

# OCTOBER 2014

## Notes from the Selectmen's Office

**Fay Martin Road Article Correction.** In the September 2014 issue of *The Richmond Rooster*, the 'Notes from the Selectmen's Office' inadvertently misled readers regarding the shared costs of the Fay Martin Road upgrade. The correct information is below.

The Court order states that Saint Benedict Center, "the applicant," shall deposit with the Town or post a bond or irrevocable letter of credit in the amount of "33% of the current estimated costs of upgrading Fay Martin Road from the bridge to the driveway of the former Boscarino property. (\$150,000) (approximately 3000 feet)."

At the settlement, the cost of the upgrade was estimated to be \$150,000. This cost was agreed to by the signatories to the settlement. Thus, the Saint Benedict Center share is capped at \$50,000 for the upgrade and this amount has been secured in an irrevocable letter of credit with the Bank of Walpole.

We thank property owners along the road for granting easements to the town to allow for constructing new drainage, tree cutting, and creating a truck pull-out space for fire department use. The Town is proceeding with an eminent domain taking for another easement on property in foreclosure, because the foreclosure bank is not responsive to our requests to sign the easement document.

Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) The TAP grant application was submitted by the Selectmen on time and we expect notification in January 2015. Thanks to the many people involved in putting together the information needed to present a complete application. If granted, the project must begin within 90 days. These are federal funds administered by NHDOT and strict requirements apply. Initial actions will be to 1) identify and engage a state qualified engineering firm, 2) conduct an engineering study and develop preliminary and final plans, 3) identify historical, cultural and archeological resources in the target area, 4) secure all necessary permits and easements, 5) appropriate the entire cost of the project at Town Meeting, 80% of which will be reimbursed by the grant. As noted in the September issue of *The Rooster*, if we are awarded the grant, the Town may need to bond this project with a loan until reimbursements are made. If we do not receive the grant, the project will not be further pursued, unless advised to do so by the Town Meeting. If the grant is awarded and the Town Meeting rejects the appropriation the project will be cancelled.

This project reflects the opinions and thoughts expressed in the Community Survey, and Richmond's goals as stated in the Master Plan Sections XIII and XIV.

If you haven't completed a Community Survey yet, please do so as soon as possible. This is a great opportunity to make your voice heard as the community plans for the future of the Four Corners Area. Surveys are available at the library, town hall, and police and fire departments, and there is a link to the survey online on the Town Website. It will take less than 3 minutes to complete!

**Tax Deeding.** On September 8, 2014 the Selectmen voted to accept the tax deed for the Four Corners Store property. As you know, this property is part of an environmental clean-up project funded by a SWRPC brownfields grant, and NHDES and EPA hazardous materials and MTBE clean up grant programs. A final report on the clean-up is forthcoming and will be made available and reported in *The Rooster* as soon as possible. Please check the Town website for further updates. The Selectmen plan to develop criteria, based on community input, for any future development of the property and issue a request for proposals from interested parties.

Prior to taking the tax deed, the Selectmen voted to do a site visit of a second property and voted to waive taking the tax deed on a third property.

**Building Maintenance.** By the time you read this article, the majority of structural and interior insulation work will be completed on the Library and Veterans Hall. The Town should realize significant reductions in heating costs this coming winter because the Veterans Hall and Library are now properly and well insulated. The contract to replace the Fire Department roof with a metal roof will be fulfilled later this fall by Marvin Smart, the roofing contractor who installed the rubber membrane on the flat section of the Fire Department roof last year. Snow-stop guards will be installed to prevent heavy loads from falling on the flat roof and from slides on the east side of the building protecting the side exit.

Beginning a phased painting of the exteriors of our historic municipal buildings will be front and center of the Selectmen's maintenance agenda for next year. Also, tree trimming or removal, south side roof replacement and foundation repair for the Town Hall will also be on the schedule for 2015. The primary project in 2015 will be the Fay Martin Road upgrade to meet the January 29, 2016 deadline for completion.

**Legal Update.** The Town was awarded attorney's fees for two enforcement actions taken recently. One party has fulfilled their obligation. Also, the Town prevailed at a recent tax abatement hearing before the Bureau of Tax and Land Appeals (BTLA).

**Delinquent taxpayers.** While the selectmen understand that it is sometimes tough to pay your property taxes on time, the town cannot meet its obligations unless everyone pays their share. We thank those of you who meet your tax obligation on time, and warn those of you who don't that this year the Selectmen have voted to list delinquent taxpayers in the Town Report. For several years now, residents have asked us to do this, citing fairness. Of course we hope you will pay by the tax deadline, but the last date for the Town to accept payment prior to going to press with the *Annual Town Report* has not been determined yet, but we will post a notice in *The Rooster* and on the website to alert you to the date of publication.

**Town Website.** We'd like to remind you that you can access Town information at any time by going to the Town website at www.richmond.nh.gov. You'll find a calendar of events and meetings, minutes of meetings, links to local sites, a list of local business owners, frequently asked questions, applications for many of the projects the state or town require to be permitted, and timely notifications of any changes you may need to know.

## **Dates to Remember**

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

October 15-16 CLOSED for Annual NH Clerks' Conference October 23 Last day to submit voting registration forms

with Town Clerk for the General Election

November 4 General Election Day

Polling hours: 8 am - 7 pm at the Veteran's Hall. Please call 239-6202 with questions.

# **Election Results**

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

The NH State Primary Election was held on September 9, 2014. Of the 806 registered voters, 176 voted. Of these 176 ballots, 119 Republican ballots and 57 Democratic ballots were cast. This represents a 21.8% turnout. The last time when fewer than 200 Richmond voters voted at a State Primary Election was in 2006. Only 110 people voted. The results for this year's State Primary Election are posted at the Town Hall, the Veterans Hall and on the Town website.

The General Election will be held on November 4, 2014 at the Veterans Hall from 8:00 am until 7:00 pm. You may register to vote during the Town Clerk's regular business hours through October 23, at the Supervisors Session on October 25 and on Election Day. If you need an absentee ballot, the application is available at the Town Clerk's office, on the Town website, and at the NH Secretary of State's website, http://sos.nh.gov, on the Elections page. Your questions are always welcome!

# **Library News**

Wendy O'Brien

#### **Construction at the Library**

The Library will be nice and warm this winter (and no more frozen pipes!) thanks to you, the residents of Richmond. During the month of September, work was done on cleaning up and insulating the basement under the original schoolhouse building. In addition, the trusses of the roof in the Edith Atkins addition were reinforced to accommodate the greater snow load that will come with the increased insulation in the attic. We did close for a few days due to construction, but we are looking forward to a warmer winter and lower heating costs this year!

