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# THE MEDVIL MESSENGER

For all the Medvil community since 2008.  
October 2021

Medvil pride.....shows inside!  
Edition 145

## BOARD NOTICES

### OPERATIONS

Big projects are winding down now for maintenance. By the time you read this article, the back deck replacement at the Partridge clubhouse should be completed, if the rain holds off long enough for us to do so. Shawn took the lead on this project due to his vast experience in building, and I must say he did not let us down. The deck is going to be amazing, built to last for many years to come. Thank you, Shawn!



The other project we need to wrap up, which has been rather difficult with the weather, is the outside painting at the Donald Drive clubhouse. All the "brown" has been painted on the backside of the clubhouse, with the front remaining. Once that has been completed, the clubhouse will have a whole new look that I hope you'll all enjoy.



As I'm writing this article on Wednesday the 22nd, I'm realizing that today is the first day of fall. It's going to be a busy time of year for leaf pickup for the maintenance team as well as the residents.

Please be considerate and keep up with the leaf clean-up in your yard to lessen the need for your neighbors to do so. Many complaints come in this time of year from residents tired of cleaning up their neighbor's leaves.

This brings me to the topic of leaf bags. Because Medvil has an overabundance of acorns, I would like to remind you to please be conscious of the weight of the bags. Keep in mind that the bags need to be thrown up and over the truck by maintenance or volunteers, so let's please be considerate of that. A quick reminder, large branches should be piled at the edge of the road. Shrub trimmings and small branches should be placed in a separate bag with the top left open. As we've asked before, if there is rain in the forecast and you have a carport, please leave the bags at the end of the carport and they will pick them up from there. When the bags are saturated, it makes them that much heavier. All lawn bags and brush are picked up on Thursday starting at 7AM.



On to the subject of lawn watering. It has been recognized that lawn watering this year has taken on a life of its own. In some cases, lawns are being watered daily and at the wrong times. Research I have done online indicates that lawn watering in October should be minimal till the ground freezes so it's kind of a moot point now. However, please know that, due to an increase in water usage this

year even though we've had a vast amount of rain, the plan is to be extra vigilant with the watering rules next year.

Just a few more fall reminders. If you have a camper, boat or trailer parked on Constitution, please remember that the deadline to have these items removed is



October 15th. The paved parking on Constitution is for "daily use vehicles only." Please keep in mind that it's difficult to keep that area clear from snow when there are vehicles in the way.

Fall is a good time to inspect and plug in the heat tape under your home to prevent the possibility of frozen pipes.

Be sure to store your off-season yard maintenance equipment in your shed. Lawn furniture may be stored in the back of your home covered with a tarp. Tarps must be either green or brown so as not to be an eyesore to your neighbors. The same goes for the air conditioner condenser. Many residents cover them with a tarp for the winter season.

I hope reviewing the rules for the fall season has been helpful to some. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Seems like October is right around the corner, and with that, unfortunately, we will be saying goodbye to Fred. Fred is our seasonal employee and a great asset to our team for the short time he is with us. Have a great winter Fred, and we look forward to seeing you next Spring.

That's all I have for this month's newsletter. Hope you're still finding it informative.

As always, thank you to Jeff, Shawn and Fred for all your hard work in the community!

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*The Medvil Messenger*

## **THE BIGGEST NEWS OF THIS FALL IS THE RETURN OF OUR ANNUAL MEETING**

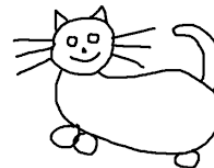
The meeting is Saturday, November 6, 2021, at The Derryfield in Manchester. The Board will host a continental breakfast for attendees from 8:00 – 8:45AM, and the business meeting will begin at 9:00AM. We encourage as many of you as possible to attend and conduct the business of Medvil in person. We especially welcome newcomers to Medvil as this is a great opportunity to meet your neighbors. The meeting usually lasts about 2 hours, giving you plenty of time for afternoon and evening activities. The Board is very excited about this return to a "normal" life in Medvil. We hope you can join us. Please note that there will be no Zoom broadcast of this meeting.



