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THE MEDVIL MESSENGER

A HUGE THANK YOU

On Thursday, May 12th and again on Thursday, May 19th a group of Medvil residents came together to clean the area around the edge of the pond and to rake around the 157 Donald Drive Club House. This was a huge help to our Maintenance Team, so we thought we'd take a moment to publicly thank them and recognize their efforts.

Pam Gallagher, Joyce Wilson, Judy Patrick, Jack Cyr, Sheila Asselin, Mike and Debbie Boudreau, Dale Rheame, Diane Fisher, John Kyriakoutsas and Rich Piccolo.

Ginny Duford donated cookies that were devoured by the worker bees (they claim it was to keep up their strength).

And finally, a shout out to Lucille and Ray Pelletier who took the time to clean the area round the garden shed and plant some flowers.

The latest bug deterrent clothing straight from Milan (No, not Milan, Italy, Milan, New Hampshire.)



COMING ATTRACTIONS

 Fish Fry 10 June	Flags 11 June 	 Meat Bingo 18 June	Yard Sale 25-26 June 
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SEE INSIDE FOR MORE INFORMATION!



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Dear Medvil Residents,

It is our desire to provide a pleasant, attractive, and affordable place for people to live. All communities need some form of regulations to accomplish this goal. The rules and regulations of this community are not intended to be unnecessarily restrictive but are meant to help provide you a safe, tranquil environment to live in.

All rules and regulations are voted on by the membership at the annual meeting. The board of directors does not make the rules, but we are responsible for enforcing them.

Each month I will be going over one of our rules in the newsletter. This month's rule is Rule D.3 (Sites) and says that all members are responsible to keep their site area neat and clean (please reference your copy for the entire rule). Please consider this notice as a gentle reminder to clean up your areas if you have not already done so.

Hopefully, this reminder will result in not having to send out individual notices to any member by the board of directors.

Respectfully,

Lucille Pelletier
President



BOARD NOTICES

OPERATIONS

Well, it's finally here! Medvil's very own packer. It was a long journey but well worth the wait. We used it for the first time today (18th) and I'm happy to report that it couldn't have gone better! I want to thank Fred Bowrey for fabricating steps for the truck, making it a little easier for the volunteers to climb up onto the side platforms. Thank you, Fred, they worked out perfectly!

We were able to pick up the recyclables for the entire community with one trip to the transfer station. Trash pickup was done for the entire community with just two trips to the transfer station. The old method typically would take between four and five for the whole process. I'm sure you'll agree that the compactor makes a significant difference. Not only did we make fewer trips but it was done with just one truck and not two, saving the cost of fuel.

More important is the safety factor. This truck is set up in such a way that you can constantly see the two people doing the throwing. The platforms are on the side of the truck, not the back, so both men are constantly in the driver's vision.

With this new truck, the number of volunteers needed is down to two. I want to thank all the volunteers who donated many, many hours over the years helping with trash pickup. They are: Rich Piccollo, Rich Drouin, Kim Capen, Mark McDougle, John Gunn, Jack Cyr, Steve Rush and David Wyman. Your devotion to the department will never be forgotten.



I would like to thank the members of the community and Board members who supported this endeavor and were able to see the need in keeping our employees safe and changing the method of doing trash. Your support is very much appreciated.

There was much concern regarding dogs being allowed in the blueberry bush areas, for obvious reasons. We have since put up signs stating "no dogs allowed in this area" and they seem to be doing the job. Thank you to the dog walkers who are respecting this area.

Many of you may have attended the yard sale at the Partridge Clubhouse. I'm sure you witnessed that there were many residents who volunteered their time. I, myself, would like to thank Jeff for taking time out of his weekend and coming in on Saturday to truck the items not sold to Savers in Manchester. Thank you, Jeff, that was above and beyond!

