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June 2018

From the Selectmen

The Board of Selectmen are proceeding with the search for a permanent part-time Chief of Police and have engaged Municipal Resources Inc. to conduct the search. All qualified candidates will be considered. The ad with the list of qualifications and other information is available on mrigov.com.

MRI has established an email address for public comments at richmondpolicechief@mrigov.com. The identity of anyone making a comment will be kept confidential by MRI, who will distill the content of public comments and summarize them for the Selectboard without naming anyone who has commented. Please send an email if you have any comments or wish to provide any input.

The Selectmen meet on Mondays at 5:30 until business is done. The public is welcome. Office hours for other business are posted on www.richmond.gov. Please visit. Susan Harrington will be there to answer questions and help you with your town business. Our phone number is 239-4232.

Library News

Wendy Obrien

Every Saturday, 10:30, Knitting Circle

Every Wednesday, 10:00, Storytimes/Summer Reading Program

SPECIAL EVENTS

Sat. June 2, 10:30–11:30, Community Coffee Hour

Sat. June 16, 10:00, Cameron Prior, Richmond Police Department, Firearm Safety Presentation

Sat. June 16, 11:00, Summer Reading Kickoff at the Pavilion with the Parks and Recreation Committee

Summer Reading: Libraries Rock!

Our kickoff, in conjunction with the Richmond Parks and Recreation Committee, will be on Saturday, June 16th at 11am. Tie-dye a shirt, eat lunch, and dance the Macarena! Each Wednesday at 10:00am between June 13 and August 8, we will explore a different style of music through stories and crafts. Some weeks we will

welcome special musical guests. Finally, our wrap-up party on Saturday, August 18th will feature an air guitar championship and hopefully karaoke. Come show the Town of Richmond that your library rocks!

Firearm Safety Presentation by Cameron Prior, Richmond Police Department

Before the Summer Reading Kickoff, come to the RPL at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 16th, as Cameron Prior from the Richmond Police Department will give a presentation on firearm safety, including:

- Safe Storage of a Firearm
- Safe Handling of a Firearm
- How to Properly Use a Gunlock
- How to Safely Sell Your Unwanted Firearm
- Review of R.S.A. 650-C:1, Negligent Storage of Firearms
- How to Dispose of Unwanted Firearms and/or Ammunition

Free gunlocks will be distributed. Hope to see you!

Rediscovered Books

We recently received a large donation of paperback books in excellent condition, which would be perfect for the beach or travel. Authors include Robyn Carr, Kat Martin, Joan Johnston, Lisa Jackson, Jo Nesbø, Ruth Ware, and Fern Michaels. Check out a treasure today!

New Adult Fiction

Little Fires Everywhere, Celeste Ng

How It All Began, Penelope Lively

Cave of Bones, Ann Hillerman

The Fallen, David Baldacci

Shattered Mirror, Iris Johansen

The Italian Teacher, Tom Rachman

After Anna, Lisa Scottoline

Cutting Edge, Jeffrey Deaver

Property Tax Relief

Annette Tokunaga, Town Clerk

Please welcome Katie Delaney as your Deputy Town Clerk. Katie began working on April 16th. She has successfully completed the online training class for the

Driver Protection Privacy Act. As of the mailing of the June 2018 *Richmond Rooster*, she will have completed her four-day training in Concord with the Department of Safety to become certified as a Municipal Registration Agent. Katie brings a wide range of skills to the Clerk's office, and I am fortunate to have her in my office. Say hello to her when you are at the Town Hall!

June 30 is the deadline to mail the DP-8, Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax Relief form. You may qualify for tax relief from the State if you were single and earned \$20,000 or less or were married and earned \$40,000 or less in 2016. Forms are available at the Town Hall and on the State website at www.revenue.nh.gov. The forms must be postmarked by June 30.

Dog News. If you have not yet licensed your dog, you will be charged late fees effective June 1. If you licensed your dog in the Town of Richmond last year, you can either come to the office or renew the license online. If you have added a dog to your family, you will need to come to the office to license your dog. To license a new dog, please bring with you the Rabies Vaccination Certificate along with verification that your dog has been neutered or spayed. Please let me know if you no longer have your dog so I can update my files.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Contact information can be found in *The Rooster* and online at <http://www.richmond.nh.gov>. The office phone number is 239-6202.

