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Richmond Rooster

Something to Crow About

September 2024

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION

SEPTEMBER 10TH AT THE VETS' HALL

(Sample Ballot Online Source: <https://www.sos.nh.gov/elections/sample-ballots>)

Richmond's Democratic State Primary Candidates

For Governor Vote for not more than 1	For State Representatives Cheshire District 10 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected	For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1
Joyce Craig <input type="radio"/>	Barry Faulkner <input type="radio"/>	Jack Wozmak <input type="radio"/>
Jon Kiper <input type="radio"/>	Alan Gross <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Cinde Warmington <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1
<input type="text"/> Write-In	<input type="text"/> Write-In	Anna Z. Tilton <input type="radio"/>
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1	For State Representative Cheshire District 17 Vote for not more than 1	For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1
Maggie Goodlander <input type="radio"/>	Kristan Tilton <input type="radio"/>	Jeremy LaPlante <input type="radio"/>
Colin Van Ostern <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	<input type="text"/> Write-In
<input type="text"/> Write-In	For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1	For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1
For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1	Eli Rivera <input type="radio"/>	Benjamin Tilton <input type="radio"/>
Melanie Levesque <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	James Duffy <input type="radio"/>
Shoshanna Kelly <input type="radio"/>	For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1	<input type="text"/> Write-In
<input type="text"/> Write-In	D. Chris McLaughlin <input type="radio"/>	
For State Senator Vote for not more than 1	<input type="text"/> Write-In	
Matthew McLaughlin <input type="radio"/>		
<input type="text"/> Write-In		

Richmond's Republican State Primary Candidates

For Governor Vote for not more than 1	For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1	For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1
Robert Wayne McClory <input type="radio"/>	Dave Wheeler <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Richard A. McMenamon II <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	For County Treasurer Vote for not more than 1
Chuck Morse <input type="radio"/>	For State Senator Vote for not more than 1	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Frank Negus Staples <input type="radio"/>	Denise Ricciardi <input type="radio"/>	For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1
Kelly Ayotte <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Shaun Fife <input type="radio"/>	For State Representatives Cheshire District 10 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected	For Register of Probate Vote for not more than 1
<input type="text"/> Write-In	Sly Karasinski <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In
For Representative in Congress Vote for not more than 1	Daniel LeClair <input type="radio"/>	For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1
William Harvey <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	Skipper DiBernardo <input type="radio"/>
Vikram Mansharamani <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Jay Mercer <input type="radio"/>	For State Representative Cheshire District 17 Vote for not more than 1	For Delegates to the State Convention Cheshire District 10 Vote for up to 2; Two will be elected
Jason Riddle <input type="radio"/>	Jennifer Rhodes <input type="radio"/>	Stephanie LeClair <input type="radio"/>
Lily Tang Williams <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	Michael Ralph York <input type="radio"/>
Paul M. Wagner <input type="radio"/>	For Sheriff Vote for not more than 1	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Tom Alciere <input type="radio"/>	Richard C. Pratt, Jr. <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In
Gerard Beloin <input type="radio"/>	<input type="text"/> Write-In	For Delegate to the State Convention Cheshire District 17 Vote for not more than 1
Michael Anthony Callis <input type="radio"/>		<input type="text"/> Write-In
Randall Clark <input type="radio"/>		
Casey Crane <input type="radio"/>		
Robert D'Arcy <input type="radio"/>		
Bill Hamlen <input type="radio"/>		
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An Exciting Find
Jane Lescynski,
Cemetery Trustee

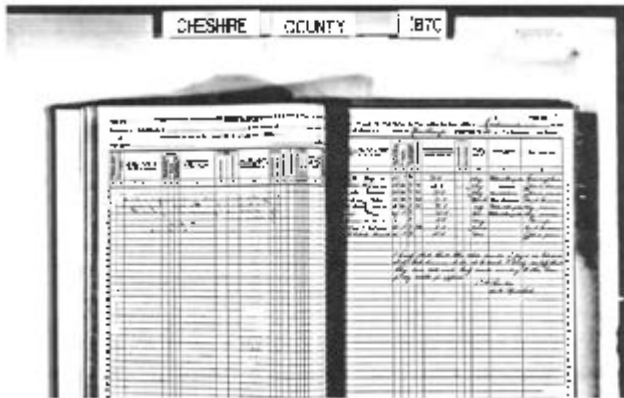


Photo by Fran Heap

At the July 8th Selectmen's Meeting, Sexton Bob Gow proudly showed the Selectmen his discovery: a 154 year old coffin plate which had worked its way up through the soil and got caught up in his rake. The inscription on the coffin plate reads:

