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Rockingham Old Home Days notes 40th birthday

BY BRANDY TODT

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Rockingham Old Home Days celebrated its 40th birthday with a picnic supper at the United Church, the Farmers' Market at Hetty Green Park, Southern Vermont Idol finale at Moose Lodge and the Rockingham Carnival.

The dunk tank targets were the only ones getting the chance to cool off on a hot Saturday, but the day had just enough of a breeze to keep people from melting.

The Roaming Railroad gave rides to the youngsters around The Waypoint Center, while artists painted

faces, and three bouncy houses allowed children to burn off the sugar rush from consuming cotton candy.

Old Home Days would not be complete without grilled corn, fried dough, walking tacos and many other treats available from food vendors.

Annabelle the Clown, in a red polka dot dress and rain boots, meandered around pulling a fancifully decorated, bubble spewing wagon. She asked visitors to write down what they loved most about Old Home Days and tie the note to her wagon. Hula hoops were also available for anyone wanting to show off their skills.

In between the bands North Coun-

try Outlaws and The Milkhouse Heaters, the Motion Man (Jody Scalise) performed a blended routine filled with mime, magic, contortion, spinning plates, juggling, toilet plungers, eight foot streamers and improvisation.

Jody started dancing at 24 years old, later learning classic pantomime. Forty-five years and 150 shows later, Old Home Days finally was graced with Motion Man's talents.

Jody founded the New England Mime Festival and the Wright Brothers Comedy, which later won the "Best New Work" at the International Mime and Movement Festival in Pennsylvania. He performed as a cast member of the Emmy winning ABC Television's children series "Catch A Rainbow," two PBS specials with the Springfield Orchestra, and three tours with Ben and Jerry Light Circus, where one performance was at the San Quentin Prison.

He resides in Charlemont, Mass. with his two dogs; to learn more about Motion Man visit www.jodyscalise.com.

Those in attendance said the summation of the evening was the 30 minutes of spectacular fireworks, with vibrant colors and the thundering booms hushing the spectators.

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Annabelle the clown walks around with her wagon asking people to write a note why they love Rockingham Old Home Days the most.

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The fireworks entertained the crowd for over 30 minutes.

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The fireworks lit up the sky with color, and reflected beautifully off the water.

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Discussion of bridge remains dominates meeting

BY JOEL SLUTSKY

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Bartonville Covered Bridge, whose demise in 2011 by Tropical Storm Irene was dramatically captured on video, has apparently been dumped at a gravel pit, then taken to New Hampshire.

Vermont officials had listed several other covered bridges among the 100 or so statewide that have been seriously damaged, but the loss of the Bartonville Bridge, built in 1871, with a wooden lattice spanning 158 feet, was considered the greatest historical blow.

The use of the remains of the bridge was questioned during an emotion-

ally charged meeting of the Rockingham Town Selectboard recently.

Municipal Manager Chip Stearns said that some of the remains were buried about six weeks ago at the town's gravel pit in Bartonville.

Stearns said the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, which owned the bridge's wooden remains, asked him to get rid of the remains after they failed to sell them.

Villager Jim Mitchell said he has filed a complaint about the disposal of the Bartonville Bridge debris.

Bartonville resident Paul Petraska stated that the residents of Bartonville are very upset, and since they use wells, want to be sure that the ground isn't contaminated.

Stearns stated that any pressure-

treated and creosote debris was not buried.

"Why didn't you tell us?" Selectboard member Ann DiBernardo asked the manager.

"You knew that the people of Bartonville knew the wood had value and chose not to relate the information. We had raised \$30,000 to save the bridge through fundraising efforts. Wouldn't you think we would want to know about the bridge?"

DiBernardo said that she had a letter written by Susan Hammond to the municipal manager that she would like to have entered into the minutes.

Villager Deborah Wright read the letter, which stated in part: "It is without question that so many of the residents of Bartonville, the town of Rockingham and beyond were angered by the complete disregard you had for us and the Selectboard in your actions in the disposal of the remains of the Bartonville Covered Bridge.

"The remains of the bridge were not just any pile of timbers, but had a great deal of sentimental value to so many of us. While the insurance company could not sell them, that does not mean they were worthless and could be quietly buried under a mound of fill."

Selectboard Chair Lamont

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Debris from the Bartonville Bridge.

PHOTO BY JOEL SLUTSKY

Grafton Selectboard continues to press Iberdrola for answers

BY JENNIFER JONES

The Shopper

GRAFTON, Vt. – Second-home owners, hydrology forums, missing roads, unsatisfactory responses from wind power giant Iberdrola, and legal interpretations of the town's Code of Conduct comprised the majority of the recent Grafton Town Selectboard meeting.

The board, in a 4-1 vote, decided to conduct a poll gauging the community's feelings towards the industrial wind project proposed for the local area by Iberdrola.

Both residents and non-residents were authorized to participate in the poll, which will be reviewed by Town Attorney Robin Stern for legal compliance.

Still not having received acceptable answers from Iberdrola to what Selectboard Chairman Ron Pilette said were several straight-forward questions that were sent to the company late last summer, Pilette emphasized that the responses could come directly from the company's draft proposal and associated databases, but Iberdrola continues to claim they have not finalized any numbers for the project.

Selectman Al Sands suggested that the board invite Iberdrola representatives to a meeting and ask them to answer the questions there. The board ultimately decided to re-send the questions to Iberdrola in order to obtain more acceptable answers, and, upon receipt of those answers, invite a representative from the company to a meeting for a discussion.

In a decision to table the reading of two letters, one being a letter from attorney Merrill Bent inquiring about a request from 17 residents of the town for review of a formal

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Bike Project initiative advances at Selectboard meeting

BY JOEL SLUTSKY

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Bellows Falls Community Bike Project Executive Director Bonnie Anderson has requested that the Rockingham Town Selectboard approve 14 "sharrows" around Bellows Falls village to move the bicycle access project forward.

Sharrows are markings in the road that indicate that bikes share lanes with cars.

Anderson had commented at a

previous meeting that these markings were to share the road, not to create bike lanes.

Municipal Manager Chip Stearns reminded the board that the markings would be a highway infrastructure item that will need to be maintained.

Selectboard member Josh Hearne stated that the sharrows should be placed at the major intersections and entrances to the village.

Anderson noted that there is a demonstration available with pop-ups that the board could view if in-

terested.

Matt Mann from Windham Regional Planning Commission noted that the commission, which is working with the bike project on grant applications, will do the demonstration in real time and the streets will be chalked.

Fred Tipton, the manager of the bike project, expressed that he felt there was some negative feedback that using sharrows might increase the bike population, but he

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Grafton allows second-home owners participation in wind poll

BY JENNIFER JONES

The Shopper

GRAFTON, Vt. – The Grafton Selectboard recently voted to allow all taxpayers in the town an opportunity to express their opinions, through a non-binding poll, on the proposed industrial wind project put forth by renewable energy giant, Iberdrola.

Both year-round and seasonal homeowners will be allowed to vote, despite protests by Iberdrola that only primary residents should be approved to participate.

Second-home owners contribute greatly to the area's economy; most notably the grand list, and if they leave, the Town of Grafton will suffer, most members of the Selectboard agreed.

"We owe it to our neighbors who moved here because they love Grafton," Selectman Skip Lisle stated.

Part of the motion also calls for contacting Town Attorney Robin Stern to determine if a local law, Article 4, passed by the Town of Grafton in 2013, and the set-up of the proposed poll are in conflict. Article 4 allows Grafton residents to "vote on any issue regarding commercial wind energy production facility(ies) project or the regulation of such by Australian ballot."

Iberdrola is studying a 5,000-acre site, located on the ridgeline between Grafton and Windham,

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Pieter van der Made speaking at the Grafton Select Board meeting on Monday, August 1. Van der Made, a second-homeowner in Grafton, made a presentation in favor of non-residents being able to participate in the industrial wind project decision making process that is dividing the town.

PHOTO BY JENNIFER JONES

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complaint related to Code of Conduct issues, and the ensuing correspondence from Stern, the town attorney, Pilette acknowledged that, "... if we don't have a link for all the contacts here, then we may be missing something that's important in terms of having a proper discussion."

A point of order made by resident Kent Armstrong drew attention to the fact that without hearing the request to which Bent's letter was in response, those present would not be able to put the material into context.

Sands agreed, saying he would like to see the email, which was the actual request for Bent's letter. The board decided to wait to read the letters into the record, until the requests sent to both Bent and Stern for their responses by the respective parties were part of the agenda as well.

Board members unanimously agreed to hold a forum examining hydrology issues at Lowell Mountain and how they will relate to the

proposed industrial wind project for the area. A representative from Fitzgerald Engineering, a firm that has studied a flood event in Grafton, was added to the list of potential speakers.

Other potential speakers include: representatives from the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources; David Deen, chair of the Fish, Wildlife, and Water Resources Committee; a hydrologist from Iberdrola; and a representative from the Windham Regional Planning Commission.

Resident Bill Kearns brought up two issues related to roads in the town and their appearance, or lack thereof, on official Vermont Agency of Transportation maps. Kearns reiterated his previous request that three roads, which he said are "actual roads, and have been described" be added to the official town map.

He further requested that the board contact VTrans to have a Class IV road, located between Kidder Hill and Ledge Road,

which disappeared from the most recent map, reinstated.

The board will look into the requests.



Grafton resident Kent Armstrong discussing his concerns over the lack of necessary correspondence available at the meeting to warrant the reading of attorney Bent's letter.

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emphasized the value of the markings to enhance safety to bicyclists.

At a July 9 meeting, the Selectboard approved a motion for a grant application for bike rack funding in the village.

Highway chip sealing on Brockways Mill Road and Parker Hill will start Aug. 18. The reclaiming and paving will take place on Pleasant, King and Lockwood streets, beginning Aug. 22. Stearns stated that it will cost the town \$11,500 to reclaim and pave, and stated that this would save 45 percent of cost if it is done now.

"In my opinion it would be prudent to move ahead with the project," Stearns commented, noting that this amount was within his authority to approve and the board agreed.

The TLR Mill takeover agreement with the Bellows Falls Historical Society, and the solar project in the town gravel pit are now in process

and in the hands of town attorney Stephen Ankuda for drafting.

The Rockingham Free Public Library Board approved the request from the town for reimbursement of funds from the library renovation project.

Stearns noted that the paving of Cherry Hill from School Street will unfortunately not happen until the start of school, as Bazin Brothers, the contractor, was not able to get there in time.

Selectboard member Peter Golec stated that Eric Clark's plans are to buy the property on Atkinson Street presently owned by People's United Bank, and the building will be renovated into a hair salon that will be operated by his wife. A motion that the Selectboard approve the \$20,000 loan from the local revolving loan fund, at 4 percent interest for four years, and authorize the municipal manager to sign the documents necessary, passed.

Selectboard Chair Lamont Barnett noted that there are five minor

changes to the Town Plan specifically addressing the Downtown District and Village Center designation maps. A motion that the Rockingham Selectboard approve the changes as presented passed. The town plan with modifications will be presented at a public hearing at 6 p.m. on Aug. 6, just before the regular Bellows Falls meeting that begins at 6:30 p.m.

Stearns noted that the suspended agreement between the town and Bellows Falls Area Development Corporation will be up in August, and the board will need to decide what action it wishes to take.

Stearns also noted that a new job description is needed before an advertisement for a position at the Bellows Falls Area Development Corporation can go forward. The position was left vacant when Francis Walsh took a position in Brattleboro.