Unfortunately, we have not found a second full time Maintenance person yet, but I am happy to report that Jarod, the college student who worked for us last summer, is going to be returning for another season with us starting on Monday the 23rd. Jarod is a conscientious worker and a real asset to the Maintenance team and we are looking forward to working with him again. I also want to welcome back Fred, our summer part time employee. Fred has experience in many areas and is also an asset to the Maintenance Department. Fred was also there to help Jeff with certain projects over the past months since Jeff was working alone. Thank you, Fred, for being so flexible with your time. With Jeff, Jarod and Fred working together again, it's going to be another busy summer!

As always, thank you, Jeff, for all your hard work and dedication to our community.

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OTHER NOTICES

Upcoming Board Elections

It will soon be time to elect a few new board members. This year, the election will be for vice president, treasurer and two directors-at-large. Some residents have expressed an interest in running but confess they don't know all of what the positions entail so we've asked our ROC-NH Housing Cooperative Specialist Carlos Rincon to come to the June 21st board meeting to make a short presentation to the audience (both in-house and Zoom). His focus will be on what it means to be on the board and what the duties and expectations of a board member are.

We've developed a synopsis of duties for those open positions; please review them prior to next month's meeting and come prepared to ask Carlos your questions at the end of his presentation.

Are you ready to throw your hat into the ring? If you have additional questions, either now or after next month's presentation, reach out to Anita O'Brien, Nominating Committee chair at Medvil21@comcast.net or at 603-494-4246. You should also feel free to reach out to any current board member with your questions.

Treasurer Duties

The Treasurer will oversee a contracted bookkeeper or a management company that is under contract. Disbursements, collections, invoicing, and financial documents, e.g., previous fiscal year's information, returned checks, monthly reconciliation of accounts, etc., will be overseen by the Treasurer. Treasurer will insure that all checks drawn on Cooperative accounts are signed by two (2) of these officers: President, Vice President, Treasurer, or Secretary. A qualified contracted bookkeeper or a management company under contract will gather, prepare and manage the financial data and reporting of Medvil Cooperative financial information. Financial data will be electronically maintained, off site, by contract bookkeeper or a management company that is under contract. All backup procedures must be monitored by Treasurer. The Treasurer will receive and disseminate financial information and reports to the Medvil Board of Directors and the membership.

Vice President

The Vice President presides at all meetings in the absence of the President or at the President's request. He or she performs duties delegated by either the board or the President. The Vice President reports on the activities of the President to the board in the absence of the President. Typically, the Vice President is often learning the job so that she/he is prepared to assume the Presidency at the next election. Sometimes, the Vice President will head one of the committees. The Vice President oversees all committees.

Director at Large

The Directors at Large attend and participate in meetings. They act as positive role models for all members, consistently following all community rules, paying carrying charges (rent) in full and on time, as well as ensuring that the bylaws, community rules, and policies and procedures are applied consistently and fairly. They follow the bylaws of the corporation and amend as



needed, in accordance with the existing bylaws of the corporation. They enforce community rule, amend as needed and follow a comprehensive set of policies and procedures for conducting co-op business. Directors at Large exercise loyalty to the co-op by assuring that the co-op complies with legal and lender requirements and bylaws. They exercise duty of care when contracting with outside service providers and help develop a workable budget, keeping in mind the needs, requirements and expectations of the cooperative. They act on budget items and determine carrying charges (rent), collect lot rent and act on all delinquencies, according to the approved Past-Due Rent Collection Policy. They authorize legal action, as needed, including action against members who do not comply with the rules and/or pay the lot rent and/or fees. They also ensure that the corporation is adequately insured, including maintaining bond insurance for all members who manage funds in excess of \$1,000. Directors at Large also take responsibility for duties and projects assigned to them by the president of the board.



