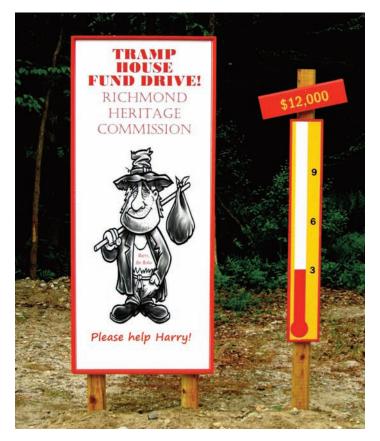


AUGUST 2015 Tramp House News

Reported by Harry the Hobo

Hi Neighbors! It's me, Harry the Hobo! As this issue of *The Rooster* arrives in your mail box you can watch history in the re-making. As its mascot and cheerleader, I was asked to write this article about the Heritage Commission's progress in restoring the Richmond Tramp House, now eligible for listing on the NH State Register of Historic Places. The accompanying photograph shows me on site at the start



of our fund drive two months ago. Since then, the response from residents and friends who have sent checks to the Town of Richmond Heritage Commission, 105 Old Homestead Hwy, has been heartwarming. Contributions, both large and small, are steadily coming in and I hope you will send in yours if you've forgotten to. It's wonderful to see that as different as this town's residents are, they are all pulling together in order to preserve an important piece of Richmond's history. During the past month, the new site for the Tramp House on town-owned land across from the library has been completely reworked. Dead and downed trees were removed, huge boulders buried, wattles installed separating the site from surrounding wetlands, additional gravel added and graded, and loam spread and seeded in the section that will hold the restored building. We are indebted to Mark Beal and John Holman and their crews for the time and materials they contributed to this work. We also owe thanks to Jeff Taylor, John Randall and the Conservation Commission for donating the wattles for the site and to others who helped with site preparation but volunteered their services anonymously.

And speaking of contributions, Pete Kimball of Richmond Clapboards & Sawmill, using timber harvested from trees grown right here in Richmond, is donating much of the material that will be used to restore the Tramp House according to standards set by the Secretary of the Interior. That means exactly matching its century-old boards with new milled material so we can save as much of the original building as possible and exactly preserve its design. New clapboards, trim and floorboards have already been dried and moved to a separate location where they are being treated, primed and then painted in original colors by Heritage Commission volunteers prior to installation. And by the time you read this, our carpenter, Dan Simmington (who patched the roof of the Tramp House protecting it from last winter's snows) will begin carefully dismantling the building in its present wetland location before moving it to the new site for reconstruction and rehabilitation. All this work, and even more that's happening behind the scenes, is going on while we wait to see if the State can assist us with grant funds the Heritage Commission has applied for. We'll find that out about the time this issue of the Rooster is published. In the meantime, I'll get out my paint brush and update the fundraising level thermometer in the photograph.

Maybe Richmond *IS* Little David and *WE CAN* fight Goliath

Jean Tandy

In a recent email, I asked a Warwick, Massachusetts neighbor if he knew specific laws that protect the Connecticut River Watershed towns from invasive companies like Kinder Morgan.

His response was "It's best to have defense in depth.

The Heritage Commission, now in only its second year of operation, is determined to complete this historic restoration project this year (a year after its work on the Town Well and Memorial Watering Trough)! More work has to be done...and more funds have to be raised to meet this worthwhile objective. But Richmond residents came together a century ago to raise the Tramp House...and we're counting heavily on community pride to help us do it again. Please join in. The result will be a mini-museum commemorating Richmond's charity a century ago when residents gave down-and-outers like me shelter when times were very, very tough. By the way, did you know that all donors to this project will be recognized on a plaque to be placed inside the Tramp House when it is completed?

And that brings me to one last point. When finished, we plan to finish landscaping the park, add fencing and signage explaining its history and furnish the little building in the manner when it was erected, adding a simple bed, table, chair, kerosene lantern and wood stove of the period. These "finishing touches," as we're calling them, will also cost money. To that end, resident quilter, Terri O'Rorke, has handmade a beautiful quilt which she has donated to the Heritage Commission to be raffled off to help raise additional funds. Please take special note of the insert contained in this issue of the Rooster. Raffle tickets can be purchased during the month of August at the Town Hall, or by calling Heritage Commission Fund Chairman, Bonnie McCarthy (239-4088) or volunteer Terri O'Rorke (239-4595). Tickets will also be available at the Chicken Barbecue on August 30th.

So many people are working to make this venture a happy town success. Please add your name to it. Every donation helps, large or small. Again, my personal thanks.

Harry, the Hobo

The first goal is to stop the pipeline. If it can not be stopped, then the second goal would be to divert it to less sensitive land such as (his suggestion for Massachusetts was) the Mass Turnpike ROW. If that can not be done, then the third goal would be to sell them the land, not an easement. This does not suggest there should be less effort to stop them, just that it makes sense to have a back up plan."

Obviously we don't have a turnpike nearby to think

about diversion of that sort. And our geological makeup of granite, aquifers, private wells, ponds, rivers, with Richmond an essential watershed feeder to the Connecticut River, creates blasting challenges that make it hard to imagine how anyone in their right mind would attempt to destroy such natural beauty and environmental purity.

For us, in this town, each personal contribution to Richmond's defense against NED is essential. The July Richmond Rooster mailed instructions for telling FERC our individual stories.