Barnett asked if the board was interested in obtaining an opinion from an attorney to see if the town has any legal standing regarding the

1992 agreement on maintenance of the Vilas Bridge to New Hampshire. A motion to authorize the municipal manager to make an inquiry to an attorney with an expertise in interstate municipal law regarding the Vilas Bridge passed.

Barnett asked what the board's feeling was on a purchase or lease of space across from the post office for seven parking spaces to create a Bridge Street parking lot. Stefan Golec stated that he thought the plan of years ago was for 27 spaces.

Barnett stated that 27 spaces involved substantially more space and expense. Stearns reminded the board that the Bridge Street bridge project, which is due to begin soon, includes a sidewalk with granite curving along this area.

It was the consensus of the board that the manager get information on ownership of this property, and if there is the possibility of a purchase or lease for a parking lot, the information be brought to the next meeting.

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Big turnout at Bellows Falls Police Department night out

BY JOEL SLUTSKY
The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Bellows Falls Police Department's first annual Night Out was intended to strengthen community relations with the department. The event took place at the Bellows Falls Recreation Area on recently, with its mission to heighten drug and crime prevention awareness, generate support for and participation in community awareness programs,

strengthen neighborhood spirit and police community partnerships, and meet the department's officers. Bellows Falls Police Dispatcher Alisha Beam helped organize the event. "A bunch of police departments across the country are having events such as this and I said, 'why not?'" Beam said. "I thought about this event before all the events (involving police) took place in the country, but it did play a role in getting this together."

She talked about community events Bellows Falls Police are involved with. "The Adopt an Angel Program allows children to get presents who would otherwise go without, and (there's) an arts and crafts event. Most of our police officers will be here and are excited about mingling with the community. "It's only five o'clock and it's already crowded; it is amazing how the community comes together. I called Athens Pizza, and before I was

finished talking about their involvement, they said they were in, and ran an Athens food trailer (here)." Police Chief Ron Lake said police, fire and National Guard members were present. "You can see the faces behind the phones," Lake said. Officer Mario Cheechi and his police dog, Caesar, were at the event and gave a demonstration. Cheechi has been with the Bellows Falls Police almost four years and his dog is certified to detect drugs and

odors, with the pair currently attending a tracking school. "It's important to have such events that highlight community involvement and show that we are there to help," Cheechi said. "Anytime there can be good interaction between the police department and the citizens it's a good idea; very positive and good public relations," David Gould of Bellows Falls commented, "It's great to develop a better rapport with the public and it helps

having people be less intimidated by them," said Town of Rockingham Selectboard member Josh Hearne. Among the highlights of the event were a National Guard rock climbing wall, a bounce house, arts and crafts, face painting by Greater Falls Connections, music and prize giveaways. The Bellows Falls Police Department lauded Parks and Recreation Director Ryan Stoodley for all of his help, and for letting them have the event at the Recreation Center.

River Valley Kids Fair

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - The 18th Annual River Valley Kids Fair is scheduled for Saturday, September 17 on the Brattleboro Common from 11 a.m. until 3p.m. The professional children's entertainment slate is now set, and one of the acts for this year's circus themed kids fair is "On Her Majesty's Secret Circus." It's a circus act; it's a comedy show; it's one of the hottest acts in the region. This Vermont husband and wife put on one of the most popular shows in recent years. They are scheduled to appear at 2 p.m. at the kid's fair. Additionally, if you represent a non-profit organization that would like to be a part of the Kids Fair, you can have a space for free. Call Bob Furman at 802-251-3683 to reserve your space.



"On Her Majesty's Secret Circus" to perform at 18th annual River Valley Kid's Fair. PHOTO PROVIDED

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Barnett asked Stearns if he wished to respond. The manager went through the minutes of the Sept. 2, 2014 Selectboard meeting and several emails to clarify his actions on the issue. Stearns began with the minutes, at which time Selectboard member Susan Hammond stated that the Bartonville Bridge Committee had indicated that they were no longer interested in the bridge debris. Selectboard Chair Thomas MacPhee then directed Stearns to inform Vermont League of Cities and Towns that the Town of Rockingham was not interested in purchasing the debris. Stearns continued with emails between him and Vermont League of Cities and Towns representative Kelley Kindestin and Barns and Bridges group member Tim Andrews. This spring, Stearns told Kindestin that there was an individual interested in some timbers for a small bridge on private property, and Kindestin approved this use. Stearns stated that all metal that could be removed was, and was put in the town's scrap metal pile, and the remainder was buried. Stearns stated that he did not feel that he did anything wrong, and the bridge debris was not owned by the town, but by Vermont League of Cities and Towns.

Dibernardo made a motion to call Town Attorney Stephen Ankuda to investigate what happened with the Bartonville Bridge, and Selectboard member Josh Hearne seconded the motion for discussion purposes. Selectboard member Stefan Golec said he didn't want to rush to judgement. "It may be an error or miscommunication," Golec said. "We need to take the opportunity to downshift and look at the information at meetings, look at (meeting) video. We need more time; he is the manager, give him the benefit of doubt. We need to hire a nonbiased independent entity look into this matter." The motion to start an investigation failed, but a motion to continue discussion on the item at the Sept. 6 meeting did pass. Selectboard member Peter Golec suggested that a representative from Vermont League of Cities and Towns be asked to attend the next meeting. DiBernardo left the meeting before it concluded. "I can't take it anymore; this is unbelievable," she said. Dibernardo said she was not sure she would return to the Selectboard. Following the meeting, Stearns sent an email to the Selectboard members, residents of Bartonville and area newspapers. In the message, he said the remains of the covered bridge had been taken to New Hampshire from the gravel pit and

he was making arrangements to have them returned. The email read, in part: "My commitment to retrieving the remains in the White Mountains is real. I have arrangements being made with the owner (Vermont League of Cities and Towns) and a hauler. I need someone in Lower Bartonville to take possession of the unused timbers. "Please contact me with a commitment for placement as this is going to happen very soon. If it returns to the town pit, then the Selectboard will have to take possession. "Do not take this as a guilty reaction. This type of action by me is common. Those who know me understand that when I see a need and can help, I do. The passion is evident and time is of the essence. Who will step up to take possession of the items?"

WIND POLL

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as a possible location for a wind project that includes 28 turbines, each standing about 495 feet tall. The company has agreed to abide by the outcome of a townwide vote, but it is asking that second-home owners not be allowed to participate in the process. This stipulation has been met with strong resistance from second-home owners and primary residents alike. "Iberdrola's motives are cast in a strange light by their rejection of the inclusion of non-residents in the vote," said second-home owner Pieter van der Made, who went on to point out that it is up to the town to decide if including non-residents in the vote is fair and just, not a corporation. Concerns over the legality of such a vote continue to mire the situation and create polarization on the board. Selectman Al Sands, who voted against the motion for the poll, would like to see more legal work done before a poll is taken. Town resident Kent Armstrong voiced his apprehension, as well, addressing Vermont state statutes on voting and the participation of non-registered voters in a referendum. "If we go against state law, the state ceases to exist," he said. However, resident Liisa Kissel pointed out that a non-binding referendum is not subject to any law, and that there is precedent in the State of Vermont to hold such polls. The poll would separate the responses of residents and non-residents, who would be presented with the option to vote for, against, or undecided on the wind project. Results would be made available to

the public. Selectboard Chairman Ron Pilette suggested that a write-in space be added to the poll, so that those who are undecided can communicate to the board what information they'd require to reach a decision one way or the other.

Springfield Medical Care Systems receives grant for Children's Dental Project

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Springfield Medical Care Systems (SMCS) has received a two-year \$150,000 grant from the Fanny Holt Ames and Edna Louise Holt Fund for its new Children's Dental Health Project. This project will make a dental hygienist, with portable equipment, available to provide "screening and cleaning" dental services to children in area schools. It will also provide transportation from schools to dental clinics for treatment, including fillings and extractions. These services will be provided at no out of pocket costs to families.

Dental health is important, especially for children. The Vermont Oral Health Plan reports that "tooth decay is the most common childhood chronic disease." A national survey found that one in four children has tooth decay by age 5, and one in seven children ages 6-12 had suffered a toothache in the previous six months. Children with poor oral health were nearly three times more likely to miss school because of dental pain in one study. Children who reported recent toothaches were four times more likely to have a lower grade point average than children reporting no dental pain. A major factor in poor oral health is access to services. Work-

ing parents, even those with insurance coverage, are often unable to get their children to a dentist during weekday office hours. The goals of this Children's Dental Health Project are to prevent tooth decay, to educate and encourage self-care among children and their parents, and to increase access to oral health treatment. SMCS is a health care network comprised of ten Community Health Centers located in Bellows Falls, Chester, Londonderry, Ludlow, and Springfield, Vermont, as well as Charlestown, New Hampshire, and also the Springfield Hospital.

Dental clinics are located in Ludlow and Chester, Vermont. This integrated system of care emphasizes access and affordability based on a sliding fee scale. Financial assistance is available. For information on this project, contact Larry Kraft, 802-885-7644, lkraft@springfieldmed.org

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The Tyson Ladies Aid Bazaar is a multi-faceted event that, this year, includes a Chinese auction and raffle for over 70 gift baskets, prizes, and gift certificates; a not-to-be missed chicken BBQ that includes corn on the cob, home made coleslaw,

beverages and ice cream; the ever popular TLA bake sale; and a book sale!

Come early, stay for the BBQ and the raffle, buy some goodies, read a book, talk with your friends and neighbors, and take in the wonderful scenery of the Green in the Ludlow Veterans Park by the gazebo.

In addition to taking away great prizes and baked goods, dining on out-of-this world chicken BBQ with all the summer fixins, feel good in the fact that you have helped the Tyson Ladies Aid support our community.

Money raised from this event goes towards: giving scholarships to graduating high school seniors from both the Black River High School and the Woodstock High School, supporting the Tyson Library, holding Reach Out Luncheons for area seniors, and funding special community projects.

We hope to see you on Saturday, August 13 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Ludlow's Veteran's Park gazebo for this really fun event.



The Tyson Ladies Aid Bazaar will feature a Chinese auction and raffle, like the one shown here from last year's event.

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Brungardt Award nominations being accepted for Excellence in Recreation

REGION - Every year since 1975, the Theresa S. Brungardt Awards have been given to a professional, friend, and agency or organization that have made a significant contribution to recreation in the state of Vermont.

Nominations are being accepted until Friday, August 12, for the 2016 Brungardt Awards. The award nomination form and a list of previous award recipients can be found on the Vermont Recreation and Parks Association at www.vrpa.org/recognition.html.

Theresa S. Brungardt was a pioneer and outstanding leader of parks and recreation in Vermont. She began her career in 1917 when she joined the staff of the National Recreation Association during World War I.

She was Vermont's first state Director of Recreation, having been appointed by Governor Wills in 1943. She traveled tirelessly throughout Vermont to help communities with their recreation programs.

Many of the community recreation departments today could

trace their origins back to the technical assistance and inspiration provided by Brungardt.

She was nationally recognized for her expertise and in 1952 was elected the first female president of the American Recreation Society (forerunner to the National Recreation and Park Association). Her involvement continued after her retirement in 1964; She was an active member of the Citizens Board Member Branch of the N.R.P.A. Brungardt was inducted into the N.R.P.A. Hall of Fame in 1997.

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Theresa S. Brungardt.

