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THE MIEDVIL MESSENGER

For all the Medvil community since 2008. Medvil pride.....Shows inside!

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OUR 100TH

EDITION

Edition 100

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

THANK YOU!

We wish to **THANK The Fundraising**Committee for sponsoring outside

printing with color. Color makes this 100th

milestone edition more special.

The Newsletter Committee

JUST A REMINDER

Next month, **AUGUST**, is the month the Messenger takes a vacation. **THERE WILL BE NO MESSENGER NEXT MONTH.** See you in September. ©

CORRECTION

The <u>VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION</u>
<u>LUNCHEON</u> will be <u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER</u>
<u>17 th</u>, not as previously reported. SORRY! ©
(Calendar has been changed)



FORE!!!!!!

GOLFERS: Please be aware of where your balls are landing. They have landed in the back yard of a home on Rachael Circle.

TRASH CANS ALONG STREET – PICKED-UP – THEN PUT IT AWAY.

Some are leaving their trash cans along the street too long, making our community look messy. Our suggestion is to put the cans out after six Tuesday evening. That lets you sleep in through the pick-up. BUT please remove them from street-side whenever

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you arise or go outside. Please don't leave them along the street longer than necessary. ☺

100th EDITION OF THE MESSENGER!

This July Edition is our 100th Edition! We are very proud to have reached the three digit plateau. At eleven a year, it took us over nine years to do it and we did it without being late or missing an edition! Thanks for all you did to help.

Jigsaw Puzzles

Please do not bring or return jigsaw puzzles with missing pieces to the library. Put them in your recycle bin.

FOOT CLINIC

There is an opening for the foot clinic on Monday, 7/17 at 9:30 am. Please contact Irene Gagne at 622-1869. ©

Why not take some time to attend?

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

<u>Coffee House</u> <u>Saturday before the third Tuesday</u> 8:30 – 10:00 at PLC

Both are open for your attendance

KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING!

BOARD AND COMMITTEES <u>r:</u>

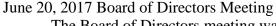


BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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The Board of Directors meeting was held on June 20, 2017. All Board members were present. We began the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recently, there have been a couple of representatives from an energy company going door-to-door talking with residents about changing energy companies. Please remember that Medvil is private property, and **no one should be here soliciting business.** If anyone comes to your door looking for donations or asking about changing cable companies or energy companies or whatever, **please contact the police**. These representatives do not have permission from the police to be here.

Barbara G. read a letter from the Shriners thanking us for the aluminum tabs that were collected for their recycling efforts.

The minutes from the May 2017 Board meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report indicates that we are over budget on income and under budget on expenses. Next year's water bill is expected to increase to \$110,000 due to the higher cost of the water.

Along with their regular duties, the Maintenance Team has been doing lots of cutting and trimming, as well as fixing equipment. They have received many positive comments about the new stop sign at the intersection of Constitution Road and Country Way.

The Board is making plans for the Volunteer Recognition luncheon, which will be held on Sunday, September 17. Stay tuned.

Pam Gallagher has been approved as chair of the Nominating Committee for those who are running for the Board of Directors. Thank you, Pam.

ROC NH has asked to use Medvil as a venue for an event on they are hosting on August 1. They would like to use the downstairs at the Donald Drive clubhouse. This is still in the planning stages.







Please remember that the mail houses on Donald Drive and Partridge Lane are NOT for disposal of unwanted items. We have weekly pickup of recycles and trash.

There will be no coffee house in July. However, we will still have our Board of Directors meeting, which is always open to all residents. The July Board of Directors meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, starting promptly at 6:00PM. Please join us.



DECORATING COMMITTEE HELP WANTED

Do you love holidays? Do you like to decorate? If so, why not join the newly named "Decorating Committee" and be a part of keeping the community festive? Various levels of involvement. If interested please call Odie Perron at 860-4049 or email at medvilbod2016@gmail.com

Thank You!





EVENTS COMMITTEE HAPPENINGS:

Past events: TONY NETT"S TRIBUTE TO ELVIS SHOW was the best event Medvil has ever done. There are still residents talking about what a great time they had. It was entertainment personified! If you missed it, you did miss out on great fun. The food was super too. The Events committee really extended itself with this show. But it was worth it!