Storytimes: Wednesdays with Wendy will continue throughout the fall. We have scheduled stories and crafts with the following themes:

October 1: Celebrate World Farm Animals Day!

October 8: Fire Prevention Week

October 15: Discover the New World with Columbus

October 22: Pablo Picasso's Birthday Party October 29: Halloween-Come in Costume!

#### NH Downloadable Books Consortium

We wanted to remind you that we offer best-selling and classic audio books and eBooks available 24/7 from http://nh.lib.over-drive.com. You can browse the collection, checkout or reserve items, and download titles to many devices including the Kindle, Nook, iPad, iPhone and android phones. Titles will automatically expire at the end of the lending period. There are no late fees! If you need assistance with any part of the process, please stop by the RPL—we are happy to help! You will need to have a valid library card to use this service.

# New additions to the collection:

#### **Adult Fiction**

Adultery, Paul Coelho
The White Princess, Phillipa Gregory
Everything to Lose, Andrew Gross
Close to Home, Lisa Jackson
An Event in Autumn, Henning Mankel

G. H. Fil.: II

Story Hour, Thrity Umrigar

Care and Management of Lies, Jacqueline Winspear

#### **DVDs**

House M.D., Season 3 Call the Midwife, Season 3 The Lego Movie

#### **Audio Books**

Mansfield Park, Jane Austen
The Mysterious Affair at Styles, Agatha Christie
Top Secret Twenty-One, Janet Evanovich
The Hurricane Sisters, Dorothea Benton Frank

#### **Fire House News**

Lt. Melanie Ellis

The Richmond Fire Department hopes everyone had a great summer and we would like to thank those who came to support us at the Annual Chicken BBQ. If you were not able to make it to the BBQ, the Fire Department will be having an Open House on Saturday, October 25 from Noon to 2 pm. Stop by for a hamburger or hot dog, look at the fire trucks and meet the firefighters. We look forward to seeing you there. Also in October, all you ghosts and goblins be sure to stop by the Fire Station to get a treat on Halloween.

The holidays are coming and who has time to bake? Let the Fire Department do the baking for you! The Annual Pie Sale will be on November 22 starting at 9 am and will last until the last pie is sold. If you're interested in donating a pie for the sale, contact Donna Brewer at 239-4514 or Jon Pratt at 762-4067.

#### **Letter to the Editor**

Hats off to the Richmond Fire Department for an excellent BBQ on August 24. The corn was delicious and the chicken done to perfection. The salads were exceptional this year! Thanks to all who put so much time and effort making this event possible. Those who attended this fundraiser certainly experienced the "best" Richmond has to offer! Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for all you do for us. Sandy Holbrook

# Things and Thoughts From the District Neil Moriarty

Public Comments at District Board Meetings - Follow Up

The current policy that residents within the district will speak first, will stand. The attorney determined that our existing rules were acceptable as long as everyone was treated fairly. As no one has ever *not* been allowed to speak – it would seem that we are all set here. It is doubtful that anyone would try to sue us because he/she could not speak in any particular order.

## **New Superintendent Search**

The search process for our new superintendent began October 1, 2014. I have been appointed to the search committee as a representative of the public. I have no details to add at this time.

#### The Reorganization of Our SAU 93-Locations

As of the beginning of school, the education portion (Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent, etc.) of the SAU is now located within the Middle/High School. Only what I refer to as the Business portion still works out of the SAU building – that is, the Business Administrator and her staff, maintenance office, and the technology office. Additionally, you now enter the SAU building from the Northeast corner.

You can still drop off and pickup items for all SAU at the SAU building; it is not easy to find parking at the high school.



# New Science Labs in the High School – A Work in Progress

With a target completion of December, the science labs are being expanded at the high school. If you can picture the old patio near the lunch area – it is now becoming classrooms/labs.

Thanks for reading my article – if you have comments, suggestions, or what have you, contact me at cmoriarty@ne.rr.com or 603 239 4031, or if you really want, 782 Old Homestead Hwy, Richmond NH 03470. Jim Carnie will assist with school matters 603 239 4948.

# Family Farm Day at Windswept Mountains View Christmas Tree Farm

Debra Carroll

Who wants to hear about Christmas Trees in September? I do! And you would be surprised at how many others did, too! A little rain did not stop the 50 or more visitors who showed up for Windswept Mountains View Christmas Tree Farms Second Annual Family Farm Day on September 13. The crowds gathered into the beautifully decorated barn to share in some good old fashion fun and some baked goods that included homemade muffins, banana bread and an amazing crumb cake that was to die for! Complete with hot coffee, cider, and cocoa to warm up guests, we learned some interesting agricultural facts on beekeeping. People were fascinated as the demonstrator explained the process of beekeeping today compared to decades ago. I was amazed to learn how sophisticated bees really are and how they play such an important part in pollinating our fruit trees and vegetables. I was surprised to learn that bees can be kept warm throughout winter months with insulated wraps and that some species even live through the entire winter while they work to ensure the queen's survival. Only then will she produce the next generation.

Windswept is located off Rte.119 in Richmond. Thanks to the Taylor family it was possible for the people of Richmond and other neighboring towns to come together in pre-holiday cheer to talk about times gone by as they shared a good time which included a few laughs.

Included in the day's event was a fantastic presentation from the Richmond Historical Society's Norma Thibodeau, as she took us on a trip down Memory Lane. Norma discussed the history of the one room schools in the area, and how things really were 'back in the day.'



I was very excited to be part of something so special since I love history and am fascinated by the strength and wisdom of those who came before me. Being new to Richmond, it was wonderful to hear from some long-time residents who had, in fact, attended the one-room school houses, as they took us through a typical day. It was not unusual for all grades to be taught in the one room. We got to see an authentic and very impressive learning chart which was used in class. In those days; the older children were responsible for teaching the younger children to read, and the students themselves were responsible for putting the wood into the furnace for heat! In some cases, teachers even lived with families of their students.

Another informative presentation was on 'invasive species' regarding weeds and plants that do not belong in your garden. Best of all, we went on a hayride through the forest of Christmas trees which was for me, a little bit surreal. The view at this place is so beautiful that I found it hard to keep my eyes on anything else. Yes, even in the rain, I whipped out my camera and got some pictures of that view! To say that it was breathtaking, would be an understatement. Once I snapped back into reality I was in love with all the trees! (Did I mention I was a tree hugger?) I love trees and am so glad that my family will have the



opportunity to tag our Christmas tree on October 19 when Windswept kicks off the season. I already have my eye on one!

