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# THE MEDVIL MESSENGER

## COMING ATTRACTIONS

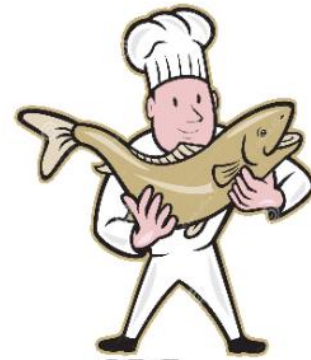
*10 June  
Community  
Yard Sale*



*21 June  
How Medvil Budgets*



*8 June  
Coffee with a Cop*



*23 June  
Fish Fry*

**SEE CALENDAR FOR MORE INFO!**

### BOARD NOTICES

#### OPERATIONS REPORT

Several projects are in the works for this summer. We have drainage issues in four specific areas that will be addressed prior to the fall. We have two septic leach fields that are on their last legs and we will have to address one of them in the spring and the other likely can go for another year. The lights at the entrance of Donald Drive need new conduit line run and the wiring replaced, which will likely happen in a few days if not done by the time you read this. Don plans to start road repair in the next couple weeks as well. The roof on Partridge Lane

The clubhouse has been repaired. The damage was more extensive than thought so it will need more work in the near future. Street sweeping is done and the tree removal and stump grinding is done for this year. If you have trees or stumps that need attention, please put in a work order as we start budgeting for next year. Most lawn damage has been repaired. If you have snow plow damage that has not been addressed, please put in a work order at the office. Our maintenance assistant to Don felt that this was not a good fit for him, so we are still looking for a full-time assistant. We have two part-time employees, Jarod and Anthony who are filling in nicely. Lots getting done, lots still to do but I think the community is looking great fairly early in

the season. Until next time enjoy this great spring weather.

Kim Capen  
Operations Director

## HOW OUR BUDGET WORKS

Budgets. Everyone has one. Medvil's is substantial. Kim Capen and Irene Gagne are hosting a forum to inform members on how to interpret our financial statements. They will also be taking questions about how we work within our budget and what our budgeting process entails.



### **A LOOK at the BUDGET**

If you are interested in attending, please call the Reception Office at 603-497-4440 and leave your name and phone number. If you cannot attend the forum but have a question, leave your name and number and ask for a call back. You may also email any questions you have to medvil@comcast.net.

**This is your chance to get information and ask questions. Please join us on:**

**Wednesday ~ June 21<sup>st</sup> ~ 6:00 pm ~ Partridge Lane Club House**

We look forward to seeing you there!

## LEAVES, LEAVES & MORE LEAVES!



Many of our residents still have last year's leaves in their yards. Many are from our oaks which are known for dropping their leaves late into the season (and sometimes well into winter) while some were just left on the ground from last year; whatever the reason, please be sure to get them soon. Not only will they be blowing into your neighbor's yards (which is not very neighborly and

very aggravating) but rule D. Sites, item #3 reads in part as follows:

*"The maintenance, appearance and cleanup of lot yards are the homeowner's responsibility. Yards are to be kept neat and free of debris and yard tools....Grass clippings and leaves must be placed in biodegradable bags for pick up by park personnel. Large branches must be placed in a pile at the edge of the road. Shrub trimmings and small branches must be placed in a separate bag with the top left open. It is not permissible to dump your yard waste on Medvil grounds. The Goffstown Transfer Station requires that yard waste be separated as noted above."*

Yard waste pick-up is already in full swing, and you can be sure our Maintenance Team is out there picking them up every Thursday morning. Thank you for your attention to this issue; it's all part of what makes Medvil a beautiful community and great place to live.



Thank you.

Kim Capen  
Operations Director

## MEET WITH A BOARD MEMBER

The following schedule will be in effect for the months of June, July, and August.

The first Tuesday of the month at Noon  
Partridge Lane Club House

The second Wednesday of the month at 5:00 PM  
Donald Drive Club House

The third Thursday of the month at 1:00 PM  
Donald Drive Club House



If none of these scheduled times are convenient for you, the board is always available by appointment. Please call the office at 603-497-4440, ext. 5 for the board of directors and leave your message.

Board members may not always be available; sometimes life gets busy, and we have doctor's appointments, grandchildren to pick up from school, all things everyone can relate to. If we're not at the club house to meet with you on the dates and times listed above, please consider coming back or calling the office to make an appointment.

Thank you.

## GENERAL NOTICES

### ANNOUNCING NEW HOURS FOR THE RECEPTION OFFICE

Beginning on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and continuing until further notice, the Reception Office schedule will be as follows:

- **Monday ~ 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**
- **Tuesday ~ 12:30 to 4:00 pm**
- **Wednesday ~ 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**
- **Thursday ~ 9:00 am – 12:30 pm**
- **Friday ~ closed all day**

We are currently looking for four additional volunteers to fill the open time slots. If you are interested in volunteering, call 603-497-4440 and leave your name and phone number.

