

Mountain View



A newsletter by and for the Randolph Community, published by the Randolph Foundation

Randolph Fire Department Replaces Fire Truck

By Edith Tucker



Bill Arnold, Auvie Kenison, Maia Rauschenberg, Ray Aube, Dana Horne, John Turner, Kevin Rousseau in front of the new truck. Photo: Larry Martin, Jr.

Thursday, September 29, was a big day for the Randolph Fire Department!

A 1995 Freightliner pumper with a 1,000-gallon tank was delivered in a driving rainstorm to Lowe's Gas Station on Route 2 since the municipal building on the Pinkham B Road is not staffed.

Both Randolph Fire Chief Dana Horne of Gorham and firefighter and Assistant Police Chief Kevin Rousseau of Randolph were on hand to receive the fire engine on which only 36,000 miles have been logged on its odometer and 2,200 hours of use. The engine was previously owned by the North Bennington (Vt.) Fire Department that replaces its vehicles on a strict replacement schedule. The pumper is equipped with both a 24-foot extension ladder and a 14-foot extension ladder.

"It's an excellent truck; this is a big leap forward for the fire department," Rousseau said happily. He and

Chief Horne flew out to Command Fire Apparatus in Lancaster, Penn., to check it out before they asked the selectmen to authorize the \$72,500 purchase from the Fire Department's Capitol Reserve Fund.

In addition to its routine use for any in-town calls, including vehicular accidents on Route 2, Rousseau said the pumper would allow the Randolph Fire Department to more fully pull its weight in NORPAC (Northern New Hampshire Fire Mutual Aid Pact).

Equipment was transferred from the old engine to the new on Monday evening, Oct. 3. The Old engine will be returned to North Attleboro, MA, who has generously leant Randolph use of the truck for over 20 years.

Randolph youngsters in the recent Gorham Town Players production of "Backstage": Danielle Cotnoir; Phillip Rousseau; Libby Ouellette; Sam Ouellette; Autumn Brown. Not pictured is Zane Brown who did lighting and sound. Photo by Angela Brown



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Town Directory

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BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (Chair, Paul Cormier) 466-5841
meets at 7 PM the 3rd Thursday of the month.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN (Chair, Ted Wier) 466-3970
Administrative Assistant, Rodney Hayes; Treasurer Connie Chaffee
Meets at 7 p.m. at Town Hall 2nd & 4th Monday 466-5771

BUILDING PERMITS. See Board of Selectmen

CEMETERY TRUSTEES Suzanne Santos, Steve Hartman, & Karen Eitel

CONSERVATION COMMISSION (Chair, Bruce Kirmmse) 466-5777

DOG LICENSES See Town Clerk. Obtain or renew by the end of April.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - ALL ALARMS - CALL 911; Randolph Chief, Dana Horne

FOREST FIRE WARDEN (Rebecca Boothman) Call for Burning Permits 466-2332

GRS COOPERATIVE SCHOOL BOARD Meets at 6:30 p.m. on the 3rd Tuesday of the month; location alternates between the 3 towns. Contact the SAU Office 466-3632

LIBRARY Trustees' meet 3rd Mon. Chair, Jean Malick; Librarian, Yvonne Jenkins 466-5408
Open Mon. 10 - noon; Wed. 3 -8 p.m., Thur. 3-8 p.m.; Sat. 10 -noon;

LIFELINE (Heather Wiley) 466-5179

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Meets at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall on the first Thursday of the month.

POLICE (Randolph Chief, Alan Lowe) 466-3950

RANDOLPH CHURCH (Moderator Edgar Adams)

Sunday morning services July & August (10:30 a.m.).

RANDOLPH COMMUNITY FOREST COMMISSION (chair, John Scarinza) 466-5775
Meets at 7 p.m. at the Town Hall on the 1st Wednesday

RANDOLPH FOUNDATION (President, Cathy McDowell) 466-5105

RANDOLPH LIFE SQUAD — Call 911 in an emergency
Co-Directors Bill & Barbara Arnold 466-2438

RANDOLPH MOUNTAIN CLUB (President, John Scarinza) 466-5775

ROAD AGENT (Mike Gray) 586-7840

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

Denise Demers, Michael Sewick & Angela Chakalis-Pfeffer

TAX COLLECTOR (Scott Robinson) by appointment; call the Town Hall 466-5771

TOWN CLERK (Anne Kenison) 466-2606
Town Hall hours: Mondays 9 - 11 a.m. ; Wednesdays 7 - 9 p.m.

TOWN HALL (Secretary, Rodney Hayes) Mon. - Fri.; 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 466-5771

TRASH COLLECTION Must be at roadside by 7 a.m.