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Nominations are welcome until Friday, August 12, 2016. Send to Andy Cappello at the Newport Parks & Recreation Department at andrew.cappello@newportvermont.org. Contact the Vermont Recreation & Parks Association at info@vrpa.org or 802-878-2077 for more information.

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Forest service seeks to feed local families

REGION - Employees of the Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests have launched a bi-state effort to feed local families in need. The food drive, known nationally as Feds Feed Families runs through August 30 and will benefit local food shelves in Vermont and New York.

Teaming up with local social service organizations, food shelves, the Rutland Price Chopper, and the Ovid Big M; the Forest Service has set a goal of reaching 1,000 pounds of donated food by the end of August. Recognizing that this has been a difficult year for many families in Vermont, New York and elsewhere, the Forest Service is stepping up in an effort to provide much needed food to families before the winter months.

Each Forest Service office in Vermont, Rutland, Manchester, Middlebury, and Rochester will participate in the food drive. The Hector Ranger District on the Finger Lakes National Forest in New York will also be working to gather food for a local food shelf. In addition, the Rutland Price Chopper has joined in the effort, offering to collect food items from patrons at their Rutland location, and the Ovid Big M will be doing the same in New York.

Employees of the Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests recognize that many Vermonters and New Yorkers are working hard to make ends meet and they hope the food drive will help to alleviate some of the stresses put on families this time of year. "We are always looking for ways to support local organizations in and around the communities that we live and work in," said John Sinclair, Forest Supervisor for the Green Mountain and Finger

Lakes National Forests. "Our efforts in Vermont and New York are three-fold: We get to contribute food to local people in need, we get to raise awareness about issues like hunger and homelessness, and we get a chance to showcase other dedicated partners who have the common vision of helping people who live in our communities," Sinclair added.

Employees in Vermont and New York will begin donating non-perishable food items this week. Each year, while many American families go hungry, more than 100 billion pounds of food is thrown away in this country. Since the campaign began in 2009, Federal workers have donated and collected over 15-million pounds of food and other non-perishable items to support families across America.

Contributions can be made 24 hours a day, seven days a week at the Rutland Price Chopper. Contributions can be made from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m., Monday - Saturday, and from 7:30 - 8:00 p.m. on Sunday at the Ovid Big M.

To contribute, employees and the public can bring non-perishable food items and drop them off Monday - Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at one of the Forest Service locations listed below.

Vermont locations include: Rutland - Forest Supervisor's Office at 231 North Main Street, phone number 802-747-6700; Price Chopper at 38 Rutland Shopping Plaza, phone number 802-747-7880;

Manchester - Ranger Station at 2538 Depot Street, phone number 802-362-2307; Middlebury - Ranger Station at 1007 Route 7 South, phone number 802-388-4362; and Rochester - Ranger Station at 99 Ranger Road, phone number 802-767-4261.

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LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

Ron Patch is a Chester native, Chester Historical Society president, Historian at Olive Branch Lodge #64 and a lifelong antiques dealer. He can be reached at 802-374-0119 or email knotz69@gmail.com

Back in April, Tom Brown of Plymouth, Vermont contacted me to ask if I would come to his house and dows for water. I went up later and located three well sites. When I finished Tom invited me into his house to show me something. It was the musket you see with this article. I instantly recognized the musket as being 18th century and soon recognized its importance. It has an old paper string tag attached to trigger guard and the stock is stamped

with additional history. The musket was carried by Lt. Nathaniel Brown in the Revolutionary War.

Nathaniel Bowman Brown was born July 1, 1737 in Lexington, Massachusetts and died in Plymouth, Vermont July 30, 1806. On March 3, 1776 Brown was commissioned Second Lieutenant in Captain Joseph Bellows Company and Colonel Abijah Stearns Regiment, known as the Worcester County Regiment. Later that same year Brown was made

First Lieutenant with John Rand as colonel.

Brown family history claims Nathaniel Brown carried this musket at the Battle of Bennington, August 16, 1777. Family tradition further claims that Lt. Brown at the Battle of Bennington assumed command of his company when his superior officer was wounded.

Revolutionary War records are far from complete but I was able to access pay records for Lt. Brown. These Continental Army records create a paper trail making it possible to see where a soldier was.

The records show General John Stark and Colonel Warner made an alarm call for troops to be sent to Bennington. Most of the men responding were New Hampshire and Massachusetts men. Others would include the Green Mountain Boys. General Stark left Old Fort #4 with 1,200 troops and marched to Bennington. As Stark's troops marched through small towns on route to Bennington it is known that militiamen from these towns joined Stark's force. Some of the Chester men fell in.

The Worcester County Regiment, which included Lt. Brown answered Stark's call and marched to Bennington. It appears the regiment arrived too late to share in Stark's victory. A document I located states the regiment marched 90 miles to Bennington only to be dismissed by General Lincoln.

Another document shows the regiment at Saratoga, New York. The Battle of Saratoga took place September 19 through October 7, 1777. At Saratoga the Worcester County Regiment did see action and was on the field when British General Burgoyne surrendered.

Burgoyne had been tasked with launching an invasion from Quebec

Battle of Bennington Musket



"Lt. Nath. A. Brown, Plymouth, VT. Battle of Bennington."

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south to gain control of the upper Hudson River Valley. As Burgoyne marched south he captured Fort Ticonderoga. Soon Burgoyne began encountering difficulties. One difficulty was his supply line, which forced a delay at Fort Edward.

Burgoyne knew that he could replenish his supplies at Bennington. The American victory at Bennington cost Burgoyne 1,000 men killed or captured. Saratoga was the final defeat for Burgoyne.

The string tag tied to the trigger guard reads: "This gun was used at the Battle of Bennington by my great, great grandfather N. Bowman Brown. Pres Coolidge gave it to me. In some way it fell into his family. Blanche B. Bryant."

The stock of the musket near the butt plate is neatly stamped with additional historical information. These stamped markings read: "Lt. Nath. B. Brown Plymouth VT., Bat-

tle of Bennington. Retuned to B.B. Bryant by Calvin Coolidge."

You'll notice Calvin stamped "retuned" instead of returned. I bet the day Calvin was stamping the gun and noticed his misspelling he said something like "Oh ****"

I cannot over emphasize the importance of this musket in American history. I have bought and sold these weapons for 45 years. While I have owned many Rev War muskets none of them were as well documented. To have a rock solid provenance as we have on Brown's musket with a Presidential gift is unheard of.

It has survived 250 years in completely original condition including finish. The only damage is a broken hammer and a missing frizzen over the frizzen pan. I urged Tom Brown not to replace the missing parts. This musket is a rare survivor and should remain so.

Blanche Brown Bryant married

William Leroy Bryant. Mr. Bryant was the founder of Bryant Chucking Grinder Company in 1909, in Springfield. August 16th is 239 years since the Battle of Bennington.

Don't forget the Chester Historical Society Gala Reception this Friday, August 12th from 5 p.m. till 9 p.m. Come and enjoy great food, Peter Farrar's presentation and music by Erik Johansson. You'll see our museum and projects we are working on. We also want to thank Grafton Cheese for supplying the cheese.

This week's old saying, "Don't go off half cocked." This does not refer to being drunk but the position of the hammer on a gun. In the old days a hammer was called a "cock." There was full cock for firing and half cock for safety.

Look for this article online with more photos!



Lt. Brown with his musket.

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Lt. Brown marker reads, "Lt. Nathaniel Bowman Brown; Fourth settler, built a house here in 1789. Early town meetings, Church Services, and Post Office."

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editorial

Conservative columnist Geoffrey Norman thinks Vermont is declining

Norman, a Dorset resident, wrote a column about it for the Wall Street Journal on Aug. 6.

Normally, Norman's columns run in the conservative Weekly Standard publication, but this one went big-time.

Norman's theory is that when Democratic Governor Peter Schumlin failed to initiate single-payer healthcare for the state, as promised, it took everything down.

Next, the state's Affordable Care Act website crashed, and still has problems, and the opioid epidemic went out of control, and Schumlin talked about it, but nothing got better.

Then Jay Peak Ski Resort was accused of manipulating the federal EB-5 visa program that is supposed to attract foreign investment in exchange for green cards, and the state had touted the program.

So, Norman feels, most Green Mountain State residents think its time for a Republican governor and plan to vote for one in this year's election.

OK, that's a theory, and we'll find out in a couple months if it's true.

Three days later, the column had 459 comments on the Wall Street Journal website, showing Norman was preaching to the choir - the choir that reads the Wall Street Journal now that Rupert Murdoch owns it, anyway.

One writer said, "Democrats and unions have ruined it (the country)." And the comments really went downhill from there.

Some readers did defend Vermont, one of them saying, "Vermont is more than cheese, ice cream and maple syrup. The southern part had lots of light manufacturing, machine shops, etc. hard hit by globalization. IBM had a large IC computer chip plant outside Burlington, with over 8,000 employees at the peak. There is a good chance a chip in your cell phone was made in Vermont.

"But now there are less than 4,000 employees and the plant was sold to a company which is part of an investment vehicle of the government of Abu Dhabi. Building these cell phone chips is moving to Singapore and elsewhere. Globalization."

But he was quickly told he was wrong, that actually Democrats, not globalization, are to blame for everything bad.

But it was a poster named Richard that pointed out something good about Vermont.

"Fire departments - lower cost in Vermont because of the prevalence of volunteers and mutual aid," Richard wrote. "Police - the tiny hamlets in Vermont pay for State Police coverage. Town governments - most people serve without pay in the small towns, whether it be on zoning boards, library boards, select-boards.

"Now only that, but state legislators are paid a pittance when comparing their salaries to the political hacks in New York and Pennsylvania. The governor of Vermont doesn't even have a 'mansion,' but rather lives in his private home."

A poster using the name Brian Lyssy did mention something interesting about Vermonters, namely that some of them seem opposed to any form of energy, from fossil fuels to wind, hydro, and solar.

"I fly into Burlington on a regular basis," Lyssy wrote. "Beautiful location, great food, views, plenty to do for a long weekend. But if you want jobs and growth, look elsewhere. Simply too much opposition to anything and everything.

"Look at power. Build a coal plant (ha, ha). OK. How about a wind farm? (Not on my mountains.) Nuclear? Solar? Hydro? Everything is forbidden. The ultimate NIMBY culture. I think a big chunk of the population secretly wishes they were Amish, yet able to blog about it."

That is something to think about.

(The Wall Street Journal column is at: www.wsj.com/articles/in-declining-vermont-the-mood-is-more-resigned-than-angry-1470436189.)

CORRECTION:

Last week I published an editorial on smoking during pregnancy. The numbers were backwards, as Jim Cahill has expressed in his letter to the editor this week. My editorial pointed out that 82% of Vermont smokers continue to smoke during pregnancy. It should have then stated, that number falls below the national average of 100%. We should be at 90% continuance rate. My apologies for getting the numbers backwards, and I thank Jim Cahill for correcting me! Thanks for reading my editorials!

-BM-

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

The home of an elder Bellows Falls resident burned while she was away at her daughter's home recovering from lifesaving surgery.

Although there was no clear and present danger, local government was quick to press her to give it up, leaving her life's treasures behind, while she prepares at her daughter's home for additional surgery.

What if local government and the community

helped her to salvage and store her belongings until she can regain her health and find another place to live?

Compassion for frail elders in trouble through no fault of their own is the Vermont Way.

Howard Fairman
Putney

Dear Editor,

A federal judge ordered our Vermont Public Service Board to let citizens exercise our First-Amendment rights to attend their recent hearing that they had attempted to close to the public.