Write to FERC! Describe to them your own worst potential nightmare if this invasion rolls through. Will you be displaced from your home of many years? Will methane leaked from thin metal pipes endanger your children's health? Your own? All our wild creatures? Can you survive financially? Land along the Pipeline path will be taxed as Industrial land at a higher rate than farmland, etc. Our time is here to bite the bullet; send FERC your personal letters!

Two of us Richmond pipe-watchers attended a recent Pipeline discussion with Winchester's Conservation Commission and two Kinder Morgan/TN reps. Winchester's rightful concern was a threatened, rare Waterfall of great Historic value and meaning. KM reps had not walked the land of concern, but had only aerial views with no details or real information of the place.

But during the discussion, KM decided to move the pipeline further East, toward Richmond. They now plan to take two properties from a widowed woman in her "eighties" living on Pudding Hill Road, a connector road with Whipple Hill Road (Richmond). It happens that the KM decision to move further East, has put the pipeline "PLAN," onto a section of the "Warwick Fault." My own house sits on the highest edge of the Warwick Fault. You can believe that FERC will soon be hearing about major issues of messing around with, i.e. blasting granite, along Fault lines.

Please, everyone, write to FERC. Pronto!

Town Clerk's Office

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

The steady rumble of a lawn mower. Hummingbirds hovering at the bird feeder. Gardens grow bountiful. Squeals of laughter from little children playing at the Town Beach. Dark thunderclouds roll in from the west, bringing torrential downpours and claps of thunder, flashes of lightning. This is summer and we rejoice in the season.

Beach stickers are available year-round at the Town Clerk's office. There is no fee and no expiration date for these stickers. Only residents/property owners of Richmond are issued beach stickers. Because each sticker is assigned a specific license plate number, please have your vehicle registration or license plate number available when you come to get a beach sticker.

With summer upon us, I'm sure that many of you are busy with vacations and long weekend trips away. If now is the time for you to renew your motor vehicle registration(s), remember that you can request the renewal online. Simply go to the Town website, www.richmond.nh.gov, click on "Town Clerk" found under the "Town Departments" tab, click on the link at the top of the "Town Clerk" page for online services. Once we receive your online request, we will process it and mail the renewed registration(s) to you. If you have any problems doing this online request, please call my office. Both Jennifer and I are happy to help. Wishing everyone a great summer!

Library News

Wendy O'Brien

Used Book Sale and Raffle

We are continuing to take donations of gently used books and DVDs for our annual Richmond Day Book Sale and Raffle on Sunday August 30. After you have finished eating yummy barbeque at the Fire Station, drop by and peruse our sale! Donations can be dropped off during library hours or contact us. We'll pick-up your books!

Summer Reading – Every Hero Has a Story

It's hard to believe that we are almost at the end of another great summer reading season. As of July 7, we have twenty-nine children participating, and they have already read for 2,070 minutes with six weeks to go! Fantastic job everyone!

Join us on Wednesdays at 10:00 for the following programs for all ages:

Aug. 5: "Firefighters to the Rescue"

Visit with Lt. Melanie Ellis from the Richmond Fire Department.

Aug. 12: "Bam Pow Read!" with Wrap-up Party

Try your hand at our superhero stations! Reading certificates for all participants and prizes for contests will be given out. We'll also present the collected food donations to Hugh Van Brocklin for the Richmond Food Pantry.

Aug. 19: Back to School

Aug. 26: People Who Help Us (Celebrating Labor Day)

Early Literacy Program Resumes at 10:00 on Wednesdays with Elaine Moriarty!

Sept. 2: Richmond Library's youngest musicians will march to the yellow bus and the fun begins.

Sept 9: Creepy, Crawly Creatures!!

Summer Reading Kick-off Tie-Dye Party

Richmond Public Library and Parks and Recreation Commission

There was plenty of food and fun at the Summer Reading Kick-off Tie-Dye Party. Kids signed up for the Summer Reading Program and got a weekly prize for reading. They created works of art tie-dying their shirts. We had so many people we actually ran out of tie-dye! Sorry to those of you who arrived to find no more dye. We will be sure to have enough for next year. We grilled and ate dozens of hot dogs! Elaine Moriarty was kind enough to make and dish out ice cream for everyone. It was so delicious some came up for seconds. Thank you to everyone for making the party a success!



Fire House News

Lt. Melanie Ellis

The Annual Richmond Fire Department Chicken BBQ will be held on August 30. Activities will start at 12 noon and tickets can be purchased for the BBQ for \$8.00. Tickets will also be sold for a wood raffle. Come join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and friends. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

When responding to emergency calls, it is hard for crews to identify house numbers on many homes or mailboxes. A lack of visible house numbers could lead to problems for emergency personnel when responding to an emergency. In any emergency, seconds count, and to have an emergency vehicle driving up and down the road trying to find the correct address, you lose those seconds. This is not only a problem for the Richmond Fire and Rescue Department, but also for the Police Department and Mutual Aid Departments that are coming into town to assist the Fire Department. The ideal situation is to place numbers on the house near the front door or a side of the home that faces the street. Many homes aren't visible from the street. In these cases, numbers on mailboxes, fence posts or other permanent objects at the end of the driveway, with numbers visible from the street when approaching from all directions, work the best.

Honor Roll Middle and High School Fourth Quarter 2015

Neil Moriarty

If your child's name is not included and they obtained the grades to receive honors – you have designated your child as "do not release the name." If you want your child's name to be listed, you must release the name at the school.