Trash - every Tuesday; Recycling, sorted & bagged - 1st Saturday of every month.

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUND Judy Kenison, Michael Sewick, M. Lark Andreas

Community Calendar

(NOTE: For recurring meeting schedules see "Town Directory" on the left)

December

16 — 6:00pm Annual Caroling Get Together, Jeff & Raina Scarinza's home, Rt. 2 next to the Grand View. If you would like to skip the caroling, come around 7:30 - 8pm. Bring a dessert or appetizer to share, beverages provided.

24 — Christmas Eve Carol Service, 4 PM at the Randolph Church

26 — Town Clerk office closed

January

3 — 7-7:30pm Supervisors at Town Hall for correction of checklist and new voters (No Party Changes)

9 — Last day for absentee ballots to be returned in person.

10 — 11am -7 pm Presidential Primary. New voters may register at this time - please bring identification with you.

10 — 5 pm Deadline to receive absentee ballots by mail

21 — 5:30 French-themed pot luck and a showing of "Julie and Julia".

February

20 to 24 — GRS Schools closed for vacation

March

11 — Daylight Savings begins

Building Permits

REMINDER

Randolph property owners are responsible for ensuring that they or their builders receive any necessary permits before beginning any construction. Building permits must be approved by the selectmen. The selectmen need time to review all permits, so please remember to submit them early enough to allow that process.

9/26/11 Mike and Sally Micucci will build a shed

AED Locations in Randolph

By Barbara Arnold

AED stands for **A**utomatic **E**xternal **D**efibrillator and quick use of one of these during a cardiac arrest can mean the difference between life and death. Several years ago, the Life Squad received two units for the town from a rural grant funded by the state. The Life Squad decided to place one at each end of the town in order to have them easily accessible in an emergency; one at Lowe's Store and the other on Randolph Hill at the Arnolds' house. More recently the town obtained a third unit. After being sure it was updated and fully equipped, the decision was made to place a unit in the town hall. For now, the AED unit is located in the main entrance hall, on the cabinets just beyond the door to the selectmen's office. A wall mounted case has been ordered and will be installed in the entrance hall to make the unit more visible. The other two units will remain in their original locations.

Using an AED quickly in an emergency can make all the difference. They are geared for use by the public and as such are fully automatic. The American Heart Association strongly urges the public to learn how to use an AED. The Life

Squad is planning to offer courses this winter and next summer in First Aid, CPR and AED use. Please watch the "Blizzard" this winter for dates and times.

The Randolph Life Squad is always looking for new members. The squad has slowly whittled down to 3 members: Barbara & Bill Arnold and Pat Galligan. The squad works closely with Gorham Emergency Medical Services to cover the town and for training. Randolph Life Squad is not a "transporting service"; we depend on Gorham for that. Our goal is to be the first line of defense, get to the emergency quickly, stabilize the patient or patients, and then assist Gorham as needed. One of us often rides to the hospital in the ambulance to continue care. When 911 is called for an emergency in Randolph, the dispatcher in Gorham receives the call and signals the members of the Life Squad and Fire Department by an emergency "tone" sent to the pagers of the squads. In a medical emergency the Life Squad is toned at the same time as the Gorham ambulance.

If you feel you could help the Life squad in any way, please contact Bill or Barbara Arnold (466-2438 or barbara.arnold51@gmail.com). Please remember to always call 911 for an emergency.

June Hammond Rowan receives Doctor of Education from Plymouth State College

June Hammond Rowan completed her Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) in Learning, Leadership, and Community at Plymouth State University (PSU) in August, 2011.

Hammond Rowan, who is the Associate Director of PSU's Center for the Environment, wrote a dissertation entitled, "Planning Boards in New Hampshire: What They Do and How They Learn About Planning." Hammond Rowan's dissertation was a qualitative study that examined the work of planning boards in New Hampshire towns.

PSU, as a regional, comprehensive, public university, has a long history of meeting the needs of graduate students and their communities not only in the New England region but also far beyond. "The PSU doctorate program has attracted the attention of candidates from around New England

and Canada, as well as those who work as international educators in a variety of countries, who have been seeking an exceptional doctoral program that is designed to be accessible to them and to allow them to pursue interests that are important in their workplaces, whether they be in higher education, agencies, or schools," said Kathleen Norris, program coordinator. "By integrating research, service and coursework, the program reaches beyond the campus and gives students opportunities to make a difference for others."

June also has an A.B. in Geography from the University of Chicago and a M.A. in Geography from the University of Colorado.