Sign-up sheets for upcoming events will be made available in the lobby during the times the office is closed.

If you wish to pay your monthly pool when the office is closed, you can reach out directly to Irene Gagne at 603-622-1869.

Incoming packages will be logged in on Fridays and Saturdays and you will be notified of their arrival.

### INK & TONER CARTRIDGES

Staples allows us to bring up to 20 used cartridges monthly for \$2 each. This is \$40/month we can use towards office supplies. Just place them in the bin below the shelf to the left in the DDC mailroom.

### RULE REVIEW

There have been some inquiries made regarding parking on Constitution for the summer months. Where should I park? How long can I stay there? What are the restrictions/rules I must follow?

Below you'll find an excerpt from our rules that should answer your questions. If not please call the office at 603-497-4440 and leave a message for Dan Daigle, Director at Large and he will return your call. You may also email your questions to [medvil@comcast.net](mailto:medvil@comcast.net).

#### E. VEHICLES

- 2) a) Paved parking spaces on Constitution Road are reserved for visitor parking and daily use (non-recreational) vehicles of members.  
b) All other registered vehicles of members not in regular (daily) use must be parked in the field (not paved area) on Constitution Road or in the designated storage area across from the office off Donald Drive (as space is available).
- 4) Members with registered motor homes, campers, boats, trailers, and recreational vehicles may park in the field (not on paved area) on Constitution Road from May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>, with the contingency that they are used at least twice a month.
  - a) Any vehicles frequently parked on Constitution Road must obtain a parking permit.
  - b) Members who have visitors with a registered motor home or camper may park in the field (not on paved area) on



Constitution Road for up to thirty (30) days. Member must notify office and fill out a placard with the “from” and “to” dates. This placard must be displayed in a window of the motor home or camper. No overnight use of the motor home is allowed.

- c) When preparing your RV for use or returning home from use, you may park it in your driveway for up to 48 hours prior to returning to Constitution Road or the lower rental storage lot on Donald Drive.
- d) When preparing your boat for use or returning from use, you may park it in your driveway for up to 24 hours prior to returning it to Constitution Road or the lower rental storage lot on Donald Drive. Where driveways and carports have space available, registered boats may be stored there preferably under your carport, between May 1<sup>st</sup> and October 15<sup>th</sup>, and then must be stored off premise or in the lower RV storage lot on Donald Drive (where space is available for the winter months).

### **Spring Cleaning of Carports**

Despite the recent frost we experienced, spring really is here and with that comes spring cleaning. Many residents have raked last year’s leaves, swept their driveways and started planting flowers and putting up hanging baskets but some have yet to clear out under their carports and put away their snowblowers, shovels and other items that collected under there during the winter. Take a look at your carport and if it does not comply with the current rules (see below) please take a moment to remove those items that do not belong there. Thank you.

### **D. SITES**

- 3) . . . Sheds are allowed for the purpose of keeping yards, driveways, and carports free of any materials not associated with lawn care or snow

removal, such as lawn mower and snow blower. All other materials, debris and off-season yard maintenance equipment are to be kept in your shed. . .

- 5) **Appliances, large containers, motors, auto bodies, tools, machinery (out of season), building supplies, chemicals, drums, tires, ladders, windows, tarps, cardboard boxes, and other discarded items will not be left on lawns, around homes, under carports or on the side of utility buildings. No old furniture of any kind, except for lawn furniture, may be left around the home.**

## COMMITTEES

### **EVENTS COMMITTEE**



The Events Committee works hard to bring you fun things to do, great food to eat and, occasionally, something that helps you in your day-to-day life. We host breakfasts, fish fries, and spaghetti suppers just to name a few of the events we host on a rotating monthly basis. You will find posters in the Medvil Messenger and in each mail house describing the month’s event along with information on the cost (some are free to Medvil residents) and how to sign-up. Events are also listed on the monthly calendar attached to each edition of the newsletter.

We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM in the lower level of the Donald Drive Clubhouse. If you think you might like to join our committee, please stop by at one of our meetings.

We have two events scheduled for June. On Saturday, June 10th the Community Wide Yard Sale will be happening from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm and on Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> please join us for the very popular Fish Fry! Flyers with all the pertinent information are attached to this newsletter.

Kim Capen  
Committee Chair







Contact Irene Gagne at 603-622-1869

**Committee Members –**

We are a committee of seven and are looking for **more** members. Call Irene if you are interested in finding out about the committee.

**Fundraising Pool—** The winner for 5/1 was Linda Flagg for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner. There are three residents on the wait list at this time but we would like to have more. **Call Irene Gagne to place your name on the list.** It's only \$5/month and you can play more than one number.

