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For all the Medvil community since 2008.
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BOARD NOTICES

DOGS TRESPASSING



Greetings Neighbors,

I write this note to address an issue the board of directors must deal with many times a year. Residents expect that this volunteer board will

enforce all the community rules you as residents have voted for. Unfortunately, we don't always have eyes everywhere all the time. We rely on you to help us when violations affect your enjoyment of living here. The latest struggle we have with violations that are going on unchecked is dogs trespassing on resident lots.



To be clear, dogs relieving themselves on any resident lot is not acceptable whether you pick it up or not. The common area is the place for that and picking it up is still a requirement no matter where it happens. Your neighbors invest a lot in time and money to enhance the beauty of our community and dog urine kills their efforts.

Common areas are identified as, but not limited to, the area on Constitution Avenue/Road, the area surrounding the Donald Drive Club House, the field at the end of Williams Way, and the land along the access road to, and outside of, the Lower Storage Area. To be clear, if you use these areas as locations for your dog to defecate, you are still responsible for picking up the mess. Under no circumstances should you be using the areas of the Community Garden or the Blueberry Field as a bathroom for your dog.

If you are a dog owner and do not carry a bag with you to pick up after your dog, or if you continue to allow your dog to trespass on other resident lots, you will be subject to fines.

Continued violations can be dealt with by loss of your membership in the community which amounts to a 20% increase in your lot fees.

We need to be respectful of all our neighbors' right to privacy and the investment they make in the lot that they rent from the community. The expectation that you should not trespass on others lots goes for your pets as well. I know that many of you are following the rules regarding your dog walking, but it seems a reminder is necessary at this time as too many issues have come to our attention recently. Please be respectful of your neighbors and the care they take in the lot that they lease and please be helpful to the board of directors who are here to do their best to keep our community one of the best ROC's in the country.

Kim Capen
President



SCAM ALERT

DRIVEWAYS

Be aware there is a man knocking on doors in the Pinarville area offering to repave driveways with leftover asphalt. The sign on the truck says, "Asphalt Services". This is a scam. They are fast talkers and will try to get you to agree to the work. They don't pave the driveway the way they say they will, and they charge you more than the agreed-upon price. They have done this in other parts of the state, but as far as we know, they have not yet ventured into Medvil.

If someone does show up at your house offering to pave the driveway, replace your roof or do any kind of work that you did not arrange for ahead of time, please tell them "No", and call the police, as they are trespassing on private property. Medvil does not allow any soliciting of any kind.



some of the areas that took more time than initially planned so there were two locations we could not complete. These locations will take priority on next year's list. My gratitude to Gerry Montminy who agreed to be my "traffic detail," so to speak, who was later joined by Norm Proulx. Thank you, gentlemen, for keeping the tree crew and residents safe throughout the process.

Christmas came a little later for Maintenance this year but as they say, "better late than never." We are now the proud owners of a new snowblower to be used for cleanup after the storms in areas where the plows are too cumbersome, such as all the drainage locations. It will be a faster, more efficient way to clean up after a storm and less impact on the Maintenance team. On behalf of myself, Jeff and Stan I would like to thank Irene Gagne and the Fundraising committee for their very generous donation!

Now on to our favorite topic of recycling. Due to the increase of issues with the recycling process such as containers with food in them, milk and juice cartons, ice cream containers, to name a few, it has been decided to scale down what will and will not be accepted as recyclable. A complete list has been posted in both mail houses as well as the entryway at the Donald Drive Clubhouse. Copies of the notice may also be obtained in the package room for you to take for future reference and will also be attached to the printed newsletter that can be obtained in both mail houses. Thank you all for your cooperation in this matter. Your efforts will be much appreciated.

This pretty much covers everything for this month. Thanks to all our volunteers, Jeff and Stan for all your hard work.

Odie Perron / OD

OPERATIONS NOTICES

For starters I would like to say, "Welcome back Jeff"! Though he was only out for a short time, his presence was greatly missed. Many thanks to Stan for stepping in and keeping things running smoothly. Your efforts, Stan, were very much appreciated. I would also like to thank Jim McDermott who, without hesitation, agreed to help Stan with the plowing after our first heavy storm of the season. You did a great job, Jim, and thank you for taking my calls in the wee hours of the morning.

The tree program has been completed for 2021 and I'm happy to say we made a huge dent in the backlog. We did have some unforeseen issues in



COMMITTEE REPORTS

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

Contact Irene Gagne at 622-1869

MONTHLY POOL

The 1/1 winner was Brenda White for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner.

There is currently only 1 resident on the wait list. Please call Irene Gagne at 622-1869 to place your name on the list. It's only \$5/month and you can play more than one number.

Yard Sale – Our yard sales for last year were cancelled. We hope to have another yard sale later this year. This will depend on where the country stands on the coronavirus.

If you have items to donate, please hold onto them. Call Irene to let her know you have items, so you are on a list to contact when a new date is scheduled. If you do not have room to store your items, let Irene know & she will see if other arrangements are available.

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

Committee Members – We are a committee of nine with two individuals interested. We are looking for more members with fresh ideas that will benefit the Medvil community.