Things and Thoughts from the District

Neil Moriarty

- The School Board Meeting will be held at the Vet's Hall on June 5, 2018, 7:00pm. Why not come and get a glimpse of where 70% of your property taxes go?
- The Hummingbirds showed up on May 4, however, way down in South Richmond they arrived at Trish Newton's on the 2nd of May!
- If you have a problem that you can't seem to solve – try calling 211, which will put you in touch with a host of resources that provide assistance.
- This document represents the opinion of Neil Moriarty, and may not represent the opinions of the Monadnock Regional School District school board
- The High School graduation will be on June 2, 2018 at 10:00am on the football field.
- The graduates from Richmond, along with the Honors from both the High, Middle, and Elementary schools

will be in the July issue due to the entry cutoff date for *The Rooster*

Thanks for reading my article. If you have suggestions, school items you want to distribute, or thoughts, please contact me at cmoriarty@ne.rr.com; 603-239-4031; 782 Old Homestead Hwy here in Richmond.

MRSD Honor Roll

Neil Moriarty

These are the Richmond students on the Quarter 3 Honor Roll. Remember the elementary schools only do three reports each school year.

Budzik, Olivia Megan	11	Honors
Burt, Cheyenne Mayleigh	8	Honors
Camuso, Francisco Joel	12	Honors
Cooke, Izaac Glenn	7	Honors
Daugherty, Aderyn Kathleen	8	High Honors
Doyle, Nathan Eli	9	High Honors
Gauthier, Ian James	8	Honors
Heise, Daniel Blair	12	Honors
LeBlanc, Laci Elizabeth	7	Honors
Love, Ivy Laurel	9	Honors
Mastrogiovanni, Antonio James	12	Honors
Miller, Michele Carmelita	7	Honors
Pearsall, Madison Dianne	12	Honors
Perry, Raven Vera	7	Honors
Schmidt, Gabrielle Elisa	8	Honors
Thayer, Alicia Christina	12	Honors
Van Valzah, Bridget Elizabeth	8	High Honors

Environmental Preservation Of The Richmond Town Beach

Elaine Moriarty

At the end of a winding dirt road lies a serene beach. Sometime in the 1950s, Camp Takodah donated land around Cass Pond to the town so we could swim, relax, kayak, fish, and develop friendships.

Thirty-four years ago I moved to Richmond. Having grown up on the coast of Connecticut, I was delighted to have a place to continue my passion for swimming.

As time went on, I realized there was an issue to be addressed. Since many creatures such as frogs, salamanders, turtles (snapping and painted), water snakes, loons, mallards, Canadian geese, great blue herons, dragonflies, fish, and beavers call the pond their home, respecting their rights is important.




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When I became the head of the Beach Committee, my team and I explored ways to protect and improve the beach.

The State of New Hampshire Environmental website is an informative place to learn about lakes and ponds. I became so educated it inspired me to produce a folder on the creatures that reside at the beach. I hand-made many copies and distributed them at a children's story time at the library.

Eventually I realized there was a need to educate adults as well. First of all, deep respect is necessary for all the creatures. The snapping turtles will not bother you if you just get out of their way; likewise for the water snakes. They just want you to let them go by. New Hampshire Fish & Game will tell you the only poisonous snakes in our state are in the White Mountains.

A most important issue is the ducks. Please do not feed them as per NH Dept. Environmental Protection – "They will defecate where they eat. Their excrement contains bacteria which can wash into the water that causes a health threat to swimmers."

Last summer, seven beaches in our area were closed for high levels of fecal bacteria. The beaches remained closed until retesting by the state deemed the beaches safe. Dogs can also contaminate with their feces.

When the ducks arrive at our beach, please do not chase them; remember it is their home. If children col-

lect frogs and toads in a pail with water, please replace them in a reasonable time to the pond.

