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THE MEDVIL MESSENGER

For all the Medvil community since 2008.
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Medvil pride.....shows inside!
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BOARD NOTICES

MISPLACED MAIL

"I found a piece of mail in my box that doesn't belong to me. What should I do?"

According to Paul at the USPS in Goffstown, you should NEVER pin anyone's mail to the bulletin board. What if that piece of mail is a check? What if it contains some proprietary information you wouldn't want anyone to know about?



All you need to do is put that piece of mail back into the outgoing mail. If the carrier spots it before

they leave Medvil, the mail will be placed in the correct slot; if not, it will just go through the process again. It will be handled like a new piece of mail and should make it to the correct box. Remember, mail carriers are only human and can make mistakes.

One other thing you might consider doing? Taking that piece of mail and delivering it to the homeowner. One small act of kindness goes a long way.



OPERATIONS NOTICES

HELP NEEDED

The Maintenance Team needs a few more volunteers to help with trash and recycle pickup on Wednesdays.



If you have the time and the capability and you would like to volunteer, please leave your contact information with the reception office and we will be in touch.



Thank you
OP/OD

KEEPING OUR GUYS BUSY

Some have asked out of curiosity exactly what the Maintenance Team does during the winter months when there's no snow to plow or salting to be done?



Because the snow was slow to start this year and most of the storms have been small so far, I can say that Jeff and Stan have accomplished quite a bit.

In answer to this question, I would like to give you a rundown of the tasks and projects they have accomplished to date.

Non-skid tape was installed on the ramps at the Donald Drive and Partridge Lane Clubhouses to prevent slipping. Frames and tailgates of all three trucks have been sanded and painted to prevent further rusting. Preventative maintenance and repairs have been done on the mowers and landscape equipment to be ready for the spring. The outside furniture you see throughout the community has been repaired if necessary and given a new coat of paint.



Batteries have been changed in the smoke detectors in both clubhouses and two malfunctioning emergency exit signs at the Partridge Clubhouse have been replaced.

During a routine inspection, Jeff discovered that the Matthew Circle pump house had insulation stacked against the wall but never installed. That insulation has since been installed by Stan to help prevent any possibility of freezing.



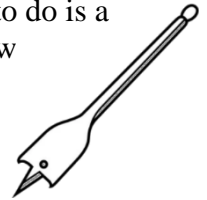
Handicap handrails have been purchased for both ramps at Partridge Clubhouse in order to bring us in compliance with Goffstown's building codes. Installation will take place as soon as weather permits.

The Partridge Lane Clubhouse was the project that we are most excited about. As I'm sure you will agree, the restrooms were a bit outdated and in need of a little sprucing up. I am happy to say that both restrooms were given a fresh coat of paint on the walls, woodwork and the partitions. A new light fixture and mirror was installed in the men's room. The vanity was painted to give it a fresh look. A new light fixture was installed in the ladies' room and the mirrors were painted to match the woodwork. Both restrooms had new floors installed and everything now looks fresh and clean!

The coat closet was also given a fresh coat of paint and a wainscoting was installed to prevent damage to the walls. A wood box was built to store the seat cushions used by the Cribbage players in order to

keep these off the shelves. A light fixture was installed in place of the light bulb that was currently there.

The drapes were removed and laundered and re-hung. Wood doors were removed and conditioned with new kick plates installed. Left to do is a good dusting, vacuuming and window cleaning in the spring, and Partridge Clubhouse will be ready for re-opening as soon as Covid-19 allows.



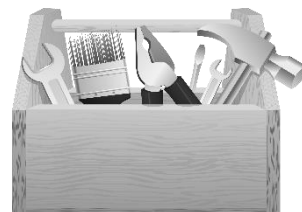
I hope this answers all the curiosity questions that have been asked. If there's anything else you're curious about, please feel free to reach out.

I want to thank Jeff and Stan for all their hard work. They work great together as a team and it's truly a pleasure to be working with them.

Thank you!
OP/OD

Editor's Note:

One of our Riverledge residents relates that Jeff from Maintenance and Odie from Ops were on the scene for a good long time into the evening one night in February, responding to a plumbing issue at two homes. Repairs involved several trucks and much crawling under houses. Odie and Jeff both stayed at the site for the duration, making sure the problem was fixed. Big thanks to these folks for faithfully taking care of Medvil on a weekend, especially Valentine's Day.



OTHER NOTICES

facebook

Got some good news you'd like to tell the world about? Or at

least let your Medvil neighbors know? Maybe you don't want to get involved with random public groups on Facebook. We've got something new for you to try.

Medvil is starting a new, residents-only group on Facebook. It will be a private group for verified residents, where only members can see who else is in the group and what they post.