Name Megan Adams Natalie Batista Gabriel Buonomano Chloe Busick Janaina Camuso Hannah Coppo Melissa Croteau Heather Doyle Simon Furze Emma Goodwin Wyatt Guyette Greta Haas Daniel Heise Ethan Hughes Alec Laflamme Jenna LaJoie Sadie Lorenz Tre Maclean Marilyn Monson David Moller Hannah Morse **Rachel Poston** Joshua Roy Eliza Randall

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Lydia Randall	Gr 10	Honors
Brenna Swanson	Gr 9	Honors
Ashlyn Tomer	Gr 10	Honors
Zoe Wright	Middle	Honors

July Update

Jim McConnell - State Representative

Cheshire 12- Richmond and Swanzey

Passage of the biennial budget, its subsequent veto by the Governor, and the Legislature and Governor agreeing to a six month continuing resolution to keep the government operating are the biggest events to come out of Concord in the last thirty days.

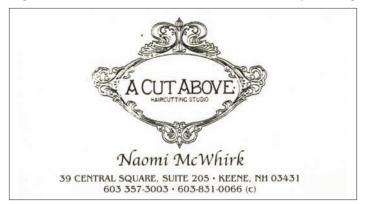
The budget the Governor vetoed increased spending to \$11.352 billion, a 5% increase from the \$10.797 billion appropriated in the current biennium. In the budget passed by the Legislature, Health and Human Services funding would have risen 8% and substance abuse prevention and treatment would have increased by 49.5%.

The Governor vetoed the budget because it didn't include an extension of the Affordable Care Act beyond its expiration at the end of 2016 and a pay raise for state employees that she had negotiated. She also objected to business tax reductions which were included in the budget.

The continuing resolution extends funding for six months at 2015 spending levels. On September 16, the Legislature will convene to consider the budget we'll send the Governor for the balance of the biennium.

The County Delegation's Maplewood Nursing Home Committee, on which I serve, has met for the past six months. At the last meeting we agreed to seek financial comparisons of a number of different proposals, which should be ready for our review by October 1.

I have believed for some time that, if economically repairable, the repair and expansion of the existing structure is both the County's and the patients' best option. Abandoning Maplewood and building, a complex of fifteen individual homes (the so- called Green House Model) with ten patient rooms in each building is, perhaps, a better approach for a patient population capable of performing what are described as Activities of Daily Living



(ADL) which includes basic personal activities, including bathing, eating, dressing, moving around, transferring from bed to chair, and using the toilet. This does not describe the current or projected Maplewood patient population.

The Profile of the Maplewood Nursing Home Patient, as of December 13, 2012, which was included in the First Compendium Report Regarding Maplewood Nursing Home, January 1, 2013 is as follows:

Ninety-four percent (94%) of residents have an altered mental status. This means they have a diagnosis of mental retardation, a documented psychiatric disorder, dementia or other behavioral symptoms.

Ninety percent (90%) are unable to bathe themselves independently and require assistance by either one or two staff members.

Eighty-five percent (85%) of residents do not have the physical or mental ability to dress themselves and require staff to dress them.

Seventy-five percent (75%) are unable to go to the toilet themselves without staff assistance.

Sixty-five percent (65%) are unable to physically move from bed to chair and back without assistance from staff to prevent falling or injury.

Sixty percent (60%) of residents are receiving psychoactive medications due to dementia or severe behavior issues. This is twice the national average and reflects the fact that Maplewood admits residents who have severe dementia or behavioral disorders. Most non-government homes have a psychoactive medication rate of approximately 25 to 30%.

Thirty-three percent (33%) of residents are unable to feed themselves without assistance.

Six percent (6%) are expected to recover sufficiently to be discharged home in a few months after restorative/rehabilitative care.

This profile, and the likely increase in demand from similar patients as the population ages, makes it difficult for me to understand the thinking behind the "Green House" proposal. Building a facility which cannot efficiently care for our patient population is something the



county shouldn't be doing even if we could afford it.

The patients at Maplewood are the county's legal responsibility, and if we build a facility which cannot care for them, we are required to pay someone else who can. By all accounts, Maplewood does an excellent job of caring for the county's neediest patients. Part of the reason is the hospital-like design of the current facility.

I continue to work to defeat the proposed Kinder Morgan pipeline, which would run through the southern part of the state and eventually connect to ports in the Maritimes. This particular pipeline, proposed at either 36 or 30 inches in diameter, offers nothing to New Hampshire.

The Industrial Energy Consumers of America (IECA) filed a motion with the Department of Energy to deny the necessary export permits, fearing the price impact of exports on this scale. Unhappily, DOE granted the export permits. This is an export pipeline and, beyond the substantial damage it would do to the environment, runs the risk of increasing our electric costs, as over 50% of our electricity is produced by natural gas.

Unfortunately, Kinder Morgan continues to make progress in its effort to gain the required approvals.

On June 26, the staff of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission recommended approval of a natural gas contract between Liberty Utilities and Kinder Morgan. This contract has been the subject of dispute. The Commission's outside experts and consumer advocates strongly opposed the contract's approval, as neither cost effective nor realistic, since the amount of gas proposed is well above the market's requirements. On June 30, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission issued a schedule for initial scoping meetings for Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts and New Hampshire.

Far preferable, and something I support, is expansion of the Algonquin pipeline, an existing pipeline which needs to be expanded in certain areas over its existing route. The Algonquin pipeline goes directly to the Spectra power plants and, by existing connections, other power plants in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. This, in contrast to the Kinder Morgan pipeline, promises to reduce the energy shortfall in southern New England and help lower the cost of electricity throughout the region, without the need for excessive and destructive infrastructure overbuild.

