



## Barbara Hull Richardson—Thank You!

**Peter Majoy**

“The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.” (Eleanor Roosevelt)

Born on September 30, 1922 in Danville, PA, Barbara grew up with her mom, dad and three brothers. In 1942-43, as a junior at Bryn Mawr college majoring in economics and sociology and editing the College News, Barbara spent spring vacation skiing in the White Mountains and returned in the summer of '42 as a “hut girl” at Pinkham Notch. In June of 1943, she wrote about her work as a hut girl, “Girls on the Job,” for the magazine Appalachia. It was an opportunity for women to break into a line of work serving Pinkham Notch visitors, who used the various huts along the route of their hiking travel.

In 1944, Barbara was 22 and just graduated from college. Soon after, she was walking in a forested area with lakes and ponds when a shot rang out. Folks were target shooting, but that shot bounced off a can and traveled through Barbara’s body nearly taking her life, as it missed her heart by a quarter inch. The bullet could not be removed until the entry wound had healed. She was hospitalized for a week and recovered quickly. Little did she know that this experience would change her life.

One morning during recovery, after a night of dreams that gifted her with a deep sense of the beauty of the world, she was motivated to do something with her life by way of giving back to those around her. We who have been blessed to be amongst her friends, understand Barbara’s enormous generosity, love, and commitment to the service of others.

In her mid-twenties, Barbara married Elmer Richardson, a combat pilot in WWII and a business man afterwards. Elmer passed away in 1979. They raised four children: Barbie, Larry, Chrissie and Lovel. Barbie died in 1995 of lung cancer. There are 11 wonderful grandchildren who currently grace Barbara’s heart.

Following her beloved and most highly admired Eleanor Roosevelt’s advice that “It is better to light a candle than curse the darkness,” Barbara became a social worker, which included many years with the NH Division for Children, Youth and Families where she worked steadfastly to better the economic and social lives of New Hampshire families. This was followed by Barbara’s 18 years as a House Representative in the NH Legislature, where she never missed a day in all those years.

Representing Richmond and Fitzwilliam, and for two of those years the towns of Chesterfield, Hinsdale and

Winchester, Barbara was a tireless member of the state’s Children and Family Law Committee with a focus on difficult child-related problems stemming from juvenile delinquency, marriage problems and divorce with issues around custody and child support, and the problematic use of restraints in juvenile detention centers. Marilyn Mahoney (Chair of Child and Family Services’ NH Children’s Lobby) has stated this about Barbara:



Barbara Hull Richardson

“Barbara brought the same dedication, compassion and commitment she had as a DCYF worker to the legislative process. No matter how hot the controversy, she was always a calming, reasonable voice, asking always, “how does this affect children?” She may have been quiet, but she was persistent. She has never shied away from a fight, has always given everyone a fair chance to be heard, and, always fought for the needs of children and families.”

On May 20, 2011, The Voice for Children Award was enthusiastically given Barbara by Child and Family Services as part of a retirement party for her at the Upham-Walker House in Concord, celebrating her 18 years of incredible service in the House of Representatives. But this is not all. Barbara has lighted many more candles of service to others.

She has been a Hospice volunteer and will continue this important service to those who are suffering, many of whom are near death. She has become a certified Court Appointed Special Advocate (GAL/CASA). In addition, she has been a founding member of the Cheshire Housing Trust, a member of the board at the Meeting School in Rindge, an advisor to Casey Family Services, a member of the Lutheran Family Services Council as well a board member of the Keene Day Care Center. She is also an active member of the PACE (Public Action for Clean Elections) Board through which she will continue carrying on the legacy of Granny D’s work to get public funding for elections.

Barbara continues to share her thoughts on political issues, especially fair taxation that would adjust the proportion of taxable income so that it was spread fairly from low income to high income individuals, families and corporations. Barbara’s continued voice of common sense has always been an earmark of her fairness and commitment to the political process. She feels very deeply about carefully listening to and searching for the facts related to taxation and nuclear energy. She feels that people don’t understand that not fairly and proportionately

taxing corporations and the wealthy is a new form of genocide.

In the end, Barbara is guided by two important principles: (1) Be a positive influence through positive actions for everyone especially the disadvantaged and children; (2) In order to help others, one must also take care of oneself. As Barbara approaches her 89th birthday, let us pause and offer our love and appreciation to one who has lived her life lighting candles even in the darkest of times.

### Notes from the Selectmen's Office Selectboard

**Zoning Ordinance Review.** During July and August, the Selectmen, Planning Board, Board of Adjustment and members of the public met with Carol Ogilvie, planning consultant, to review Richmond's zoning ordinance. The meetings have produced a list of draft recommendations the Planning and Zoning Boards will continue to refine over the next few months. The draft recommendations can be reviewed in the Town Clerk's office. Watch the Planning Board agenda for future meetings on this important work.

**Capital Improvements Program (CIP).** The Planning Board notified all town departments to update their CIP plans for 2012-2017 by September 30, 2011. A capital improvements plan is essential to sound long-term financial planning for a municipality. While it can be time consuming, planning allows us to avoid spikes in spending on capital projects in any given year that could result in an excessive tax burden on taxpayers. All departments are expected to participate and submit a CIP plan that identifies future projects that require major building and/or

equipment expenditures.

**Fay Martin Bridge Replacement.** Following a very informative presentation by Nancy Mayville, Municipal Highways Engineer, Bureau of Planning and Community Assistance, NH Department of Transportation, the Selectmen received a letter from NHDOT enrolling the Town of Richmond in the State Bridge Aid program. The first step in the State's stringent guidelines is to post a request for qualifications (RFQ) for a consultant to provide bridge design services. Firms to be considered must demonstrate experience in bridge design and have a minimum of two licensed professional engineers on staff, one of whom shall be registered as a structural engineer. This RFQ will be posted in the next several weeks in area newspapers. If your firm is interested in presenting qualifications, please contact the Selectmen for more information, or wait for the notification in the newspaper. Once RFQs are received, the Selectmen will evaluate and rate them, and select the top rated firm. We will ask this firm to submit a fee proposal for services. When negotiations are concluded the contracted fee is submitted to NHDOT prior to execution so they can advise the town of any provisions or excess costs not qualifying for reimbursement through state bridge aid. The bridge design process commences when the contract is signed.

Each step in the municipally managed process is evaluated by NH DOT for cost and compliance. NH DOT will reimburse the town for 80% of the cost of the bridge design and construction in three installments, but the town is required to gross appropriate the entire amount for the bridge replacement. It very much benefits the town financially to pursue state aid. The cost may be higher to replace the bridge, but ultimately the town will pay for only 20% of those costs. An analysis of the state estimate indicates that the bridge will cost the town less than \$100,000, a cost that will be shared with the Saint Benedict's Center, per the final settlement court order. These numbers may change based on the final proposal for design and construction, but it will cost the town less than any other option. The town will pay all invoices for the work done, and will be reimbursed for 80% of those costs by the state.

We should have final estimates in time for Town Meeting 2012, so we can decide if we have to bond (borrow) to obtain the funds needed for the bridge replacement. Stay tuned for more information on this issue.