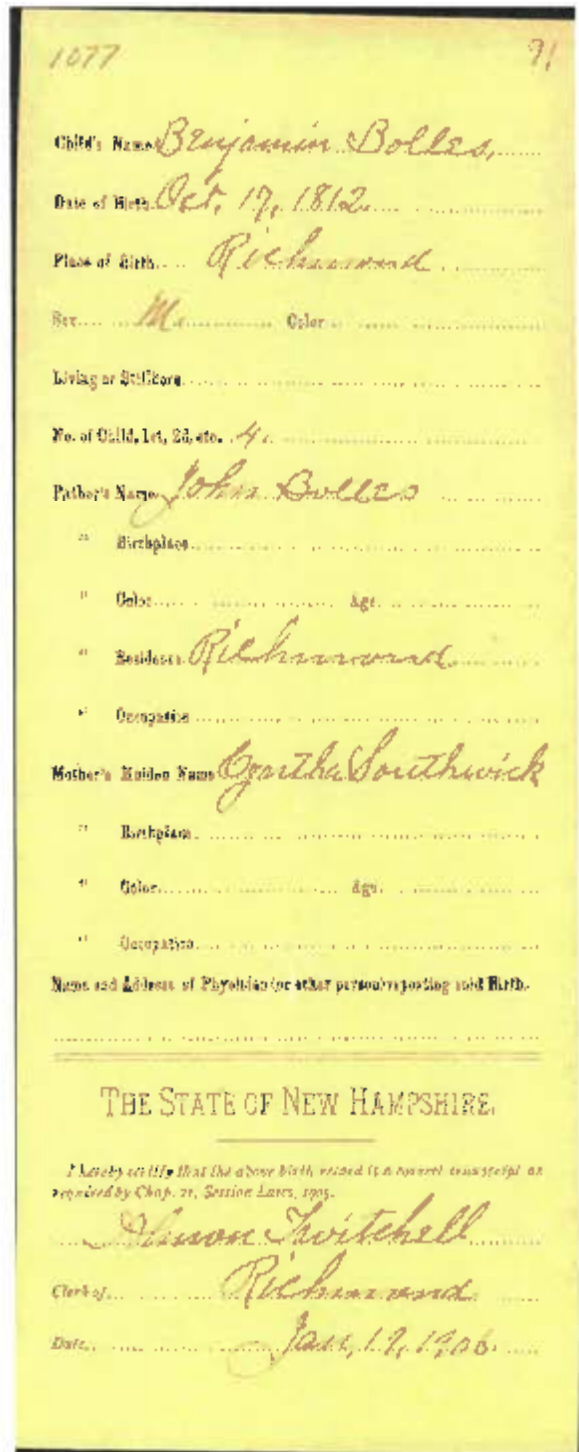
*Benjamin Bolles
Died Jan 31 1870
Aged 58 Years*

Details found on Ancestry.com show Mr. Bolles was a farmer and passed away from Typhoid Fever.



Bolles Death Record

At the July 11th Meeting of the Richmond Historical Society, Cemetery Trustee and Treasurer Jerry Mills presented the coffin plate for preservation to the Richmond Archives; it will be on display at the Richmond Public Library.



Bolles Birth Record

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The Ol' Town Pound

Lenny Solomon and Wendy O'Brien,
Richmond Historical Society



How many Richmond residents even know we have a Town Pound? We do, and it's located diagonally across Route 32 from the Veterans' Hall. What - you can't see it? That's probably because it hasn't been used since 1886.

Back in the day, i.e., 1774, the Town records indicate that Ebenezer Cole was elected to the post of Pound Keeper. The position of Pound Keeper was a very important one, as it was responsible for putting stray livestock, such as pigs, cattle and sheep, in a holding pen until the owner could be identified.