Windswept is, without a doubt, the only place to get your annual tree. Every year I take my family to pick out our tree, as I am a traditional person and would not be caught with an artificial tree under any circumstances. I'm always telling people why they must always get a real Christmas tree. We all deserve that much. Windswept Farms carries a variety of trees that are both native and foreign, including Balsam and Fraser Fir, Turkish Fir, Grand Fir, Vietch and Korean Firs, among many others. They also have quite a few hybrids which bring out the best characteristics of the individual trees.

All in all, I had so much fun and reminisced on the days of being young. Some of my best times were playing in the rain and though the sun was not shining that day, the Town of Richmond was, as they gathered at this very special place, as one big family, and shared some great things about the town they love and call home. Visit http://windsweptmtsview.com.

# **Richmond 4 Corners**

John Boccalini

Here are some excerpts from the executive summary of the final report on the 4 Corner store cleanup. The entire report can be read at the Richmond Community Development Association website at https://sites.google.com/site/rcdanh/.

Ransom Consulting, Inc. (Ransom) has conducted a Phase II Limited Site Investigation (LSI) and a Limited Hazardous Materials Inventory (HMI) at the 4 Corners Store property (the "Subject Property" or "Site"), located at 3 Winchester Road in Richmond, New Hampshire. The methodology and results of the HMI are documented under separate cover. https://sites.google.com/site/rcdanh.

The property has been the subject of extensive investigations in accessible areas, as well as corrective actions including soils excavation in 1964 and 2005, and groundwater pump and treat remediation in 2004 - 2007 related to past releases of gasoline. The impacts from historical releases of gasoline at this site have impacted neighboring residential water supplies.

Ransom conducted this Phase II LSI based on the need to 1) assess potential impacts to Site soils and groundwater from the existing three-compartment underground storage tank, associated piping, and dispenser island; 2) investigate the extent of residual contamination in inaccessible soils beneath the UST system that could predate the current tank system; and 3) evaluate indoor air quality of the inactive store for the presence of gasoline constituents to understand the potential human risk due to remaining subsurface soils or groundwater contamination.

Subsequent to (and in coordination with) the tank removal, a NH DES-approved soil excavation project contracted by the facility owner, overseen by GeoInsight, Inc. and funded through the MtBE Remediation Bureau accomplished the removal of approximately 965 tons of grossly contaminated soils primarily east of (and also beneath and adjoining) the tank removed as part of this Phase II LSI.

On August 13 and 14, 2014, Ransom conducted indoor air sampling following the protocols established in the NH DES Soil Vapor Intrusion Guidance. No petroleum volatile organic compounds were detected at concentrations above either NH DES Residential or Commercial Indoor Air Screening Levels. It should be noted that the sampling was not conducted in "worst-case" winter conditions with a heated building and otherwise frozen ground. These conditions are more apt to draw in soil gas vapors when the heated building creates a chimney effect.

**Opinion**. Based on field observations and findings, and on analytical results, it is the opinion of Ransom that there has been an historical release of gasoline to site soils and groundwater from the former gasoline storage tank system. Based on information collected as part of this tank closure assessment, however, it is likely that much of the grossly impacted soils contamination was the target of the recent soils excavation project associated with predecessor UST systems or perhaps releases that predated upgrades to the recently removed UST system.

#### Recommendations

Indoor air quality in the store should be confirmed under "worst case" winter conditions, subsequent to replacement of the paving.

A copy of this closure assessment should be provided to the NH DES in fulfillment of the requirements for UST closure reporting under Env-Or 400.

# **Richmond Historical Society News**

Sandy Holbrook, Treasurer

In July 2014 the Board of the Richmond Historical Society sent out a mass mailing to the residents of Richmond reminding those who are members that it's time to renew and to invite others to become members. Contributions are also welcomed for those who are not quite sure, but want to make a difference by showing support. If you did not get a postcard, it may be that we do not have your correct mailing address. For your convenience (or in the event of a lost or misplaced card), we have included a copy of the postcard below for you to cut out and mail with a check payable to the Richmond Historical Society.

For those who have sent in membership/renewal/contributions, we thank you so much for generous support. Richmond has a rich history. As you know we have amassed quite a collection of materials/artifacts over the past forty years through a combined effort of the Richmond Historical Society and Archives. Many of our town collections are in storage in Keene under the auspice of the library trustees. Some other items, collections, etc. remain in the possession of the Richmond Historical Society. It is our hope to have all collections once again under one roof and freely accessible to Richmond residents. For

this to happen, we need a physical home we can call our own. The purpose of our recent mailing was to determine the interest of the residents to support a vision. Most of the area historical societies have their own building. We want to move in that direction as well. But, we can't do it alone! We need your support. We welcome new and renewing members to join us to make a dream come true. Business meetings are held the third Thursday of the month at 6 pm at the Veterans Hall.

# Why Do We Need A Home????

Sandy Holbrook. Richmond Historical Society

You have heard us say over and over that the Richmond Historical Society needs a home. It needs a home that will house over forty plus years' accumulation of collections, articles, artifacts, photographs, books, tools, furniture, and items that are irreplaceable. These items were placed in the basement of the library referred to as the Archives built in 1977 through efforts and funds of the Richmond Bicentennial Commission. The first archivist, Priscilla Longdon, served until 1979, and then Norma Thibodeau took over and has held the position ever since. Over the years, the space in the Archives was quickly filled. Many who volunteered their time organized and created collections of items given by relatives of families who lived in Richmond. Throughout the years, the archivist was also an active member of the Richmond Historical Society. There was no delineating the Archives from the Historical Society as both focused on preserving town history. Some items were given with letters containing specific information (provenance) as to the donors and their intentions, and other items were just donated. The



You are invited to join or renew your membership today!

History can be fascinating! Richmond is full of history. Are you new in town? If "yes," we hope you will join the Richmond Historical Society. Meet your neighbors, learn about your town & share in "preserving" its history. Whether you are a current/past member or interested in becoming a new member, we ask that you return this card to Sandy Holbrook, Treasurer, 237 Athol Road, Richmond, NH 03470 along with a check payable to: Richmond Historical Society.

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Business meetings are the 3rd Thurs. of the month at 6 pm – Vets Hall. For more information call 239-4598 or 239-4628.

Membe	rship Levels	
Individual Membership	- \$10	Family - \$15
Supporting Con	ntribution - \$	

library was a convenient drop off place. This was how things were done for years.