**Tax-Free Vehicle Fuel.** We are in the process of completing the paperwork to enable the town to purchase tax-free fuel for all its municipal vehicles. Three options will be available for town vehicles to refuel with diesel or gasoline: 1) the credit card that's been used in the past for refueling has been updated to automatically remove the taxes, 2) drivers and vehicles will be issued state cards to use for refueling at state depots, and 3) we now have monitored, tax-free diesel fuel at the town highway barn for refueling highway maintenance equipment and other municipal vehicles using diesel.

This initiative will result in savings for the town. While the paperwork to begin the process is labor intensive, it is already saving the town money.

**Delinquent Taxes.** The Tax Collector reported uncollected taxes of \$117,000 this year, up from the uncollected taxes of \$88,000 last year. Uncollected taxes increase the tax burden on

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all taxpayers. We understand that the slow economy has had a tremendous impact on our residents, but we encourage residents to talk with us or the tax collector about a reasonable payment plan.

**Town Office.** As you know, the Selectmen's office will undergo a renovation to increase space for the public and to make the space more efficient for staff, Selectmen and the public. You are welcome to drop by, review the plans, paint, move furniture or just chat. We will try to remain open during the construction phase this fall, but service may be interrupted some days. We'll post the renovation schedule as soon as we have one. This is very exciting for us - to be able to welcome the public in more comfortable surroundings, for staff and Selectmen to have space to organize our work and be more efficient, and to make your town office a more welcoming space

**Richmond Town Offices will be closed Monday, September 5, in observance of the Labor Day holiday.**

### From the Town Clerk's Office Annette Tokunaga

When life feels like you're working over-time with no benefits, it may feel like a challenge getting to the Richmond town clerk's office during our part-time hours. I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that motor vehicle renewals can be done through the mail. The process is as follows:

1. Call the office with the plate number(s) of the vehicle(s) that you want to register.
2. We will tell you what the cost will be..
3. Mail to the town clerk's office two checks, a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and a copy/copies of the registration(s) of the vehicle(s) you want to register. There can be no change in the information appearing on the expiring registration(s), except the color of the vehicle(s). If the color of your vehicle(s) has changed, please enclose a note informing us of that change.

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4. Your registration(s) will be processed the day we receive it/them in the mail and will be mailed no later than the following business day.

When renewing vehicle registrations by mail, the State of NH requires us to mail the renewed registrations to you. It is not possible for you to personally drop off the paperwork or to pick it up at the office. For this reason, please take into consideration the time it will take for the postal service to deliver the mail in both directions and do not wait until the last couple of days before the expiration date of your registration(s) to mail us your paperwork.

When you do come to the office to renew vehicle registrations, please remember that you must bring the original expiring or expired registration. We cannot accept copies of registrations when renewing registrations in the office.

Transfer station (dump) stickers for the period October 1, 2011, through Sept 30, 2012, are now available and for sale at the office. If you have a blue transfer station sticker, it expires on September 30, 2011. The cost for the first sticker is \$20 and each additional sticker for the same household is \$1.

The office will be closed on September 5, 2011, in observance of Labor Day. Because the office is regularly closed on Tuesday, office hours for that week will be Wednesday from 9-noon and 1-5 and Thursday from 9-noon.

Your questions and concerns are always welcome. The office phone number is 239-6202.

### Park Committee Marcus Beauregard

Well it took me a little while to get things started but I did, with some help from my friends. On Saturday morning, July 23, Peter Majoy, Russell Provost, John Boccalini and I enjoyed four hours of humor, jokes, and plenty of

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B.S. while applying a coat of oil preservative on the walls of the pavilion. We used approximately four gallons. Thanks guys!

I talked to Ed Atkins about the location of the horseshoe pits and he said okay. I have since bought six pins and some lumber for the horseshoe pits, with the help of Hank Hallas who got the directions on how to build the pits. On July 30 I built the first set of pits. With some help from Kim Mattson we shoveled sand into the boxes. On the following weekend Hank and I built the second set of pits. It was a lot of work but worth it in the end. We kept everything to tournament rules (both pits). Before we left, Hank said "Let's play a game, hey that's why we're here." Needless to say, I lost 21 to 7. I need to practice.

The horseshoe pits are for the residents of Richmond to use. Eventually there will be a fence that will go around the pits. The house rules will be tournament rules, which everybody understands. I have also been working on the basketball court. I cut down the old hoops, and new ones will be installed soon. That's after a coat of paint on the backboards and straightening the poles. There have been others who helped out, like Hugh VanBroeklin who mows the field and around the pavilion. Darrold has been doing some trimming and weeding around the buildings. I have been cutting out young trees so people can keep an eye on their children while playing on the jungle gym. There is still much more to do, but it'll take time.

I do want to caution you that in the field near the first base line there are holes in the ground. Please stay away from that area. It is marked with branches.

As you can see there are many folks who put a little bit of their time into the park pavilion so that all of us can enjoy it. I can't do it alone. If you would like to volunteer give me a call, 239-8483.

**Agricultural Commission News**

**Teresa Majoy**

Richmond's Agricultural Commission has had two meetings this summer. During the first meeting we selected officers and alternates and set some short term goals. These include having a plant and produce swap at the Brown Baggin' on August 13. During the Brown Baggin' we will be available to meet and greet community members and we will distribute a short survey to determine how the commission can best serve our town. We also plan to collect and organize agricultural resources for shar-

ing. Our second meeting was devoted to planning for the success of these goals. We look forward to incorporating your ideas and suggestions into our goals and work.

**Things From the District  
September 2011**

**Neil Moriarty**

**District Goals – Cost Per Pupil.** Our School Board officially adopted the new district goals (see on SAU 93 web site) at the Roxbury meeting. As previously mentioned, this includes a goal of getting to the state average per pupil cost of \$12,214, down from our current \$15,908. Before the ink was dry we had an immediate start to "moderate" this goal to the local area district average of \$13,219. CONVAL and Keene are also looking at their high costs. Keene announced the closing of an elementary school as I am writing this. We have to live within our means. We have to recognize the constant reduction in the number of students within MRSD – our student population has fallen for the last 14 years and is forecasted to continue to fall. We will be 31% smaller in 2015 than we were at our peak. Yes, there are costs that rise with inflation regardless of population: building maintenance, heating oil, and transportation, to name a few. However, the real cost driver within MRSD is salaries and corresponding benefits. While about 70 percent of our property tax dollars go up the street to MRSD; 70 percent of the MRSD's costs are salaries and benefits. We cannot afford to run classes for just a few students. We cannot afford administrators for only a couple of hundred students. Nurses at the high school building serviced 649 students each; in 2012, those nurses will serve only 454 each. We need a good cost effective second year on the One Teacher for Three Aides in 2012-2013.

**Cost Per Pupil (CPP) MRSD Premium** It is not like we get something for our \$3,700 CPP premium. We are on probation from NEASC (New England Association of Schools and Colleges), our student dropout rate is about 10%, and our schools are on, or were on, the watch list from No child Left Behind.