(Courtesy of Plymouth State University)

Editor's Note: June has worked as the planner for the City of Berlin and the Town of Plymouth. She and her husband Peter have a house on Durand Road. June served on the Board of Adjustments and Peter was a Cemetery Trustee. Both have been on the Board of Directors of the Randolph Mountain Club.

Ethiopia comes to Randolph, Part 1

by Gail Scott

With images of an arid plain behind him, Jon Martinson of Randolph described driving to the village of Matar, Ethiopia, with his Sudanese field coordinator, through the flat, dry landscape, on his way to help set up a Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) health center in 2010.

"We would get to a bush and he would say, 'Turn left,' and then he would say, 'Turn right,'" with no landmark obvious to Martinson's eyes. "These folks travel by foot and they know every square inch of the landscape," he said. "Important in this environment are trees. They are the only source of shade. Every time you see a tree, you see something under it, like a chair."

With images and conversation, Martinson introduced an audience at the Randolph town hall to Matar and the work of MSF, where he was part of a team setting up the health center. "My role was as logistician," said Martinson. "I was the person who manages all of the non-clinical aspects. I set up the housing, built the housing, built the clinic, established supply lines, provided security, made sure we had food for both the patients and the staff—all the details of operation."

MSF, founded in 1971 by a French physician working in Biafra, said Martinson, "does healthcare in places where there is conflict. . . . It is totally neutral and independent of any government organization. If they see something wrong, they will speak up. Sometimes that's good and sometimes they get thrown out of countries. They try to get to the root of a problem. They are the second largest healthcare organization in the world. The Red Cross is the first. They have an annual budget of just under \$1 billion. They are now in 65 countries with 22,000 field positions."

"The key to MSF's ability to act independently in response to crisis is its independent funding," according to the MSF website. "Ninety percent of MSF's overall funding comes from private sources, not governments."

In the case of Matar, MSF had chosen to establish a health center there because the village is on the western border of Ethiopia, adjacent to South Sudan. Conflict was expected as South Sudan strove for independence from Sudan in the north, and MSF expected refugees would be fleeing South Su-

dan, across the boundary of the Baro River to Matar. As it happened, there were no refugees and the transition was reasonably smooth, but the population was in need of basic health services.

The Nuar people populate the area, said Martinson. They are very tall—six to seven feet tall. "Basketball recruiters should send some people to this part of the world," Martinson remarked.

For the most part, the Nuars in Matar seemed not to be familiar with western culture. The women carried great bundles on their heads and walking was the primary means of transportation.

Their round houses have mud walls and grass roofs and are known as "tukuls," pronounced, at least by Martinson, as "too cools." Although the people in Matar are basically Christian, their social organization seems to be a mix of Christianity and Muslimism, which is the religion to the north. A typical family is one man with several wives, each of whom has her own tukul where she and her children live, Martinson said.

"Water is really important," he said. The Baro River "feeds the area. . . . The difference between the rainy season and dry season is dramatic."

They have cattle, but it appears that corn is the primary staple, with two plantings, one after the rainy season and one at the beginning of the rainy season before the water is too high.

Amazingly they have hollowed out logs for canoes—Martinson couldn't say where the trees from which these canoes were made might be from on that flat plain, but, in any case, "nobody owns (the canoes). They are lined up on the bank of the river and people use them." The river is an important means of transportation. "When the river is navigable, they use boats (canoes). They are about 30-feet long and use a 45 hp Evinrude. Every single one I saw had an Evinrude and some had two 45 hp Evinrudes.

"We used the river as well for seriously injured patients that we couldn't deal with," he said, showing a slide of a boat with a canopy in which the Matar health center could transport a patient to a more developed area, four hours up river.

"Sometimes the river was so low, we needed extra guys to push the boat," he said.

The river was also a place for washing clothes and for play. The children would carry water up to the top of a slope to the river and make a mud slide, among other amusements.

Martinson said there was lots of wildlife, particularly snakes. Indeed, he owed his experience in Matar to a snake. His predecessor on the project had been in Matar for two weeks when "he got really sick. The average temperature is about 110F to 120F and he needed to get inside in the middle of the day and lie down. He did this one day and out of the grass roof, a snake fell. He stood up and said, 'I'm done.' They called me."

So, in the tukuls that were built for the MSF staff under Martinson's aegis, a type of netting he called "shadow netting" was put up under the grass roofs to keep the snakes out of the living quarters—at least from above. In Martinson's tukul, a turkey vulture set up housekeeping."He lived up there and

made sure that I got up on time," said Martinson.

Martinson said that grass is the basic building material "and there are different kinds of grass for different uses." "Labor is segregated, the grass work is always done by men and the mud walls by women." "The grass roofs are intricate," he said, showing images of bundles of grass, tied together with a rope made out of grasses.