Since the Bicentennial Commission founded the Archives, the Archives operated under the auspices of the library trustees. During these forty-plus years, there were many trustees. The Archives had its own line budget, and the services of the archivist were strictly voluntary. Any research for people was done on a donations-only basis. An Archives Donation account was set up with proceeds earmarked for special purchases. This account accumulated over \$4,000. During the past three years the relationship between the archivist and the trustees changed.

The need for more space has become evident. Although the archivist was diligent in keeping the areas below the library in a climate controlled environment, other needed changes to the library made this endeavor difficult to maintain.

The old furnace needed to be replaced so that a portion of the basement had to be emptied to accommodate the new furnace. Several items were removed by the archivist at the request of the trustees for safe storage. Mice infestation was another problem which increased as a result of outside excavation to shore up the library garden retaining wall. The trustees made a decision to move all items located in the Archives to a safe storage facility in Keene.

This change obviously affected research for both local residents and folks outside the area. Although boxes containing information can be requested through the librarian, timeliness and convenience for those traveling from out of state are concerns that cannot be easily addressed. And, there is a fee for obtaining a box, as well as a fee for returning a box. The policy established by the trustees regarding fees makes no exceptions.

That means the archivist who volunteered her time and services for those forty years has to pay to access collections she was instrumental in compiling. Sadly, requests for research information continue, but the current setup does not lend itself to creating a positive reflection for the Town of Richmond.

Records, collections, photos, artifacts that used to be readily available for people to see by contacting the archivist are no longer easily accessible. The library's Town History wall is a positive innovation as is the downloading of pictures and documents to PastPerfect; however, these do not necessarily meet the needs of individuals doing research projects. We need to bring all items back to Richmond under one roof.

In 2013 and 2014 the Richmond Historical Society took on two projects. In early 2014 we surveyed area towns to see what they do. Of sixteen surveys mailed out, twelve responded providing very interesting data. They were Chesterfield, Dublin, Fitzwilliam, Hinsdale, Jaffrey, Jaffrey Center Village, Marlow, Sullivan, Swanzey, Walpole, Westmoreland and Winchester. As you know the populations and economic advantages vary within these towns.

A database compiling results was created. Common threads include: Most were non-profit; most were not town funded, but based on needs – an article could go on the town warrant; most of the annual budget needs were met by fundraising; none were part of the town government; only three were in a historical district; some buildings were donated and some were purchased (with purchase price ranging from \$1 to \$450,000 with grant money). Only three responded having Archives. See below.

The other project, begun in early 2013, was to inventory all items in the Archives before they were sent to Keene for storage. At the onset of this project, it was agreed that the archivist would identify the inventory and the results would be compiled in a database. This was a long and tedious project lasting most of 2013 and into 2014.

Close to 1,000 items were identified and given numbers. What follows are two captured PrtScn of the database. Explanatory note: Code #=# given by RHS, Status A or H = Archival or Historical; Form = type of item.

Town & Contact Person	Archives	HS Non- Profit	Town Funded	Warrant Article for Funding	% of Annual Budget from Fundraising	Other Funding	HS Part of Town Govt	Are unused town funds returned to Town	Historical District	Land &/or Building for HS	How was Bldg Acquired?	Comments
Chesterfield		Yes 1974	No	N/A	100%		No	N/A		Rent Old Library Bldg for \$1.00		
<b>Dublin</b> Lisa Foote	Yes	Yes - 1920	No	N/A	90%	Invest- ments	No	N/A	2 Districts	School House Museum & Archives	Tenant in Archives w/30 yr lease	Bldg was built in 1996 with 10% town funding with remaining w/private funds
Fitzwilliam Theresa Sillanpaa 585-7742		Yes - 1961	No	N/A	90%		No	N/A	Yes	Amos J. Blake House Museum	Donated	1837 Amos J. Blake House Musem is open from Memorial Day - late Fall

Cheshire County HS Survey

Health issues, weather, and personal priorities affected the timetable set for completing this project. The boxing and shipping of boxes to Keene was done by the trustees. Some items not shipped to Keene were ultimately turned back to the Historical Society. Regrettably, the Historical Society became aware after the fact, that some items had been destroyed. On several occasions at library trustee meetings, we were assured by the trustees that when we have a home of our own, all items would be returned to Richmond. Meanwhile, this database/inventory is an invaluable resource and tool as to what has been collected over the past forty-plus years.

The Richmond Historical Society is a non-profit corporation whose mission is "to discover, preserve, record, publish, memorialize, or display the written and unwritten history of Richmond, NH and artifacts thereof; to cause and encourage such to be done by others; to cooperate with other historical societies to these ends; to perform a voluntary association of person interested in; and to do all things necessary in pursuance of the above."

We need a home that would house all these items (written and unwritten). In addition to space for storage, as well as for display, we need space for meetings and presentations. Ideally we would like to be off the grid with solar paneling capabilities. Adequate parking is a must. This may be asking a lot, but other towns have made it possible. We cannot do this alone. We need your support and the backing of the town government. If you are interested in working with us, please come to the Vets Hall on the third Thursday of the month, October 16, 6 pm. This town has a rich history. It would be a tragedy to lose it for lack of interest. Support the Richmond Historical Society. Thank you.

## **Editor's Notes**

John Boccalini

I would like to thank Peter Majoy for his many years of service to *The Richmond Rooster* as advertiser and proofreader. Peter, Theresa, and Emma have recently moved to Keene. I would also like to thank Peter and Theresa for their many years of service to the Town and for the many valuable projects they were involved in that brought a sense of community to our town.

Peter was our advertising director, proofreader, and regular contributor to *The Richmond Rooster*. He was also Town Moderator and Chair of the Volunteer Energy Committee (VEC). Peter was replaced by Walden Whitham, who could be found

## Inventory Listing of Items belonging to the Richmond Historical Society

AL= Album, Art = Artifact, B = Book, Bx = Box, Pb = Paperback, Bd = Binder, C = Copy, Cont. = Continued, Gen = Genealogy, MF = Microfilm, NB = Notebook, NP = Newspaper, PH = Photo, PC = Postcard, PhC = Copy of Photo, PM = Printed Matter, Q=Quaker, Trans = Transcript