### **OTHER NOTICES**

#### **FERAL CAT PROJECT UPDATE**

Not a lot to report this month. There hasn't been any trapping due to the priority of trapping the constant flow of kittens in Manchester this



summer. Gnocchi has been returned to Medvil. Lasagna is still in the special needs program, and Buttons is now up for adoption! All but one of Cavatappi's kittens have been adopted, and Piccata and Caprese are still at my house. Piccata will be ready for adoption soon, while little Caprese is progressing at a slower pace. The feeding station will be moving closer to the culvert so the volunteers will have easier access in the snow. While we are transitioning, there will be two stations as we gradually phase out the original one.

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Donna Duford



*Buttons (above) & Caprese (below)*



## FOR YOUR HOME OFFICE...

Due to copier changes we have a 63xl copier color cartridge, 63xl black cartridge and 65xl black

cartridge. They can be purchased from the Medvil office receptionist for \$10.00 each.

Lucille Pelletier

## EASY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Every member living in a New Hampshire resident-owned community (ROC) is eligible to use a free, confidential, 24-hour helpline—the same one available to ROC-NH™ and NH Community Loan Fund employees.

We believe in our borrowers and want you to be successful. We also know that—for any of us—life's challenges can sometimes get in the way of success.

That's why we've teamed up with a company whose goal is to help you, and other members of your household, cope with personal, family, or economic stresses.

You can reach the [Easy Assistance Program](#) (EAP) 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by calling the toll-free number, (800) 648-9557, and identifying yourself as a New Hampshire Community Loan Fund borrower. A specialist will discuss your situation with you and connect you with the specific help you need.

The EAP can offer help with a wide range of concerns and questions, including:

- Stress management
- Anxiety or depression
- Substance abuse
- Marital/partner issues
- Family issues
- Legal and financial
- Child or elder care
- Health and wellness
- Career issues

For more information, visit [www.borrowerseap.com](http://www.borrowerseap.com).



Although use of the EAP is free to all of our ROC members, neither ROC-NH nor the Community Loan Fund receive any information about your call, or the help provided. The EAP is run by KGA, an independent company that provides consulting services across the United States.

If you feel your life becoming particularly challenging, please reach out to the EAP.

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It is not uncommon for a person to find themselves in need of a little help from time to time.

If you could benefit from a little friendly assistance, don't hesitate to reach out to the Helping Hands Committee.

Need a prescription picked up? Maybe a few groceries?

Or even a ride to/from a doctor's appointment?

Safety and health are of great concern and importance to everyone so gloves and masks will be available.

If you need help or have questions about the committee and what they do, please reach out to Anita O'Brien at [akelliher38@gmail.com](mailto:akelliher38@gmail.com) or by phone at (603)494-4246.

## ATTENTION MEDVIL RESIDENTS

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It's been brought to the attention of *The Medvil Messenger* that certain customers of Comcast MIGHT be entitled to a discount. If you subscribe to Basic 1 Level service, or if you have questions regarding what type of service you subscribe to, call Comcast at 1-800-COMCAST (1-800-266-2278)

Your *Medvil Messenger* staff

## EMBRACE YOUR INNER GEEK!



All right--I know you're smiling right now because you know exactly what I'm talking about. I would like to entertain putting together a Medvil geek squad. Let's face it, there must be residents in our community

who were or are computer/technology savvy. Medvil, as you know, has computers and laptops but are they up to date with the latest operating system? Should the operating system be updated? Should we update the existing hardware, or should we get newer hardware? Do we have the right type of protection to ensure we are not a victim of any type of hacker? Are the files all paper based, when a relational database might be a more cost effective and efficient way to operate?

Do you have the knowledge to accomplish something like this?

Would you like to be on an advisory committee to ensure that options are made to the board to help the community and make more informed decisions?

