### TIDBITS

#### Wedding Wands

Giving a bell as a wedding gift is an Irish tradition. The chime of bells is said to keep evil spirits away and also remind the married couple of their wedding vows. In keeping that tradition, the wands have bells attached and will be waved as Shaun and Sam exit the church.



#### THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF RINDGE

From http://www.rindgechurch.org

In 1758, well before Rindge was incorporated as a town, the original land owners planned for a meeting house that would serve as the Congregational Church and town hall. It was to be built upon 20 acres of land that had been set aside in the center of town for a meeting house, a common, and a cemetery.

Construction of the First Meeting House began in the summer of 1764 and was completed enough in 1765 for religious services. By 1766, the town meetings were also regularly held there, the beginning of shared use of the Meeting House by the town and the church. It was typical back then for the townspeople to contribute toward the meeting house costs, regardless of religious affiliation, although the majority of residents were Congregationalist. The building itself was 50 by 54 feet; it had a plain exterior, without a steeple or cupola; and it had no chimney, being unheated. Horse stables were built near the Meeting House and on the Common. In 1773, finishing touches were made, including the addition of galleries with pews, pitching and sanding the roof, and plastering the inside walls.

# WELCOME

## ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY



OCTOBER 24

- 1861 FIRST US TRANSCONTINENTAL TELEGRAM IS SENT FROM SAN FRANCISCO TO WASHINGTON DC
- 1931 GANGSTER AL CAPONE IS SENTENCED TO 11 YEARS FOR TAX EVASION
- 1946 A CAMERA ON BOARD THE VZ No 13 ROCKET TAKES
  THE FIRST PHOTOGRAPH OF EARTH FROM OUTERSPACE
- 2015 SAMANTHA ALBERT MARRIES SHAUN O'LOUGHLIN IN RINDGE, NH

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- 2:30 CEREMONY
- 4:OO COCKTAIL HOUR AT WOODBOUND INN
- 5:00 Dinner is served
- 5:30 Dance the Night Away
- 9:30 Bonfire by the lake at Woodbound Inn