I continue to be disappointed with the lack of leadership demonstrated by the Governor, both of our Senators and our Congresswoman, all of whom should be able to recognize an export pipeline, completely devoid of redeeming features, when it's staring them in the face.

I can be reached at 357-7150 or mcc@mindspring.com Please use this email as my legislative email is inundated from both out of state interest groups and individuals and I'd like to make sure that you, my constituents, can reach me when you want to and not get lost in the shuffle.

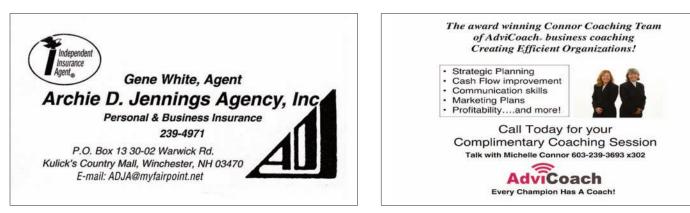
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Deb Carroll and John Boccalini

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Editor's Note

John Boccalini

Thank you Judith Graves for all the articles you have contributed over the past twenty-four years. We will miss you.

Gardening Thru The Year

Judith M. Graves

WINTER: December, January, February

The onset of winter and plant growth slows down. Work in the garden takes on a more leisurely pace. Chance to tidy up. Time to enjoy your dried garden herbs in a hot cup of fragrant tea, to stir a bowl of potpourri, add a dash of herb blend to a hot stew, or even add some of the frozen herbs to a spaghetti sauce or dish. Time to sit and look at all the garden seed catalogues and dream of what you will want to gather for delicious meal time additions.

SPRING: March, April, May

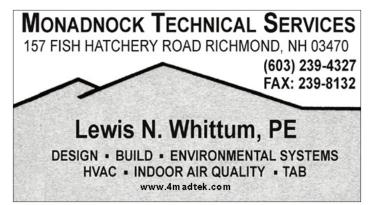
Spring to me is like re-awakening a new life, a busy time for sure in the gardens getting the soil prepared and turned over, getting out the lists you made of what you want to grow and purchase. Spring flowers like violets and pansies, are a tasty addition to your salads as they are edible, and nice to garnish a side plate or float on the top of your lemonade or freeze in ice cubes.

SUMMER: June, July, August

It's in summer that the magic of early morning draws one into the garden soon after dawn. Working in the earth, inhaling the scents while birds, lizards and insects watch curiously. Dew on the Ladys Mantle is tipped into your hand and wiped on your face as a beauty treatment, and it's hard to resist a short sit on the bench to take it all in.

FALL: September, October, November

During the last weeks of summer, some herbs are at their peak to harvest. Dill, for the seeds to make a special pickle, or dry seeds as a breath freshener to chew on. Anise, caraway, and fennel are ready to be picked. All of these flowers open into seeds abundant in oils that are



beneficial digestive properties. Whole or ground, added to pastries, breads, pastas, and biscuits are a treat for sure.

I teach a class on "Gardening Thru The Year" that is full of information for each season. It includes herbs you are ready to use; ways of gifting your gardens; using herbs for potpourris, sachets, teas, herb blends for dips and cooking; how to deal with insects, and so much more.

I don't have space to explain it here, it would fill the entire paper. I suggest you keep a journal for each season. Start with what grows, and how you placed it in your garden – for height, perennial or annual, containers or in the ground – how high they grew, what you did with what you grew, dishes you added herbs and flowers to. Keep good notes so that next year you're prepared and know what to expect. You'll also know what you want to grow again and what not to grow.

Rules adding herbs to your dishes: First, you do not want to mask the flavor of your dish, just enhance it.

A tablespoon of chopped fresh herbs equals one teaspoon of dried herbs. Freeze parsley, basil, and chives to preserve color. Chop a little and add to a dish in winter. Garden through the year and keep herbs in your life.

MY LAST TIME. It is now July and the gardens are displaying fresh veggies each day. Today, we will have Swiss Chard with chopped chives, parsley, and some barbequed chicken. Tomorrow that zucchini on the vine says it is next. I will add some thyme leaves along with onions and peppers in a large frying pan with a bit of virgin olive oil.

We're really enjoying city life outside the city in a more rural setting. Yes, we do have stone walls, woods, deer, and much of what we had in Richmond, with the added convenience of short trips to get what is needed.

We have been in Keene for fourteen months after forty-four years living in Richmond. I must say that it is a lot easier for us. Bringing up our children on the family farm was something I would do again. Now the children are grown and they have grandchildren.

Small town life was just the best. But it's nice to go to town with a short list of to-do's instead of a long list



because it was a real trip from Richmond.

We are still living in the ©1880 Dutch Colonial while our new home is being built. We are enjoying watching the progress, seeing the plumbing and electricity being installed. Windows are in, too! I hope you have found the time to drive by and see the progress on Hurricane Road. Stop by if you have time.

This is my last article for *The Rooster*. I have taken on a job of writing – holding an herb class every week in the Tea Room at home. With gardening and driving around in our '55 Chevy, it takes most of our time.

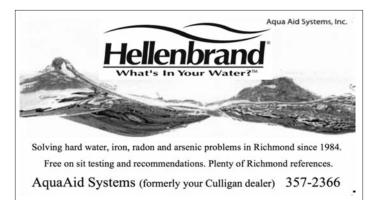
Speaking to groups is another wonderful enjoyment as we travel from Garden Clubs to Herb Societies along the East Coast. If your group is looking for someone to speak on herb related topics, let me know.