RESIDENTS" YARD SALE: Great weather and much activity contributed to some residents

being able to pass on their treasures and make some money.

<u>ICE CREAM SOCIAL</u>: Many enjoyed this tried and true event-yummy ice cream and toppings and socializing with friends and neighbors.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

FISH FRY will be held Friday July 14th at 5:00 at DDC, with social hour from 4:00-5:00. If you attended the last fish fry you can probably still taste those delicious crispy French fries and the very tasty fish, fried by our master chefs, Kim and Joe. What a job they do!

Cole slaw will accompany this meal along with dessert, beer, wine and soft drinks.

PLEASE be sure and sign up at the office. Don't miss this one! What a deal for \$8.00.

A FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST will be held on Saturday, July 22nd at DDC. Again, please sign up at the office for either the 8:30 or 10:00 seating. As stated, this is FREE; but non-residents are welcome for a cost of \$7.00 (pay at door). Sausage and fruit will accompany the delicious pancakes with a variety of toppings along with juice, tea and coffee. Since this is a free event, we are asking for nonperishable food donations for the Goffstown Food Network.

BEER & BRATS PARTY will be held Friday, August 11th. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be available for those not interested in brats. Peppers, onions and sauerkraut will go with the brats. This is something new; so come one, come all. FUN! Let's make this a success. Place is DDC at 5:00 with outside seating (weather permitting). Price is \$7.00 with draft beer, wine and soft drinks available-1st beverage on the house. Can't beat that!

BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL, Saturday, August 26th. This is another FREE event, and is always a huge success. Come and enjoy all sorts of blueberry goodies. Time for this is 10 am-12 noon and will be held at PLC <u>upstairs</u>. PLEASE sign up at the office and let them know if YOU will be bringing something to share with those attending. You can sample your friend's blueberry delight and

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they can try yours. ALL ARE WELCOME. Please bring a donation for the Humane Society (food, toys, litter, beds or anything for animals). They are in dire need!

END OF SUMMER POTLUCK PICNIC **OMELET BREAKFAST:** Saturday, Sept 23rd. This is a favorite of so many residents. If you have not been to one, you are missing out. Kim and Joe and their team make some outstanding omelets. You choose your own ingredients and they fire up the pans and WOWIE, what a treat. Along with the eggs, you get sausage, bacon, home fries, fresh fruit, and baked beans. Again, sign up at the office for either 8:30 or 10:00 seating. Cost is a mere \$7.00: & it is held at DDC.

So, you can see the Events Committee is working hard to give everyone a variety of activities. The committee thanks everyone who attends these events and hopes to see even more residents in the future. Any ideas?? Let a committee member know. MB



FUNDRAISING COMMTTEE

Fundraising Pool: The 6/1 winner was Sandy Renn for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner. There are currently only 3 people on the wait list. 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.

Fall Festival: -9/30 – The next yard sale is in conjunction with resident 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

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9/30 after 2 pm to pack up & clean up. Please call Irene Gagne @ 622-1869 to rent a craft table for \$10. We need at least 6 crafters to cover the cost of an additional ad under craft fairs – we already have 4. We are collecting 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, TVs, 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 10. 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. Congratulations on your milestone and a job well done!





GARDEN COMMITTEE:

On Wednesday, June 21, summer finally made its appearance. We are grateful for the days of sunshine that are sure to follow for July, August and September! The rose garden at the entrance of the Donald Drive clubhouse is in spectacular bloom. The other 12 gardens we tend are blooming and putting forth their colors for all to see. The blueberry bushes are busy growing, so come August, we will be able to feast on fresh Medvil blueberries.

We are a growing committee this year and have added two new names to our roster, Sandy Renn and Judi Sullivan, who is also our treasurer. Carol Hallworth, Don Wilson, Jane Von Geldern, Donna Duford, Linda Edwards, and many other volunteers help to keep our gardens fresh and

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updated with perennials and annuals for splashes of color.

We are always looking for more members. There are many ways to participate and you can do as much or as little as you would like. If you're interested, please call Mary Leonard at 603-398-5035. Also, if you have any plants you would like to share, please call Mary.