Two potential other problems at our beach: 1) skipping stones, especially those placed at the foot of the boat ramp. They were placed there to prevent further erosion; 2) digging holes on the beach and not filling them in before you leave.

There is a sign posted with regulations to be followed as protection for the beach, the town, and the environment. If you witness a child or an adult conducting themselves in an improper manner, you can address the issue in a polite, calm way. You are perhaps pointing out an issue they are unaware of or chose to ignore.

You can always inform a Parks & Rec member, the police, or selectmen, if you'd rather.

I hope this article educates and enlightens others to protect the environment of the Richmond Town Beach, along with me.

Getting to Know Your Advertisers

Bonnie McCarthy

April snow has finally brought May flowers and summer temperatures...only in New England, I say lovingly. Camping season is here. Paul Morehouse, Jr. and his staff at Big Daddy's RV Sales & Service in Winchester hope you are ready to hit the road. They take pride in helping make their customers' lives easier by



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being open all year long to service their camping needs and making sure their campers, of whatever kind, are kept in excellent condition. No job is too small or too big. Big Daddy's is a family business. Paul's daughter Monica Truesdell manages the office. The front of his building at 15 Main Street in Winchester is occupied by his wife Kathryn, owner of Kathryn's Florist.

Paul, the owner and chief RV repair specialist, has worked with campers beginning with his childhood hobby of buying and renovating older campers. While he is not primarily in the business of selling RVs because of limited space, he still has a passion for vintage RVs, which he restores and refurbishes for sale. Paul is originally from Salem, NH, and has been self-employed in the RV field most of his life. He spent time in Massachusetts and moved his operations to Winchester in 2010. He lives and does business by the Golden Rule; he treats customers as he would like to be treated. He conducts all of his interactions with honesty and full disclosure, never sending a customer away with a job unless he is personally proud of it.

As well as general RV maintenance and upkeep, Big Daddy's RV Sales & Service is well known for warranty and insurance work. Paul is backed up by his lead technician Aaron Beam, and his father Paul Morehouse, Sr., who is often on site to help out. This means that they can provide on-site service to local camp-



grounds, as well as in-house service at the shop. Here is a partial list of the repair, replacement, and newly installed services that Big Daddy's provides: awnings, water heaters, RV refrigerators, RV heating and AC, electrical, plumbing, propane systems, water leaks and damage, entry door rebuilding or replacement, slide out rebuilds, winterizing, system checks, skin repairs, bathtubs and surrounds, and you-ask-for-it.

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information please check out Big Daddy's Facebook page at [BigDaddysRVSales&ServiceLLC](#). When you visit the office/store, enjoy time browsing the vintage camping décor and the owner's personal collection of "fun" camping items on display. And tell the family that you "Read it in *The Rooster*."

From My Perspective

Barry Faulkner

State Representative

Cheshire 12 (Swanzey/Richmond)

The New Hampshire Legislature is in the final stretch of the 2018 session. May 10th was last day for the Senate and the House to act on bills that had been amended by the other body. If there is disagreement on the amended version of the bill, and if both bodies agree to try to work out the differences, the House and Senate leaders appoint a conference committee to develop a compromise version. Votes on the final version will be taken by May 24; bills that are passed in the same form by the Senate and the House will be sent to the Governor for signature.

Amid a flurry of activity prior to these deadlines, there were a couple of bills that received a large amount of public attention. Legislators receive a lot of correspondence on these bills – mail, telephone calls, email – from all sides. It is a challenge to sort out the facts, hopes, truths, and half-truths, but it is always valuable to me to hear from constituents about how a bill might affect you.

One of these bills (actually, a CACR: Constitutional Amendment Continuing Resolution 22) is "Marsy's Law." Marsy was a California murder victim. Her family has funded an effort to lobby state legislatures for victim rights. This proposed amendment would give victims of crime certain rights in the judicial process, including notification, support, privacy, and the right to participate in the judicial process. Sounds good, and we

already have statutes in New Hampshire that provide many of these victim support measures. However, there were a couple of major problems with CACR 22: 1) some of these new victim rights could conflict with other constitutional rights and would jeopardize 225 years of court cases that have carefully balanced the rights of the accused and the state's interest in achieving justice; and 2) this would impose significant, unfunded costs on the state and counties, police departments, and the court system. Constitutional amendments are serious undertakings, and require support of three-fifths of each legislative body, and then a positive vote of two-thirds of the voters of the state. In the end, the House voted overwhelmingly (284-51) against CACR 22.