My latest book, *Over-Grown Gardens*, is well underway. It is a three-part series. Hope to have it out by next spring (2016). Meanwhile, if you don't have a copy of *Gathered Muse...for the Five Seasons Spring, Summer, Fall, Winter, and Holidays,* and would like one, contact me at jgraves19myfairpoint.net. They are \$14.95. If you email me and pick up your copy, it is \$10.00 to my Richmond neighbors. You can also contact me to ask your herb questions or to book me for a lecture. Enjoy your summer!!! Herbally, Judith

Little Monadnock Family Trails Melanie Ellis

The Little Monadnock Family Trails, (LMFT) in a nonprofit organization that has recently undergone several changes, including new leadership. Under our President Jon Pratt and Vice President Bruce Crowell, we are committed to creating and maintaining a trails system that provides all forms of outdoor recreation.

Little Monadnock Family Trails maintains a large number of trails on private property across Richmond, Troy, and Swanzey. There are over ninety miles of trails throughout the property. The trails within LMFT cater to many different types of responsible off-road recreation. A large number of trails are cut and maintained for use on



ATVs and snowmobiles. We encourage dirt bike and dual sport to enjoy our trails. Many trails are available for club use with registered 4x4 vehicles. We welcome mountain bikers, hikers, and horseback riders to enjoy the trails.

We are working on several projects to upgrade, maintain, and repair sections of our trails, and to mark and name our trails to better assist with 911 emergencies should they arise. At LMFT, we would like the chance to show landowners, that with a responsible group of individuals maintaining and continuously patrolling our trails, the amount of unlawful and disrespectful riding can be reduced and we can continue to maintain our trails safe for individuals, families, and group riders who enjoy spending time in the great outdoor areas we have.

The most common issue we run into while trying to create our trail system is the negative perception produced by past actions of uncontrolled ATV riders who have shown a complete lack of respect for the landowners whose property they were on. If you have any issues with riders on your property, contact Jon Pratt at 762-4067.

Community Quilt

Terri O'Rorke

On July 9, five local quilters got together to begin the process of putting together Richmond's future heirloom community quilt. While cutting, sewing, and laughing together, we decided to incorporate twenty-first century technology into this modern day labor of love. We are hoping to take pictures of our historical town buildings, scan these pictures onto fabric which has been specifically prepared for dyeing and then printed using an archival ink. To that end, we are looking for someone who has an Epsom printer. If you do or you would like to join us in creating this quilt please feel free to contact

Diana Gallagher	239-7550
Elaine Latinen	239-6575
Sue Taylor	239-4005
Janice Roy	239-6015
Terri O'Rorke	239-4595



Finished blocks and fabric pens will now be available at the library, town clerk and selectman offices. Blocks will also be available for signing at the Firemens' BBQ on Sunday, August 30. Please take a moment to sign and become a part of town history.

Don't Poison the Cornflakes

Rudd Wyman

Forty years ago, Maylon Davidson and his small son left northern Maine and drove to Boston. It was Fred's seventh birthday and Maylon had a surprise: Fenway Park and tickets to the Red Sox game. Maylon drove around the Fenway area trying to find a parking space. Finally, while listening to the fourth inning on the car radio and still no parking space, sadly they headed home.

October 2013

Forty years later, more cars, more congestion, more stress, more technology, and more reasons to poison offender's cornflakes. Recently, a driver talking on his cell phone, drove in front of my Subaru without looking. I avoided a collision, and when he grinned, I yelled from my open window, "You are a f***ing idiot." In the passenger seat, my wife did not speak to me for an hour as she hates to hear me swear. Normally, I can substitute creative English. "I left my gun at home," I said, "and I could have whacked him."

Margie said, "That's a good thing because you might have killed the jerk." Margie and I agree on important facets of life. The above scenario approached road rage, and it occurs every day in every city, on every highway, and most likely, at every intersection.

Not as lethal, parking rage is contagious for anyone with a small percentage of road rage. In Massachusetts, there are housing developments, not unlike college dormitories, where seniors retire, walk small dogs, knit, quilt, and exchange medical histories. Most residents drive cars.

My wife and I moved into a Cape Cod senior establishment in 2013. Recuperating with a new hip, my wife received her handicap placard, which we display at every opportunity. In our new "over sixty" compound there are



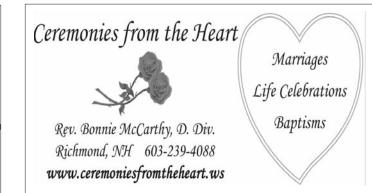
twenty parking spots for impaired people displaying a placard. Long-time residents claim to possess their spots by seniority; however, management rule states: NO ASSIGNED PARKING!!!!

This causes concern, and I am reminded of a fishing trip many years ago. I had just fought and landed a striped bass from a safe, flat rock. There was white, frothy surf, plenty of rocks, a sandy beach on which to deposit my fish, and one observant fisherman. Beaching the bass, I look back and observed the fisherman standing on "MY ROCK." I yell at the intruder, "Rotation fishing is not allowed on Cape Cod."

He extends his middle finger and fires a plug, arrayed with treble hooks, in my direction. Obviously I had not established "on the rock privileges." Initially, in our new home, tenants asked me to move my Subaru on several occasions. This was accomplished with neither a happy smile nor parking rage. I thought about the western settlers, the gold rush, and eminent domain. Margie and I were the new kids on the block. Seniority had its place, and it was important for us to be respectful to the needs of others.