Unwilling to eject any disorderly citizens, they instead closed this hearing to all but six citizens admitted by police to an out-of-town venue behind a security fence: avoiding *lèse-majesté*; disdaining noblesse oblige.

To the Editor:

In your August 2016 edition, Mr. Stuart Lindberg compared Presidents Truman and Kennedy to several living Democrats, including Presidents Clinton and Obama. What he has written is bad history, worse philosophy, and demonstrates that he would be a poor and divisive representative of his constituents if elected.

Mr. Lindberg makes much of Truman and Kennedy's service in war, and contrasts that with the Democrats he mentions. He does not note the service of Democrats like John Kerry. Those of us who served in the military and support Mr. Obama may take exception. He also does not mention that, except for John McCain, all recent Republican candidates (George Bush and Cheney, Mitt Romney, and Donald Trump) as well as many of their fellow travelers like Rudy Guiliani, dodged the draft during the Vietnam War.

Dear Editor,

An editorial in the 8/3 edition of "The Shopper" discusses smoking in pregnancy. The article points out that 82% of Vermont smokers CONTINUE to smoke during pregnancy and this falls below the national average of 90%. It goes on to say we should be at 100% CONTINUANCE rate. Hmmm... Maybe backwards?

Jim Cahill
Perkinsville

Meanwhile, the Act 174 Working Group, already mandated by our legislators, comprising representatives of the Vermont General Assembly, Judiciary, Public Service Board and Public Service Department, have begun to reconsider Vermonters' access to the Board.

Ostensibly representing the public interest before the Board, our Department of Public Service cannot repre-

sent citizens who dissent — who have First-Amendment rights to present their views before the Board, pro se if they wish, participating in media coverage.

Criminal courts adjudicate who is guilty; civil courts adjudicate who prevails. Our quasi-judicial Public Service Board adjudicate the public good in the public interest.

Representing aspects of the public interest, dissenting citizens' evidence and arguments, if heard by the Board, may prevail for the public good.

Vermonters naturally respect and practice egalitarian civility in our civic affairs. Dissenting fellow Vermonters who would be heard civilly should be heard.

Howard Fairman
Putney

As a nonbeliever, I would paraphrase Jefferson by saying that "it does me no injury for my neighbor to say there are twenty gods or ONE God. It neither picks my pocket nor breaks my leg." Please Mr. Lindberg,

Dear Iron Adventure Run Friends,

On behalf of Black River Good Neighbor Services, I would like to thank you all very much! Your recent generous donation of food helps to ensure that folks in our community who struggle to meet basic needs have enough food.

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why someone is hungry. Food is part of the solution, and we give it without judgment because having enough nourishment to promote physical, mental, and spiritual health is essential for our success as a community.

Together, we help stabilize families by assisting them in covering one of their basic needs. We do this with respect and kindness, and of

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course with food. There is no good reason for anyone to go hungry. Again, thank you for being part of nourishing our community!

With gratitude,

Krey Kellington
Food Program Administrator
Black River Good Neighbor Services

don't insult me by implying that these neighbors are somehow better Americans than I am because they share your religion.

By this letter, Mr. Lindberg has shown himself unfit for public office on at least two counts. First, by insulting liberal Democrats, nonbelievers, and even, by distorting the facts, veterans, he alienates much of his community, as well as the other representatives he would have to work with. Second, he demonstrates that the way he would address questions that arise in the legislature would be to surf the Internet to find quotes that support his preconceptions, as opposed to doing real research on the facts and accepting the consensus of professionals. Mr. Lindberg is clearly unfit for the job.

Kem Phillips
Cavendish

Obituary

Gail D. Denno, 1936 - 2016

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Gail D. Denno, 80, passed away Aug. 5, 2016. Gail was born in Bennington, N.H., the daughter of Harold and Agnes Eaton, and spent her childhood in Keene, N.H., where she graduated from Keene High School in 1954. She worked in manufacturing for 22 years and sang as a soloist in the St. Charles Church choir for 10 years.

On June 5, 1955 she married Robert A. Denno who predeceased her.

She is survived by her daughters Sandra Denno and Kathy Gunnerson, and her granddaughter Jamie Gunnerson.

Calling hours will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Monday, Aug. 15 at Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vt. A funeral mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 16 at St. Charles Church in Bellows Falls, Vt. with burial to follow in the St. Charles Cemetery.

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Obituaries

Nathalie E. Nelson, 1929 - 2016

WEST BRATTLEBORO, VT. - Nathalie E. "Nat" Nelson, 87, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital, with her family by her side.

Nathalie was born to Archie and Margaret Boyd on Feb. 27, 1929. She was raised in Wilmington, Vt., where she met her husband of 65 years, Lawrence W. "Larry" Nelson. The two were childhood sweethearts and graduated one year apart from each other at Wilmington High School.

She went on to study for one year at the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston. She had a beautiful voice fit for opera singing, and made several records with her vocal coach Mr. Scarpetti in Chelsea, Mass.

Her artistic accomplishments reached beyond the record player to the television screen in later years. She was a leading star of Miss Jean's Romper Room, a popular Boston-area children's television show. Nathalie worked behind the scenes of the show, which aired beginning in the late 1950s on WHDH.

Nathalie's career in the city also included a short stay at the Veterans Affairs Office at Northeastern University in Boston. Additionally, she dedicated many years to the South Boston Army Base, which was used to warehouse and distribute military supplies during World War II.

While she started a family with her husband in Arlington, Mass., the couple yearned to return to Vermont's countryside to raise their children. They bought a home in West Brattleboro where they established the family-owned scientific glassblowing business, Vitri-Forms, Inc., in the basement in 1961. Larry honed the skills he had acquired as a glassblower at Boston's Massachusetts Institute of Technology, while Nathalie wore many hats, taking on



Nathalie E. Nelson, 1929 - 2016. PHOTO PROVIDED

a wide range of tasks instrumental to the business' growth. Nathalie also started Vitri-Arts, working as a self-taught, decorative glass artist. She enjoyed exhibiting at community events, such as the Wilmington Fair, where she showed fair-goers how to make jewelry, cocktail stirrers and miniature vases.

In the last few months of her life, she continued to lend a hand to her daughter, Heather Nelson, who today is the president of Vitri-Forms. She attributed her longevity to the love of her children and her desire to stay active in the business, in whatever way possible.

Nathalie loved nature and all animals, some of whom she'd feed from her porch and others who she welcomed into her home as her children. She loved to garden and cook, including her family's favorites of blueberry buckle, chocolate cake and Swedish meatballs. She loved ice skating on the pond below her home and track-

ing new snowmobile trails in Vermont's woods. She loved watching her children play sports and never missed a game. She was also an avid Red Sox fan and kept score cards with the team's mascot, Wally, at her side.

She was a loving and selfless spirit who always did for her family and others. She never gave up when times were tough and wasn't afraid to speak her mind. Her smile and laugh was contagious and always accompanied by a twinkle in her eye.

She is survived by her husband, Lawrence Nelson, of Brattleboro, Vt. She is also survived by four daughters, their spouses and partners, Debbie (Nelson) Dandrea and Donald Dandrea Jr., of Brattleboro, Vt., Robin (Nelson) Syms and Rob Syms, of Westmoreland, Heather Nelson and Lisa Stagner, of Halifax, Vt., and Heidi Nelson and Abby Molina, of Westminster, Vt.; her only granddaughter, Alyssa Dandrea; four grandsons, Noah Sherman, Seth Sherman, Kaleb Sherman and Michael Dandrea; and nine great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life with family and friends will be held on Saturday, Aug. 13, from 1 to 4 p.m. at 724 Thomas Hill Road, Halifax, Vt.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Nathalie's honor to the Windham County Humane Society, P.O. Box 391, Brattleboro, Vt. 05302.

Ross A. Johnston, 1935 - 2016

CHESTER, Vt. - Ross A. Johnston, aged 80, of Chester, VT, died peacefully at home on Saturday, August 6, surrounded by family. He was born on August 18, 1935 in Montpelier, VT to Wendell and Mary Elizabeth (Blackmore) Johnston.

He graduated from Montpelier High School in 1953 and went on to attend Boston University School of Aeronautical Engineering where he was also a member of the ROTC. He served in the Air National Guard in Burlington, VT from 1957-1963.

He married Marjorie Wellwood in 1958 and divorced in 1965. He then married Barbara J. Tucker on December 31, 1972 in Ludlow, VT where they lived before moving to Chester, VT in 2000 where he built their third and final home.

In his early years he tried his hand at farming and at running an inn before working as a supervisor for various construction companies in New England. He spent several years as the general manager at Tucker Construction Corporation in Ludlow, VT. Following this, he worked for Tiki Real Estate before ultimately returning to construction until retirement.

In his free time he enjoyed serving on the U39 School Board of Ludlow, and was Chairman of the Board for multiple terms. He enjoyed spending time with his family and friends and maintaining his home and land. He and Barbara



Ross A. Johnston, 1935 - 2016. PHOTO PROVIDED

visited several countries and islands and enjoyed two river cruises in Europe as well as an Alaskan cruise.

He was predeceased by his mother, Mary Elizabeth in 1945, by his father, Wendell in 1987, and by his adoptive mother, Katharine Shaw in 2010.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara of Chester; his children, Kamberleigh W. Johnston of Rutland, VT, Michael R. Hull and his wife Karen of Derby, KS, and Andrea L. Brown of Methuen, MA; his grandchildren, Jennie Hull, Olivia Hull, and Rachel Hull of Derby, KS and Shelby Brown and Emma McAlpine of Methuen, MA. He is also survived by his sister, Ann J Ruelke of Rutland, VT; a niece, Heather Ruelke and her husband Keith of Rutland; a nephew, Scott Foxx of Williston; and a grandniece, Bailey Foxx, of Williston.

Funeral services will be held at the United Church of Ludlow on Friday, August 12, at 1 p.m. Graveside committal services and Burial will follow in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Ludlow.

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Linda Beth Haltinner, 1952 - 2016

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - "Stop. Breathe. Look inside. Remember and trust in the Divine love and light flowing through your body and your life. Soften your heart to receive. Laugh." These simple words, when recited by Linda Beth Haltinner, born November 10, 1952, in Appleton, Wisconsin, to Donald Owen Haltinner and Betty Verone Haltinner (Nee Reichard) served as a mantra for her throughout her life, which ended on Saturday, July 16th, 2016, after a nearly 4-year journey with metastatic breast cancer.

An extraordinary woman, mother, partner, sister, healer, teacher and artist, Linda leaves a legacy in the hearts and souls of those she touched, literally and figuratively. She is survived by her spouse, Cynthia N. Moore; her three cherished sons: Lucas Balamuth, Adam Balamuth and his wife Angela, and Daniel Ewald; her mother Betty; her siblings Dennis and his wife Joanna, Bruce, Brian, Lisa Jameson and her husband Tim, and their families including beloved nieces, nephews and great nephews as well as several goddaughters and many, many other members of her circle of loved ones, too numerous to mention but never forgotten. She was predeceased by her father, Don and her brother, Brent.

Her absence will also be mourned by myriad friends, colleagues, patients and community members who were fortunate enough to share a part of her life journey with her.

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LINDA BETH HALTINNER

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Those of us who know Linda's life story from the very beginning agree that she was truly a love child. Her young parents were passionately in love with one another and were overjoyed with their first born child. Throughout her lifetime, Linda embodied and cultivated that love and passion in all aspects of her life; in both action and attitude. She had an exquisitely beautiful ability to make everyone she spent time with feel seen, special and connected.