A BIG THANK YOU to our maintenance team for all their hard work on helping us maintain all the gardens and grounds of Medvil! They have been busy weeding and mulching our large public spaces. They are also working on cleaning up the entrance to Partridge Lane and we will be working with them to come up with an easy-care garden design for that area.

In the month of July, you will see several of our own residents, known as the Golf Cart Cruisers, out and about Medvil. They will be looking at the many wonderful gardens that our residents lovingly care for in their own yards. They will be nominating their top 5 gardens and we will then pick a winner for the Best Landscaping Award. The winner will receive a plaque to hang in their garden and a gift certificate to a local garden center.

Again, we thank all of our committee members, volunteers and maintenance team for making Medvil look marvelous!

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:

NEW MEMBERS: WELCOME TO MEDVIL!
May your life be long and filled with happiness.

James & Barbara McDermott @ 61 Williams W.

Daniel Doust @ 139 Donald Drive

Stephen & Carlene Webster @ 80 Country Way

© Membership Committee

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We are again looking for qualified men and women to run for positions on the Medvil Board of Directors. The following positions are available:

- President
- Secretary

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- Director of Operations
- Two Directors At Large

That's five positions that we will vote on in November. Yes, it's a volunteer position but it is very rewarding. You get to have a voice in how our community operates!

If you are interested in running for any of the above board positions, or want more information, please call Pam Gallagher at 603-232-6817 or email her at grammieeleven@comcast.net
Or give Candy Wetherbee a call at 603-486-8086, or email her at candywetherbee@yahoo.com
Thank you





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 RE Committee's sales of Medvil homes benefits Medvil Community.

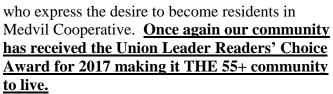
During the month of June, the Real Estate Committee currently has 2 open listings and 2 closings. All proceeds from sales benefit Medvil community.

There have been a lot of viewings of our community both on our website as well as drive-through. We have a waiting list for potential buyers

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If you know of anyone looking to buy a home in Medvil or if you plan to sell your home, please call Medvil Real Estate. Thank you. DK



SINCERE CONDOLENCES:

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

- Jeanette Boudreau who lost her Mother
- Ellen Roy who lost her Mother
- Jan Soucy who lost her brother Leo Paul Nadaeau

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. Congratulations on your 100th issue!

SPARROW



Sparrows are a family of small passerine Birds, Passeridae. They are also known as true Sparrows, or Old World sparrows, names also used







for a particular genus of the family, Passer. They are distinct from both the American sparrows, in the Family Embe.

Sparrow is a brown, chunky bird that is about 15 cm long and very common in human-occupied habitats. A small bird, it has a stout body, rounded wings and broad head. The bib is deep, conical and very well adapted for seed eating.

The males have a distinctive black bib, white cheeks, a chestnut mantle around the grey crown and chestnut-colored feathers on the upper wings. The females and the young ones have a plain, dingy-gray breast, a distinct, buffy eye stripe, and a streaked back. Sparrows love to be in gardens with lots of seeds, insects and berries.

Unfortunately, their number is fast declining, putting them under the threatened birds list.

UNITY REQUIRES BOTH U AND I

MEDVIL MESSENGER HISTORY

Back in July of 2008, we came out with The Unnamed Newsletter. Our header showed what Medvil was using, at the time, for a logo.

The unnamed Newsletter

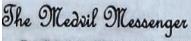


JULY 2008 Edition

We added our original Motto underneath: For the Medvil community. We started a contest then for someone to give our baby a name.

In the October 2008 edition, we announced the winner: "THE NAME GAME, Thanks for your participation! You, the residents of Medvil, chose the one you liked best. The winner, receiving 28% of your votes is *Medvil Messenger*, proposed by Eileen Crook of Donald Drive. She may stop by the Volunteer Office to accept a modest prize. In second place was *Medvil Matters* with 17%."

Because more unity was needed in our community, we also changed our motto to read "For all the Medvil community." And unity has remained as part of our goal.





For all the Medvil community

FEBRUARY 2013 Edition 51

Our 50th edition came out in January 2013. Our staff and writers at the time:

NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE: Jeane Cass, Barbara Doiron, Gene Ray, Jan Soucy, M.B. Wulf THE WRITERS:

Jack Cyr, Barbara Doiron, Barbara Giordani, Dorrie Kossuth, Mary Leonard,

Pauline Lussier, Ed Neveu, Kathy Parry, Jan Soucy, Susan Soule, J. Glenn Villiard.