After a couple of months with my parking spot indefinably established, an out of state couple moved into a nearby apartment. Parking privileges became complex when the new people initiated a diabolic version of musical cars. Does this new driver scrutinize the lot until a car leaves and ponder morbid benefits of sliding into that spot? Sensitivity is not his strong point, and many tenants are furious, while a few gladly would sabotage his cornflakes. Driving nails into his SUV's tires would be less creative.

Occupational quarrels cause a great deal of stress, and a predominant ingredient of rage. Rudyard Kipling once wrote "If you can keep your head about you when all others lose theirs, you'll be a man my son." This is excellent philosophy for anyone driving a vehicle. Scholarly advice from a fisherman who doesn't have a rock to stand on: DO NOT POISON THE CORN FLAKES!!



Agricultural Community Art Project

The Richmond Agricultural Commission invites you to join us for our First "Ag Art" project on August 15 from 12-3 pm at the Richmond Pavilion. We will be creating stepping stones to add beauty to our gardens! This will be a fun event for the whole family and we hope to see you there! All supplies will be provided. We ask that you sign up in advance so that we may plan accordingly. Thanks for your support.



Wiener Wednesdays Marion Holm

Mark your calendars for the four Wednesdays in August. The Richmond Community Church at 11 Fitzwilliam Rd. (Rt. 119) is planning its second annual drive-through hotdog cookout at the Old Brick Church. A menu consisting of quality charcoal-grilled turkey or beef hot dogs in a bun, chips, drinks, along with homemade baked beans, and brownies, will be available for takeout from 5 to 7 pm.

Here is a chance for Richmond residents to take a break from cooking for these four evenings in August, by taking away a readymade picnic to be enjoyed at a location of their choice. \$5 a meal, ale carte available.

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Y'all come and tell your friends! Better yet, bring them! Call 352-0504 for information.

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Katherine Gould Martin (daughter of Edda Renouf Gould)

Edda and her older brothers, Edward and Henry, grew up in the house at the end of Lyons, now 161 Old Homestead Highway. Their father Vincent Renouf, was the grandson of Edward Angustus Renouf, first minister of Keene's St. James Episcopal Church. When Vincent died in 1910, his widow Lilli von Pechmann Renouf settled in Richmond. The picture is that of Sarah Twitchell of Richmond, NH whose husband was a stone mason who made the watering trough at the foot of Buffum Hill and who was elected to the state legislature.



Parks and Recreation Beach Party Susan Harrington

Grab your towel and sunscreen! It's time for the end of the summer beach party! Join the Parks and Recreation Commission for some fun in the sun at the Richmond Town Beach on August 12, immediately following the library's summer reading wrap up. There will be games, prizes and refreshments. Hope to see you there!

For Sale

Pam Goodell Swiss Cargo 3-in-1, multi-function kayak carrier and rails for sale. \$175. Holds two kayaks. Call 239-4790

Quotable Quote

Terri O'Rorke

"We the people are the rightful masters of both Congress and the Courts, not to overthrow the Constitution, but to overthrow the men who would pervert the Constitution." —Abraham Lincoln. Stop the pipeline!!

> Crisis Leadership... How would you handle a crisis?

Michelle Connor

Unfortunately, in these turbulent times, so many types of events could happen within your organization! As a business owner or leader, you could have the most efficient operation in the world. But many issues could throw your business into chaos. For example an incident of terrorism, either cyber or even physical, a recalled product that may cause major health issues to the public, or even financial misconduct on the part of a team member. Here are three ways for a Leader to hold things together when everything seems to be falling apart.

Understand the true impact of the situation. Even a minor decision during a crisis can be critical and company leaders will be under tremendous strain. Problems can be

magnified as the right personnel may not be able to respond to the crisis at hand; what if it were a CEO passing away suddenly, (this actually happened at my previous company). The leaders of the organization may not be able to count on the usual chain of command or communication channels and the media may even be involved.

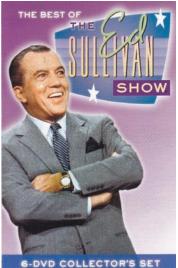
Be prepared for the unexpected! Prepare as much as possible while things are calm. Have a written plan in place that includes shielding the individuals involved, keeping key folks informed, and ensure the health of the organization. There should be a spokesperson who can deliver a clear consistent message through all types of channels. Be as transparent as possible and especially keep employees informed as well. Communication with customers and suppliers is important. They should not be learning the news from the media. They need to hear it from you. It's better to over-communicate than to allow rumors to control the messages.

As a leader in crisis, don't go it alone! A crisis within your company is not the time to be independent or let your ego get in the way. You really need to look within yourself to understand the role you may have even played in the situation. Don't try to implement a short-term fix. You may only end up in the same situation in the future. Bring in experts to help solve the problems, bring others into your confidence and let them help you to implement solutions. So, ask yourself, how would you handle a crisis?





When Ed Sullivan Ruled Sunday Nights Frank Behrens



It is ironic that while television helped kill vaudeville, Ed Sullivan kept it alive for nearly 25 years. First called "Toast of the Town" when it premiered in 1948, his variety show was changed to "The Ed Sullivan Show" in 1955 and kept going until 1971. And the man himself – who couldn't sing or dance and could barely speak before an audience – brought into the limelight all sorts of

B-DVD COLLECTOR'S SET

performers, some of whom faded quickly, some of whom became superstars.