**Local Government Center (LGC) Over Charges \$100 Million for Health Insurance – Are We Impacted?** Type LGC Overcharge in Google to see more. The district does purchase health insurance through LGC. This is a serious charge and a serious amount of money. The Bureau of Securities Regulation says LGC owes \$100 Million to cities and towns and school districts. In a nutshell, LGC kept health insurance money back from cities, towns, and school districts (some news articles do

not mention school districts – but it is the same pool of money) to discount its premiums on Workman's Compensation Insurance. While they justify this move as proper and what their customers wanted—the customer did not know anything about this! It is another example of a public office (quasi public in this case) holding back information. Only 152 days until the MRSD Deliberative session – where you get to stop people from adding \$918,000 that your elected officials did not ask for.

If you have concerns, questions, or comments, please feel free to contact me at 239- 4031. Jim Carnie will be glad to address any district concerns you have at 239-4948.

**International Children's Day**

**Marie Juhlin**

On July 9, 2011, the Veteran's Hall was alive with children in celebration of International Children's Day. Each summer, our libraries sponsor a reading program; this summer, we celebrate those customs, languages, and traditions of countries which may be different than ours. In the final analysis, children are children who all enjoy having fun.



Children at play in Veteran's Hall in celebration of International Children's Day.

**Library News**

**Wendy O'Brien**

**Storytimes**

Wednesdays with Wendy continue at 10 a.m. throughout the fall. Come enjoy theme stories, a craft, and a small snack.

**Reading with Kodah & Louie**

We have tentatively planned a visit with Kodah and Louie for September 10 at 11 a.m. Please drop by or call the library to confirm the date and time. Kodah and Louie are volunteers for Monadnock Therapy Pets. They offer gentle listening ears for children just learning to read or who wish to be more confident in their reading. Come by for a story or just a pat-no reservations needed!

**Air Conditioning!**

Thanks to the donors to our Building Renovation Fund we now have air conditioning! This is wonderful, not only for the patrons, volunteers, and staff, but is good for the books and computers too! Thank you all for your donations, and special thanks to Bob and Jan Weekes for installing them.

**Ongoing Booksale**

We have an ongoing indoor book sale that will feature different types of books each month. This month we are featuring Romance novels and Mystery/Crime. Stop by and take a look—our volunteers have been busy alphabetizing by author so you can quickly find what you are looking for. Paperbacks are \$0.50 and hardcovers are \$1.00. We hope to see you!

**Richmond Rescue**

**Terri O'Rorke**

Have you ever burned yourself with hot water while cooking then immediately stuck your hand or fingers under cold running water? Try this trick next time it unfortunately happens. Have a bag of flour readily available for that burned hand to be placed into and leave your hand inside the bag for a good 10 minutes. You should experience no pain, no blister(s) and no redness! If that bag of flour is kept in the refrigerator, good! Cold flour feels even better than room temperature flour!

**Greetings from  
Concord**

**Representative  
Richard J. Dwinell**

On June 22nd the NH House voted to override Governor Lynch's veto concerning the state budget. This is the first time the governor's veto has been overridden since his term of office started. In order to override

his veto a 2/3 house majority vote was needed.

Governor Lynch presented his budget to the house in February. I felt that it didn't make enough spending cuts to rectify our budget and revenue gaps that have been in existence for the past four years. My platform for running for state representative was to cut taxes and rein in state spending to match the revenues that the state receives on a monthly basis. Whereas the house for the last four years would first pass the state budget then realize that there wasn't enough revenue being generated to pay for the budget. Hence surtaxes were added onto vehicle registrations, lottery winnings, birth certificates and marriage licenses to help make up the missing revenues.

I know that the budget makes the Republicans look like villains but the state has to learn to live within its

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means, as any household should. And furthermore we inherited a major deficit as the previous house members refused to live within the state's monetary means.

"We shouldn't spend money that we don't have!"

Sincerely,

Representative Richard J. Dwinell

Representing District Cheshire #5, Fitzwilliam & Richmond

**Editors Note  
John Bocalini**

The Rooster is starting a new feature (space permitting), 20 Years Ago, which will contain an article from the corresponding month's Rooster of 20 years ago.

Corrections to the August 2011 Rooster:

Page 1. The photo of Jed Butterfield should be credited to Michael Moore of the Keene Sentinel.

Page 12. The author of the Relay for Life was Pete Majoy and not a reprint from the Keene Sentinel. The credit for the photo was Steve Hooper (not Michael Moore) of the Keene Sentinel.

Page 13. The Selectmen's minutes of June 13 in the August 2011 issue of the Rooster refers to a Bruce Farlow — his name is Bruce Barlow.

Correction to the Richmond Phone Directory.

Please note the following addition to the Phone Directory.

John D. Wahl (Danny) - 239-7200.

**20 Years Ago  
Pavilion Update  
Bud Jacobson**

*(Reprint from September 1991 issue of The Richmond Rooster)*

The Pavilion is finished and there is a long list of companies, organizations, and individuals to thank. Starting from the ground up, the 400 yards of fill were donated by Eddy and Eunice Martin, Joe and Betty Davis, and Lee Robbins, Chancy Gilman, and Dana Taylor.

The hauling and shaping of the pad was done in one day by Leonard Lawrence Excavating of Winchester. The concrete slab was formed, poured and finished by Dan Firmin, a contractor from Troy, assisted by Harold Raitto, a Fitzwilliam mason.

The Pavilion was designed by Robert Yantiss, a Richmond builder. The lumber was sawn right here in town by Swanson's Lumber on Sprague Road. Finally, the wiring was done by

Wagstaff Electric, Athol Road, Richmond.

All of the above work was done either totally free or at material cost by the above mentioned civic minded companies and individuals, some from Richmond, some not. All of these people are honest, competent and care about Richmond. If you need work done, give these people a shot at it. We don't think you could do much better. The money for materials was raised by several groups and individuals. We wish to thank Shir-Roy Campground, The Richmond Senior Citizens, The Richmond Youth Group, The 4 Corner Store's to the Border and Back Road Race, The Richmond Volunteer Fire Company, Dorothy Gustin's Quilts, Norma Blair and Lloyd Goodnow for their donation of goods, time and money in fundraising activities.

Individuals gave freely, large and small. In order to respect those who wished to remain anonymous, we will not name you nor the amounts you gave. You have our thanks. Many individuals worked the actual construction. We thank Bob Weekes, Gary Zitta, Ed Sylvester, Shawn Torrey, Lee Robbins, Joe Amato, Joe Kellogg, Terry Haskins, Bill Holman, Norm Berube, Dana Flanders, John Fitzpatrick, Buzz Shaw, George Blais, Bob Van Brocklin, Dave Wagstaff, Bob Yantiss, and Carl Becklo from Richmond. Our Thanks go also to Dan Simmington of Royalston Mass., Jay Perry of Beverly, Mass., Richard Burns and Bert Dunton of Fitzwilliam and to Ray Perry of Swanzey. If we have omitted any groups or individuals our apologies and our thanks.

The success of the Pavilion project says a great deal about community spirit and volunteering, about seeing something that needs doing and sharing the load while getting it done. There was much laughter along with the sweat that went into this structure. Richmond is a great town to live in.

Our thanks to all who donated their time, equipment and money.