We ran through our **52**nd edition, of March 2013 with no logo or other header changes.

Our 54th Edition came out with the new Medvil logo, based on the lovely new signs we installed at both entrances when we retired the signs dating from the establishment of Medford Farms and Village of Glen Falls:



In January 2017, edition 94 came out with the two-part header that we use now.

The social landscape changes as people move on to other things. We appreciate this passage when we look into the back issues of any publication.

From the beginning, we had the **SOCIAL CLUB** column. This was our events group--if you belonged. There were bus trips, parties, dinners, and entertainment. It was later dissolved and The Events Committee replaced it.

FAVORITE RECIPES was also an early one, where people sent in their favorite recipe for others to try. Seems like no one does that any more,

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but our pages are open for anyone who wishes to start sharing their recipes again.

Back in December of 2012, we started a **WEATHER CORNER** by our own weatherman Glenn Villiard--a real weatherman and a good neighbor.

Very close to the beginning, a new column was started called <u>MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR</u> this was the brainchild of our Jan Soucy. She would interview one of our members, getting a description of the life they have lived. From this information we would try to guess who it was. The answer was, of course, in the answer section. It was a very popular article.

We also ran <u>CLASSIFIED ADS</u>, delivered to every door in Medvil. Not much of that happening anymore.

Every summer there was a column on our **BOWLING**. Anyone could sign up for the "league." The only competition was you. Practice, try to improve **and have fun**. At the end of the season there was a banquet and everyone was a winner.

We also had place for **POETRY.** You did not have to be a poet; just send in your favorite from any of the famous bards.

If anyone would like the task of reviving any of these or contributing to any – even just once, PLEASE DO! We will do all we can to help you. Our Messenger is about Medvil and also of Medvil and it is a pleasure to serve you. ©GR & MBW

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



AMUSEMENTS

DULL DAY by Sheila Asselin

The other morning I awoke in my warm comfortable bed. I had slept soundly undisturbed by the sounds of gunfire, bombings, screams of the dying or the wail of police cars and ambulances. My house was still standing just as it was the night before. My coffee was from Columbia because despite their massive drug problem the US is not in a trade war with them and we freely exchange legal products. The shower yielded plenty of hot water and I had all the soap I would ever need.

Decided to run a few errands. My car started immediately and I drove to the intersection. I was not stopped at a check point while belligerent police demanded to see my papers. Was not scolded because I was not wearing a hijab. Was not told I was not allowed to drive because I was a woman. Stopped at ATM and left, cash in hand. Was not mugged on my way out.

Drove to the market to do a little shopping. Found a huge almost mind boggling variety of foods to choose from. Knew they would be safe to eat because the government monitors and inspects such things. Foods from local farmers and also from countries all over the world with which the US is mutual trading partners.

My car had not been stolen. It still had all four tires and had not been broken into. Drove home to find my house still standing. Arsonists had not set

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it on fire in my absence. It had not been spray painted with swastikas and hate words because some people do not like my gender, race, religion, ethnicity, politics, accent, or the fact I prefer vanilla to chocolate. My cat greeted me at the door. He had not been tortured and killed while I was gone even though he is pure black.

Putting my groceries away I had to juggle to fit everything in the refrigerator, more food then I had space for. How many people around the world would love to have that problem? Relaxed and read the newspaper I had selected from a variety of papers from all political spectrums. Some well-written and concise with carefully researched sources. Some mainly gossip and hogwash but free to choose according to my ideals.

Pretty dull day right? Nothing much happened. But it is the things that did not happen that are important. Dull, downright boring. If that is boring I will take it. The opposite is just too terrible to contemplate.

WHY PARENTS DRINK

The boss wondered why one of his most valued employees was absent but had not phoned in sick. So he dialed the employee's home phone number and was greeted with a child's whisper; "Hello?" "Is your daddy home?" "Yes, he's out in the garden," whispered the small voice.

"May I talk with him?" "No." So the boss asked, "Is your mommy home?" "Yes, she is in the garden too." May I talk with her?" Again the small voice whispered, "No." Hoping that there was someone with whom he could leave a message, the boss asked, "Is anyone else there?"