FLAG DISPOSAL CEREMONY

The week of June 12-18, 2022, is designated as “National Flag Week” commemorating the anniversary of June 14, 1777, the day the

Continental Congress adopted the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States of America. Do you have an American flag that is tattered and torn? Would you like to properly dispose of that flag? **The next flag disposal ceremony is scheduled for Saturday, June 11th. The ceremony will be held at 10:00 am outside at the Maintenance Garage.**

If you have a flag that needs to be properly disposed of but cannot make it on that day, please bring your flags to the Reception Office during normal business hours; arrangements will be made to get the flags to the ceremony. Thank you.

SOMEBODY IS PLAYING GAMES!

Starting at noon on Wednesday, June 1st our very own Kim Capen will be at the Donald Drive Club House to facilitate the start of weekly bocci, horseshoes, and corn hole games.

Kim will be there to open the shed and make sure the equipment is available to use; at the end of play participants will be responsible for returning the bocci balls and corn hole boards and bean bags to the shed and locking it up (the horseshoes remain hanging on the tree.)

No need to sign up, just show up!!



INK CARTRIDGES FOR SALE

A resident has donated new & slightly used ink cartridges for benefit of the Fundraising Committee.

There is a 4 piece set of HP #950 (black) exp. 08/22 & 3 colors of HP #951 exp. 07/22. We are asking \$50 for them.

Please contact Irene Gagne, Fundraising Committee Chair, at 603-622-1869 if you are interested in purchasing either/both of these.

Irene Gagnon



COMMITTEE REPORTS

EVENTS COMMITTEE

Here we are in June ready to welcome more nice weather, green grass and flowers. Hopefully pollen, allergies and black flies are gone.



Our fish fry was a wonderful success with 100 sit down reservations and 7 take-out orders. The benedict breakfast was also a wonderful time with over 70 people attending.

If you have never attended one of our events, please come to have tasty food, friendly service and meet some of your fellow Medvil neighbors. As always, we ask you register with the office, so we have a head count.

June events are a Friday Night Fish Fry on June 10 and Meat Bingo on June 18. Look in this issue of The Messenger for flyers with information on these two events; flyers will also be posted in the mail houses. We hope to see many old and new smiling faces.

As always, we thank everyone for their participation in our events and welcome any suggestions you may have.

Judy Patrick

taken as of 7/1. **Call the Volunteer Office to place your name on the list – 603-497-4440, Option 0.** It's only \$5/month and you can play more than 1 number.

Yard Sale – The yard sale was a huge success netting us over \$1,500 after all expenses. Without the help of over 40 volunteers this would not have been possible. The Committee thanks all who helped, baked and donated items.

Our unsold items go to other organizations such as Savers, St. Matthew's Church, the Goffstown Library, Girls, Inc. & the animal shelter. Would you believe we gave Savers over 1 full dump truck of goods!!

Our next yard sale is 10/1 and we will be asking for more donations and volunteers.

Please do not place any items in the mail houses.

Consignment store – We will be going to a consignment store again with our finer donated items.

Cookbook – We are looking into the possibility of creating a cookbook. Look for more information in the near future.

Committee Members – We are a committee of eight and we are looking for more members.

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

Irene M. Gagne

REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE



The Medvil Real Estate statistics from April 16, 2022 through May 17, 2022: Three showings, one

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



Fundraising Pool—The 5/1 winner was Mike O'Brien for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner. There are currently three residents on the wait list but two numbers are



Purchase and Sales Agreement pending, two closings, and currently no listings.

If you are thinking of selling your home, the first step is to fill out the Intent to Sell form. **This form can be found on our website at medvilcooperative.com. The Intent to Sell can be filled out online and printed then given to Medvil Real Estate Office 30 days before listing your property.**

The second step is to locate a realtor. Please consider letting Medvil Real Estate help you sell your home. Sales benefit Medvil community.

Medvil RE Committee - 497-4440 Prompt 2
Website: www.medvilcooperative.com Homes for Sale

Dorrie Kossuth, Chairperson

HELPING HANDS COMMITTEE

We helped one person and delivered two welcome flowers and have two more so far to deliver.

