY AT THE SOCIAL EVENTS

Please participate and attend these events, they are fun and a great way to support our community. They are also a great opportunity to see old friends and meet new ones!

See you there!