Linda's spirituality was at the core of her being. From an early age she experienced a deep connection with Spirit, and spirituality played a large role in her work and all aspects of her life. At various times, she considered studying theology and becoming a member of the clergy, but ultimately, she chose to create a ministry in healthcare because she believed that "Love is truly the only thing that heals." After receiving her undergraduate degree at the University of Wisconsin in nutrition and biochemistry, she attended New York Chiropractic College and received her Doctor of Chiropractic in 1981. She described the decision to become a chiropractor as an opportunity to use physical touch as a means of "bringing people back into their remembrance of their wholeness and thus to allow healing to occur."

In 1985, Linda and her young family moved to Saxtons River, Vermont, from Long Island, where she established her chiropractic practice that would later become the catalyst for her vision of Sojourns Community Clinic, which she founded in December of 2000. In founding Sojourns, Dr. Haltinner wove together her skill as a healer with her expertise in Functional Medicine and Biological Medicine and her passion for integrative, client-centric care and created a wonderful model of healthcare based on partnering with patients and walking with them as a guide on their healing path. As founder, medical director, and lead practitioner, Linda served as the charismatic leader, visionary and mentor of Sojourns until her retirement in 2015. Her guidance and inspiration are woven into the fabric of the clinic and will continue to guide and shape the practice forever more.



Linda Beth Haltinner, 1952 - 2016. PHOTO PROVIDED

Linda was a visionary in many aspects of her life and has inspired countless others through her touch, attention, example, teaching, mentorship and collaborations. She delighted in the dance of parenting, treasured the opportunity to collaborate with other gifted practitioners and her clients, and was an inspiring friend, sibling and spouse. One of the most extraordinary gifts Linda gave to all who had the pleasure of engaging with her in this lifetime, was her incredible generosity, acceptance and encouragement for our exploration of our dreams, passions and potential. She believed in, mirrored and brought out the best in people, and thus inspired our faith in new possibilities, healing and forgiveness.

Linda's passion and delight in the physical world was manifest in her artistic accomplishments as well. She was an exuberant gardener and loved to spend her free time burrowing in the dirt, attending to her glorious garden beds. After nearly 30 years of developing and perfecting her gardens at home, she started anew after her initial cancer diagnosis when she designed and created an extensive peony labyrinth as a sanctuary and healing practice. It also made for a magnificent wedding chapel!

Linda was also an accomplished writer and an extraordinary paper artist. Her origami creations can be found throughout the clinic, and in the homes of loved ones, and reflect years of dedicated exploration of pushing the limits of paper folding and sculpting. A life-long lover of fantasy novels, Linda would delight in attending the Origami

USA convention in Manhattan, where she would spend days sitting with adolescent young men folding the most complex models of fantasy-inspired dragons, dinosaurs, monsters and other creatures.

Linda was not afraid to die. In fact, she used to say, "We don't die, just our bodies do, our spirit and our energy live on eternally." During her last several months she expressed that her only regret was of leaving a life she loved too soon. She died as she lived; with extraordinary grace, beauty, peacefulness, presence and faith; continuing to inspire those who supported her during her final weeks. All who knew her will honor her spirit and carry on her legacy when we "Stop. Breathe. Look inside. Remember and trust in the Divine love and light flowing through your body and your life. Soften your heart to receive. Laugh."

A celebration of Linda's life was held on Saturday, August 6 at the Putney School, Putney, Vermont. A reception and display of Linda's origami creations followed.

In lieu of flowers or other gestures of remembrance, Linda requested that tax-deductible donations be made to Sojourns Community Health Clinic, 4923 US Route 5, Westminster, VT 05158. <http://www.sojourns.org>

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THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY

What else should anyone start any sports column in these parts about this week other than the Shrine Game? There should be nothing else.

Believe me. There are no answers about Vermont's 50-2 win. They were good offensively, defensively, and on special teams.

Vermont Shrine Coach Brian Grady admitted to us if anyone received the breaks in this game, Vermont did. BUT anyways, what could that mean? It was 50-2 man.

The Powers To Be have tried for years to balance the teams from the two states for a competitive game. There still is no balance.

It is good for the game that Vermont won. Even people from New Hampshire could see that.

Castleton University serves as a wonderful host for athletic events. Both the Shrine and Legion have been recipients of their hospitality.

The future site of the Shrine Games and Legion Tournaments are up in the air. Castleton definitely hosts one more Shrine Classic before a decision has to be made, BUT, there is still a decision to be made about next year's Legion Tourney. This is just one person's prediction. The Shrine game stays at Castleton for the next contract, BUT, the Legion moves to White River because a lighted field seems to have become a necessity. Not to mention, St. Peter's Field in Rutland is not an acceptable alternative any longer.

The Shrine Game staying at the present locale, may not be best for New Hampshire, because New York State is twenty times closer to Castleton than most Granite State towns, BUT, the funds the Castleton site assure for the Shriners Hospital, make all the difference in the world.

Unfortunately, what may be related to the distance away Castleton is for most New Hampshire football playing towns, is the fact that more and more of New Hampshire's top athletes are choosing to play in the East-West in state CHAD Game over the Shrine Maple Sugar Bowl Game. CHAD is also a wonderful cause and one wonders IF convenience of location is the reason for the move in such a direction OR is the higher chance for a more competitive game turning the tide. IF the competition was the reason, things may switch again. New Hampshire has pride and may now be out to not allow Vermont to dominate again. STAY TUNED!!!!

High School Football is right around the corner. Fall Mountain begins practice this Wednesday, Aug. 10, while Vermont starts going through the paces next Monday, Aug. 15. Scrimmages that are on social media OR are able to be tracked down are Fall Mountain at Springfield Aug. 23 at 6 p.m. and on Saturday, Aug. 27, Springfield at Hartford and Mascoma at Fall Mountain both at 10 a.m. For the first time in awhile, the two states both open play for real on Labor Day weekend. Springfield will open at Bellows Falls, on Friday Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. and Fall Mountain hosts Interlakes one night later at the same time.

Start practicing dates in the two states for sports not named football are Aug. 15 for New Hampshire and Aug. 18 for Vermont.

Vermonters win Shrine football game/REALLY

BY BILL MURPHY

REGION - There are all kinds of scenarios that surround certain sporting events. When it has come to the Maple Sugar Bowl Shrine Football Game in recent years, no one has ever wondered. It's not a case of what came first the chicken or the egg OR whether the glass is

ferred on how he approached the game. Bellows Falls' Zac Streeter and Springfield's Ben Tubbs were a part of all the fun and they were also part of this history. Very special.

BF Coach Bob Lockerby said, "I'm sure glad I did," when he was

the conflict prevented him from attending. BUT, he was excited about the play of Tubbs, who also played well defensively. "I recommended Ben to Brian. After his North-South experience, I could see Brian was ready for this and it was great that he could contrib-

was the General Chairman for the 2016 Shrine Game told us Tuesday morning, "the game was highly successful we believe. We still have the follow-up meeting with attendance and everything, BUT, everything looks good."

Obviously the numbers Morris



Former Terrier, Zac Streeter, making one of several tackles he got in at the Shrine Game held at Castleton University on Saturday.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE



Bellows Falls' Zac Streeter was in the middle of the action, defensively, during Vermont's 50-2 victory over New Hampshire in the 2016 Shrine game. Here he is (in the purple helmet) making a tackle for a short gain after a catch of a pass.

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Ben Tubbs, of Springfield, was part of the strong defense Vermont put together for the 2016 Shrine Maple Sugar Bowl Game. In this photo, Tubbs is bringing down a New Hampshire ball carrier.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE



Springfield Cosmo Ben Tubbs being introduced to the crowd at the 2016 Shrine Maple Sugar Bowl Football Game. Shrine coach Brian Grady praised the make up of Tubbs, telling us, "When you watch film, you can really find the competitors when they are playing on a team that doesn't have a great record."

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE

half empty OR half full. The Shrine Game guarantees a blowout. AND a New Hampshire victory.

WAIT A MINUTE. STOP THE PRESSES. THE HEADLINE IS WRONG, ISN'T IT?

No siree. NOT this year. In 2016, there was still a blowout 50-2, BUT, Vermont won. Honest.

We spoke to Vermont Shrine coach Brian Grady, who has this Vermont victory stuff down pat. You see Grady coached the Vermonters in 2000, Vermont's last winning effort and he coached and won again this year.

"I told the players they were two years old when we last won. I stressed to them that these two teams have never played before. Let's give it our best," Grady of-

asked IF he went to the game. He also went on to say, "I spoke to Brian about the team and agreed with him that we would have some good skilled players, BUT, to see this happen....," he really never finished the sentence.

Lockerby was excited to see what he witnessed of Streeter. The former Terrier was in on five tackles, three solo, and was credited for stopping one New Hampshire athlete behind the line of scrimmage for a loss. Lockerby added, "and besides playing much of the game on defense, he was on all four special teams."

Springfield Coach Rich Saypack was involved in an alternate football activity connected with the future of Cosmo football and

ute. You know, if you are a football player, then you are a football player," Saypack noted, obviously meaning standouts are standouts.

Grady told me in a telephone interview, "Tubbs is a good example that even teams that struggle in Division III, can have very good football players. He really helped us."

Springfield's Kristi Morris who

is referring to are the most important numbers of all, the bottom line in dollars and cents to go towards treatment for Burned and Crippled Children at the Shriners Hospitals.

Morris, like the rest of us, said, "I'm still in shock," regarding the game's outcome. He has followed the action for years and again like us, was caught off guard.

Walpole Maples claim second-straight CRVBL Title

BY BILL MURPHY

WALPOLE, N.H. - Around four years ago, some young men who liked to play baseball were looking for a place to play. Mark McGill knew some players from the Walpole area, who wanted to see time on a diamond and the Walpole Wild Blue had a full roster and was representing Walpole in the Connecticut River Valley Baseball League. McGill decided to form a second Walpole team, which came to be known as the Maples.

The next problem was finding a field to play on and a league to play in. Back then, Walpole still had a Senior Babe Ruth team and there were less available dates at the Hubbard Complex and potential rainouts, added to the logjam at the facility. Thankfully McGill and his comrades adapted with such obstacles and became those Maples and eventually found Hubbard as their home.

AND NOW THE REST OF THE STORY!

For one season, the Maples played as independents and had many road games. THEN, they were able to join the CRVBL. The year 2016 was their third year in the league and their second-straight to win the league championship. They certainly have done a good job.

We let everyone know a couple of weeks ago, that this season's CRVBL

was somewhat wide open. Since a different team had won each year recently and five of this year's teams had strong regular seasons, no one knew what might happen in the play-offs. Both Walpole teams had the toughest road to the crown because they had three tough games in the post season and nobody else faced such a task. Somehow the Maples turned the trick and it all started with their pitching.

The Maples outscored the opposition 24-3 over the weekend, BUT, the road was not quite that easy. No-hit pitcher Steve Corey took the mound against Claremont and was still standing when the game ended. Neither of Walpole's front line pitchers (Hank Bailey is the other) strike out many hitters BUT they space their hits and somehow control the opposition bats for the most part.

In the semi-finals, Walpole won 17-2. It was a 3-2 game into the fourth, when the Maples put up a five spot. Corey spaced six hits and his offensive support was lethal. Adam Kobeski had five hits and both Jed St. Pierre and Garin Clough added four. St. Pierre struck the biggest blow of all, a three run homer in the game breaking fourth. Shane Salmonson also contributed three hits. Just those numbers alone are certainly lethal.