Ideas Needed – However, you don't have to be a committee member to give us suggestions for projects to use our funds – call Irene with suggestions, including costs.

The Monthly Pool—The pool started in May 2008 and has paid out \$35,786 as of December 2020.



In the beginning, in order to get players, we paid the winner 90% and we used three numbers. That proved to be a nightmare as the 1st winner received \$1,368 because of all the rollovers. We changed to two numbers and gradually went to a 50/50 split.

In analyzing the winning numbers and amounts paid for each number, here are the results of the top five:

#03 won \$2,030 by three players.

#17 won \$1,618 by two players - the 1st winner received \$1,368.

#96 won \$1,472.50 by two players (five times by one player).

#52 won \$1,244.50 by one player who won five times.

#06 won \$1,174 by one player - won early on with a large payout and smaller amount the second time.

We use the **NH Lottery Pick 4 Evening Draw**, the last 2 numbers on the 1st of each month.

Any questions contact Irene at the number above.
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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 or by phone at (603)494-4246.



MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

In 2020, we welcomed new members and neighbors throughout the year. Here is the list of newcomers who joined us in 2020.



Welcome neighbors! we hope you are settled in and enjoying your life here in Medvil! We're so happy you've joined us!

- Mark & Michelle McDougle & Ellen Beadle: 123 Riverledge
- Bruce & Noreen Freeman: 222 Donald
- Joyce & Charlie Anderson: 46 Riverledge
- Paul Muelman & Barbara Haynes: 228 Donald
- Mike & Kathy Langlois: 34 Williams
- Steven Balmos: 19 Kelly Court
- Kyley Fabrizio Romano: 234 Donald
- Gerald & Doris Forcier: 30 Rachael
- David & Tracy Wyman: 278 Donald
- Bill & Carol Chase: 76 Donald
- William & Donna Morrill: 15 Riverledge
- Tom & Sylvia Parker: 28 Donald
- Anthony Introcaso: 191 Donald
- Mark & Marion Simpson: 92 Partridge
- Eugene & Doris Stauff: 26 Rachael
- Laurette Beaulieu: 73 Riverledge
- Teresa Schumacher: 275 Donald
- Karen Chauvette: 57 Country Way
- Mari & Charlie Martin: 207 Donald
- Ann Marie Ibach: 66 Country Way
- John Crowder: 12 Brandon Lane
- Catherine & Arman Dubois: 66 Rachael
- Lynda McLaughlin: 40 My Way
- Faith Trop, Carol & David Smith: 217 Donald
- Russell & Cindy Beeson: 44 Rachael

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REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE



We have currently two listings. Over January we had two closings, four showings, and no pending offers.

DK

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**, filled out and sent to the office. The second step is to locate a realtor. Please consider Medvil Real Estate to 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

CONDOLENCES

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

- Carmen Guimond in the death of her son
- The family of Imogen Goldthwaite in the event of her death



*Winter
Witch Hazel*



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.

Linda Robinson, Sunshine Lady (603) 851-5209

THE STATE WE'RE IN



THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT THE GRANITE STATE Part 1

The Vacation Destination

When the US economy first matured and started producing a middle class, it was centered in dirty, crowded cities. Citizens with expendable income soon took advantage of the new age of rapid transport (such as the Concord Coach, made right here). Artists captured our White Mountains, making them so famous that American tourism – as we know it today – took root right here.

Getting in Trouble for Being Late to Work

Without the American alarm clock, invented by Concord's Levi Hutchins in 1787, you wouldn't be late to work, because the concept wouldn't exist. Your boss can't get mad at you for not showing up at 9 a.m. on the dot if you have no way of waking up precisely when you need to. (Props to Leonardo Da Vinci for first creating the idea at all).

Leftovers

Be grateful for Tupperware, because without the hearty "burp" of those plastic lids, our meal remnants would still be drying out in the icebox.

Even if Tupperware itself wasn't invented in New Hampshire, Earl Tupper was, so you're welcome for that infamous drawer in your kitchen where mismatched lids and containers go to die.

That Song You Can't Get Out of Your Head

You know the song a certain Disney princess sang on a tundra that's been stuck in your head for the last seven years? You can thank UNH graduate Jennifer Lee, who wrote and directed Disney's Oscar-winner "Frozen" in 2013 (plus the more recent "Frozen II"). Though she didn't actually write the song itself, it's because of her film-making that we just can't LET IT GO. ☺

Thanksgiving, White Weddings and Mary's Little Lamb

Newport is the home of a 19th century cross between Martha Stewart and Oprah Winfrey. Sarah Josepha Hale changed the country's culture with her powerful influence on domestic fashion and taste. She was the first female magazine editor, heading the pre-Civil War era's most successful women's publication *Godey's Lady's Book*, where she wrote about women's fashion (her coverage of Queen Victoria's white wedding gown helped set white dresses as the norm), women's duties and the importance of women's education. She also wrote editorials promoting the idea of establishing Thanksgiving as a national holiday, which ultimately inspired President Abraham Lincoln to formally establish Thanksgiving Day in 1863. Ms. Hale also provided instructions for celebrating the new holiday, including a description of a New England Thanksgiving dinner, the blueprint we still use today. Oh...and she wrote *Mary Had a Little Lamb*.