**Yard Sale 9/30--**Our next yard sale is on 9/30 and will include the crafters.

Now that the closet is fairly empty, we are accepting items again. Call Irene to set up a pick up or delivery appointment.



However, we do not take electronics, TV's, large appliances, furniture, or exercise equipment.

**Please do not place any items in the mail houses or libraries.**

**Consignment store –** The consignment store has already sold 13 of the 20 items brought in on 4/14.

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

Irene M. Gagne

**HELPING HANDS COMMITTEE**

We are looking for members who would like to become part of a network of community volunteers.

*The Medvil Messenger*

The most common requests we receive are providing residents with a ride to a doctor's appointment and welcoming new neighbors to our community.

If you are interested in knowing more and helping as your time permits, I would love to hear from you. Your identity is not posted, and all requests are sent without exposing your emails.

Please reach out to me, Anita O'Brien, at 603-494-4246 and leave a message or email me at [Medvil21@comcast.net](mailto:Medvil21@comcast.net) if you want to learn more or if you're ready to lend a helping hand.

If you aren't familiar with Helping Hands it is a committee with the intent of being able to offer assistance to the members of our community through a volunteer network of our Medvil family. It is not a replacement or an extension of Medvil maintenance. It is exactly what the name states, a way to provide a helping hand in our community. It is not a long-term commitment but rather a way to assist and bridge a gap when assistance is needed.

**RESOURCE COMMITTEE**

The Resource Committee Senior Discounts Informational Packets are available in the Donald Drive Clubhouse Mailroom. If you have not signed up for your Dine Out Club Card, the application is in the packets. Any questions, please call Dorrie at 603-289-3143.

Dorrie Kossuth



## BOARD OF DIRECTOR ELECTIONS

The Medvil Nominating committee is looking for interested candidates to run for the five positions on the Board of Directors that will be on the ballot at this year's annual meeting.

They are President; Secretary; Operations Director and Two Directors-at-Large. All are two-year terms.

### Qualities Needed:

- Passion for the Community
- Empathy
- Honesty
- Ability to listen to what is being said or not being said.
- Good Communicator
- Team Player
- Ability to use email and be responsive to email requests.
- Fiscal responsibility to keep our community affordable for all.
- Attend meetings and actively participate.
- Take ownership of ideas and follow through with implementation.
- Willingness to give your time.
- Volunteer to take on a project.
- Have a good sense of humor.

Please contact one of the committee members if you are interested.

Susan Soule 603-494-2003

Anita O'Brien 603-494-4246

Gerry Forcier 603-232-2241

The latest statistics for May 2023: No new listings, three showings, and three Purchase and Sales pending.



### REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE

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](http://medvilcooperative.com). The Intent to Sell can be filled out online and printed, then dropped off at

**the Board Office for the Office Admin, in the mailbox on the wall by the door 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 - 603-384-2819

Website: [www.medvilcooperative.com](http://www.medvilcooperative.com) Homes for Sale

Dorrie Kossuth, Chairperson







Now that Spring is here, it's time to assess our feral cat population. We have

placed a game camera near the interim feeding station to see how many cats are visiting, and which ones still need to be spayed or neutered.

Don and Anthony, of the maintenance team, have moved the feeding station to its new location, away from homes and tucked into the wooded area off of Partridge Lane. Thanks, Don and Anthony! We are using a "dogloo" as a temporary feeding station, which we will move incrementally closer to the new location to help the cats transition. This will take a couple of weeks, so we ask that everyone be patient with the disruption of the scenery.

I'm curious about whether there are roaming cats on the Donald Drive side of the park so I'd appreciate it if you would let me know.

As always, please contact me if you have questions or concerns about the program. Thanks!

Donna Duford



**ABOVE: FELINE MOBILE HOME RELOCATION SERVICES!**

*The Feral Cat Project volunteers of Medvil are grateful to Don and Anthony of our maintenance staff, who ably assisted our program on moving day.*

**TO LEFT:**

*The "dogloo" looks like this. It's not a permanent feature of the Feral Cat Program and will be going away pretty soon.*





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?

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](mailto:Medvil21@comcast.net)

Or by phone at: (603) 494-4246.

Your *Medvil Messenger* staff would remind you at this time that our



upcoming July issue will, as usual, precede a month's publication

break. So please plan your events and article submissions relevant to August with that in mind. Thanks!