The victory moved the Maples into the finals where they prevailed 7-2 over Keene (who defeated Putney 5-2 in the other semi, BUT, this contest was much closer than the final score indicated. Bailey hurled the complete game in this one, also spacing six hits, HOWEVER, the score was 2-1 heading into the ninth inning.

St. Pierre set the stage for the games first run with a first inning double. He moved to third on a ground out and scored on a Salmonson sacrifice fly. The same two players combined for the Maples second run in the sixth. This time, St. Pierre tripled with Salmonson again delivering the fly ball for the run. Keene would plate their lone run in the seventh. Walpole would break open the game with a five run ninth. Keene threatened throughout the game leaving 11 runners on base. John Maciejewski added two hits for Walpole.

When all was said and done, McGill, who serves as the teams General Manager and is a regular player as well, admitted, "our success is beyond what I expected. I can't say I thought we would win the two titles like this, BUT, we have had a lot of fun and fit well together. We had a number of new faces this year and things still worked out."

In addition to the players already mentioned in this piece, the Maples include: Colby McAllister, Kevin

Russell, Matt Barnes, Caleb French, Tim Carey, Jake St. Pierre, Billy Smith, and Tyler Benner. Ken McGill

and Glenn Yardley coach the team. Elizabeth McGill is the official scorekeeper.



The Connecticut River Valley Baseball League 2016 champion, Walpole Maples. Photo

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Murder for Two opens Aug 11 on Weston's Second Stage

WESTON, Vt. - Each season, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company lives up to the challenge of producing a schedule that appeals to its wide-ranging and devoted audience. Family-friendly events, blockbuster musicals, and masterworks are offset by critically acclaimed contemporary plays and performances.

Fresh from an extended Off-Broadway run, *Murder for Two* is one of these remarkable pickups, just in time for the Company's 80th anniversary season! It opens August 11 on Weston's Second Stage.

Two actors play thirteen roles - and one piano - delivering 90 minutes of music, mayhem, and murder. Come along for the ride as small town cop, Marcus Moscovitz, desperately tries to solve the murder of Great American Novelist Arthur Whitney before the real detective shows up.

Penned by Kellen Blair and Joe

Kinosian, it's classic musical comedy meets madcap murder mystery, accompanied by Kinosian's "funny, deftly turned songs." Developed in part at The Adirondack Theatre Festival, *Murder for Two* premiered in 2011 at Chicago Shakespeare Theater where it ran for more than six months, and where Kinosian and Blair were recognized with a Joseph Jefferson Award for Best New Musical.

The show was such a success Off Broadway that it launched a National Tour in November 2014. In a recent interview, Blair describes *Murder for Two* as "fun and frothy all the way through" with an ending that leaves you pleasantly surprised about "how much you care." He says he and Kinosian strive to make shows like this. "The New York Times calls their whodunit "ingenious" while the San Diego Times calls it "Simply irresist-

ible!" Weston's cast includes a finely matched pair of performers in Ian Lowe and Kyle Branzel, both with *Murder for Two's* national tour under

their belts. Branzel is making his first Weston appearance, and Lowe is delighted to return.

The production is led by Producing Artistic Director Steve Stettler and Choreographer/Associate Director Wendy Seyb. Seyb's award-winning portfolio includes work on and off Broadway, various national tours (including *Murder for Two*) plus gigs with HBO, Disney, NBC/Universal, and Nickelodeon.

Stettler and Seyb are joined by Scenic Designer Brian Dudkiewicz (Weston's Forever), Lighting Designer Travis McHale (Weston's Man of La Mancha, Broadway's Something Rotten!), Costume Designer Rachel Kurland (Weston's David Copperfield, Fences),

Sound Designer Andrew Bradford Ferry, and Production Stage Manager Nancy Uffner.

Stettler, who's been following the production from its start, says he's thrilled to bring such a buzz-worthy new work to Vermont: "It's a chance to watch two triple-threat performers at the height of their powers enjoying one another, and sharing with an audience something that is the essence of theater."

Murder for Two runs August 11 - September 4 at Weston's OtherStages (982 Route 100S in Weston). Show Times are Tuesday - Saturday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m., and Sunday at 3 p.m. The run time is one hour and thirty minutes, without intermission. Pre-show dinner is

available at the West Town Eatery, located downstairs from the MainStage playhouse at 12 Park Street. For tickets and reservations, call 802-824-5288 or visit westonplayhouse.org.



Ian Lowe will be performing in *Murder for Two* at the Weston's OtherStages.

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Kyle Branzel will be performing in *Murder for Two* at the Weston's OtherStages.

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Southern VT Idol 2016 Winners Chosen

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - A total of 10 finalists vied for prizes at the finale of Southern Vermont Idol, held on August 5 at the Moose Lodge, 59 Westminster Street, Bellows Falls, Vermont. Winners were ranked according to the results of audience and judges' ballots. Judges for the finale were David Stern, Artistic Director of Main Street Arts in Saxtons River, VT; Steve Pro, front man for his band The Ticket of Keene; and Bruce Murphy, HKS realtor and 2004 co-founder of Keene Idol.

Youth finalists received trophies and cash awards underwritten by Durand Toyota of Westminster, VT. In 4th place Scottie J. Perez of Claremont, NH; 3rd place Ezra Holloway of Saxtons River, VT; 2nd place Jaia Caron of Saxtons River, VT; 1st place Cristo Buckley of Manchester Center, VT.

Adult finalists received trophies and cash awards as well. Second,

fifth and sixth places were underwritten by Septic Pro of Brattleboro, VT and Keene, NH, and fourth place was underwritten by Lisai's Market of Bellows Falls and Chester, VT. Grand prize winner Izzy Serebrov of Essex and Bellows Falls received \$1500 and a day in the recording studio of Guilford Sound; Mackenzie Hall of Bellows Falls received \$750; Lara Germana of Keene, NH received \$500; Julie Cermola of Bellows Falls received \$250; Daniel Hartigan of Walpole, NH received \$150; and Joshua Delaney of Claremont, NH received \$100.

Finalists performed on stage at the Waypoint Center during Bellows Falls Old Home Days festivities on Saturday, August 6. Idol Emcee Wade Garrett, DJ Aime Theroux and sound engineer Erik Dustin provided technical assistance.

The event benefitted the nonprofit Rockingham Arts and Museum Project (RAMP) celebrating 20 years in 2016. Vermont sponsors include: Athens Pizza, Bart Energy, Cota and Cota, Dari Joy, FACT TV, Halladay's, Lisai's Markets, Outnumbered Grill, Sovernet, Vermont Country Store, WOOL Radio of Bellows Falls; Durand Toyota of Westminster; Brattleboro Ford Subaru, The Marina of Brattleboro; Guilford Sound of Guilford. New Hampshire sponsors include Charlesworks of Peterborough; Joanie Joan's Baked Goods, Costume Ladies and Walpole Creamery of Walpole; Clark Mortenson Insurance, Engravel, Gem Graphics, Monadnock Broadcasting Group, Septic Pro, Silver Direct of Keene.

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Springfield Community Players host The Seymour Sisters

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Vermont playwright Carole Vasta Folley takes her newest play, *The Seymour Sisters*, to the Springfield Community Players Studio for a one night performance Saturday, August 13, 7:30 p.m. A drama about estranged sisters who come together to sort through their parents' belongings, the play is a touching, provocative, and often funny look at how adult siblings attempt to rekindle their connection.

This will be the second time the playwright performs in Springfield. The Friends of the Springfield Town Library hosted Vasta Folley last April when she gave the talk, "How to Grow a Playwright," at the library. That presentation incorporated the writer's personal essays along with anecdotes and photographs, weaving a story highlighting the comedy and drama found in everyday life.

The development of *The Seymour Sisters* was supported by The Flynn Center for the Performing Arts and the tour by a grant from the Vermont Arts Endowment Fund of the Vermont Community Fund. As an homage to community theater groups, Vasta Folley says she created the tour to also operate as a way to give back. In specific, half of the ticket revenue supports the tour and the other half stays with the hosting company, "So I hope people come out to see new Vermont work, all while supporting their local theater group."

A storyteller at heart, Vasta Folley's trademarks are quirky but believable characters and dynamically rich scenarios full of heart and humor. She says the creation of *The Seymour Sisters* began when she challenged herself to write a play with only two characters and no set, a challenge

that resulted in her most intimate work to date.

In the case of *The Seymour Sisters*, the two characters are sisters, Eleanor and Cecile, who have not seen each other for years. Vasta Folley says, "This play looks at what it means to have siblings late in life, and it asks whether or not we are meant to be close to our brothers and sisters just because we are related. And, if the answer is yes, how does one navigate an adult sibling relationship, especially when there has been a difficult past."

Although *The Seymour Sisters* tackles mature themes, it does so with Vasta Folley's keen sense of humor. "Comedy is my milieu. Even when I write a drama, there will always be laughter involved as it's the balm that makes the tough stuff manageable," says the playwright. "I

love the perfect imperfection of the human condition."

This will be only the second time the playwright takes the stage performing in one of her plays and Vasta Folley reports that playing the role of Cecile has been very informative to the writing process, "To edit and rework material when you inhabit the character in each and every moment is very intimate. I always draw on my gut instinct, but this experience seems to go deeper than that."

The Seymour Sisters, Springfield Community Players Studio, 165 South Street, Springfield, VT. Saturday, August 13, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$12 at the door or by reservation. Mature themes. For tickets and more information, 802-885-4098, www.springfieldcommunityplayers.org



Playwright Carole Vasta Folley as Cecile and Robin Owens as Eleanor fondly look through their mother's old record collection in Vasta Folley's newest drama *The Seymour Sisters*, hosted by the Springfield Community Players, Saturday, August 13.

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Steampunk Your Pet contest at Springfield's Market Madness

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - On Saturday August 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. during the Springfield VT Market Madness event, the Steampunk Society of VT will be hosting a Steampunk Your Pet Contest. The Springfield Steampunk Festival invites you to bring your well-behaved family

pet, dressed up in their steampunk finery, to the Springfield Society's outdoor photo booth on Main Street in Springfield. Your pet will be photographed and his or her photo will be entered into our Steampunk Your Pet Contest. The winner receives one free weekend pass to the Springfield Steampunk Festival, held this year on September 23, 24, and 25 at the Hartness House Inn in Springfield.

Photos of your pet will be posted on our Facebook page with voting starting September 5 and ending September 12 at 7 p.m. The pet with the most "likes" will be announced as the winner on the Steampunk Festival Facebook page and website on September 16.

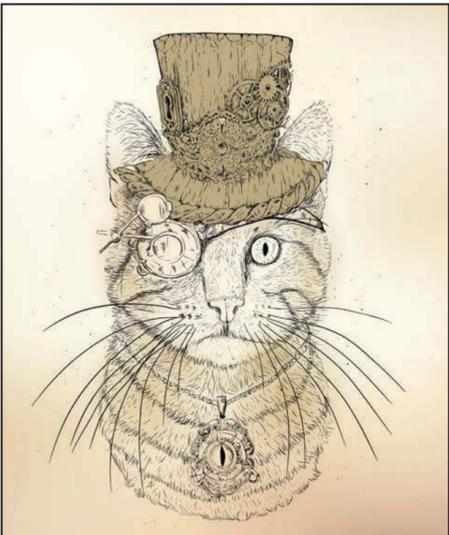
Why a Steampunk Your Pet Contest? The Steampunk

Society of Vermont a non-profit, donates the net proceeds of its annual Springfield Steampunk Festival to a local group in need. This year the net proceeds of the 2016 festival will benefit the Springfield Humane Society. We designed this contest to highlight the fact that attending the Springfield Steampunk festival is great way to support your local humane society, help animals in need, and have a ton of fun while doing so.