"Yes," whispered the child, "there is a policeman." Wondering what the police would be doing at his employee's home, he asked, "May I speak with the policeman?" "No, he's busy" whispered the child. "Busy doing what?" "Talking to daddy and mommy and the police dog men."

Growing more worried as he heard a loud noise in the background, he asked, "What is that

noise?" "It's a helicopter," answered the whispering voice. "What is going on there?" he demanded, now truly apprehensive. "The search team just landed a helicopter." "A search team?" said the boss, "What are they searching for?" Still whispering, the young voice replied with a muffled giggle. . "Me."

DID YOU KNOW?

- The tune for the "A-B-C" song is the same as "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."
- "Blue Moon" is the second full moon in a calendar month, but it is rarely blue.
- There are 132 rooms in the U.S. White **House. ©IG**

RIDDLES:

- There is a word and six letters it contains.
 Take one away and twelve is what remains.
 What word is it?
- Two girls were born to the same mother, on the same day, at the same time, in the same month and year and yet they're not twins. How can this be?
- What word in the English Language is always spelled incorrectly?

ANSWERS: Last Page

SPORTS TRIVIA:

What MLB player has the most career leadoff home runs?

ANSWERS: Last Page

"CLICHES"

- "All that glitters is not gold"
- "Don't get your knickers in a twist"
- "All for one, and one for all"

INTERESTING ARTICLES:

(SENT IN BY MEMBERS)

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COMMUNITY DRIVING ETIQUETTE Tailgating.

In Medvil this has become a rather popular pastime. You need at least two participants. Here is a typical scenario. Let us say that a red Honda Hiccup is plodding along at or below the speed limit of fifteen miles per hour. The driver of another car, perhaps a silver Ford Firestorm, pulls up close behind that Honda in an attempt to bully the driver into speeding or pulling over. If the Honda pulls over, the Ford driver whips around the Honda with maybe a foot to spare, and disappears up the road like the proverbial silver bat out of Hell. If the Honda fails to pull over the Ford follows a few feet back, perhaps with intermittent horn honking or bright beam flashes. (I have observed both.) This continues until the cars" paths diverge, when the Ford, freed of a tangible speed limit, careens off in its headlong abandon. All very exciting – a little NASCAR fantasy in bucolic Goffstown.

But--there is a dark side to our sport. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration identifies tailgating as aggressive driving, and finds that in 56% of fatal crashes, aggressive driving plays a role. Moreover, they identify rear end collisions as 23-30% of all auto accidents. Tailgating is a major cause of these. The risks in Medvil are sobering: We are an over-55 community populated by some drivers who are no longer comfortable driving over the speed limit, and by some pedestrians who are no longer agile enough to sidestep speeding vehicles. Some people even walk with the flow of traffic: they won't see a speeding car until it passes them by, or, briefly, as it rolls over them. The risks to the tailgater himself or herself even include road rage, which can be triggered as easily here as anywhere else by fender benders or even just aggressive and threatening behavior.

Why talk about speeding? Because without speeding there is no tailgating. They are inextricably linked. Medvil would be very lucky indeed if tailgating were only triggered by a car

going at the speed limit catching up to a car going five miles per hour!

We have to slow down when driving the road here in Medvil. If we are behind someone going slower than we are, we have to leave enough space to stop if the slow car unexpectedly stops or swerves. That is true even if they are going slower than the speed limit, and if we are in a hurry. Our rules specify that we have to obey standard traffic laws when driving here in the cooperative. We want Medvil to be a safe haven for all of our residents. -- Alyn Miller

ANSWER SECTION

RIDDLE ANSWER:

- Dozens
- They're in a set of triplets
- Incorrectly

SPORTS TRIVIA ANSWER:

The record of 81 leadoff home runs is held by Rickey Henderson. Henderson played from 1979 to 2003 for 9 different major league teams. He holds numerous other records.

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. ©

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What would we do without our various writers? One thing I can tell you is that without them, there would be no newsletter. They are the breath and the life of the Messenger, we are very grateful for them keeping the Messenger alive.

Thanks for always being there with your news.

BECOME ACTIVE IN YOUR COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER

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