The second bill that received a lot of attention was **SB 193** – often referred to as the "school voucher" bill. This bill would reward parents who pull their children out of public school with funds (more than \$4000 in many cases) to help pay for homeschooling costs or tuition at a parochial school or private school. The money would come out of the adequacy grants to the school district that the student leaves, and from the state education fund – in other words, funds that would otherwise support public education. Local taxpayers would have to pick up the difference. There is a genuine concern that payments of public funds for church schools, even if funneled through a "scholarship" organization and the parents, would violate the New Hampshire Constitution. The House Finance Committee recommended against this bill, and the full House defeated it – voting to send it for further study – by a narrow, 170-159, margin. We thought we had disposed of this matter, but the Senate (apparently with the support of the Governor) then attached the same bill to an unrelated House bill (**HB 1636**) and sent it back to the House for yet another vote. This time, the House voted to kill the bill, 180-163. As most of you know, I am a strong supporter of public education, and I was proud



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to stand with teachers and parents, as well as many concerned about the cost to the taxpayer, to dispose of this voucher bill. Similar voucher programs have been proposed in the past, and may be tried in the future.

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February Update

Representative Jim McConnell

Cheshire 12 – Richmond and Swanzey

This year's legislative session will conclude prior to the end of May with the exception of a presumably single day at some point this summer after the Governor has either signed or vetoed the last of the bills we send him, and we convene to attempt to override his vetoes. Beyond that, the only activity will be bills held for additional study and a recommendation either for or against similar legislation next year.

This session marks my fourth year in the legislature. While I thoroughly enjoy being in the legislature, this year has been an uncoordinated mess. I attribute most of the problems to an effort on the part of the House's leadership to exercise undue control over what the legislature passes. To that end, it is difficult to escape the conclusion that bills which have passed out of the committee, to which they have originally, and appropriately, been assigned, are sent to additional committees in an effort to find one which will either amend or kill the bill in question. In addition, the Finance Committee is frequently used as a policy committee when other efforts to kill a bill have failed. At the beginning of the year, I offered two rule changes restricting the Finance Committee to consider only the financial considerations bearing on a bill. Both measures failed to get the necessary two-thirds support for adoption. Next year, I expect they will have a better chance but, with the Speaker enjoying the control resulting from the current rules, it will still be an uphill climb. Finally, moving bills from one committee to another until the required deadlines,

also forces their consideration in one or two very crowded session days reducing the time for floor debate.

HB 1281, my bill establishing an Executive Order Registry which will ensure that the Governor's Executive Orders are public knowledge within seventy-two hours of signing, has passed both the House and Senate and is, at some point, on its way to the Governor for his signature.

House Joint Resolution 5, my Resolution that the New Hampshire House of Representatives and Senate reject hate, bigotry, and violence in all their forms passed the House with no opposition, but ran afoul of the Senate's desire to not consider Resolutions, something I recognized as a possibility when I submitted it.

I can be reached at 903-3878, which is my cell phone. My personal email is mcc@mindspring.com. Please use my personal 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.

Madame Sherri Forest in Chesterfield

Carol Jameson

Madame Sherri Forest on Gulf Road in Chesterfield has ruins of a grand mansion, a secluded mountain lake, beautiful views, acres of mountain laurel, and several well-marked trails for hiking.

The trails from Madame Sherri's forest link to other trail systems. One can hike east over Mt. Wantastiquet into Brattleboro, or southwest over Daniels Mountain into Bear Mountain, and even across Route 63 to Pisgah State Park in Hinsdale.