Bud Jacobson, Joe Thibodeau, Lew Whittum

**Smoke and Mirrors  
Russ Provost**

Who loses? Contrary to what our state representative wrote, the New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute estimates the state will lose between 14 and 30 million dollars due to the reduction of the state tax on tobacco. The spokesman for the American Cancer Society predicts a 14 million dollar loss.

Who gains? The tobacco companies. They increased their prices to match the decrease in tax.

**Out and About  
John Bocalini**

**Sept. 2, 8:30 p.m.** Murphy's Blues, Blues Rock, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 3 - 4, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.** each day, Betsy's 2011 Yard Sale for a Cure, Part Deux! Rain or Shine! 79 Winchester Road, Richmond, NH.

**Sept. 3-4, 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.** Horse Drawn History Stonewall Farm, 242 Chesterfield Rd., Keene.

**Sept. 3-4, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Art in the Park: An outdoor exhibit of fine art by over 80 regional artists at Ashuelot River Park, in Keene.

**Sept. 3, 8 p.m.** Purlly Gates, Traditional folk/country, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 8, 7 p.m.** Religious Freedom Then and Now by Richard Hesse; Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge.

**Sept. 9, 9 p.m.** DJ MR FROST, Dubstep, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept.10, 8:30 p.m.** Barebones. Original music drawing from Rock Funk Honkytonk Jazz & Swing, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 10, 10 a.m.** United Commercial Travelers: Flagpole re-dedication and memorial service. Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge.

**Sept. 11, 11:30 a.m.** New England Lions and Lionesses Annual Service, Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge.

**Sept. 14, 2011 8 p.m.** Wed. - Sat., 4 p.m. Sun., The Lady With All the Answers. Laugh along with Ann Landers, America's favorite advice columnist. Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough.

**Sept. 17, 8:30 p.m.** Blackjack Crossing, Folk, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 17, 2011, 10 a.m.** Loyal Order of the Moose Annual Service: Cathedral of the Pines Rindge.

**Sept. 17, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.** Ultimate Harvest Challenge, Stonewall Farm, 242 Chesterfield Rd, Keene. This promises to be a fun day for both spectators and participants. Participants must pre-register to compete in this event. Please see Stonewall Farms online. FREE.

**Sept. 18,** Peace Day Celebration: Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge.

**Sept. 23, 8:30 p.m.** The Olympic Symphonium Folk Pop, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 24, 8 p.m.** Luther Guitar Jr Johnson, Legendary blues, played with Muddy Waters, Magic Sam, Rolling Stones. Playing with trio. Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Sept. 25,** World Animal Day/Pet Adoption: Cathedral of the Pines, Rindge. Annual Blessing of the Animals: this event is for

your pets. Bring them to the St. Francis Garden Chapel to be blessed. 3:00 p.m.

**Sept. 30, 9 p.m.** DJ MR FROST, Fitzwilliam Inn.

**Through September 24** A major exhibit highlighting the founding and development of Keene's Markem Corporation. Town: Keene; Historical Society of Cheshire County.

**Sept. 1-11, 8 p.m. Wed. - Sat., 4 p.m.** Measure for Measure: William Shakespeare's black comedy tingles with intrigue in a story of love, lust, and politics. No Monday performance. Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Rd., Peterborough.

**Fri - Sat. 11a.m-4 p.m. Sept. 1-3** Wyman Tavern Museum, 339 Main St., Keene. A beautifully restored Revolutionary War-era period house museum. Admission is \$3 per person, free for Historical Society of Cheshire County members.

**Every Monday** Contra Dancing 8 p.m. Variety of excellent callers and musicians. Donation: \$3. Town: Nelson, NH Town Hall.

**Every Tuesday** Tuesday Night Pizza & Karaoke 8-11: p.m. CJ the DJ Ed's Crossroads Pizza & Subs. Crossroads of Routes 12 & 119, Fitzwilliam, NH.

**Every Wednesday, 9:30-11 p.m.** Open Mic Night - Acoustic only please. Harlow's Pub.

**Every Thursday**

**7-10 p.m.** Open Mic Night. Cheshire Tavern at the Fitzwilliam, NH. Come sing, play, read a poem, or listen by the fire in the Tavern.

**9 p.m. -1 a.m.** CJ the DJ Grumpy Don's Sports Bar and Restaurant in Hillsboro.

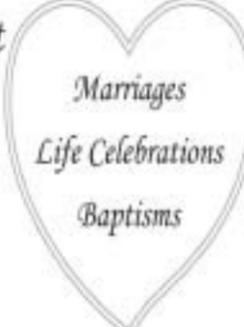
**Northern Stone  
Grant Love**

There is a local rock band that can claim Richmond as its town of origin; a barn on Bullock Road to be precise. With humble beginnings in June of 2008, Northern Stone (originally called Convergence) has stayed pretty busy on the local scene, playing both private gigs and at some of the bars and clubs in the Monadnock Region an average of once or twice per month.

That's not bad considering three of the four members are family men with careers in education, teachers at Conant High School in Jaffrey. Mike Rowland teaches science, plays guitar, and sings, as does Brock Lambert. Grant Love (who lives in Richmond) teaches English, plays bass, does a little singing, and writes the majority of the lyrics for their original music. Mike Jackman, a Conant graduate, completes the band behind the drums.

One of the strengths of Northern Stone is that they

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offer a little something for just about everyone. The band cites a wide variety of influences, from the '60s all the way to today, from popular music to the obscure. As such, the four members create a rather unique sound when their talents mesh together. Rowland even described the music first as "Northern Rock," probably in part a nod to his love of Southern Rock, and part acknowledgment that Northern Stone has created something that's all their own.

A typical show with these guys is a fun-loving party. Blending a wide range of well known songs, they cover acts such as The Rolling Stones, Skynyrd, the Cure, U2, the Beatles, Neon Trees, and Kings of Leon. Most shows have the crowd on the dance floor, with all who are willing invited to join the revelry.

In addition to their covers (a list can be found at their website, [www.northernstone.net](http://www.northernstone.net)), Northern Stone writes their own music. So far, they have recorded an EP called Crank, and are working on additional material. Response has been positive to their original effort, especially songs such as "Break" and "Lemonade."

So far the band has played a variety of venues in the Richmond area. They have played the Fitzwilliam Inn a number of times, as well as The Shattuck and the Legion in Jaffrey. Recently they have branched out to Peterborough at the bowling alley, and on July 30th they made their debut at Gino's in Keene. For upcoming shows they are scheduled to play at Waxy O'Connor's in Keene (at the Best Western) on September 24th, and expect to make a return visit to the Keene Pumpkin Festival, where they made an appearance last year.

If you like rock music and a good time, then Northern Stone might be the band for you. Check them out some time. You can follow them on Facebook, and they update their website with upcoming shows and events pretty regularly. Hear for yourself what Northern Rock is all about.

**Questions**

**Neil Moriarty**

(taken from online site: [Douglas.nv.us](http://Douglas.nv.us))

1. Who elects Congress?
2. How many senators are there in Congress
3. Can you name the two senators from your state?
4. For how long do we elect each senator?
5. How many representatives are there in Congress?
6. For how long do we elect the representatives?
7. What is the executive branch of our government?
8. What is the judiciary branch of our government?