No, you don't have to attend a ton of meetings, but it would really be nice to have some more like-minded people regarding technology so the voice of the community can be heard on technology issues and concerns.

Does this sound like something you might be interested in participating in? If so, please contact me at [akelliher@comcast.net](mailto:akelliher@comcast.net); tell me a little about



you, your skillset and how you think this ‘squad’ might be able to help this community.

Anita O’Brien



Please note, there will be no flu vaccine clinic at Medvil again this year due to the pandemic.

You will need to go to your doctor or to a pharmacy.

## THERE IS STILL TIME TO HELP!

If you have already donated to the Goffstown Food Pantry drive for personal care items...thank you so very much. Your donations have already filled SEVEN boxes. If you haven’t had the opportunity to donate, there is still time.

We will continue to collect items until October 4<sup>th</sup>. Here’s a reminder of the types of items they are looking for: disposable razors, body wash, deodorant, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products (wipes, pads, etc.) Basically, it’s anything a person would need to feel fresh and clean.

Thanks again. If you have any questions, please call the office at 497-4440, Ext. 0 and leave a message.



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### EVENTS COMMITTEE



#### Greetings from the Events Committee!

We had four more people join the Events Committee which brings the committee to 22 members. Many hands will make for easier set up, clean up, cooking, serving, etc.

There has been a small change to the October 1<sup>st</sup> Fish Fry. The first seating remains at 4:30 pm but **the second seating has been changed to 5:30 pm.**

The Sheryl Faye presentation of Anne Frank, originally scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup>, has been changed to Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. This is an evening not to be missed (see attached flyer).

Another breakfast will be held on Saturday, October 9<sup>th</sup> (see attached flyer). Relatives and friends of residents are welcome, but we ask that they have been vaccinated. This is good time to meet your old friends and new neighbors plus enjoy a great breakfast.

We discussed plans and the menu for the annual Christmas party scheduled for Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Once again, the party will take place at the Derryfield Country Club so be sure to mark your calendars and stay tuned for details.

The Browns are planning to present their Christmas dinner for Medvil residents again this year. Watch



future editions of *The Medvil Messenger* for further information.

As always, we hope many of you will attend our events for fun times, great food, and the chance to meet new neighbors and old friends.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Judy Patrick

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

Contact Irene Gagne at 603-622-1869



**MONTHLY POOL**

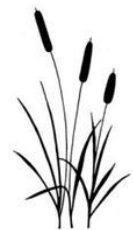
The 9/1 winner was Joanne Shields \$250. All numbers are being played so there is a guaranteed winner. There is currently one resident on the wait list. Please call Irene Gagne at 603-622-1869 to place your name on the list. It's only \$5/month and you can play more than one number.

**Yard Sale** -- If you have items to donate, please contact Irene. We are taking small donations at this time. Please call Irene to arrange a drop off or a pick-up. However, we do not take electronics, TV's, large appliances, furniture, or exercise equipment. **Please do not place any items in the mailhouses.**

**Committee Members** – We are a committee of nine. We are looking for more members with fresh ideas and help with yard sales.

**Ideas Needed** – You don't have to be a committee member to give us suggestions for projects to use our funds for the benefit of the Medvil community – call Irene with suggestions and costs.

Irene Gagne



**SHORELAND DEVELOPMENT**

It's been talked about for awhile and now it's time to take some action. The 'it' is the

land down along the Piscataquog River that is part of the Medvil community.

The Board has given the OK to an ad hoc committee designed to develop a feasibility study regarding the development of our shoreline. This includes, but is not limited to, ideas regarding what this area should look like and how it will be used, the scope of work needed to develop this piece of land, the cost, the permits required and the restrictions we face based on the Shoreland Water Quality Protection Act (NH RSA 483-B). Our goal is to deliver a detailed report to the board, complete with projected costs.