Jennie and I chose the hike to Mine Ledge. We began from the trailhead and parking area on Gulf Road in Chesterfield. A trail map is posted at the trailhead, also available on-line at chesterfieldoutdoors.com. We began on the Ann Stokes Loop to the right, and then



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took the Wantastiquet/Mine Ledge Trail where it forks to the right off the Ann Stokes Loop at Indian Pond. Indian Pond is a beautiful, secluded mountain lake, and there is a perfect picnic rock area right where the trails fork. The hike to this point is easy and very peaceful. The woods are full of mountain laurel and must be especially beautiful when they are in bloom. The Mine Ledge Trail climbs up loose rock and boulders to a spectacular view of Indian Pond below. The climb continues for less than ¼ mile, then the trail flattens out. In



View toward Brattleboro. Madame Sherri's Mansion. Indian Pond.

less than a mile, the turn-off to the left for Mine Ledge is clearly marked. (Continuing straight would take you down into a col then up to the summit of Wantastiquet,

looking over the Connecticut River and Brattleboro.)

Mine Ledge is quite something. You are perched on the edge of a cliff, looking down at loose scree below. There is a view of the Connecticut River and Vermont Yankee to the south. Climb out on the rock ledges as far as you dare.


The hike out and back is about 2½ miles with an elevation gain of about 400 feet. On the way down, we took the short side trail near the parking area to visit the ruins of the Madame Sherri's mansion.



Madame Antoinette Sherri was born Antoinette Bramare in Paris in 1878. She had an interesting career as a dancer and costume designer – first, in Paris, then, in New York, even designing costumes for Zeigfield's Follies. She built her castle in Chesterfield and threw wild all-night parties there with friends from New York and elsewhere who came up to stay. The house had burned down in 1962, but Madame Sherri had not lived there for years. She was sued by the Town of Brattleboro in 1961 for failing to pay the fees for the nursing home where she had lived. She died in abject poverty in 1965. Ann Stokes bought the property later donating it to The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests who maintain it today. For more on Madame Sherri, read the book *Madame Sherri* by Eric Stanway.

It was May Day when we hiked and the small wild-

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flowers were out. We saw white and pink Oconnee Bells on the rocky part of the Mine Ledge trail and yellow Trout Lily near the Mansion.

Parks and Recreation

Karen Daugherty

Spring Roadside Clean-up went well this year. There are still a few areas that need attention. If you see any areas that need to be addressed, please pitch in and help pick up the trash. There were several volunteers that helped clean up the main roads on Route 32 and 119. Other residents picked up trash on the back roads where they live. Thank you for everyone who participated, and to Mark Beal for picking up the trash bags. Thank you to Wendy at the library for displaying the flyer, trash bags, and gloves for residents to pick up. The Parks and Recreation Commission still has gloves and trash bags, so please let us know if you would like some throughout the year to continue to keep the roadsides clean. Thank you!

The beach and park will be set up and ready for use by Memorial Day weekend! Please take advantage of Amidon Park located behind the fire station. There is plenty of green grass and room to run around and play games, a play structure for children to climb on, a pavilion with tables to picnic under in rain or shine, two BBQ pits to grill food on, and a seasonal porta potty. The Beach is located at the end of Pond Woods Road

off of Route 119. It has a boat launch, small parking area, picnic tables, and a seasonal porta potty. Come on down to sit and chat with neighbors on the beach, take a swim, go for a boat ride, or catch some fish. All residents are welcome, just head to the town clerk's office for a free, but required, beach sticker.

The Annual Summer Reading Kick-off, Tie-Dye, and BBQ is scheduled for June 16 at 11am. This year's theme is "Libraries Rock." Join us for hot dogs, drinks, and fun. Bring a white or light colored T-shirt for all participants, and we'll provide the tie-dye. Sponsored by the Richmond Public Library and Parks and Recreation Commission

The Summer Reading Wrap-up is scheduled for Saturday, August 18th at 11am. Come to an Air Guitar Competition, snacks, and back-to-school supplies. Sponsored by the Richmond Public Library and Parks and Recreation Commission

Richmond Beach Party will be held sometime in July. Date TBD.

The Harvest Festival is being planned for September. Keep an eye out in *The Rooster* for a specific date.