9. What are the duties of the Supreme Court?
10. What is the supreme law of the United States?

Answers

1. The people
2. 100
3. Honorable Jeanne Sheehen (democrat), Honorable Kelly Ayotte (republican)
4. Six years
5. 435
6. Two years
7. The president, cabinet and departments under the cabinet members (like the Department of Transportation under Ray Lahood)
8. The Supreme Court
9. To interpret laws
10. The Constitution

**Quotable Quote**

**Terri O'Rorke**

Where is there dignity, unless there is honesty?

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**Betsy's 2011 Yard Sale**

**Betsy Pearsall**

What: Betsy's 2011 Yard Sale for a Cure, Part Deux!

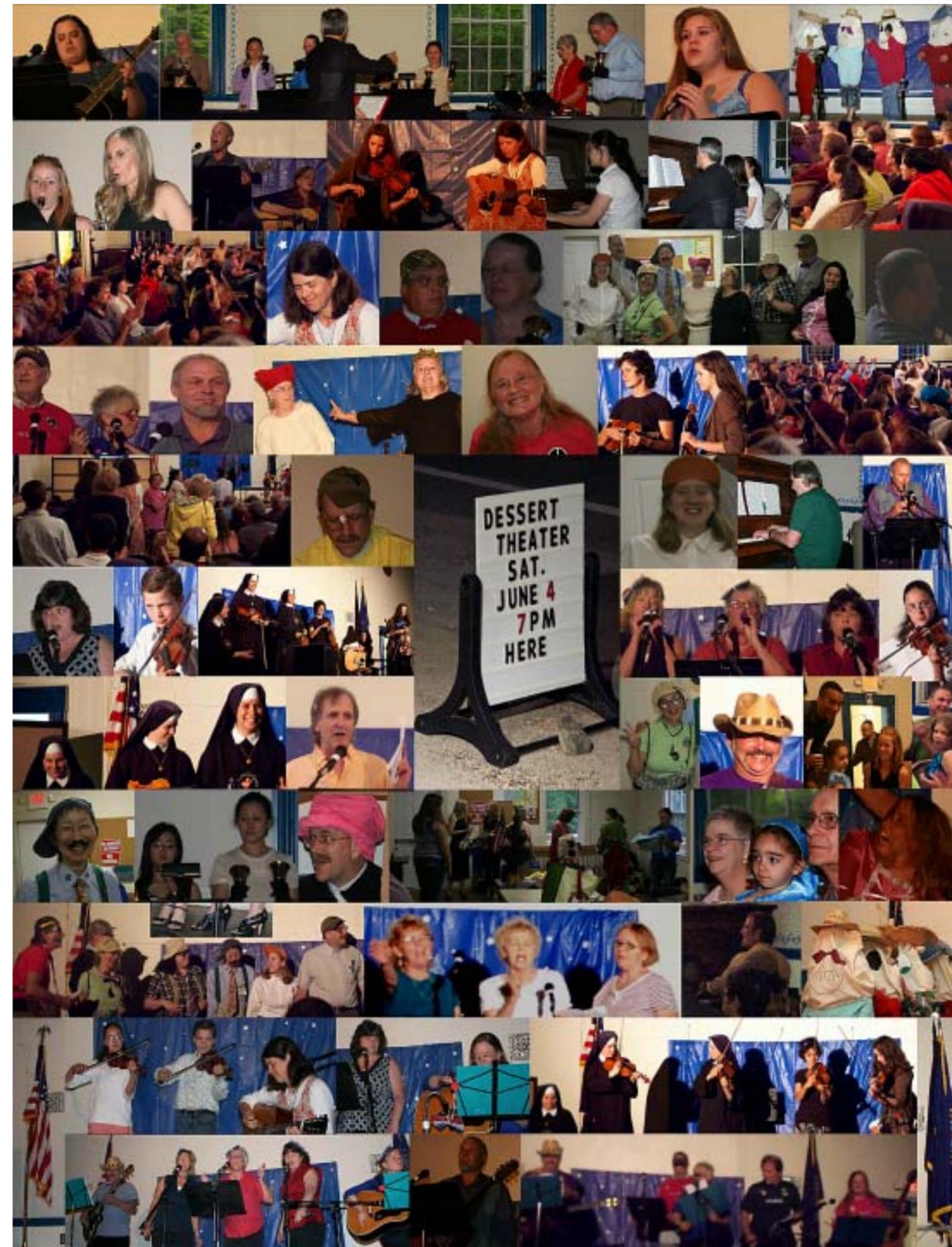
Where: 79 Winchester Road, Richmond, NH.

When: September 3 & 4, 2011. 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. each day, rain or shine!

Why: For the past five years, I have walked in the "Susan G Komen 3Day for the Cure" Breast Cancer walks in Seattle, Boston, Washington, DC, Dallas and San Diego. This November 9, 10 and 11, I will be walking in Phoenix, AZ. On September 3rd & 4th, I will be holding the second half of our Fundraising Yard Sale. This is the only organized community event that I use for my fundraising.

I would greatly appreciate your support. Please stop by to say hello and browse through the yard sale! Come Early for a cup of coffee and a doughnut! All monies raised through this effort will go directly toward my minimum fundraising goal of \$2300. This is the amount I must raise in order to participate in the walk. Many of you stopped by to browse, and made some very generous donations. For this I am extremely grateful.

In the spirit of full disclosure, I need to inform those who may have questions, that no monies raised through my efforts support my personal travel when I do these walks. Any personal expenses that are incurred in order to take part in these walks



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are just that, my personal responsibility. All funds raised are sent directly to the Susan G Komen 3 Day in Dallas, Texas.

I look forward to seeing you all there! I am accepting any and all donations of saleable goods (no clothing, please!) that you would care to donate to this effort. If you would like more information please feel free to contact me at 239-7478 or parallax@ne.rr.com . If you would care to donate directly to my efforts, please go to my website at www.the3day.org/goto/betsynh.

### It's All In The Family Michelle Connor

According to a study by the University of Southern Maine's Institute for Family-Owned Businesses, almost 35% of Fortune 500 companies are family controlled. Family businesses account for 50% of U.S. gross domestic product and they generate 50% of the country's employment and 78% of all new job creation! Although these are impressive statistics the failure rate of family owned business is still high.

Family owned businesses face the same challenges as all businesses, studies show that three underlying causes of failure for family businesses are 1) unresolved conflict both inside and outside the business, 2) failed leadership of the business, and 3) a lack of shared and defined goals on a personal, family, and business level.

The 3 "components" for building a strong foundation for a successful family business are:

- Clear communication
- Well defined reporting structure
- Documented strategic plan for business growth and orderly succession

The following is an outline for your road map for the success of a family business:

1. Build Communication with all the family members: Excellent communication is essential to the success of any business as well as to the success of any family. Such communication is harder to establish in a family business because of the emotive factors that exist outside of the business and the established roles of the business partners that also may exist outside of the business.