		Status			
Code #	Red Dot #	A or H	Con-served	Form	Description
01Q		н	X	AL	Women's Quaker Meetings, MF -C, Index, 1-8, Trans
02Q		Н	x	AL	Women's Quaker Meetings, MF-C,86-169, Trans
		H	x		
03Q		п	^	AL	Women's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, 179-245, Trans
040		***	v		Women's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, Epistles, Denials,
04Q		Н	X	AL	Removals #1
202		22	152	-2.20	Women's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, Epistles, Denials,
05Q		Н	X	AL	Removals #2
06Q		Н	X	AL	Men's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, Vol. 1 - 1792-1835
07Q		Н	X	AL	Men's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, Vol. 2
08Q		Н	X	AL	Men's Quaker Meetings, MF-C, Vol. 3
					Mortgages 1846 - 1858; Personal Property Mortgages
0360	Box 15	Α	X	BX	1846-'58, '64 - '79; '58 - '64
0361	Box 13	Α	X	вх	Tax Collector Warrants & Treasurer Reports
0362	Box 11	Α	X	BX	Court Cases 1878 - 1912
0363	Box 12	Α	X	BX	Bonds for Town Officiers/Bank
0364	<b>Box 14</b>	A	X	BX	Deeds & Promises to Pay Court
0365	Box 16	Α	X	BX	Personal Property Mortgages (1841-1899 p.p. mort #1
0366	Box 18	Α	X	BX	Schools 1879 - 1899 (many folders)
0367	Box 17	Α	X	вх	Box S-6 Archives Inventory Book list

Archive Database

# WANTED TO BUY

Toys Pottery Frames Cameras

Vintage Photographs and Clothing Blue Decorated Stoneware Musical Instruments

Tools Old Radios OldTelephones Old Electric Fans

DANNY WAHL

We are currently looking to purchase many different items, including but not limited to those listed above.

603-239-7200

dapperly running around at the NH Primaries on September 9, as Moderator.

As advertising director Peter will be replaced by Sean McElhiney. Sean brings with him some celebrity to The Rooster. He has been a radio broadcaster for twenty years and has won the Golden Mike Award from the NH Association of Broadcasters as the State's number one on-air personality. We welcome Sean and look forward to working with him.

Debra Carroll, her husband Jeff Potts, and daughter Alexandra have recently moved into the Majoy's house and Debra is replacing Peter as proof reader and regular contributor.

Teresa was also a contributor to *The Rooster* and was the Chair of the Richmond Agricultural Commission (RAC) and member of the VEC. Sandy Holman took her place as Chairman of the RAC.

Lastly, we say good-bye to Emma, the daughter of Peter and Theresa. And nobody can replace her. I know we will see them all again.

# **Frank Olin Rice**

Betsy Pearsall

Frank Olin Rice, long time resident of Richmond and formerly of Winchester, died on Friday, August 15, 2014 at Applewood Nursing Home in Winchester at the age of 79. He passed peacefully after a period of declining health with his family nearby.

Frank was born the son of the late Elsie (Willard) and George Rice on January 15, 1935 in Winchester. He was educated locally and graduated from Thayer High School class of 1953. He went on in his studies and graduated from New Hampshire Technical Institute with a certificate in automotive care and repair.

On June 27, 1957 he enlisted into the U.S. Army where Frank was trained as an auto mechanic. He was honorably discharged on February 26, 1965 at the rank of Specialist E-4.

Frank was married to Winifred Holmes. They remained husband and wife until her passing on September 17, 2007.

Frank found love again and re-married to Jane (Principe) Jillson on May 3, 2008 at St. Stanislaus, Mary Queen of Peace Church in Winchester. They were happily married for six years.

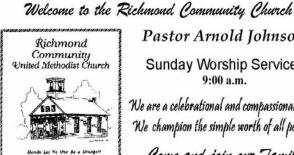
Frank was an avid worker and businessman in the community. He enjoyed his time at home and was a member of St. Stanislaus, Mary Queen of Peace Church in Winchester. He helped with the feeding of the needy by volunteering with the St. Vincent DePaul Society in Winchester.

Mr. Rice is survived by his wife Jane P. Jillson Rice of Richmond. His children and their spouses; John Wilson of VT., Larry Wilson of RI, Michael Jillson and his wife Tracey of Winchester, Elizabeth Pearsall and her husband William of Richmond, and Jennifer Hamre of Springfield, MA. He is survived by his siblings; Edmund Rice of Troy and Frances LeClaire of Hinsdale. Frank leaves several grandchildren, great grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family, and friends.

A Mass was held on Friday, August 22, 2014 at 11 am in St. Stanislaus, Mary Queen of Peace Church, Richmond Road, Winchester. In keeping with Frank's wishes, there were no calling hours and burial is private. Flowers will gladly be accepted. However, the family would prefer donations be made in memory of Frank O. Rice to: Richmond Rescue, 15 Winchester Rd. Richmond, NH. 03470.







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# Fall In New England

Judith M. Graves

In days past, autumn was the season when cooking, storing, squirrelling, and hoarding foods from the gardens was an all-consuming job. The apples and pears were prepared into sauces and pies, cider and jellies. When the leaves are beginning to yellow and curl, runner bean flowers are shriveling at the tops of their poles, fruits hang thickly clustered from their stems, overripe, and ready to fall, we know the end of the harvest is about to be cleaned up and put aside for the winter months.

I remember on our family farm, Randallane in Richmond, we had huge gardens. I canned a cellar full of tomatoes, apple-sauce, beans, beets, spaghetti sauce, and whatever was ready in the garden. It was an endless line of jars to cool and bring down to the cellar to a storage space under the base of the fire-place. We stored potatoes, squash, and pumpkins in that space as well. There was a screen door to keep varmints out

What a great successful feeling would come over me as I stood back and admired all the beautiful preserved foods in those jars.

As time went on, less canning was done and more freezing. Out on the porch we had a large freezer where meat was stored. We put up twenty-five chickens, turkeys, half beef, whole pork, and all grown on our farm, except the beef which we bought locally. A stand-up freezer joined it for all the bins of spaghetti sauce, veggies and fruits for pies. Man, that was a lot of work, but with the entire family doing bits and pieces, it was easier. We ate so healthy, and with three children and all their friends we never went hungry.

We processed eight to ten cords of wood from our acres to keep us warm all winter. Made ten quarts of maple syrup from our maple trees and boiled it down on a home-made ½ barrel across the road.

What we didn't grow, we got at a local food co-op. Every Saturday, nine loaves of bread came out of the oven. I sold two each week to Mr. Quintard who would stop faithfully. The children sold some of the maple syrup we stored in mayonnaise

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jars (now they are plastic), and the boys sold fish worms we would gather with a flashlight on the side lawn at night. We also had our own milk cow. We sold excess milk in glass gallon jars, and we made all our own butter. Nice having whipped cream on everything, too! We would pass the jar, when everyone was sitting around the TV, to shake so that the butter would rise to the top.