There is now a 6-DVD set on the Star Vista label titled "The Best of the Ed Sullivan Show." It should have great appeal to two audiences. There are those who recall the original telecasts and want to wallow in nostalgia; and there are those born too late but will enjoy seeing the early appearances of artists who became familiar to them in later years.

The first disc, "Unforgettable Performances," runs 88 minutes and is a quick history of highlights from the series. This show is hosted by Carol Burnett, who is seen in an early appearance. "50th Anniversary Special" (46 min-



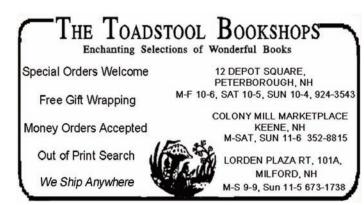
utes) is more of same, including some repeated spots. "The All-Star Comedy Special" (70 minutes) breaks the subject down to nightclub, musical, impressionist, ventriloquist, and team acts. Here Mary Tyler Moore hosts.

The bizarre "World's Greatest Novelty Acts" (55 minutes) includes jugglers, contortionists, balancing acts, acrobats, and even a quick draw and a lasso act. Some today will object to "Amazing Animal Acts" (60 minutes), but they are straight out of vaudeville and sensibilities then were different. "Bonus Interviews" (115 minutes) are the least exciting but have many moments of interest.

Listing the performers would take me far beyond my word limit. But to give some idea, here are just a few: Elvis Presley (from the waist up), Carol Burnett, Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald, Lucille Ball, The Beatles (with screaming female teens in the audience), Richard Prior, Marlon Brando, The Supremes, Janis Joplin, Alan King, Rodney Dangerfield (he who gets no respect), Henny Youngman ("take my wife, please"), Flip Wilson, Milton Berle, and Joan Rivers.

Most valuable (to me) are the stars of then-current Broadway shows recreating numbers from shows that once closed could never be accessed again as they were first seen. The most interesting is Paul Lynd and his "Bye, Bye Birdie" family singing the hymn to Ed Sullivan. The most dramatic moment is when Jackie Mason angered Ed under circumstances shown on the disc. Ed was furious, saying it was obscene and nearly ruined Mason's career.

Although a bit spotty in organization, this set has great historical as well as entertainment value.



Out and About

John Boccalini Peterborough Players Schedule, No showing Mondays 55 Hadley Rd. Peterborough

7:30 pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday Evenings
8:00 pm Friday and Saturday Evenings
4:00 pm Sunday Afternoons
Aug. 1 – 9, *Charley's Aunt* by Brandon Thomas:
Aug. 12 – 23, *Born Yesterday* by Garson Kanin
Aug. 26 – Sept 6, *Stella and Lou* by Bruce Graham

Sat. Aug. 1, 7:30 pm. F.A.E. Duo: Violin and Fortepiano. All Saints Church, 51 Concord St, P'borough. Donations.

Wed, Aug. 5, 7, 8:30 pm. The Whiteboards. Bandstand, Central Square Common, Keene.

Fri. Aug 7 – Sat. Aug 8, 6 pm. Shakespeare presents: Power to Charm: Cathedral of the Pines, 10 Hale Hill Rd. Rindge. \$10

Wed. Aug. 12 (after the Wrap-up Party at the Library) Parks and Recreation Beach Party, Richmond Town Beach

Aug. 15, 18, 21, 22 – 2pm and Aug 17, 7 pm. Pinocchio by Greg Banks: Peterborough Players, 55 Hadley Rd. P'borough.

Sat. Aug. 15, 7:30 – 9:30 pm. Electric Earth Concerts presents Osvaldo Golijov's "Ayre" Ahavas Achim Synagogue, 84 Hastings Ave., Keene.

Sun. Aug 16, 11am. Bluegrass Festival: Cathedral of the Pines, 10 Hale Hill Rd. Rindge. Adults \$29, Children 19, children under 6. Free this day to those attending the festival. Contact: susan@cathedralofthepines.org

Welcome to the Richmond Community Church



Pastor Arnold Johnson Sunday Worship Services 9:00 a.m. We are a celebrational and compassionate people.

We champion the simple worth of all people.

Come and join our Family!

Sat. Aug 29, 7:30 pm. Electric Earth Concerts presents the Horszowski Trio and Friends. First Church, 14 Laban Ainsworth Way, Jaffrey.

Richmond Library Programs

Aug. 5. "Firefighters to the Rescue." Visit with Lt. Melanie Ellis from the Richmond Fire Department.

Aug. 12. "Bam Pow Read!" with Wrap-up Party. Try your hand at our superhero stations! Reading certificates for all participants and prizes for contests will be given out. We will also present the collected food donations to Hugh Van Brocklin for the Richmond Food Pantry.

Sat. Aug. 15, 12–3 pm. Making garden stepping stones with the Richmond Agricultural Commission at the Richmond Pavilion.

Aug. 26. People Who Help Us (Celebrating Labor Day)

Sun. Aug 30: 12 noon. Annual Richmond Fire Department Chicken BBQ. Tickets for the BBQ for \$8.00.

Fitzwilliam Inn

Open Mic every Wednesday 7-9

Aug. 13 and 27. Thursday Trivia with Tarah in the Lemming Pub 7–9 pm Fun and prizes.

August 20. Third Thursday Fun. Wine Glass Painting with Sasha 7–9 pm \$25 includes all materials. Signup in advance.