Movie Time at Camp Takodah is scheduled for December 15th! Movie TBD

America Reads program

Allison Riley

One hour, once a week, can improve the life of a young child! The Monadnock RSVP Volunteer Center is gearing up for another exciting year in the America Reads program! Men and women, ages 55+, are invited to consider becoming an America Reads volunteer to help children struggling with reading. Volunteers will engage children in grades pre-K through 3rd grade in literacy activities and one-on-one reading time. The commitment is for one hour, once a week, during the school year.

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the following America Reads sites for the 2018-19 school year: Drewsville Head Start, Frankestown, Marlborough, Troy, and Swanzey Head Start. Volunteers complete an interview and application process and undergo criminal background and reference checks. In addition, mandatory training will be offered on the following dates this fall. Volunteers only need to attend one training session.

In Peterborough: Wednesday, September 19 from Noon – 4:30pm.

In Keene: Tuesday, September 25 from 9am – 2 pm.

To find out more, contact the Monadnock RSVP Volunteer Center at 603-357-6893 or send an email to rsvp@mfs.org. Monadnock RSVP is a program of Monadnock Family Services, a Monadnock United Way Agency.

Come Dine With Us – an Invitation to the Table


Maureen Daugherty

The dinner table is the center for the teaching and practicing not just of table manners, but of conversation, consideration, tolerance, family feeling, and just about all the other accomplishments of polite society except the minuet. Judith Martin

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complement the change and the table becomes the picnic table. June brings summer. School is over. We celebrate our fathers and in the Daugherty family, two more birthdays. We dine on BBQ, salads, and colder, often simpler food choices, so this month I will sharing a salad recipe.

In July 1986, I came across the original recipe for the famous Caesar's Salad (It was created by Caesar Cardini on July 4, 1924 at his hotel in Tijuana, a haunt of movie greats! The Italian immigrant had moved his business across the border from California to escape Prohibition). The recipe was provided by his daughter Rosa to the Sunday newspaper magazine. It's surprising how different it is from what is typically served today.

Because this salad was prepared tableside at his restaurant (great drama), I have adapted it for the family salad bowl and simplified it. If interested, you can find the original online.

Caesar used only the whole interior lettuce leaves (way too wasteful for me), and after dressing, arranged them in a circle, stem side out on the salad plate to be eaten with the fingers. He also made his own garlic oil which was used to make the dressing and croutons. I don't do this. Oh, and no anchovies; apparently his brother later added those.

CAESAR'S SALAD (mostly)

6-8 dinner or 12-16 salad-course servings

2 heads Romaine lettuce, very cold, washed and as dry as possible, torn into bite size pieces

2-3 C croutons* (made from 1 loaf crusty bread)

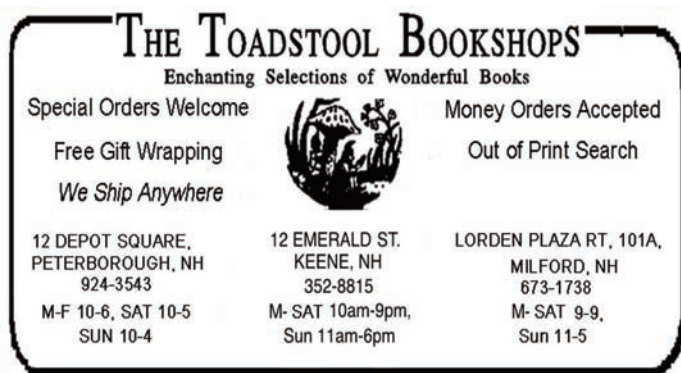
8 oz shaved parmesan cheese

Dressing

3/4 C extra virgin olive oil (or garlic oil)

1 large clove garlic, crushed (omit if using garlic oil)

Juice of 1 large lemon (about 3 TBS)



Compliments of Bob and Jan Weekes

1/2 tsp Lea & Perrins Worcestershire sauce

1/2 tsp salt

1/2 tsp fresh ground pepper

2 coddled eggs**

*Croutons – cut a 1-lb loaf of French or Italian bread into 1/2 - 3/4 inch cubes. Heat 2 TB each of butter and olive oil in a very large sauté pan. Season to taste with garlic powder (omit if using garlic oil), a little seasoned salt (Lawry's) and 1 TB dry parsley. Add bread cubes and cook over medium heat until nicely brown, stir frequently or they will burn. You could also toss all ingredients on a baking sheet and bake at about 375° turning frequently until toasted. These croutons are arguably one of the best parts of the salad, crunchy outside and soft inside.