The nostalgia of our past was filled with memories that are too numerous to write. Sure, it all was work, but work is rewarding, and if made fun, and the end results are delicious or heat that keeps us warm, and we do it all together, that is what life was like in the '70s, '80s on our family farm. It was a time when family worked together, doing what each was capable of, getting things done, laughing and playing together.

Today, it is too convenient to go to the store to pick up a can of tomatoes and packaged meat at the counter. But making home-made root beer in a huge crock, digging into the freezer for the next meal, or going down cellar for canned jars was something that I wouldn't swap for anything. Families find it hard to even sit at the table together as everyone is so busy. And children don't know what it is even like to lug wood daily. True fact: if I had it to do all over I would do the same thing.

Sunflowers are dried now for the winter buffet for birds. This is part of the season for us as well. Place a large dried sunflower head in a bird bath and watch the fun begin.

The family that works together is truly blessed. Have a great fall, carve a pumpkin, and make a scarecrow. Best pumpkins are the ones you home grow!

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## ZONING ORDINANCE MISPRINT

Land Use Boards

It has come to the attention of the Land Use Boards that the 2010 Zoning Ordinance changes were not all printed in the updated Zoning Ordinance Book.

March 9, 2010 residents were asked to vote on 11 Zoning Ordinance changes. Ten ordinances passed out of the 11 offered and only a couple were printed.

## They Included:

- Amendment 1 Adding the Aquifer Protection District to Article 202 Districts.
- Amendment 2 Adding the Aquifer Protection District to Article 202.1 Delineation of Districts.
- Amendment 3 Aquifer Protection District under Article 7 replacing Industrial District, moving Industrial District to Article 8.
- Amendment 4 Adding definitions concerning the Aquifer Protections District.
- Amendment 5 Adding Livestock Facilities (408) to Article 4.
- Amendment 6 Adding additional definitions.
- Amendment 7 Did Not pass
- Amendment 8 Adding Middle Town District (Article X)
- Amendment 9 Adding driveway set backs to clarify the requirements, Article 306 Driveways
- Amendment 10 Adding 317 One Dwelling Unit Per Lot. Article 4 Residential District
- Amendment 11 Adding to 314 Signs. Replaces Article 314.

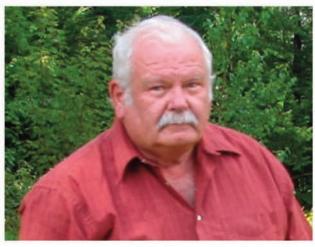
The Land Use Boards will create an addendum for the Zoning Ordinance books that are for sale at the Town

#### **Horseshoes Results**

John Boccalini

It was a beautiful day this year for the Richmond Day events. The Fire Department scored a "ten" with their Annual Bar-B-Q and raffle. One other event stood out that day.

Bill Coll was this years winner of the Richmond Day horse-shoe championships. It was a thrilling, come-from-behind win in the final round of play that gave Bill the victory. At one point Bill was behind by the score of 10 to 17, but at that point he settled down and found his mark until he whittled down the lead to 19 to 20. Then, in the final round he scored a ringer and a point, for 4 points. The match and the game were over and Bill was victorious. Congrats!



Bill Coll

# **Camp Takodah News**

Linda DuBois

Even though camp has closed, there are still many groups coming in to use the facilities. Many women came to Woman's Weekend to enjoy everything that Camp Takodah has to offer, from swimming to boating, for arts and crafts, to just relaxing.

This month on October 25, the Annual Kids Come First 5K Run & Walk will take place in memory of Peter Masiello. This year will have a little different spin. It will have a Halloween theme with a Zombie Run and a small Halloween Carnival. The fun starts at 9:00 am. With less and less groups coming to camp, the closing up for winter has begun. Happy Halloween!!!!

# Kid's Halloween Party

Elaine Moriarty

Hootie Owl is calling all children to his visit at the Veteran's hall on Sunday October 26, 2014, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. This event is sponsored by The Parks and Recreation Committee.

Join his friends Sandy Spider, Granny Ghost, and Bobby Bat for games, prizes, and stories.

Model your costume if you wish. Patty Pumpkin and Wanda Witch will gladly share Miss Elaine's Homemade Ice Cream and Pizza with you. Hope to see you all there!

# Richmond Holiday Fair

Alison VanBrocklin

Plans are in place for the Annual Richmond Holiday Fair!

For a small town, we have some exceptionally talented folks and this is an opportunity to share those talents with the community. The Holiday Fair will be held at the Richmond Veterans Hall on Saturday, November 8 from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm.

We expect many returning artisans from the area. Others interested in reserving a space are encouraged to call Alison at 239-4494 as soon as possible. This event is sponsored by, and proceeds support the ministries of the Richmond Community United Methodist Church.

## **Christmas Tree Farm Plus**

Jeff and Sue Taylor

Windswept Mountains View Christmas Tree Farm and The Elves Nook Christmas Barn, a family oriented "choose and cut" Christmas Tree Farm, specializes in beautiful fir trees from around the world.

Early tree tagging starts Sunday, October 19 from 9 am to 4 pm, and every Sunday thereafter, until Thanksgiving weekend. We are then open Friday, the day after Thanksgiving, and every Saturday and Sunday until Saturday, December 20, 2014, our last day for the season.

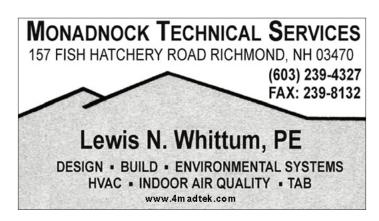
Tree tagging and hayrides end on Sunday, November 30, but sales and tree harvesting continues until December 20.

# **Connecting People with Ideas**

John Boccalini

A night for supper and discussion. For years the NH Humanities Council had brought presentations throughout New Hampshire's towns and cities. The presentations are entertaining, educational, and historical. On October 4, Steve Taylor will speak about the *New Hampshire's Grange Movement: Its Rise, Triumph, and Decline*. Our Veterans Hall in Richmond, was at one time a Grange Hall.

During the late nineteenth century, the rural areas of New Hampshire were experiencing a decline in population accom-





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The presentation and discussion will be kick-started by a Pot Luck Supper, where residents can meet, eat, and socialize a bit before the informative presentation. Come for one or for both. Bring a dish or a dessert. The date is October 4 in the dining hall at Camp Takodah, 55 Fitzwilliam Rd. in Richmond. Supper begins at 5 pm followed by the presentation at 7 pm.