Working with another elected official called the "Hog Reave" who rounded up stray pigs, the Pound Keeper would capture stray animals and return them to their rightful owners. The first Town Pound was probably made of timber, because, at an 1801 town meeting, the voters decided to build a new pound out of stone. At several subsequent meetings, various citizens asked the Town to reconsider some details of the proposal. In 1802, a 40' x 40' structure was built on land owned by Joseph Weeks, who was appointed Pound Keeper. Weeks, who held this position until 1823, was also a judge and a New Hampshire state politician.

The structure boasted seven-foot walls above grade with an additional foot dug one foot below. There

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was a wooden gate to keep the animals confined. The pound had some restoration work performed in 1842 and was used continuously until 1886. Since the need to deal with stray livestock today is rare, the function has evolved into the modern animal control officer.

Through the hard work of the members of the Richmond Historical Society, the Pound is now open to visitors! We have several people to thank: Bill and Eena Cantrell for allowing access to the Pound; Bonnie McCarthy for coordinating the signage; Bill Daniels for donating gravel for the pathway; and Al Bielunis, Dick Drew, Jerry Mills, and Jerry Merrifield for installing the new signs, handrail, and grading the gravel path. We hope you are interested in visiting this historic site. Please park in the Veterans' Hall parking lot and carefully cross the road. Please also stay within the confines of the Pound, as it is surrounded by private property.

Apple Brownies Terri O'Rorke

Ingredients

- 1 C. sugar
- ½ C. butter, melted
- 1 large egg
- 3 medium apples - peeled, cored and thinly sliced
- ½ C. chopped walnuts
- 1 C. all-purpose flour
- ¼ tsp. salt
- ½ tsp. each baking powder and baking soda
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon

Directions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Grease a 9" x 9" baking dish. Beat sugar, melted butter, and egg in a large bowl with an electric mixer until fluffy. Fold in the apples and walnuts. Sift flour, salt, baking powder, baking soda, and cinnamon together in a separate bowl; stir into apple mixture until just blended. Spread batter evenly in the prepared baking dish. Bake for about 35 minutes until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean. Serves 12.

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Written and Submitted by Sr. Mary Joseph

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Richmond's Got Talent!

Saturday, September 7, 2024 – 10 AM to Noon

Lenny Solomon (guitar, harmonica, vocals) will perform at the Winchester Farmers' Market at Winchester Center, weather permitting.

Friday, September 13, 2024 – 5:30 PM to 8 PM

Mark Lanen (keyboard, harmonica, vocals) will be performing a variety of dance and fun songs from the 40s to the 90s, played the way you remember them, in a relaxed friendly atmosphere at the Winchester VFW's pavilion at the back of the 35 Main St. property. Bar service and grilled items available. Come, listen, dance, sing along, and enjoy an early evening of music and fun.

Thursday, September 19, 2024 – 5:30 PM to 8 PM

Guaranteed local talent and beyond on Open Mic Night at "Stage 32", our Vets' Hall. Music starts at 6 PM. Free event jointly sponsored by the Richmond Historical Society and the Town Welfare Office.

Saturday, September 21, 2024 – 10 AM to Noon

Lenny Solomon (guitar, harmonica, vocals) will perform at the Winchester Farmers' Market at Winchester Center, weather permitting.

[All of the above performances are free and public.]

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September is Veterans' Appreciation Month

Pam Bielunis,

Town Welfare Administrator

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Bring Proof of Military Service: DD-214, military ID, or show the Veteran insignia on your Real ID NH Driver's License.

Thank you for your service.

Bell Tower Update

Pam Goodell

Bell Tower Committee of the Old Brick Church



The Old Brick Church has the Steeple Chase finish line in its sights. Close to \$30,000 has been raised so far, thanks to so many contributors. (This is not including contributions from the yard sale which has not been held at the time of this submission.) A \$2,000 donation was received recently in addition to many others. We are so thankful, and have high hopes of reaching the \$53,000 goal.

Our contractor has stated that a lift needed to reach to the bell tower should be on site the 2nd or 3rd week in September. How exciting! Let the work begin!

Donations are still being accepted and they may be mailed to RCUMC or The Old Brick Church at 11 Fitzwilliam Road, Richmond, NH 03470. Notecards and tote bags are also still available to purchase.

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**A Visit with Abraham Lincoln:
a Living History Event**
Wendy O'Brien, Secretary
Richmond Historical Society

The Richmond Historical Society will host "A Visit with Abraham Lincoln," a living history presentation by Steve Wood, at 6:30 PM, Wednesday, September 25th, at the Veterans' Hall. The program, free and open to the public, is funded in part by a grant from New Hampshire Humanities.