At this moment we are a group of five but if you are interested in being on this committee and working on this project, reach out to me at [treelady54@comcast.net](mailto:treelady54@comcast.net) and let me know. There is a lot of research associated with this project so please come prepared to participate; this won't happen overnight.

Deb Cyr, Committee Chair

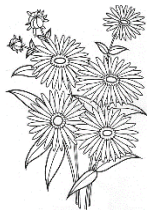


**IN SYMPATHY**



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

- Giselle Lafleur, on the death of her partner Kevin Gallagher.



*We meet them in the lives they've shaped. We enjoy them in the jokes and wisdom they've passed down. Be active in the community they've built. It is a way of walking with them into the future. It is a way of never losing them.*

*Happy Hallowe'en!*

water; this will remove any traces of detergent, which can make towels stiff and scratchy. If you follow these guidelines, before you know it, your towels should be looking lovely and soaking up water beautifully.

*The Answer Lady lives among us and bets some of you know who she is! Do YOU have a general interest question for The Answer Lady? Let us know.*



Linda Robinson, Sunshine Lady (603) 851-5209

**MEMBERS' ARTICLES**

*We offer you timeless guidance by . . .*



**THE ANSWER LADY**

Q. Recently I was given a set of bath towels made of 100% cotton. The

problem is that when you use them, you do not feel like they are getting you dry. The towels are nice and soft but don't seem to absorb anything. Do you know of anything I can do to change the feeling of not getting dry? Any help would be greatly appreciated. ~ from Gramma

A. Try this easy three-part wash day regimen to get your towels thirsty again. First, wash them separately from other laundry items, using very hot water and a good detergent. Second, don't use fabric softener, which makes fabric virtually water repellent, in either the washer or the dryer. Third, add one cup of white vinegar to the final rinse

**. . . AND OTHER STUFF YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT:**

*The Medvil Messenger wants more material! Family recipes, helpful hints, reminiscences, jokes, poems, gardening advice, reviews of your latest vacation and day trip discoveries, hilarious tales of your pets' antics—just about anything! Please keep it upbeat and positive. Original material will take precedence over reprints from other sources, including printouts of email pass-arounds. If you submit previously published material, please try to cite a source. We reserve the right to reject material that may offend, divide our community or cause political arguments. Please submit your items to our email: [medvilnewsletter@comcast.net](mailto:medvilnewsletter@comcast.net) Or place a copy in the Messenger mailbox in the Reception Office in the DDC.*

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*Debbie Cyr, Suzanne Pellerin and MB. Wulf*

**Additional Proofreading:**  
*Irene Gagne*





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<b>31</b> Hallowe'en	<b>FUTURE EVENTS:</b> Sheryl Faye 10 November Christmas Party 4 December						

**Metal Pick-up: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month, beginning at 8 AM \***

**Trash & Recycling Pick-up: Every WEDNESDAY beginning at 7 AM \***

**Yard Waste Pick-up: Every Thursday until first snow fall**

**\* Please have your items curbside by that time.**

# Meet the Candidates

Saturday, October 16th at 10:00AM

Partridge Lane Club House

*(donuts and coffee will be available)*

This immediately follows the regularly scheduled monthly coffee house. It will be a question-and-answer format and will be a live event barring any issues with COVID.

This year's candidates are:

President – Lucille Pelletier

Secretary – Karen Kirkpatrick

Operations Director – Odie Perron

Director at Large – Dan Daigle, Anita O'Brien, Len Stuart, Tracy Wyman

*(There are four individuals running for two positions as Director at Large)*

Their statements are included in the hard copy and electronic version of this month's newsletter. Please take a moment to review them before the 16th. These will be the only copies you receive as they will not be included as part of your annual meeting packet.

Here is the timeline for this forum:

10:00 - 10:30AM - All candidates will have up to 3 minutes to introduce themselves and tell you why they are running.

10:30 - 11:15AM - Candidates will answer pre-submitted questions.