This free event is sponsored by a combined effort of the Richmond Agricultural Commission, Richmond Conservation Commission and the Richmond Historical Society.

# **Quotable Quote**

Terri O'Rorke

Autumn . . . the year's last, loveliest smile.
—William Cullen Bryant

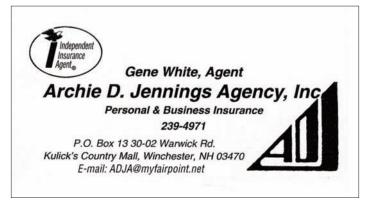
# **The Five-Step Lead Conversion Process**

Michelle Connor

Here's the basic five-step lead conversion formula to gain long-term customers.

**Engage your prospective customer.** This is when they begin the decision making process and it's your opportunity to create interest. Make it clear that their needs and comfort are your main concerns.

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**Determine the customer's needs.** The more you know about what your customers want, the better you'll be able to meet their needs. Create a set of questions that'll help you determine what your customer's needs are, as well as how you'll meet those needs.

**Provide a solution.** "Don't sell...satisfy." Take this opportunity to educate your customers about how your product/service will address their exact needs. Be excited and passionate about the information you're providing.

Make the offer. With their questions answered, your customer should be able to make a decision. Make your offer from their perspective. Does the product meet their needs and deliver what it promises? If the answer is yes; you've got a sale. If not, they'll most likely be back because of the trust you've established.

These five steps will help you build a supportive relationship with your customers; a relationship that's much more important than just a transaction.

# **Out and About**

John Boccalini

Oct. 3, 6:30 – 9:30 pm, Auction of Historic Proportions, Historical Society of Cheshire County 246 Main St. \$50

Sat.—Sun. Oct. 4—5, 9 am — 3 pm, Cheshire Craftsmen Fair, Keene Recreation Center 512 Washington St Keene NH, Free Sat. Oct 4, 5 pm, Pot Luck Supper. 6:30 pm, New Hampshire's Grange Movement: Its Rise, Triumphs and Decline, presented by Steve Taylor of the NH Humanities Council Camp Takodah, 55 Fitzwilliam Rd., Richmond, Free

Sun. Oct, 5, 3 pm, A reading of 'Sherlock Holmes' by William Gillette. Performed by The Hourglass Readers. Bentley Commons, Water St., Keene, Free



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Sun. Oct. 5, 3 pm, Hearts Aflame, NH. Symphony concert performing Brahms' Violin Concerto, Peterborough Town House, 1 Grove St. Peterborough. \$35/adults; \$30/seniors; \$12/students Sun. Oct. 5, 1 – 3:30 pm, NT LIVE: A Streetcar Named Desire. Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, P'borough, \$20 Fri. Oct. 10, 8 pm, The Step Crew. Colonial Theater, Keene. \$28/38/42

Fri – Sat, Oct. 10 – 11, 7:30 pm, Oct. 12 at 2 pm, Frost Heaves presents Yankee humor. Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough \$18/12

Sun. Oct. 11, 1 – 4:30 pm, The Met Live in HD: Verdi's Mac-Beth. Peterborough Players, P.O. Box 118, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, NH 03458 \$25

Tue. Oct 14, 7:00 pm, A reading of 'Sherlock Holmes' by William Gillette. Performed by The Hourglass Readers. Keene Public Library. Free

Wed. – Thurs. Oct 15-16, Town Clerk's Office Closed Fri. Oct. 17, 7:30 pm, Music in Bass Hall. Jeff Davis: Early American Music, 19 Grove St, Peterborough, \$15

Sat. Oct. 18, 1 – 5 pm, The Met Live in HD: Mozart's Le Nozze di Figaro. Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough \$25

Sat. Oct. 18, 7 – 8 pm, Sumner Knight Series: Michael Tarbox and the Bluebird Orchestra. Sumner Knight Chapel, West Lawn Cemetery: 0 Chapel Drive, Keene, \$12



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Sat Oct. 18, 7:30 pm. Oct. Frost Heaves presents Yankee humor, Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, P'borough \$18 Sat Oct. 18, Noon – 8:30 p.m. Pumpkin Festival. Cental Square Keene

Sun. Oct.19, 9 am – 4 pm. Early tree tagging and hayrides. Every Sunday until Thanksgiving weekend. Windswept Mountains View Christmas Tree Farm and The Elves Nook Christmas Barn, (home of Susan and Jeff Taylor) on Rte. 119, Richmond. Wed. Oct 22, 7 pm. A Walk Back in Time: The Secrets of Cellar Holes presented by Adair Mulligan of the NH Humanities Council. Swanzey Town Hall, 620 Old Homestead Hwy. Swanzey. Free

Thurs Oct. 23. Last day to submit voting registration forms with Town Clerk for the General Election.

**Fri. Oct. 24, 8 pm. Cheryl Wheeler/John Gorka,** Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough \$30/in advance; \$35/at the door.

Sat, Oct. 25, Noon -2 pm. Richmond Fire Department Open House and BBQ. Stop by for a hamburger or hot dog, look at the fire trucks, and meet the firefighters.

Sat, Oct. 25, 7–9 pm. Sumner Knight Series: Dave Dersha. Sumner Knight Chapel, West Lawn Cemetery, 0 Chapel Drive Keene \$10

**Sun. Oct. 26, 1 – 4:30 pm. BOLSHOI: The Legend of Love,** Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Road, Peterborough, \$20

Thur. Oct. 30, 7:30 pm. SPANK The Fifty Shades Parody. Colonial Theater, Keene. \$39

**Thur. Oct. 30, 7 pm. The Finest Hours:** The True Story Behind the US Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue, presented by Michael Tougias of the NH Humanities Council Fitzwilliam. Town Library, 11 Templeton Tpk, Fitzwilliam. Free

Fri, Oct. 31, Halloween. Richmond Fire House for treats.

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Sat. Oct. 11, Blackjack Crossing, Bluegrass. 8:30 pm, \$5 cover Fri. Oct.17, 8:30–11. Guitar legend Ray Mason and his Silvertone. \$10 cover

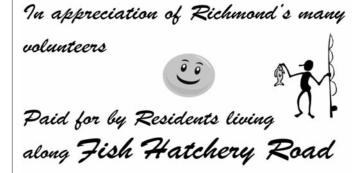
Sat. Oct. 25, 8:30–11. Santacroce, National Recording Artists. Six siblings, amazing harmony! \$10 cover

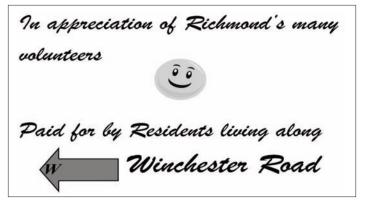
Sun. Oct. 26, 1–3pm. Medium Bonnie Page. \$20

Fri. Oct. 31, Halloween Party with Murphy's Blues! Check our website for details!