The mud walls, reinforced by grass, were made by women. While these structures were fine in dry weather, in the rain storms, they "melted," said Martinson. For the health center buildings, they had grass roofs made with a big over-hang to minimize the melting, and in the more permanent structures, they brought in cement blocks or covered the outer walls with cement. In the primary structures, they made cement floors.

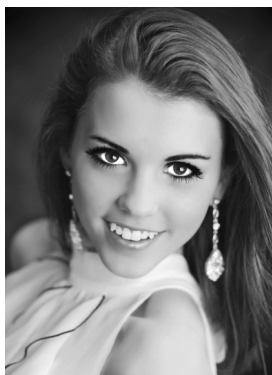
To be continued...



Jon Martinson (center) with his Matar, Ethiopia, field coordinator, Nyoun (l), and a mysterious individual (r) who wanted to be in the picture. Martinson told a group of people at the Randolph town hall about his work with Medecins Sans Frontieres in Matar. Tall Nyoun, who was Martinson's local contact and translator and representative of the height of the local population, is actually a Nuar from Sudan, but spoke the local language as well as English. He learned English because his father sent him away when it appeared there would be fighting where they lived and his father wanted to be sure one member of the family would survive to carry on. Luckily the family survived and Nyoun was able to come back to his homeland.

Courtesy Photo

Eileen Caitrin Kelley



Sixteen year old Eileen Kelley of Randolph Hill lives a charmed life, indeed. This year Eileen represented Merrimack County in the Miss NH Outstanding Teen competition, placing in the top ten. She also won the title

Miss NH Teen World and competed at the national level in June. Eileen won the

Courtesy Photo

Miss Strafford County title and

will compete again for the Miss NH Outstanding Teen in February, 2012.

A junior and an honor student at Gorham High School, Eileen plays the oboe for the school band and is often a soloist in the high school chorus. Eileen has been performing for the Axis Dance Company, the Katie Armstrong Scholarship Festival, and the Moving on Fusion Performing Arts Show since 2007. She models for Inspirations, a Formal Dress Company in North Conway. She completed this summer with a supporting lead as Audrey, in Theater North's rendition of Little Shop of Horrors.

When there is a festival at the Northern Forest Heritage Park, Eileen teaches children how to log roll (burling) as the region's champion log roller. She has helped the Coos County Family Health Farmer's Market Booth by sharing information about how to eat well on a budget. Her platform is **"Go Wild, visit the National Forest nearest you!"**

"My goal is to graduate high school with high honors, having participated in performing arts, and international travel. I plan to further my education in performing arts and political science at the college level."

Eileen is the daughter of Mark and Kathleen Kelley.

A Thank You Note from Music in the Great North Woods

Susan Ferré, Director

Part of the mission of Music In the Great North Woods, as a non-profit organization which presents and supports classical music in the North Country, is to create interest in the musical arts, to make these accessible, to give opportunity to local talent, and in general to strengthen and enrich the cultural environment of its residents.

As the lion's share of supporters and donors hail from Randolph, along with three of our Board members (Betsy Hess, President, Angela Brown, Archivist, and Gail Scott, Media,) several of our Advisors (Heywood Alexander, Ben Mayerson, Eleanor McLaughlin, and Tim Sappington), as well as musicians such as Sam Morneweck and others, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those whose donations allowed every concert to remain free and open to everyone. Donations arrived from 30 of you, and we can report that those donations covered our expenses almost to the penny.

Music GNW presented twelve different concerts during the 2011 season, including three recitals in the Master Organ Series, four events during the annual Big Moose Bach Fest, and concerts throughout the region. Some of the concerts were benefits for other organization, and we remain committed to supporting other causes through our creative use of music.

We thank you sincerely for your enthusiastic support and encouragement.

We are busily planning next season, and welcome any comments you might want to send us: Music GNW, 290 Gorham Hill Road, Gorham, NH 03581, 603-466-2865.

Real Estate Transactions

Sept. 1, 2011

From: Estate of Robert M. Hatch

To: Keith Moon and Celine Beliard
Fiduciary Deed

Sept. 19, 2011

From: Peter D. and June E. Hamond Rowan
To: Todd R. and Ellen M. Ross
Warranty Deed

Sept. 21, 2011

From: Margaret M. Carey
To: Maureen Keblin
Warranty Deed

Oct. 26, 2011

From: Farrar Family Revocable Living Trust
To: David L and Doris S. Wilcox, trustees of the David L. Wilcox and Doris S. Wilcox Living Trusts
Warranty Deed

November 3, 2011

To: Edward W. Blatchford
From: William T. and Anne O. Pfeffer
Warranty Deed