Begin with a Team Meeting Rhythm. Meet on a regularly scheduled basis with a defined agenda and a disciplined process for follow up after each meeting. Place items on your agenda that will generate discussion about the profitability of the business. Allow all attendees to express their ideas freely and learn how to objectively communicate with each other. The agenda should include key issues such as expense items and marketing strategies. Discussing specific expenses and revenues that impact the bottom line is important and can change a culture from one based on emotive factors to one focused on the goals and measurements that determine the success or failure of your business.

2. A well defined reporting structure - a chain of command: It is important to objectively identify who is best qualified and suited to the right positions in your business. The "patriarch" or founder may or may not be the best suited to manage the business on a daily basis. What is the optimum organizational structure for your business and what are the gaps in your current structure? Who is the best suited for sales and marketing? Do you have job descriptions that identify the key responsibilities for each position and the skills required to execute the job functions?

In a Family Owned Business the most challenging step may be to insist on a culture of accountability. It is difficult establish the accountability required for success. Your Mom or Dad may be the boss of the house but may not be the right one to be the president of the company. In some family businesses, they establish a "Family Advisory Council" which acts as an advisory board to which management reported. This initiates the culture of accountability that allows them to move forward at a critical phase in the business.

3. A documented Strategic Plan for business growth and success and orderly succession: As you are improving objective communication and determining the organizational structure, you need to be developing a Strategic Plan that will define your short and long term business goals and will get everyone on the same page so the road-map for success is known. The Strategic Plan is designed to be reviewed every quarter and the quarterly goals are updated during this review process. It then becomes

very clear what the immediate goals are, what are the expected timelines, and how will progress be measured. All of the owners should be part of the Strategic Planning process, then the Plan should be deployed, as appropriate, throughout the organization.

As in any business, the most successful exit strategies are the result of careful and disciplined planning. As you are building your team and growing your business, an integral part of working on your business is to plan for future succession and exit strategies. In a family business these issues should be addressed as part of your overall Strategic Plan.

### Herbal Thoughts Judith M. Graves

My thoughts on herbs and what they have meant in my life go back most of my adult days. While bringing up my children I ran an antique shop out of my home; later one of those rooms became the Country Mouse Christian Day School for nine years, where many of the town's 5 year olds came to kindergarten. Later I went out to teach when Cory our youngest son was 4. Then I retired from teaching which had involved 22 years of my life, and felt that I now had the time for what for years had been my passion and that was to start herb gardens.

My library collection was stuffed with all sorts of herb books. I had friends who were herbalists that I learned a lot from, and it was time for me to be able to pursue my long passion and step out and become an herbalist on my own.

My first garden was to be a kitchen garden and it was going to have 7 herbs in it. I was going to learn everything there was to know about those 7 herbs and so it began. Well, needless to say that when it was known that I was starting herbs everyone had some to divide and in my first year I had 32 herbs to settle into gardens. There went my best laid plans!

So with 32 herbs to learn about in the first year I never did learn everything or close to what they were all about ever. It is an ongoing learning process still, and the challenges just keep coming.

The kitchen herb garden was first, then came a dying garden, a thyme garden, medicinal garden, and in the next 7-8 years there were 23 herb gardens around our home. WOW, it was such fun. I enjoyed the ability to share with others, did garden teas, greeted bus tours, held Victorian Teas in the gardens (even had a violinist), held meetings in the gardens, taught gardeners, even served luncheon in the gardens, and gave classes on herbal crafts. It was so much fun.

Then the herbs became overgrown and needed to have things made with them, drying them for bouquets, cooking with

them, separated and shared out, and so an herbal business was born called Lambs & Thyme in 1989.

At the time of naming the business I had sheep, thus lambs, and time after retiring from teaching and it turned into a lot of thyme. So Lambs & Thyme was born, it went on for over 20 years and grew into a very nice business. The business was sold in January of '09 and it continues on with its new owner to this day.

I have so many memories of my herbal travels and all of them are funny, knowledgeable, great friends, and regret not one thing. I shared with others who also grew their business', and many who enjoyed the journey along with me. I studied and became a speaker for the Herb Society of America for the east coast and did much speaking to garden clubs, business', herb societies, and ladies groups over the last many years. I still do a lot of speaking, sharing out the knowledge that I have learned with others and hope to continue to do this for many years.

Here I would like to share some herbal thoughts with you. My hope is that you will explore the world of herbs and see how they can fit into your lifestyle. You may not start a business like I did, or speak to groups, but you can learn what our forefathers valued herbs for and why, how to cook with them to make your everyday dishes become gourmet, and if nothing else grow them for your own pleasure. The bees, butterflies that flit on them, the fragrance as you rub your hand over them is enough to grow them for yourself.

One of my favorite parts of growing herbs is learning the folklore that went along with each herb. Here is one that I hope you will enjoy as I end my herbal thoughts.

HOW THE PANSY LOST ITS SCENT: Once upon a time, pansies had a distinctive strong fragrance, and people came from miles just to smell the flower. But by doing this the people destroyed the grass around the pansy, which in turn left no food for grazing cattle. The pansy prayed for assistance, and their scent was removed though they were compensated with great beauty.

CINDERELLA AND THE PANSY: When you look at a pansy it has 5 petals on the flower. The lower one is fully colored and so pretty, that represents the step mother's dress in the Cinderella Story, the next two petals are colored but not quite as bright and they represent the dresses on the step-sisters. The top two petals are not colored at all and represent Cinderella who had a plain dress.

TRUTH: The pansy means Happy Thoughts! Top one on a dollop of whipped cream on your next dessert and tell your guests that Happy Thoughts is what you wish for them. The pansy is an edible flower, just add them to your

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salad, or candy them by painting the petals with beaten egg white, sprinkle sugar over them and allow them to dry on wax paper. When dry, store them to add to your cakes and cupcakes later on. Happy Herbing.... Judith

**EMT Course in Fitzwilliam  
Richmond Rescue Squad**

There will be an EMT Basic course beginning on Monday, Sept. 12, in Fitzwilliam. The course will be taught by Nancy Carney and will run from 6-10 p.m. Volunteer EMTs are always needed not only in Fitzwilliam but here in Richmond, Winchester and other surrounding towns. Think you might be interested? If so, call Terri O'Rorke 239-4595 or Buzz Shaw 239-4238 to have any questions answered.

Not sure if becoming an EMT is your thing? How about becoming a "First Responder?" If enough interest is shown a 40 hour course will be offered in the fall. Again, questions? Call Terri or Buzz and come aboard!

**Scary Music from Scary Films  
Frank Behrens**

In the past, I have reported on several Marco Polo and Naxos CDs that contained incidental music from the memorable monster films of the 1930s and 1940s (with a few more recent efforts). Composed mostly by Europeans who found their homelands less than politically congenial, these scores were far above the quality of the films and still deserve hearing on their own. Now Naxos has gathered six of them into a box set titled "Monster Music."

While Max Steiner (1888-1971) gained fame for his score to "Gone With the Wind," he did notable work for at least three horror films. "King Kong, Complete 1933 Film Score" on its own CD answers the question of how does one bring a symphony orchestra onto a jungle island. (Start with drums and sneak the rest in!) "The Son of Kong" and "The Most Dangerous Game" share a disc.