Wild game dinner night coming...details on our website!







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# "Barbary Coast"

Frank Behrens

What do Martin Landau, Ross Martin and William Shatner have in common? Think of "Mission Impossible" and "Wild Wild West" (the old television versions, that is) and take a guess. Nothing comes to mind? Then read on.

Telecast in 1975, "Barbary Coast" starred William Shatner and Doug McClure, the first as government agent Jeff Cable

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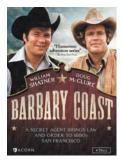
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and the second as casino owner Cash Conover. When the Acorn Media boxed set of the pilot film and thirteen episodes of this show came my way, I sort of winced at the thought of its leads, neither of whom is known as a terrific actor. Nevertheless, I wound up thoroughly enjoying this series because these two worked so well together.

For starters, it is very much influenced by "Mission Impossible" and "Wild Wild West." Shatner's string of disguises in each episode reminds one of Martin Landau's character Rollin Hand and Ross Martin's Artemus Gordon! In fact, Shatner is a good comic here, where his style of overacting makes sense. It seems that Cable once saved Cash's life and Cable is forever drawing Cash into his missions to catch one Nasty or more per episode. And much of the humor comes from Cash's exasperation and Cable's craftiness.

Cash is played by Dennis Cole in the pilot film, but the chemistry comes when McClure takes on the role in the series.

Things are helped by co-star Richard Kiel (yes, Jaws himself), who plays Moose, both barker and bodyguard at the Golden Gate casino, a friendly giant who seems to get by in one suit of clothes as the series goes on. Of course, each episode must have its guest cutie-pie, many of whom turn out to be partners of the chief Nasty or is the top Nasty herself. It's fun to guess what she'll be – Good or Bad – after her first appearance.

There are many guest stars who will look familiar to those who watched television back then and guessing their names could be a neat party game.

The pilot film runs about 95 minutes, each episode of the series proper about 50 minutes. And when I forgot to turn on the subtitles, I found I could understand every word of dialogue. It was a time when professional actors acted professionally.

# Southwestern Community Services (SCS) Energy Services

Beth Daniels, Director of Energy and Employment Programs General information in regards to this year:

#### **Fuel Assistance Program**

- We're currently scheduling and making appointments for this heating season.
- Every household that wishes to apply for Fuel Assistance should call our main office to schedule an appointment. The Keene office number is 352-7512.
- Please encourage households to *call the main office number* to schedule their appointment with either of two receptionists or six intake staff available. They may get a voicemail if someone is with an appointment, but staff will call back. \*Please leave only ONE voicemail message.
- Appointment packets will follow to verify day and time, as well as a list of what to bring.
- We do not receive our funding until December 2014. We use the months of August – November to get as many applications completed as possible before the program "opens" in December.

## **Electric Assistance Program**

- We continue scheduling and making appointments for Electric Assistance (we try to complete fuel and electric applications at the same time).
- The electric bill needs to be in the name of a household member in order to qualify.
- The Electric Assistance Program provides income-eligible households with a discount off their electric bill each month for a period of 12 months at a time.

#### Weatherization

- We have extremely limited funding for weatherization activities. If you have a household that is interested in weatherization services, the first step is to apply through the Fuel Assistance Program (shared application).
- There is a wait list for weatherization services.

#### Home Repair and Replacement Program

- We are able to help a limited number of households with their heating systems each year as well. Again, the first step is to apply through the Fuel Assistance Program.
- We have started a waitlist for when our funding comes through in late October. We will do as many homes as possible, according to priority, but can only complete approximately twenty-five households each year.

#### **Other Notes:**

- Landlords. Thank you for completing landlord forms for your tenants. We appreciate the assistance.
- Fuel & Wood Vendors. I have most of your vendor agreements. I'm still waiting on a few. I'll contact you individually.
- Service Providers. Please refer households to our main office numbers.
- If anyone (landlords, vendors, service providers) would like brochures for their office, please email me for some!
- Our website is a handy resource as well not just for the energy programs, but for all programs available through SCS: www.scshelps.org.

# Hi Hilly

Jean Tandy

Your namesake HillyHB (HummingBird) has flown. All day yesterday, September 12, I'd see her filling up with her "waters of life," prepping for the night flight. Last night she flew out. She'll fly south over the northern Appalachians, down through New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, south over the Blue Ridge Mountains, Tennessee, Georgia, the Great Smoky Mountains, and then, Alabama and Mississippi...when she'll leave the US continent to fly over the Gulf of Mexico. In Mexico she'll feel herself "homing" into the gathering place where hummingbirds winter. These tiny gorgeous bits of color and flight will spend "our" winter there. Eating, drinking, foraging, readying to fly back up here to New Hampshire, to Whipple Hill Road, to my deck. I'll be ready with fresh clean jars of nectar hanging, waiting with Dune cat, checking for any new action through his window. On May 5, 2015, I'll be ready. Love, Gram

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Town Clerk: Annette Tokunaga
Deputy Town Clerk: Larry Richardson

Mon. 9 am - 12 noon, 1 - 4 pm, 6 - 8 pm Wed. 9 am - noon, 1 - 5 pm, Thurs. 9 am - 12 noon

Tax Collector: Steve Boscarino
Deputy Tax Collector: Denise Nolan
Mon. 6 PM – 8 PM, Wed. 2 PM – 5 PM
Tues. 2 PM – 5 PM in the week taxes are due
Planning Board: Dick Drew, Chairperson
Meetings held at Veterans Hall.
4th Tues. of the month – 7:30 PM
and 2nd Tues. if needed

**Transfer Station & Recycling Facility:** 239-8136

Tues. 8 AM - 4 PM, Thurs. 8 AM - 7 PMSat. 8 AM - 5 PM

**Town Library:** Wendy O'Brien, Librarian Tues. 4 PM - 7 PM, Wed. 9 AM - 12 NOON Thurs, 4 PM - 7 PM, Sat. 10 AM - 2 PM

Police (Non Emergency): 239-6007 Fire/Rescue (Non Emergency): 239-4466

Fire Warden: Ed Atkins, 239-6337 Selectmen – 239-4232 Town Clerk – 239-6202 Tax Collector – 239-6106

Road Agent: Mark Beal 903-2184 Visit town on-line: http://richmond.nh.gov

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