...and other stuff you want to know about

*The Medvil Messenger is always looking for 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. 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 and Sue Soule*





## JUNE 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> 6:30 Bingo DDC	<b>2</b> 6 Cribbage PLC non-league	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 6:30 Cribbage PLC	<b>6</b> 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC	<b>7</b> 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	<b>8</b> 10 Coffee w/a Cop PLC 6:30 Bingo DDC	<b>9</b> 6 Cribbage PLC non-league	<b>10</b> 9 Community Yard Sale
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 6:30 Cribbage PLC	<b>13</b> 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC	<b>14</b> 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	<b>15</b> 6:30 Bingo DDC	<b>16</b> 6 Cribbage PLC, non-league	<b>17</b> 8:30 Coffeehouse PLC
<b>18</b> <b>FATHER'S DAY</b> 	<b>19</b> 6:30 Cribbage PLC	<b>20</b> 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC 6 BOD Mtg DDC	<b>21</b> <b>SUMMER!</b>  10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC 6 Budget Info PLC	<b>22</b> 6:30 Bingo DDC	<b>23</b> 6 Cribbage PLC, non-league 4:30/5:30 Fish Fry DDC	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> 6:30 Cribbage PLC	<b>27</b> 10 & 7 Play Pool PLC	<b>28</b> 10 Pool PLC 12:30 Knitting PLC	<b>29</b> 6:30 Bingo DDC	<b>30</b> 6 Cribbage PLC, non-league	

**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 1 December**

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



# Coffee with a Cop

## Partridge Lane Club House

### June 8th ~ 10:00 am



Enjoy a cup of coffee and get to know our police officers and staff members of our agency!





# FRIDAY NIGHT FISH FRY

June 23rd

Donald Drive Club House

4:30 or 5:30 pm seatings

You've been asking for it and here it is!

- 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.

Make your reservations and pay at the Reception Office.

**Don't forget your money!!**



**Save the date!!**

**July 15<sup>th</sup> Ice Cream Social with special guest performers the Ukulele Songsters.**

The Ukulele Songsters is a group of about 15 ukulele players that come from NH and MA.

You never know what they'll be chiming in with: banjo's, harmonica's, guitar, drums, wooden spoons, tambourines - and even a boomba!

Come for delicious ice cream and great entertainment!!





## **THEY ARE OUT AND ABOUT!**

Residents have seen them in their yards and have pictures of them on their security cameras! Although bears are generally shy and usually avoid humans, their need for food and their fondness for sunflower seeds often draw them to New Hampshire bird feeders.

Here are some suggestions to prevent your bird feeder from becoming a bear feeder:

- NH Fish & Game recommends you complete your bird feeding activities by April 1 each year. Don't feed the birds until late fall (the birds will do just fine). If you must put your feeders out, please bring them inside at night.
- Bears are clever. This, coupled with their strength and agility, make it very difficult to establish bearproof bird feeders.
- Purposeful feeding can result in the bears getting accustomed to humans. This "habituation" of bears may cause a variety of conflicts with humans. The end result may be the removal (most often with lethal consequences) of the offending bear.
- Encourage your bird-feeding friends and neighbors to adhere to these guidelines. Be reminded that many people have an irrational fear of bears. A black bear's presence in a residential area may create fear among neighbors and lead to negative consequences for the bear.
- If you are one of the many residents who take advantage of the early morning or evening hours to walk through our quiet neighborhoods, please be vigilant. If a bear is foraging and moving from yard to yard you might not see it until you are too close for comfort (your comfort, not the bears). If you see a bear, just make some noise; clap or sing, anything to let the bear know you are there and it will most likely turn tail and run.

**FUN FACT: Black Bears can run at speeds of 25 to 30 miles per hour!**

Here's a reminder about what you can and cannot recycle!

# ZERO-SORT<sup>®</sup> RECYCLING

## CARDBOARD/PAPER



**Corrugated Cardboard**  
(Wavy center layer)



**Boxboard**  
(Dry-food boxes, egg cartons, & rolls)



**Junk Mail, Periodicals, & Office Paper**  
(Paper bags, envelopes, & catalogs)

## PLASTIC



**Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Tubs, & Lids**  
(Empty kitchen, laundry, & bath containers)

## METAL



**Aluminum & Steel Cans**  
(Foil & empty food & beverage cans)

## GLASS



**Glass Bottles & Jars**  
(Empty food & beverage bottles & jars)

## ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED

Plastic bags, bagged recyclables, clothing/textiles, food waste/liquids, tangles such as rope or hoses, scrap metal, batteries of any kind, electronics, wood, medical waste, hazardous materials, explosives, toys, hangers, shoes, waxy cups or plates, food bags or wrappers, plastic wrap or film, shrink wrap, tarps, diapers, human/pet or yard waste, tires or rubber, Styrofoam, napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers, coffee pods, ceramics or baking glass.

*This information comes directly from the Goffstown Transfer Station.*

You can also find more information on the Medvil web site at  
<https://www.medvilcooperative.com/documents.html>