**Coddled eggs – bring a small pan of water to a boil, gently add eggs, remove from heat and leave for one minute. Remove and set aside.

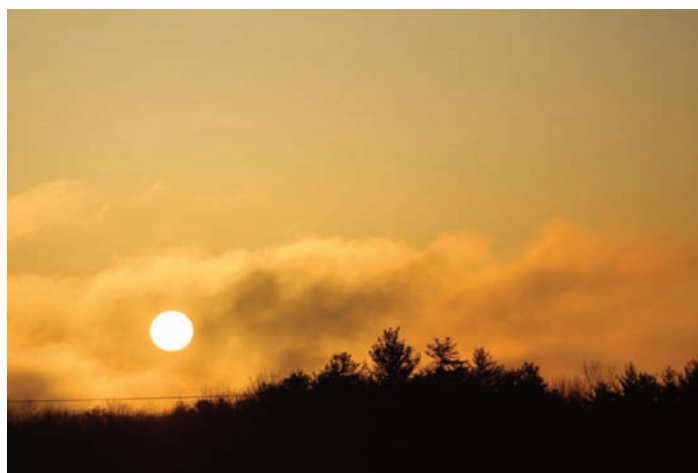
Add dressing ingredients to a jar, crack in eggs and shake well. You will need a very large salad bowl. Pour about 1/2 of the dressing over the lettuce (refrigerate any leftover). Gently toss, add cheese, toss, and taste. Adjust seasoning and dressing amounts if necessary. Serve croutons on the side or add just before serving. By the way, I have had people tell me this is the best salad they have ever had. Great with grilled chicken.

Young Artist Spotlight exhibit at the JCC

Regina Vorce

The Jaffrey Civic Center is pleased to present Melanie Patria as our Young Artist Spotlight exhibit for June, which showcases the work of emerging artists under the age of 30. Melanie's work will be held in the Display Case Gallery from June 1 to June 29. There will be an Opening Reception on Friday, June 1 from 5pm to 7pm.

A Rindge resident, Melanie is entering her junior year at Colby-Sawyer College and is working on her



Top: "Walking on Air" acrylic by Melanie Patria
Bottom: "Portland" photo by Melanie Patria

B.A. in graphic design. Her work includes traditional media as well as graphics. In the Spring of 2018, Patria completed an internship with PermaCityLife, located in Franklin, NH, to gain more experience working with clients and to expand her body of knowledge. To view some of Patria's work and to catch up on more client works, visit www.instagram.com/melaniepatricia.designs or www.facebook.com/melaniepatricia.designs.

The Jaffrey Civic Center is located at 40 Main Street, Jaffrey, NH. Parking in rear. We are a designated 501(c)3 non-profit dedicated to art, education, and civic

activities. Hours: Monday through Friday, 10am-12 noon, 1-5pm, and Saturday, 10-2. Admission is always free. For more information about us, call 603-532-6527, e-mail us at info@jaffreyciviccenter.com.

Culinary Herbs in the Garden

Barbara Rogers

Herb gardens, once a rare sight, now seem to be growing everywhere. And the beauty of herbs for the gardener is that they will grow everywhere! Shade, sun, sand, even beneath pine trees, in buckets, pots, barrels, or right in with the flowers or vegetables, there are herbs for every garden site.

The most commonly grown herbs, chives, parsley, thyme, basil, and dill, all like full sun. So do tarragon, rosemary, savory, and the many varieties of mint. But all these will also do well when they are shaded part of the day, and both mint and tarragon will produce even in complete shade. Mint will do well in damp areas, and watercress can be grown on the edge of running water!