Hans J. Salter (1896-1994) and Paul Desseau (1894-1979) collaborated on "House of Frankenstein, Complete Score 1944." Being "complete," it includes several musical moments lasting only a few seconds. On the CD "Monster Music," 9 selections from "Son of Frankenstein" by Frank Skinner (1897-1968) open the program. Then some short selections from Skinner and Salter's scores for "The Invisible Man Returns" and "The Wolf Man" are heard.

So far, all of these scores were reconstructed from the film

studio archives and played by the Moscow Symphony Orchestra, conducted by William Stromberg.

"Curse of the Werewolf and Other Film Music by Benjamin Frankel" introduces a new composer. Frankel (1906-1973) is represented by the not too bad werewolf film with Oliver Reed, a medley from "So Long at the Fair" (a good mystery but not a horror film), a theme from "The Net," and 11 selections from the political "The Prisoner" with Alec Guinness. Here Carl Davis conducts the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra.

Some really weird modern horror music is found in "Bram Stoker's Dracula and Other Film Music," which spotlights selections from Wojciech Kilar's scores for the title film, "Koenig der letzten Tage," "Death and the Maiden," and "Pearl in the Crown." The Polish National Radio Symphony Orchestra is conducted by Antoni Wit.

The program notes for all of Naxos sets are excellent. And having seen these films will one help appreciate the scores all the more.

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes**

**July 11, 2011 Time: 7:00 p.m.**

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau  
Read mail and signed checks.

Fire Chief Mike Pearsall and Assistant Ed Atkins addressed the Board and answered some questions that the Board had. There was discussion about the internet connection in the fire/police department and the possibility of the RERP grant paying for the whole cost. Options for providing alternative internet service were discussed. The town's Emergency Response Plan was discussed and there is a copy in the Town Hall and Bob Coy will write an article for the Rooster.

Also discussed were the various uses of the CD building. Bob's recommendation is that it stays the Emergency Management command center.

Bob also informed the Board that the town will be hosting the Vt. Yankee quarterly meeting of the area Emergency Management Directors. They will tentatively meet at the Veteran's hall on July 20th.

The Board talked to Bob Coy about where the Vt. Yankee evacuation zone is. It is the whole town.

Dale Randall addressed the Board with an application for a building permit for M405 -L007 for a deck. Zoning/compliance officer Matt Drew was also present so he can learn the building permit process. Building permit # 2011-007 was approved.

John Randall addressed the Board with an application for a building permit for M405-L110 for a shed. Building Permit # 2011-008 was approved.

Peter Majoy addressed the Board with an application to rent the Veteran's Hall to hold an informational forum on the closure and cleanup of Vt. Yankee. The Board approved the rental application.

Marcus Beauregard addressed the Board and discussed the plans for the park and what needs to be done, such as holes filled in on the baseball field.

Sandra made a motion to amend the June 27 minutes regarding the abatement approval for Carl Becklo. The minutes reflect L026 and it should be L006. JC seconded it. Motion carried.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

**July 18, 2011 Time: 7:00 p.m.**

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Lori Scanlan

Read mail and signed checks.

Steve Boscarino, tax collector, addressed the Board with a report of outstanding taxes to still be collected. As of now there are 458 parcels for a total of \$ 586,040.18 outstanding for 2011 billing. Also, Core Logic, a mortgage escrow company, is now issuing ACH credit for taxes so the town will be establishing that agreement to accept tax payments through the bank. Steve would like set up payment online for tax payments and he will contact the company that will help establish this.

There was an inspection made by Bill Cote, Local Government Center insurance representative, at Cass Pond public beach area. There needs to be more signage added that states "Swim at your own risk/ No life-guard on duty" and also that states where the nearest public phone is. Roberta will order the signs and the beach committee will hang them. The water will also be tested by the State of NH DES.

The Board discussed various issues, such as whether to consider changing assessing companies, etc.

Sandra made a motion to reimburse mileage at the same rate as the federal government, which is 55 cent a mile. JC seconded it. Motion carried.

Sandra met with the library trustees to discuss the archive project that Norma Thibodeau has proposed. Norma is recommending a building for the archives. There was much discussion about what could be done and who has the responsibility of maintaining the archives and what there is for archives.

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There is a meeting for the VT Yankee Emergency Management Directors on July 20th at the Veteran's Hall at 6:00 p.m. Bob Coy has requested that a selectman attend and Lori will attend the meeting.

Steve Filipi, a Fitzwilliam resident, addressed the Board regarding a property that is for sale in Richmond. The potential buyer would like to build a new house on the property and demolish the existing house that is there after the new house is built. Steve also addressed the Board to discuss the usage of the Fay Martin bridge. JC informed him that the existing bridge has a 10 ton limit and that a bailey bridge or the equivalent will have to be constructed to support the weight of his construction vehicles. The Board will require a formal agreement stating specifications and installation/removal dates of the bridge.

Steve will create a proposal and bring it back to the Board.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**July 25, 2011 Time: 7:15 p.m.**

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Lori Scanlan

Read mail and signed checks.

The Board attended a meeting with Nancy Mayville from the State of NH DOT

The Board held a discussion with Darrold Tanner, maintenance man/groundskeeper, and discussed his compensation and the hours he is working and what projects he is working on.

Darrold will create a list of tasks and what the expected hours are for the rest of the year.

The Board discussed the status of the budget and looked at each department's budget. The Board also discussed various other issues, such as the mapping project Bev is working on and the current use file update.

Chief Andrew Wood addressed the Board and went into non public session per 91-A:3 (I).

Lori made a motion to enter non public per 91-A:3 (I) Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

Entered at 8:30 p.m. Public session was reconvened at 9:00 p.m.

Chief Wood discussed a new phone system he would like to use, a computer based service. He will put a proposal together and bring it back to the Board.

Lori made a motion to enter non public per 91-A:3 (A) Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

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# 14 Selectmen's Minutes

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Entered at 9:10 p.m. Reconvened at 9:20 p.m. JC made a motion to seal both sets of non-public minutes. Lori seconded it. Motion carried.

Timber tax levies are signed for M407-L5,403,L3, 412,L55, 405,L109, 402L001, 403,L009.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

### August 01, 2011 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Lori Scanlan  
Read mail and signed checks.

Robert Hadley addressed the Board regarding property his father owns at 275 Fish Hatchery Road. His father would like to put an additional mobile home on the property for guests. The Board informed him that only one abode is allowed on a parcel. Mr. Hadley then thought maybe his father could replace the existing mobile home with a double wide and he left with a building permit application.

Darold Tanner addressed the Board and gave them a list of grounds maintenance that he foresees need to be done for the rest of the year. He also included suggested rates for each job. The Board discussed Darold's proposal and then okayed his rates and each job.

Dorothy Zug and Frank Bateman addressed the Board and discussed Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Zug explained what the mission of Habitat for Humanity is and what the organization contributes to the community. They were meeting with the Board tonight to inquire about any Town owned land that may be available or any builders that may have land available to donate/sell. The Board discussed land that may become available at some time. Dick Drew explained that the planning board is compiling a list of town-owned land and it will be ready sometime in the fall. Ms. Zug and Mr. Bateman thanked the Board for their time and they will be in touch in the future.