"President Lincoln" will tell the story of his visit to New Hampshire in 1860, after his Cooper Union Address in New York City, and his subsequent nomination and election to the Presidency. After the program, Wood will step out of character and take questions from the audience. Wood, from Claremont, has been speaking as Abraham Lincoln for historical societies, libraries, schools, and community events throughout New England since 1995. He is retired, having worked for nearly thirty years with UNH Cooperative Extension as an Extension Educator in Forest Resources.

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Library News
Wendy O'Brien

Library Calendar for September

Anytime: *Outside In*, Deborah Underwood,
StoryWalk at Amidon Park (behind the firehouse)
Wednesdays, 10 AM: Storytime
Saturdays, 10 AM – Noon: Drop-in Knitting Circle
Wed., September 4th, 11 AM: Richmond Reminisces
Wed., September 4th, 6 PM: Coffee with the Classics
Book Club **at Conant Library in Winchester**, *The Hours*, Michael Cunningham
Tues., September 17th, 6 PM: Tuesday Book Club,
Horse, Geraldine Brooks
Wed., September 25th, 6:30 PM: "A Visit with
Abraham Lincoln" at the Veterans' Hall, a NH
Humanities To Go Lecture, co-sponsored with the
Richmond Historical Society
Change to Libby: PIN Required as of September 18th
To increase security, the NH State Library has requested
that PINs be put in place for subscribers to the down-
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- The Frozen River*, Ariel Lawhon
- Death in Cornwall*, Daniel Silva

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from the Supervisors of the Checklist
Pam Bielunis, Chairperson**

- To vote in all elections, please bring a Photo ID;
- At a Primary Election, if you are an undeclared/independent voter, after you have taken a ballot and voted, progress to the Supervisors' table and sign the book next to your name if you want to return to undeclared status;
- To register to vote, please bring a Photo ID, Birth Certificate, Passport, or Naturalization Papers

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- (proof of US citizenship), and proof that you live in Richmond (e.g., utility bill, registration);
- To make changes, please bring your Photo ID (no party changes after June 4, 2024 for this year's elections).

SCHEDULE

Supervisors' Meetings (at Vets' Hall)

- Wednesday, August 28th at 7 PM
- Wednesday, October 30th at 4 PM
- Tuesday, December 10th at 10 AM


Elections (at Vets' Hall)

- Tuesday, September 10th, 8 AM - 7 PM - State Primary
- Tuesday, November 5th, 8 AM - 7 PM



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Richmond's Mobile Food Pantry Event a Huge Success!

Pam Bielunis

(Indoor photos by Pam Bielunis;
outdoor photos by Susan Lanen)

The Richmond Mobile Food Pantry Event took place on Saturday, July 27th, at the Vets' Hall. I would like to thank all the volunteers and everyone who came and took home food. About 80 households received fresh corn, summer squash, tomatoes, Swiss chard, carrots, cucumbers, potatoes, and onions. In addition, there was bread, farm-fresh beef and chicken, plus the ingredients for a spaghetti dinner. A special kids' favorite table contained items like applesauce and mac-and-cheese. The Monadnock Humane Society supplied dog and cat food, collars, and leashes.

These events are for Cheshire County residents. All the food is free of charge, and there is no income eligibility requirement. Just come to one of the Mobile Food Pantry Events, bring a photo ID and register to be eligible to obtain food at all the mobile food pantries in the four local towns (Fitzwilliam, Gilsum, Richmond, Winchester). Below is the schedule of the future events (they are all on Saturday or Sunday 1-3 PM):

Fitzwilliam (Emerson School)

Saturdays, Aug. 17th, Oct. 12th, Nov. 9th

Gilsum (STEAM Academy)

Saturdays, Aug. 31st, Sept. 28th, Oct. 26th

Richmond (Veterans Hall)

Saturdays, July 27th, Sept. 21st, Nov. 2nd

Winchester (ELM)

Sundays, Sept. 15th, Oct. 20th, Nov. 17th



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Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Thompson

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Thurs. 9 AM – Noon

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Deputy Town Clerk: Cheryl Brake

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Thurs. 3 PM – 7 PM, Sat. 10 AM – 2 PM

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