In addition, herbs do well in no yard at all. Almost any herb does well when grown in a flower pot. An old washtub filled with good soil and pierced for drainage will hold an entire herb garden.

What are the best herbs to grow? Whatever you enjoy using in your cooking. Parsley and chives are the most common and both are easily grown. Parsley takes a long time to germinate, but it is better to grow it from seed than to buy plants. Italian Parsley has the best flavor. Chives are easily grown from a starter clump, which will grow larger each year. For an even finer flavor, try garlic chives.

Many people have been discouraged by having mint take over their yards, but there are many kinds of mint that don't spread with underground runners. Orange



mint, pineapple mint, peppermint, and others have wonderful flavors for jellies, candies and teas.

Thyme is a perennial, which grows in an attractive low clump. Again, there are many varieties, some highly ornamental, some highly flavored. My favorite on all counts is lemon thyme, since its flavor is excellent and its growth very attractive.

Tarragon must be started from cuttings or root divisions, since French Tarragon, the only one used in cooking, does not set seed. If you have met this herb only in tarragon vinegar, you will be surprised at its versatility and usefulness in the Kitchen.

Savory is one of my basic cooking herbs. Its flavor mingles well with all meats and poultry, and it's so good with beans that its German name means, "bean herb."

Marjoram and oregano are cousins, and some varieties are often confused by seedsmen and nurseries



alike. There is nothing so discouraging as to nurse a whole row of them along from seed, only to discover you have the tasteless “Wild Oregano” or “Pot Marjoram.” It is better to plant these as started plants and taste a leaf before you buy them. Look for the delicious Italian Oregano or Golden Oregano or Golden Marjoram.

Our favorite salad herb is Salad Burnet, which tastes of cucumber and will impart this flavor to salads or to vinegar, which can be used in winter salads. It is easily grown from seed or from started plants, which will multiply into a large clump in one year.

There are many others: lemon balm for iced drinks, teas, and fruit salads; lovage for a fine celery flavor; sage (in ornamental gold, purple, and tricolor varieties) for poultry; even horehound to make cough drops.

From the June 1978 issue of the Richmond Community Newsletter

FREE Smoke Detectors

Neil Moriarty

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Michael A. LeBlanc

Michael A. LeBlanc, 35, a resident of Richmond, passed away in Peterborough on March 23, 2018, following injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.

Born Nov. 15, 1982 in Peterborough, the son of Susan (Packard) and Richard LeBlanc Sr., Mike grew up in Troy, attending St. Joseph Regional School in Keene, St. Bernard Catholic School in MA, and Monadnock Regional High School. A member of the Boy Scouts, Mike was an Eagle Scout. A gifted athlete, he played football, baseball, basketball, and even golf!

On June 24, 2006, he married Kristen J. Martin. Together, the two of them owned and operated *Above and Beyond Moving and Storage*. Mike was gifted at being able to fix just about anything and was blessed with a very compassionate and outgoing spirit which enabled him to help many people throughout his life. He was a devoted husband and loving daddy; he would do anything to provide for his family. He loved fishing, camping, hunting, riding four-wheelers, snowmobiles, or simply enjoying a warm summer BBQ with family and friends. He enjoyed sporting events and would cheer for the Yankees, Jets, and Broncos, or any teams playing against the Red Sox and Patriots.

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Pastor Arnie Johnson

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Pastor Arnie Johnson retires from ministry at the end of June. It has been a wonderful seven years. Come join us for his last service on June 24 at 10am.

Plan to attend the first service of our new pastor on July 1 and give him or her a friendly Richmond welcome.

Find us at 11 Fitzwilliam Rd., just east of the 4-corner junction of Routes 32 and 119. Come and be blessed! You can also find us on Face Book at "Richmond Online Community Church" and communicate with us via email at richmondcommunitymc@gmail.com.

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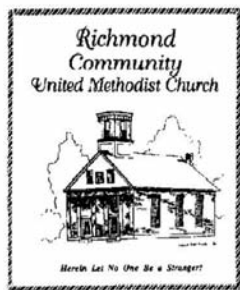
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