French Fries

The first potato in North America was planted in the common field of Derry (then Nutfield) in 1719, starting the lowly tuber on its path to becoming America's favorite "vegetable" in all its many delicious, fat-saturated variants.



WE CONTINUE WITH GOFFSTOWN HISTORY

Did you know... Did you know... On Mast Road about one mile east of the village, near the old Shirley Station, was once a hotel known as Taggart's. The first owner and proprietor was Jonathan Butterfield, about 1800, and it remained in his possession until 1837. He was succeeded by Hugh J. Taggart, and he in turn by David M. Taggart. The hotel enjoyed its greatest distinction during the management of David M. Taggart; a spacious hall was constructed for the accommodation of parties and public meetings. A racecourse was graded northeast of the tavern for the exercise and exhibition of Mr. Taggart's trotting stock, and he became famous throughout the country as the owner of "Taggart's Abdallah." The buildings were destroyed by fire about 1880.

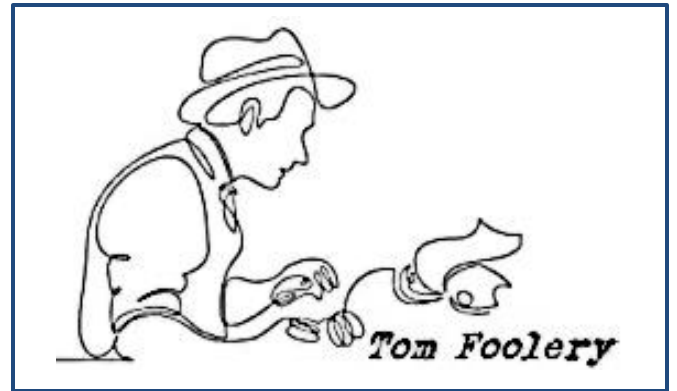
From Ellyn Barnard, courtesy of the Goffstown Residents Association

Editor's note: This has been a continuing series, in no particular order, but at some point, we'll cover history specific to the area now occupied by our very own Medvil Cooperative.

Remember Presidents' Day...



... Monday, 15 February



Big city columnist Tom Foolery joins our staff to bring you literary observations, edgy essays, incisive ponderings, erudite musings, and dystopian challenges.

As of a couple days ago, however, Tom headed with his dog to camp out at Gobbler's Knob two miles south of Punxsutawney to try and be the first to get a Groundhog Day audience with the premier rodent himself. But Phil emerged early, Tom's dog took off after him, and Tom had to take up the chase as well. We'll let guest contributors fill in until we hear from Tom and his dog.

HEARD IT ON THE RADIO...

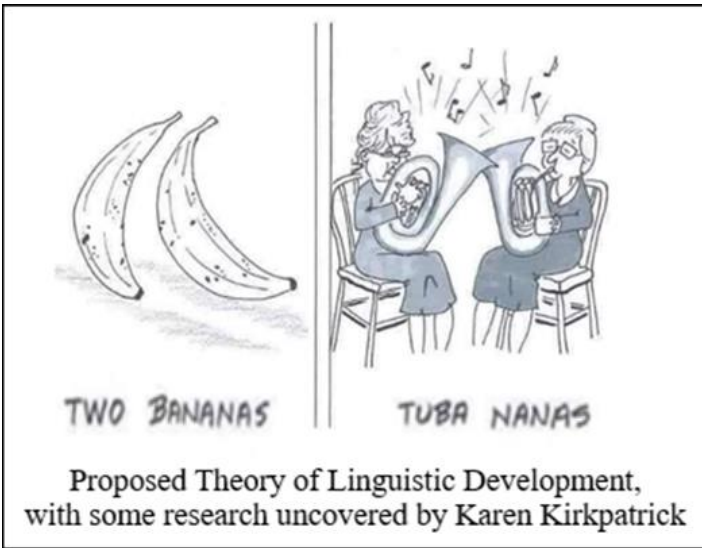
"There's a reason why you shouldn't take selfies while showering: It leads to selfie steam issues."

THE OUTDOOR REFRIGERATOR

By Alyn Miller

I saw a flagon full of beer
And emptied it in two small swigs
So I refilled it from the cask
Cooling in a shallow stream
Until the cask, now emptied out
Got up and parted company
And sped downstream, then broke on rocks.
For years I've watched for other casks
But all I've found are bottled wines
And sticklebacks with pokey spines.





DEADLINES



and other stuff
YOU want to know about

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The Medvil Messenger encourages members to submit articles for consideration. Recipes, helpful hints, reminiscences, jokes, poems—please keep it upbeat and positive. Due to space considerations, 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. (During our Covid-19 lockdown, you may slide it under the office door and we will ask our office volunteers to let us know that it's there.)

Deadline for submissions is noon on the Monday after the Board Meeting. (BOD meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.)



"The only thing I like better than a brisk walk on a crisp winter day is to settle in afterwards and read my Medvil Messenger!"

"With a nice glass of wine."

"Oh, definitely, wine enhances everything."