Anita O'Brien



HELPING HANDS

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 any questions about the Committee and what they do, please reach out to Anita O'Brien at Medvil21@comcast.net

Or by phone at (603) 494-4246.

TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

On April 22, Medvil purchased a one-year, 10-license subscription to the Norton Small Business internet security package for the protection of Medvil-owned computers and other devices used by Medvil officers and Board of Directors members conducting business on behalf of the cooperative.

I have personally installed three instances of the software – on the all-in-one computer in the board office used by Stacy, on the laptop used by the membership committee, and the old Windows 7 machine in the real estate office that's used occasionally by the committee members. Karen Kirkpatrick installed it on her Medvil laptop from an emailed link. I have emailed an installation invitation for the laptop used for the Medvil newsletter to MB Wulf, the principal user of that machine, but haven't received a response.

This still leaves five more licenses available for any member of the board who wants the higher levels of protection offered by Norton, which is pretty much the gold standard of consumer internet security. I'd urge taking advantage of the opportunity.

I will install Norton for any board member who wants it and contact me, or you may also self-install from an emailed link. The process is very simple, only requiring you to download one file and click on the installer program. Norton works on both Windows and Mac computers and all sorts of smartphones. Operating systems it works with include Windows, Android, MacOS and iOS (iPhones.)

Things have so far gone smoothly, and there have been no reports of problems or slowdowns from users. The management console for the installations isn't showing and issues.

Len Stuart / lenstuart@gmail.com

Editor's note: The newsletter laptop was overlooked in the first round of invitations. The invitation arrived after the May issue was out and

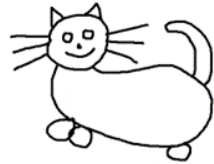


no one uses this laptop between publications. I did have an email exchange with Len at the time. Tried to download the Norton installer today and ran into an error screen on the very first click, which suggests the laptop protection project is going to be more ongoing than originally hoped. Len has been updated on the situation.

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MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS

We embark upon Year Two of... THE FERAL CAT PROJECT



The Manchester Animal Shelter has been monitoring the feeding station, and there are at least three cats who visit it who haven't been neutered, so we hope to trap them, get them neutered and vaccinated, and then return them to Medvil. If you are aware of feral cats or kittens in other areas in the community, please contact me.

Last fall, an older kitten that the shelter named Florentine was trapped on Rachael Circle and came to my house for foster care. It's harder and takes much longer to get older kittens used to being inside and to trust people, and there were times when I wondered if he could become a house cat. I'm so happy to report that this cool dude will soon be available for adoption! He is such a sweetheart, loves to be petted, and is super with other cats and kittens. He can still get nervous around sudden sounds and movements, but is otherwise a happy, relaxed feline!

Donna Duford
603-622-8450



Top right: Florentine, a Medvil-born fostered feral. Next down: Florentine is friends with Lily, a foster kitten from the streets of Manhattan. With patience and kindness, kittens born feral can often be socialized and become loving indoor companions. Meanwhile, TNR ("Trap, Neuter and Return") reduces breeding activity of ferals remaining outdoors, and offers support and a bit of comfort to the lives of these cats who cannot become domestic pets. Goal: Kindly reduce feral population, place kittens in loving homes, and eventually return the species Felis catus to happy domesticity.





TASTY TIDBITS by Cat Pragoff

It's starting to feel like summer, isn't it? The sun is shining, the sky is bright, and the berries are plentiful. So here are some delicious no-bake dessert recipes to make use of those luscious fruits to share with your friends and family without heating up the kitchen.