With the pandemic still keeping everyone extra-cautious about face-to-face time, we're hoping this group will foster friendly communication, cooperation and community involvement among the residents and friends of our great community.

Some examples: Is the crocus peeking out in your garden? Post a picture. Spotted some interesting wildlife? Post a picture and tell folks where. Celebrating a family milestone like a new grandchild? Let your friends know. Those are just some ideas. The group will become whatever the participants want to make it.

You will need to have a Facebook account to participate. To sign up, visit this address: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/medvilmembers>, and click the button to join. Fill in the information and click to agree to a few rules – the basic ones are to be kind and courteous, to respect everyone's privacy, and no self-promotion or spamming – and submit. You'll be approved within 24 hours.

Let's make this a success for our community.

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FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



Contact Irene Gagne at 622-1869

MONTHLY POOL

The 2/1 winner was Rachel Tessier for \$250. All numbers are being played with a guaranteed winner.

There are currently three residents 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.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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.

Fundraising Pool— We will be setting up dates in early March to have participants pay for at least another four months: April – July and beyond.

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REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE



We have one new listing. For the month of February we have had 15 showings and two Purchase and Sales Agreements pending. 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:

- The family of Marion Locke

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



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.



THE STATE WE'RE IN



THINGS YOU MAY NOT KNOW ABOUT THE GRANITE STATE Part 2

Computer Games

They were invented right here by engineer Ralph Baer who, while working for Sanders Associates Inc. in Nashua, created the first video game test units in 1967. He went on to create the basic digital moves and challenges that evolved into “Pac Man” and eventually into the massive multiplayer online games that many now choose to occupy the majority of their free time.

Fast Food as We Know It.

You'd be hard pressed to leave the US and not stumble across at least one McDonald's. You can thank Manchester brothers Richard and Maurice McDonald for creating a business that has served billions of burgers worldwide.

Books for the People

More than three centuries ago, New Hampshire set the national library trend. Established in January 1717, our State Library is the first state library in the country. About a hundred years after that, the town of Dublin created the original free library. The Dublin Juvenile Library was supported by voluntary contributions, not membership fees. A decade later, in 1833, the Peterborough Town Library was founded, becoming the first library in the US funded by public taxes.

We Produce Comedy Stars and Beloved Folk Singers.

Seth Meyers, Adam Sandler, and Sara Silverman are all from the Granite State. Singer songwriter Tom Rush is from Portsmouth.

And Famous Skiers

Born and raised in Franconia and known for his 'ski like a madman' attitude, Bode Miller is an Olympic and World Championship gold medalist, a two-time overall World Cup champion in 2005 and 2008, and the most successful male American alpine ski racer of all time before he retired in 2017.

WE CONTINUE WITH GOFFSTOWN HISTORY

Did you know...In the early days of the Revolution, Kelley's Tavern was noted as a neighborhood rendezvous for the patriots or Sons of Liberty, and recruits and orderlies were sometimes ordered to report to Col. Moses Kelley on Mast Road in Goffstown. Colonel Kelley resided for a time on the easterly side of the Mast Road.

Did you know...Mast Road was thusly named as it was the route where trees, marked for the use by the King of England, were pulled by oxen to the Merrimack River. From there, they were transported to Portsmouth to be fashioned into masts for sailing vessels.

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.





“An hour to get there
Perhaps with a stop
And on the way home
For sugar will shop.

An hour to get there
Perhaps with a stop
And on the way home
For Silk™ will I shop.” *(email from work)*

“♪ These are the Cheetos that will clog your gums
These are the Cheetos that will clog your gums
These are the Cheetos that solidify the sea
These are the Cheetos that will melt on you and me”
(To the 1812 Overture)

“I did *not* buy Spaghettios. No need to applaud—
just appreciate.”
(On returning home, post-errands)

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

The last we heard from Tom, however, he was headed for the rich bottomlands of Lesser Greater Falls, Your State’s Name Here, to cover their annual Mud Season Clog Dance and Bock Beer Festival. We hope it won’t culminate in an airlift like last year. Meanwhile, we’ll let guest contributors fill in until we hear from Tom and his dog.

DEADLINES



and other stuff
YOU want to know about

CRIMINAL JUSTICE

A guy was in jail and told the police officer that he wasn't going to say anything without his lawyer present. The officer looked at him and said, "But *you're* a lawyer." "I know," he replied, "so where's my present?"

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ALYN'S SHOPPING EXCURSIONS. . .

. . .or lists in preparation have yielded interesting observations over the years:

In the health and beauty aisle: “I guess they get baby powder after they get baby oil. Squeeze them for the oil, then powder the husk. Makes perfect sense.”

The Medvil Messenger wants material! Recipes, helpful hints, reminiscences, jokes, poems--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. (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.)



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