Volunteers who help for a 4-hour shift during the festival weekend will earn a free weekend pass to the festival. There is still time to submit an application to be a volunteer.

We invite you to enter the Steampunk Your Pet Contest, or volunteer to help at the festival. To learn more about steampunk and the Springfield Steampunk festival, to sign up to volunteer, or to purchase tickets visit www.springfield-vtsteampunkfest.com

Want to learn more and have your questions answered in person? "Come visit the Steampunk Society of Vermont's booth at Market Madness on August 20, with or without your furry friend in tow, we will be happy to see you and tell you all about our non-profit, the festival, and Steampunk itself," says Robin Priebe, volunteer manager.



Dress your pet in Steampunk attire and get their photo taken for a chance to win one free weekend pass to the Steampunk Festival. PHOTO PROVIDED

Jamaica Town Hall to host traditional American music concert

JAMAICA, Vt. - Traditional American music performed by The Speckers and Will & Carling on Saturday, August 20, 2016 will be showcased at the Town Hall, on Route 30, in Jamaica. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the music begins at 7:30 p.m.

The Speckers are an old-time family trio comprised of fiddler John Specker and his two daughters, Lila and Ida Mae, who play folk music the way it should be played - with heart.

The Speckers are a vital force in the "mountain-music" revival. Taking a stand for honest, fresh music-making, nothing beats the way this father and daughters trio drives a live audience to a near-frenzy. As John is fond of saying, "We can take you there, but we can't promise to bring you back." Get out your dancing shoes and prepare to levitate!

The Speckers will be sharing the bill with Carling & Will, a traditional folk duo based out of Southern Vermont. Both are multi-instrumentalists combining unique, melodic instrumentation with an old-time sound. William previously played banjo in the Vermont-based Bluegrass/Americana band, Gold Town.

Carling Berkhout is currently studying creative writing and music at Bennington College and has recently finished a seven week internship with Smithsonian Folkways Records. Carling & Will are releasing an E.P. in the fall, available for digital download on Bandcamp.com as well as carlingandwill.com.

This is a family friendly event and proceeds will benefit the Jamaica Community Arts Council. There is a fee for tickets.

Book Nook to host special author event with Brian Keene and Asher Ellis

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Book Nook proudly announces a special author event with World Horror Grandmaster Brian Keene here at the store on Sunday, August 14 at 3:30 p.m.

Brian Keene writes novels, comic books, short fiction and, occasionally, journalism for money. He is the author of over forty books, most of which are in the horror, crime, and dark-fantasy genres.

His 2003 novel, *The Rising*, is often credited (along with Robert Kirkman's *The Walking Dead* comic and Danny Boyle's *28 Days Later* film) with inspiring pop culture's current interest in zombies. His latest novel is *Pressure*, which has been described as *Jaws* meets *Alien*.

In addition to Keene, local writer Asher Ellis will also read and talk about his Vermont horror novel, *The Remedy*. Asher Ellis currently lives in his home state of Vermont, where there are far fewer cannibals than his novel may suggest.

Books from both Keene and Ellis will be on sale during the event. We hope you can join us at The Book Nook on Sunday August 14 at 3:30 p.m. to enjoy some creepy good writers.



World Horror Grandmaster Brian Keene coming to Book Nook.

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Jones, L. / Maney, L.	24	6.5
Palmisano, S. / Nooney, G.	21	0.5
Mooney, H. / Hampton, D.	20.5	-7
Reed, D. / Prinz, E.	19	10
Javor, P. / Kasper, J.	18.5	8.5
Schonder, R. / Dunn, K.	18.5	-1
Shea, R. / Nugent, T.	18	7
Fetherolf, J. / Nilsson, V.	17.5	-5.5
Butcher, S. / Johannesen, G.	17.5	9
Edwards, T. / Grandfield, C.	17.5	-6.5
Sullivan, S. / Hyde, B.	17.5	-4.5
Babic, D. / Babic, T.	17.5	4.5
Donnelly, J. / Apigian, M.	17	-3
Andersen, H. / Bridgewater, M.	16	-12.5
Jablonski, R. / Miller, B.	16	-16.5
Malekof, M. / Croccolo, P.	14.5	-19
Blais, J. / Eid, M.	14.5	2
Chamberlain, G. / Hooper, T.	14.5	-8.5
Parsons, J. / Foley, S.	13.5	-9
Rollins, D. / Andersen, L.	13	-11
Grant, J. / Boerma, H.	12.5	-2
Glaser, S. / Forsthuber, P.	12.5	-2
Austin, C. / Pasley, T.	11.5	-7.5
Jackson, M. / Miller, K.	10.5	-5
Anastos, M. / Kenia, K.	9.5	-0.5

Tater Hill Golf results

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - With just a couple of weeks left, it looks like the defending champions "Chester Boyz" have just about wrapped up the Mountain Division of the Tater Hill Men's League. The Valley Division is still a toss up with The Dam Diner, Jakes and Camp Holly Golf to-

gether at the top.

Mountain Division
 Chester Boyz 72
 Prouty Construction 63
 Coleman's Auto 58
 Cyr 50
 Members 48
 Green Door Pub 43

Shack Attack 43
 Old Guys 37
 Middletown Builders 30
 Piper Hill Plumbing 28
 Team Williams 21

Valley Division
 Dam Diner 57
 Jake's 55

Camp Holly Golf 54
 LaSalle Builders 49
 Gibson Painting 45
 T.K. Trucking 45
 Homes de Peau 44
 Stoneman Masonry 44
 WWC 36
 Chaves Excavating 25
 Oviitt Builders 25

Okemo Valley Golf Club Men's Member Three-Guest Tournament results

LUDLOW, Vt. - On Thursday, July 28, Okemo Valley Golf Club hosted its annual Men's Member Three-Guest Tournament. Format of play was a team-of-four, one best ball, gross and net.

The 2016 champions are: Glen Boggini, Andrew Coats, John Sawka, and Jack Medzela. They scored a 9-under-par 61. Second gross went to Chris Garvey, Tom Cutone, Dean Faucher and Greg Faucher with an 8-under-

par 62. Third gross was claimed by Ted Stryhas, Dave Thurber, Andy Courchaine and Jim Reed with a 7-under-par 63. The net champions were Bill Tarasuk, Peter Race, Cameron Race and Jeff Witherwax with a 15-under-par 55. Second net went to PJ Garvey, Mark Montgela, Phil Platek and Vic Shappy with a 13-under-par 57. Third net was claimed by Dan Petraska, Steve Hart, Pat Gordon and Nick Albonzio with a 57. Fourth net went to

Lou Falango, Frank Reed, Mark Falango and Allen Nassif with a 57. Closest to the pin for the guests was won by Phil Guy. Long drive for the guests was Eric Anderson and long drive for the members was Chris Garvey.

Okemo Valley Golf Club is Vermont's first heathland-style golf course and was designed according to the traditions of the game. The golf club features a full-service clubhouse, indoor practice facility,

18-acre state-of-the-art outdoor training center, fully stocked pro shop and fleet of electric carts. The layout is a par 70 that measures 6,400 yards in length and features bent grass greens, tees and fairways with multiple tee areas on each hole, ensuring playability and challenge for all ability levels. Rolling hills, moderate elevation changes and wide fairways with well-placed hazards enhance the heathland layout.

Okemo Valley Golf Club Men's League Results for Tuesday, Aug. 2

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Okemo Valley Golf Club Men's League played their final match play Tuesday night, Aug. 2. Only one week remains in the race for the Commissioner's Cup. The final week ends in a double-points scramble, and although the top spot is nearly locked, there is a heated battle for the second and third spots as only 14 points separate six teams.

Grabbing top honors for the night, and making a late season push, was UBS Rutland as Bill Bruno, PJ Garvey, John Taylor, and Tom Harris combined to win 22 holes.

Finishing second for the night, and remaining in the overall top spot, was Diamond Realty; Roger Danyew, JP Rousse, Ed Whitman and Fran Devine combined to win 21 holes.

Finishing third for the night was Knight Tubs; Lou Falango, Mark Fa-

lango, Bob Ahlers and Derek Karner combined to win 21 holes. Closest to the pin winners were John Taylor and Clemente DeLarosa.

Weekly Results:

- 1st UBS Rutland 22 holes won/15 pts.
- 2nd Diamond Realty 21 holes won/13 pts.
- 3rd Knight Tubs 21 holes won/11pts.
- 4th M&M Excavating 20.5 holes won/10 pts.
- 5th Stryhas Builders 19.5 holes won/9 pts.
- 6th Bensons Chevrolet 16.5 holes won/8 pts.
- 7th Built Rite MFG. 15.5 holes won/7 pts.
- 8th Engel & Voelkers Realty 15 holes won/6 pts.
- 9th Green Mountain Appraisals 15 holes won/ 5 pts.
- 10th Honey Dew Man 14 holes

won/4 pts.

Season Standings:

- 1st Diamond Realty 133 pts.
- 2nd Green Mountain Appraisals 116 pts.
- 3rd Bensons Chevrolet 114 pts.
- 4th Knight Tubs 107 pts.
- 5th Stryhas Builders 106 pts.
- 6th M&M Excavating 103 pts.
- 7th Engel & Voelkers Realty 102 pts.
- 8th Built Rite MFG. 100 pts.
- 9th UBS Rutland 95 pts.
- 10th Honey Dew Man 80 pts.

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The American eel: a peculiar fish



American Eel can be found in the Connecticut River as juveniles, and migrate to the Sargasso Sea as adults.

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REGION - The American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) is a peculiar fish. First, although eels breathe with gills underwater, they can survive out of water for several hours breathing through their skin. Their migration cycle is backwards from other mi-

grating fish in the Connecticut River as they come into the river as juveniles and leave as adults on their way to spawn in the Sargasso Sea.

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EVERY THIRD THURSDAY THROUGH AUGUST - ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - On the third Thursday of June, July and August at 12 noon, the Rockingham Library is hosting a brown bag lunch booktalk. Bring one or two book recommendations, a brown bag lunch and be ready to expand your reading horizons. Fiction, nonfiction, classics, graphic novels, and poetry are all fair game. The Library will also provide lists of recommended books. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, call 802-463-4270, or stop by the Library at 65 Westminster St. in Bellows Falls.

CLUBS/ ORGANIZATIONS

SUNDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol at 4 p.m. at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport RD., North Springfield. Volunteer auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Membership open at age 12 and adults of any age and assorted skills are welcome and needed to support the missions. For more information, call Commander, Maj. Fellows at 802-263-5544 or drop by a meeting

TUESDAYS - LUDLOW, Vt. - Ludlow Rotary club meets every Tuesday and is hosted by DJ's Restaurant, 146 Main Street in Ludlow, from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enter via side door opposite bank drive through. Chartered in 1927, the club is active locally and internationally. New members are welcome please contact any Rotarian for details. Visit our web at www.ludlowrotary.com or contact club President, Tessa Buss at teshabuss@gmail.com

THURSDAYS - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Charlestown Rotary Club meets at The Charlestown Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Summer Street. For more information email rayandrosie@comcast.net

RUTLAND, Vt. - Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club meets from 7-10:30 p.m. at The Godnick Center in Rutland, Vt. Snacks provided. Come join for a fun evening. Norma Jakomin, manager. 802-228-6276.