Pam Bielunis and Pat Vetre addressed the Board regarding 17 Morgan Rd. Ms. Vetre lives at the address but her niece owns it. Ms. Vetre is concerned that the town may take the house for taxes since they haven't been paid for two years. JC explained the tax liening process that may happen if the taxes aren't paid. There is nothing the town can do until the taxes are three years in arrears.

Steve Fillipi addressed the Board and had a proposal for a temporary bridge over Tulley Brook to access a building site. JC stated that a fire truck must be present when the temporary bridge is being installed. The Board will do research on the bridge and the proposal and will send it to the town's lawyer for a formal agreement and will get back to Steve at next week's

meeting.

Sargent Brendan Bosquet attended the meeting at the Board's request and Lori made a motion to enter non public per 91-A:3 II (a) Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

Entered at 8:45 p.m. Reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

Due to Chief Andrew Wood's pending resignation submitted this evening, the Board discussed appointing Brendan Bosquet as interim Chief of Police. They then discussed how long the appointment should be, either six months or one year.

Lori handed out a document that details the renovation project that the Board plans on doing with the Selectmen's office. JC asked how it will be funded. Sandra stated out of the building fund if it needs to be. JC is opposed to using the building fund and explained why, such as he feels the intent was for a new building, not renovations. The wording had to be changed on the original warrant article for legal reasons, but he doesn't think the intent changed. The Board discussed what is available in the general government budget and the intent is to use the GG budget first. JC made a motion to not use the municipal building fund for renovations to the town hall this year. Motion was not seconded. The Board had a discussion about the municipal building fund and what the intent was of the article. JC asked the Board to honor his request and not touch the municipal building fund and they agreed.

Sandra is waiting for Nancy Mayville to get back to her regarding the town's state bridge aid. Lori is working on the qualifications for the engineer and construction company.

Sandra made a motion to enter non public session per 91-A:3 II (e) JC seconded it. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried. Entered at 10:40 p.m. Reconvened at 10:50 p.m.

Lori made a motion to seal both sets of non-public minutes. Sandra seconded it. Motion carried.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

### August 8, 2011 Time: 7:00 p.m.

Attending: Sandra Gillis, JC Boudreau, Lori Scanlan  
Read mail and signed checks.

Jeff Earles, owner of Cross Country Appraisal Services, the assessing company that the town uses, met with the Board to discuss various issues and to discuss the software that the town currently uses. The town uses Pro-val right now and Mr. Earles recommended Avitar if the town is going to change assessing software. He recommended not changing until a full revaluation is going to be conducted because it is difficult to convert the software from one to the other and have the valuation be the same.

Steve Boscarino, tax collector, addressed the Board and informed them that he liened sixty parcels for a total of \$117,184.41. There is one property to be deeded. The Board will do a sitewalk inspection of the property at 580 Winchester Rd. on August 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Steve Fillipi is reviewing the agreement to install, maintain and remove a temporary bridge on Fay Martin Rd. drawn up by Attorney Hoppock. Mr. Fillipi will return in a couple of weeks to fill out a request.

Lori and Sandra will be visiting David Houston's Co. on Friday to look for furniture for the town hall renovation. They will be leaving at 12:30 p.m. and it will be posted as a meeting.

The Board discussed reimbursing employees for expenses they pay for the town. Sandra would like to keep reimbursements at a minimum and would like department heads to plan ahead and then request a check for the vendor or use the store credit account. The Board agreed and Sandra will compose a notice to the departments.

Marcus Beauregard addressed the Board and discussed his plans for the park. He has installed horseshoe pits and is replacing the basketball hoops. He brought in a price sheet for new basketball hoops. He will get it to Roberta and she will issue a check to Dick's Sporting Goods for the hoops.

Steven Barghoorn, 10 Royalston Falls Rd., addressed the Board and asked about PSNH installing poles and lines on Greenwoods Rd. He would like to know what tax implications this will have on his property. Sandra explained that she spoke with a representative from PSNH and they are doing a project to try to redirect the energy to Mr. Barghoorn's house from Greenwoods Rd. JC explained that there will not be any tax implications to Mr. Barghoorn from the poles being in front of his house. The Board is not sure if PSNH went before the planning board (scenic road ordinance) before starting the project and Roberta will email Dick Drew and find out and then contact Mr. Barghoorn.

The Board discussed the Local Government Center's volunteer of the year program. The Board will advertise for nominations on the sign in front of the Veteran's hall. Nominations are due by August 29th to the Board.

Sandra spoke with the Library Trustees about the archive project Norma has recommended. The trustees were not opposed to the new building or area being attached to the library. Sandra will compose a letter to Norma recommending she communicate with the library trustees about the project.

Sandra has researched "Tidy Towns," a program out of Ireland, and she thinks that the town might consider this program.

Brad Grinstead addressed the Board and asked about the diesel fuel that is now housed at the highway garage. He is concerned about how the fuel will be accounted for and who is allowed to use it since the town does not have any highway diesel equipment. Sandra explained that John Holman Contracting and perhaps other contractors will be using the fuel and will not be charging the town as much for equipment rental as they do now. She also explained that the town has applied for a state gas ticket so that the town can use the state depots for

gas, which avoids the state gas tax. The town credit card- Gulf- will also be crediting the town for the gas tax. And the diesel fuel at the highway garage was purchased at a lower rate because the gas tax was not charged. The Board is

doing everything they can to save every dime possible. Brad is still concerned about how the fuel will be used and who will be using it and JC would like the Board to create a policy regarding the fuel.

Brad also questioned junkyards around town and what actually qualifies as a junkyard. JC explained to him what the ordinance states.

Sandra made a motion to enter non public per 91-A:3 II (e) Lori seconded it. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried. Entered at 9:45 p.m. Reconvened at 10:00 p.m.

JC informed the Board that at the last planning board meeting three members from the Troy planning board attended and asked if Richmond BOS would meet with Boards of Selectmen from adjoining towns and try to discuss the possibility of creating a plan to stop four wheel vehicles from causing damage to old gravel roads.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Board adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

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Sandra Gillis, Lori Scanlan

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**Selectmen's Assistant:** Roberta Frasier

**Town Secretary:** Beverly Hart

- Mon. 10 a.m. — Noon, 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.
- Wed. 8 a.m. — 12 noon, 1:00 p.m.- 5 p.m.
- Thurs. 8 a.m. —12 noon, 1:00 p.m.— 4 p.m.

**Town Clerk:** Annette Tokunaga

Deputy: Pamela Goodell

- Mon. 9 a.m. —Noon, 1 —4 p.m., 6 —8 p.m.
- Wed. 9 a.m. —Noon, 1 —5 p.m.
- Thurs. 9 a.m. —Noon

**Tax Collector:** Steve Boscarino

- Mon. 7 p.m. —8 p.m.
- Wed. 2 p.m. —4 p.m.

**Planning Board:** Richard Drew, Chairperson

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1st & 3rd Tues of the Month —7:30 p.m.

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- Sat. 8 a.m. —5 p.m.

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- Tues. 4:30 p.m. —8 p.m.
- Wed. 9:00 a.m. —12 p.m.
- Thurs. 4:30 —7 p.m.
- Sat. 10 a.m. —2 p.m.

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