There are two ways for you to submit a question to the candidates. Forms will be available onsite for you to fill out and submit to the Moderators. You may also submit your questions in advance of the event by emailing them to [p.hatfield259@gmail.com](mailto:p.hatfield259@gmail.com); be sure to include the name of the person or persons to whom you are addressing your question along with your name.

Moderators Jim McNeil and Peggy Hatfield will review the questions and ask them to the candidates in random order. Questions that personally attack or disparage any candidate will not be asked and will be discarded.

11:15 - 11:30AM - After all questions have been answered, the floor will be open for 15 minutes of additional questions.

11:30 - 11:40AM - Each candidate will then have up to 1 minute to provide a summary.

11:40AM - Wrap up with reminder to attend the annual meeting and the importance of making the quorum.

## **Mandatory Dialing Change as of 10/24/2021**

Starting July 16, 2022, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will adopt “988” as the new three-digit number to be used nationwide to reach the National Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Crisis Lifeline. Until then, customers must continue to dial 1-800-273-TALK (8255) to reach the Lifeline.

*In order for 988 to work in our area code, 10-digit local dialing must first be implemented.*



**What will be the new dialing procedure?** You will now need to dial area code + telephone number to complete all local calls. This applies to all calls within your area code that are currently dialed with seven digits. If long distance was previously dialed with seven digits, you will now need to dial 1 + area code + telephone number.

**Who will be affected?** Anyone with a telephone number from your area code will need to make this change from 7-digit local dialing to 10-digit local dialing or from 7-digit local dialing to 1 + area code + telephone number.

**When will the change begin?** You should begin dialing 10 digits (area code + telephone number) for all calls, even local. Starting this now will help it become second nature. If you forget and dial just 7 digits, your call will still be completed until October 24 when 10-digit dialing is required.

You can still just dial three digits to reach 711 (relay services) and 911 (emergency services).

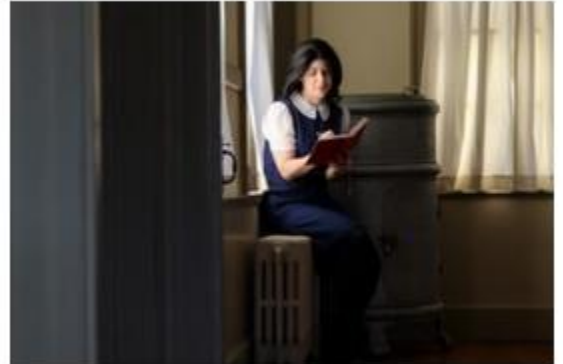
Any 211, 311, 411, 511, 611 or 811 services currently available to you now can still be reached by dialing their three-digit codes.

If you have any questions regarding any of this information, you can call your current telephone service provider or visit the FCC website at <https://www.fcc.gov/suicide-prevention-hotline>.

*Sheryl Faye presents...*

## Anne Frank – A Life to Remember: A Story of Perseverance, Hope and Love

Anne Frank was born in Frankfurt Germany on June 12, 1929. She lived most of her life in or near Amsterdam, having moved there with her family at the age of four-and-a-half when the Nazis gained control over Germany. By May 1940, the Franks were trapped in Amsterdam by the German



occupation of the Netherlands. As the hatred for Jewish people increased in July 1942, the family went into hiding in some concealed rooms behind a bookcase in the building where Anne's father worked. From then until the family's arrest by the Gestapo in August 1944, Anne kept a diary she had received as a birthday present and wrote in it regularly. Our story starts on July 6, 1942, in the secret Annex and gives you a taste of what life was like for her. In this world where there is a lot of hate this a wonderful program about Perseverance, Hope, and Love leaving us all with a stronger message.

**Wednesday ~ November 10<sup>th</sup>**  
**Doors open at 6:30 pm**  
*(light refreshments will be served)*  
**Presentation begins at 7:00 pm**  
**Partridge Lane Clubhouse**

*Because this is a free event, attendance is limited to  
Medvil residents only.*