Mixed Berry Lady Cake (makes 10 servings)

Ingredients:

- 3 cups fresh raspberries
- 1 cup heavy whipping cream
- 3 cups fresh blueberries
- 2 cartons mascarpone (8 oz. ea.)
- 2 cups fresh blackberries
- 2 packages ladyfinger cookies
- 2 cups fresh strawberries, sliced
- 1 cup fresh orange juice
- 1-1/3 cups sugar, divided
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 4 tsp. orange zest, grated
- Additional berries for decoration

Directions:

- Place berries in a large bowl. Mix together 1/3 cup sugar, orange zest and orange juice. Toss gently with berries. Refrigerate, covered, for about 45 minutes to 1 hour.

- Beat cream until soft peaks form. In a separate bowl, mix the remaining sugar, mascarpone cheese, and vanilla extract. Gently fold in the beaten cream.

- Drain the berries over a shallow bowl, reserving the juices. Dip the ladyfingers in the reserved juices. Allow the excess juice to drip off, then arrange the ladyfingers on the bottom of a large glass serving dish (13x9 is best). Layer the cookies with half the berries and half the cheese mixture; repeat the layers, starting with the cookies.

- Cover and refrigerate overnight. Top with additional berries before serving.

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This next one is great to make with the grand-kids, and fun to eat with them, too! Just be sure to multiply the ingredients for the appropriate number of servings.

Easy Cheesy Berry Parfaits (makes 2 servings)

Ingredients:

- 2 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 1 cup fresh raspberries
- 4 Tbs. graham cracker crumbs
- 1 cup fresh blueberries
- 2/3 cup marshmallow creme
- 1/2 cup frozen whipped topping

Directions:

- Beat the marshmallow creme and cream cheese together until well blended. Fold in the whipped topping.
- Sprinkle 2 tablespoons graham cracker crumbs into each parfait glass or dessert dish. Layer each with 1/2 cup cream cheese mixture, 1/4 cup blueberries, and 1/4 cup raspberries. Repeat the layers. Cover and refrigerate until serving, at least 1 hour.

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Berry Cloud Pie (Makes 8 servings)

Ingredients:

- 1-1/4 cups miniature marshmallows
- 1/2 cup cold water
- 3 Tbs. butter, cubed
- 2 cups heavy whipping cream
- 2-1/2 cups crisp rice cereal
- 5 Tbs. confectioner's sugar
- 1 pkg. (3 oz.) berry blue gelatin



1-2/3 cups fresh blueberries
 1/2 cup boiling water
 Additional blueberries for garnish

Note: This will make a blue pie. For a pink pie, use strawberries and red gelatin.

Directions:

- In a large saucepan, combine marshmallows and butter. Over medium heat, stir until marshmallows are melted. Stir in cereal. With greased hands, press into the bottom and sides of a greased 9-inch pie plate. Set aside.

- In a large bowl, dissolve the gelatin in the boiling water, allowing at least one minute for it to completely dissolve. Stir in the cold water. Refrigerate until it is partially set, about one hour.

- In a small bowl, using cold beaters, beat the cream until it begins to thicken. Add the confectioner's sugar; beat until soft peaks form.

- Fold berries and 3 cups whipped cream into gelatin mixture. Pour into rice crust. Refrigerate pie and remaining whipped cream for up to 4 hours. Just before serving, garnish with remaining cream and additional blueberries reserved for this purpose.



Cartoon contributed by Karen Kirkpatrick.



...and other stuff you want to know about


MEDFORD FARMS SALON
 Wednesday - Saturday by Appointment
 Pick-up, drop-off & home visits available
 603-494-4941 

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 Or place a copy in the Messenger mailbox in the Reception Office in the DDC. Deadline for submissions is noon on the Thursday after the Board Meeting. (BOD meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.)

Medvil Messenger Staff: Debbie Cyr and MB. Wulf

Additional Proofreading: Irene Gagne



FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY

June 10th ~ Donald Drive Club House

4:30 or 5:30 pm seating's

Could this be the last fish fry until Fall?

If it is, you won't want to miss it!!

- A good-sized portion of deep-fried haddock
- The best French fries you'll ever taste
- With coleslaw and dessert



All this for \$10.00!