August 29. Music by Blackjack Crossing. Bluegrass music 8:30 – 11pm \$5 cover

Sunflowers Restaurant, 21B Main St. Jaffrey

Music at Brunch (B): Sunday 11:30 am – 1:30 pm Dinner (D): Friday beginning at 6 pm **Sun Aug 2.** Brunch – Judy Blake and Ken Hamshaw, vocals and guitar **Fri Aug 7.** Dinner – Scott Mullett, sax



Sun Aug 9. Brunch – Lefty Blue, guitar and vocals
Fri Aug 14. Dinner – Ted Mann, guitar
Sun Aug 16. Brunch – tbd
Fri Aug 21. Dinner – Mike Wakefield, sax
Sun Aug 23. Brunch – Ted Mann, guitar
Fri Aug 28. Dinner – Diane Ammons, piano and vocals
Sun Aug 30. Brunch – Mike Wakefield, sax

Ongoing:

Exhibit Treasured Places, Protected Spaces at the Historical Society of Cheshire County. Featuring the works of over 50 artists to create art inspired by conservation land in the Monadnock region. On view now through September 5 during regular business hours.

Sun. Noon – 2 pm. Music with Brunch. Waterhouse Restaurant, Depot Square, P'borough

Mon. 8 pm. Contra Dancing. Nelson Town Hall. Variety of callers and musicians. Donation: \$3. Nelson Tues 7:30 pm. Celtic Music. Harlow's Pub. P'borough

Wed. 10 am. Richmond Library Summer programs. All ages.

Wed. 7 – 9 pm. Open-Mic Night at The Fitzwilliam Inn.

Wed. 3 – 6 pm. Farmers Market. P'borough Community Group, 25 Elm St. P'borough.

Wed. 9:30 pm. Open Mic Night. Harlow's Pub. P'borough

Thurs. 8 pm. Bluegrass Jam. Harlow's Pub, P'borough,



RICHMOND RESIDENTS WE NEED YOUR HELP AGAIN! Kinder Morgan and FERC are at it again.

The Rural Preservation Committee are pleading with ALL the residents of Richmond to please send your Environmental concerns to FERC to be received in Washington DC no later then AUGUST 31, 2015.

All of you on FERC's current environmental "mailing list" for the fracked methane project through Richmond, have their packet and know the urgency of this mailing. It doesn't matter if you have already sent information, they want to receive a letter with your individual environmental concerns. ALL of Richmond is at stake here.

FERC is very clear on page 2 of their 14-page document that, "IF you're a land owner, a "Tennessee Gas Representative" MAY contact you about acquisition of an easement to construct, operate and maintain the planned facilities. The company would seek to negotiate a mutually acceptable agreement. However, if the Commission approves the Project, that approval conveys with it the right of "eminent domain." How many of us have heard those words from Kinder Morgan?

The Commission has been so kind and have set up FERC Public Scoping Meetings for ALL of us to attend just in case you can't contact them by mail, email or phone. The nearest to Richmond is Milford Town Hall on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 6:30 pm. Further in the documents, FERC claims they will be providing an additional scoping meeting near Winchester, NH during the week of July 27-31, 2015. They will announce this meeting with in future notice. WE MUST SHOW OUR DISTASTE FOR THIS INTRUSION INTO OUR TOWN IN NUMBERS.

We know that Richmond Residents are tired of being asked to contact FERC, Kinder Morgan and the Tennessee Pipeline, and many of you feel it's in vain. Richmond has raised the eyebrow of many towns and FERC with our recent Access Denial response. If you haven't done yours, yet, please do your part and send it in.

For your convenience, FERC has been so kind as to offer us 4 (four) methods to submit our comments to the Commission. They have assured us that they will provide equal consideration to all comments received, whether files in written form or provided verbally. Please, keep a hard copy of your comments for your records.

1. Electronically using the eComment feature, go to www.ferc.gov, under the link to "Documents and filings." This is an easy method for interested persons to submit brief, text-only comments on a project. 2. You can file your comments electronically by using the "eFiling" feature at www.ferc.gov, under the link to Documents and Filings. With eFiling you can provide comments in a variety of formats by attaching them as a file with your submission. You must first create an account by clicking on "eRegister". When clicking on a particular project, select "Comment on a Filing" as the filing type:

3. File a paper copy of your comments. Mail to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street NE, Room 1A
Washington, DC 20426

Reference: Project Docket Number PF14-22-000.

4. Or, you can drive to one of the scoping sessions being held. I suggest doing this anyway and back up your personal concerns by eFiling or responding by mail. Some ideas to consider when writing personal letters:

- Land Rights, Loss of Property/Property Use, Reduced Property Values Environmental Impact, Blasting our Granite formations
- Health Concerns (short and long term)
- Safety Concerns, Noise Pollution
- Conservation Land, Wildlands and Trails/Recreation
- Treasured Places in our town
- Well Water (through the largest recharge area of water in our Aquifer), Wetlands (numerous water sheds, local streams/brooks), Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat
- Impact on Roads, Schools, Economy
- Declining Fossil Fuel Industry (NH has no fuel problem)
- Abandoned Pipelines

WRITE:

- Personal letters with impassioned appeals! Thoughtful, respectful, fact-based and personal concerns.
- Please hand write or type your letter and sign it personally. (no form letters)
- Do this as soon as possible! Share your letters and pass it on help us make this an aggressive campaign that will show we mean business!

If you're interested in a NO PIPELINE SIGN, PLEASE (\$6.00ea.) CONTACT US. Or, if you would like to have an electronic copy of the FERC newsletter sent to a handful of residents let us know. Contact one of us: Jean Tandy 239-6024; Terri Ororke 239-4595; Kim Mattson 239-6606

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