No tax, no tip, and beverages are available for purchase.

Don't forget your money!!



Make your reservations and pay at the Reception Office daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Sign-up closes on Wednesday, June 8th at 4:00 pm

The Events Committee would like to thank the residents of Medvil for their continued support of all the activities we host throughout the year; all of which allows us to offer low cost/no cost events and helps defray the cost of our annual Christmas Party

MEAT BINGO!

It's exactly what it sounds like
but not what you might think it is.

We use playing cards!

Saturday ~ June 18th
Donald Drive Club House
1:00 – 4:00 pm

Selections may include, but are
not limited to, pork, beef, chicken,
etc., maybe even fish...whatever
looks best at the butcher shop at
the time of purchase.



Cards are \$1.00 each per game or
\$15 to play sixteen games.

*Please come and bring a friend or family member, the
more the merrier. It's always lots of fun!!*

Don't forget your money!!



**And feel free to bring your choice of
beverages and snacks.**

It's back!!

What? The community wide yard sale sponsored by the Events Committee

When? Saturday & Sunday
June 25th & 26th
8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Where? Your house!

Here's how it works.



- You must sign-up at the office by Friday, June 3rd.
- The cost to participate is just \$5.00; this provides the Events Committee with the money to advertise the yard sale and purchase signs and balloons.
- Signs will be posted at the entrances and throughout the community.
- Homes participating in the yard sale will have balloons tied to the lamp posts.
- Maps will be provided to each car coming to the yard sale.

Want to participate but don't have any tables?

- Tables will be available to rent, the cost is \$5.00 per table, limit two (2) per household.
- Tables will be delivered on Friday, June 24th and picked up on Monday, June 27th.

Ready to participate??

Go to the Reception Office at the Donald Drive Club House, Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm to sign-up and pay.



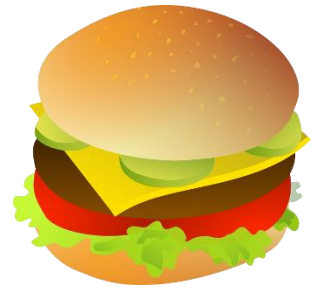
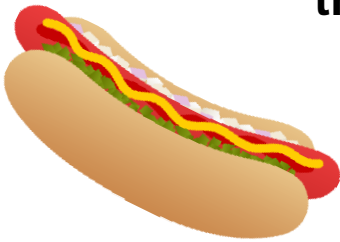
Join us for the return of the
**Annual Neighborhood
Picnic!**

Saturday, July 9th

12:00 – 3:00 PM

**Donald Drive Clubhouse
Picnic Grounds**

**The Events Committee will be there cooking
hamburgers and hotdogs; we'll also supply
the buns and condiments.**



**Bring your own side dish, paper
goods and beverages.**

**And we are working on getting some of our talented
resident musicians to come and play for us.**



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

June 2022						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6 6:30 Cribbage PLC	7 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC	8 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	9 6:30 Bingo DDC	10 6 Cribbage PLC non-league 4:30 & 5:30 Fish Fry DDC	11 10 Flag Disposal Ceremony Maintenance Garage
12	13 6:30 Cribbage PLC	14 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC 3:30 FinCom DDC	15 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	16 6:30 Bingo DDC	17 6 Cribbage PLC non-league	18 8:30 Coffeehouse PLC 1 Meat Bingo DDC
19 FATHERS' DAY	20 6:30 Cribbage PLC	21 SUMMER BEGINS 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC 6 BOD Mtg DDC	22 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	23 6:30 Bingo DDC	24 6 Cribbage PLC non-league	25 8-2 Yard Sale
26 8-2 Yard Sale	27 6:30 Cribbage PLC	28 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC	29 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	30 6:30 Bingo DDC		
FUTURE EVENTS: Community Picnic 9 July Ice Cream Social 13 July						



Metal Pick-up: 1st 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.**