SATURDAYS - MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. - The Mount Holly Artists Group meets at

10:30 a.m. in the community center room (under library) and set up a still life. We draw in whatever medium pleases us and get helpful hints from each other. The sessions are open to all and completely FREE of charge. All that is needed is pen and paper.

COMMUNITY MEALS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 - BARTONSVILLE, Vt. - The Bartonville Grange monthly dinner will be held from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 12 and include a "Build your own sandwich" event with side salads, chips, and homemade desserts. The event will be located at the Bartonville Grange Hall, off Route 103 in Rockingham across from the Vt. State Police Barracks. There is a fee for the dinner, however, children under the age of 5 are free!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 WESTMINSTER, VT - Café Loco asks that you join them for "Farmer's Rock" at Harlow Farm Stand on behalf of Westminster Activities Committee. August 13 from 6-8:30 p.m. featuring John Sullivan Band, Ninja Monkey and friends. Bring your own spirits and lawn chairs.

BELMONT, VT - The members of Colfax Lodge are holding a Roast Pork Dinner at 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 13 at the Hall in Belmont. Meal tickets can be purchased at the door. Call 259-2460.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16 PERKINSVILLE, Vt. - 12 noon - Monthly Weathersfield potluck and brief program at Perkinsville Community Church, Rt. 106 in Perkinsville Village. Lorraine Zigman will do a talk on the ten largest creatures ever to live in prehistoric times (known at this time per Smithsonian), from a giant dragonfly to an enormous boa constrictor. Bring a hot dish, salad or dessert. Paper goods and beverages will be provided. Contact Lorraine Zigman 802-263-5245; lzigman@comcast.net.

ENTERTAINMENT

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 10 WEST BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - The Yankee Male Chorus, in its 63rd year, will be performing at the First Congregation Church of West Brattleboro, 880 Main St. Brattleboro, Vt. 05301, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Yankee Male Chorus, in its 63rd year, will be performing at the Charlestown Congregational Church, located at 71 Main Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12 - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The

Yankee Male Chorus, in its 63rd year, will be performing at the United Church of Bellows Falls, located at 8 School Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 - CHESTER, Vt. - The Yankee Male Chorus, in its 63rd year, will be performing at the First Baptist Church, located at 80 Main Street, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14 GASSETTS, Vt. - Green Mountain Express is hosting our monthly Country open mic. Jam., It is at the Gassetts Grange in Chester, VT. Just 200 ft above Jct 10+103N. It's 1-4 p.m. on Sun. Aug. 14th. There are Raffle and 50/50 tickets on sale, refreshments on sale in kitchen and we ask for a \$5 door donation. Everyone welcome. Sing, play, or dance. Or just come and sit and listen and enjoy. Info. Call Dave @ 802-875-2637 or the Hall itself @ 802-875-1051.

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 BRATTLEBORO, VT - An upcoming free concert for children, their parents and caregivers will introduce kids to the magic of music and movement, and introduce their parents to the popular "Movin' into Music" program. The concert will be held Monday, August 15, at 10 a.m. at the Brattleboro Music Center, 38 Walnut Street, Brattleboro.

SUNDAYS - WESTMINSTER, Vt. - The William Czar Bradley Law Office and the Westminster Historical Museum will both open for the summer on Sundays until September 4. The Museum is located on the second floor of the Westminster Town Hall on Route 5, The law office is two doors south of the town hall. The featured exhibit at the museum is the churches of Westminster that includes the oil portrait of Rev. Sage, who was ordained in 1790 and served for 35 years. The law office is a wonderful two room structure appearing much as Mr. Bradley left it in 1858. Free admission, information 802-387-5778.

THURSDAYS - LUDLOW, Vt. - Gypsy Reel plays regularly at The Killarney, in Ludlow. Music always begins at 6:30 p.m. and continues until 8:30 p.m. or later (depending upon football schedule). Fine Ale, good pub food, and great music in the traditional Irish style.

GASSETTS, Vt. - Bingo will be held every Thursday night at the Gassetts Grange. We are getting some real good crowds. Starts at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5:00 p.m. Supper, Raffle and 50/50 tickets are on sale. Come and join in. Any info. needed call Donna @ 802-591-4290 or you can call the hall @ 802-875-1051. Hope to see you there!

FARMER'S MARKETS

FRIDAYS - LUDLOW, Vt. - Ludlow Farmers Market. See you Fridays, from 4 - 7 p.m., in Ludlow! Worth noting new from vendors: Plew Farm "Fresh chicken! We pasture raise our chickens, and all of our animals, at our farm in Mount Holly. Farm fresh eggs and grass fed beef also available." Woolly Bear Soaps "Try one of our infused oil soaps... skin loving calendula, soothing lavender or delicate rose. Made by immersing (infusing) natural botanicals in pure vegetable oils." Evening Song Farm "Heirloom tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, slicing tomatoes, plum tomatoes, shiitake mushrooms, garlic, cucumbers, zucchini, french filet green beans, salad greens, peas, basil, micro basil..." Gloria's Pantry "This week is all about raspberries! We have fresh raspberry scones,raspberry

filled cookies,raspberry oat bars and raspberry truffle brownies!! of course we will also have our fresh baked pies like raspberry,raspberry-peach and raspberry-blackberry. Plus—our local raw honey is back."

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Farmers' Market will be held every Friday from 4:00 -7:00 p.m. in Bellows Falls, Vermont through September 16. Fresh produce and vendor goods will be available for purchase, accompanied by family-friendly activities in the Hetty Green Park, just off Westminster Street and behind TD Bank on the corner of Church and School streets. Directions can be found on the BFFM website at www.bffarmersmarket.com.

WEST TOWNSEND, Vt. -The Townshend Farmers Market is located on the lawn of the historic West Townshend Country Store. The Townshend Farmers Market will run every Friday through October 14th

from 4:00 -7:00 p.m. Shop for your fresh local groceries for the week from our returning vendors: produce from Wild Shepherd Farm and Sitting Tree farm, local meat from West Townshend Botanicals, maple syrup from Taft Hill farm and biodynamic teas from Meadows Bee Farm. Don't forget your Kim-

chi and Sauerkraut from FinAllie Ferments, and wood-fired sourdough from Bread From the Earth. Back to the Moose Robe will return with their native American crafts and chaga tea. 6573 Vermont Route 30 West Townshend.



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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A troubling situation takes a positive turn and moves toward a resolution that should please you and your supporters. Meanwhile, make time to deal with new domestic issues.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's a good time to reassess your goals and consider shifting directions. Remember to keep an open mind, and be prepared to make changes as new opportunities arise.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Rely on your strong Mercury aspect to help you close that communication gap before it becomes too wide to cross. A sibling or other family member has news.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You're about to get off that emotional roller coaster and start experiencing more stability than you've been used to. This is a good time to let someone new into your life.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Good news: A trusted friend comes through for you. But you still need to shed that last scrap of self-doubt and once more become the cool, confident Cat we all know and love.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A more positive family relationship develops as misunderstandings are explained away. A job situation appears promising, but check it out before you act on it.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Congratulations. That on-the-job situation is working out as you'd hoped. Now's a good time to relax and to enjoy the company of family and close friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might feel as if you're caught in an emotional tug-of-war. But don't be rushed into a decision on either side. Wait for more facts before you act.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The Goat's usually high level of self-confidence is brimming over these days. This should help you deal with a situation that you've avoided for far too long. Go for it.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Relationships become more intense. But be careful not to be pushed into decisions you're not comfortable with. Remember: You're the one in charge of your life.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You need to show more confidence in your ability to reach your goals. Make that long-delayed decision, and avoid floundering around in a sea of self-doubt.

BORN THIS WEEK: Although you appear to be strongly opinionated, you can also be open to other ideas — so long as they are presented with logic and clarity.

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SATURDAYS - LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Market Season is in full swing! The West River Farmers Market is buzzing on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the junction of Routes 100 and 11 in Londonderry! Come visit us and pick up some fresh greens from Deep Meadow Farm, sweet strawberries from Clearbrook Farm, bright rdishes from Firebelly Farm or heirloom tomatoes from Old Athens Farm. Ephraim Mountain Farm has fresh sausages, beef and eggs. Treat yourself or someone

you love to a unique piece of art or jewelry from one of our artisan vendors or sip a sweet lemonade by the river. We are at the edge of the West River and under the shade- there's nothing but sweet fresh air, good music, and a wonderful family atmosphere! Looking forward to seeing you at the market!

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Springfield Farmers Market is open every Saturday in Downtown Springfield in the People's United Bank parking lot from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. There is a good variety of offerings from our vendors selling fresh foods, crafters with aprons and other sewn items as well as jewelry and a new vendor with juvenile fiction books plus much more. The market is a vendor run non-profit, new vendors welcome. The Springfield Farmers Market is sponsoring a monthly raffle. The drawings will take place the first Saturday of each month and ticket holders do not have to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased from participating vendors at the Springfield Farmers Market on Saturdays in the People's United Bank parking lot from 10a.m. to 1p.m. The market thanks Bibens Ace Hardware and Springfield Cinema 3 for their donations. For more info contact the website at springfieldfarmersmarket.com, email at springfieldfarmersmarketinc@gmail.com or call 802-885-4096.

Block Party and Dance Concert will be held at the Waypoint Center in Bellows Falls, Vermont on Saturday, August 13. Gate opens at 6:30 p.m. Hotdogs, burgers and picnic food will be for sale, and cash bar available. Ticket cost is \$11 in honor of the event's 11th year and can be purchased online at the WOOL website, www.blacksheepradio.org. Online sales stop on August 13, but can be purchased at the gate. Proceeds benefit Bellows Falls community radio station WOOL, Black Sheep Radio. For more information, email feedback@blacksheepradio.org.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 - LUDLOW, Vt. - The Society of Vermont Artists and Craftsmen, Inc. 25th Annual Late Summer Arts and Craft Festival will be held on Saturday, August 20 at Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts located on Route 103 South in Ludlow, Vt. The festival will be held from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., rain or shine. Activities include instructor demonstrations, juried arts and crafts, children's activities, chainsaw carving, and food concessions. The Society Craft and Gift Shoppe will be open. No Admission Fee.

GASSETTS, Vt. - A basket raffle will be held at the Gassetts Grange Hall at 11 a.m. Come have a great time and enjoy some lunch! There is a fee for the basket raffle tickets, which will have a large selection of baskets to enjoy!

WINDHAM, Vt. - Some New Sustainability Ideas in Architecture will be the topic of a one day conference on August 20. Presentations will run from 1 - 5 p.m. and a reception will be held from 5 - 9 p.m. RSVP by August 15 to Robert Shannon at rfs@vermontel.net. This will be a free event, sponsored by the Fourth Corner Foundation, that features four long-established architects exploring recent projects that contain innovative ideas in the integration of high conservation and alternate energy solutions with real world conditions and constraints. Each will discuss their projects (which will be also presented on the gallery walls

from August 20 - September 10) with a Q&A session, and then a reception with food and drink will follow. This event is being hosted by the Fourth Corner Foundation: The Fourth Corner Foundation Gallery, 578 Hitchcock Hill, Windham VT 05359. Contact: Robert Shannon at rfs@vermontel.net or 802-875-2194

LUDLOW, Vt. - This year's GFWC Okemo Valley Women's Club annual yard sale is returning on Saturday, August 20, 2016. Anyone who has attended in the past is familiar with the myriad of household goods, furnishings, curios, books and fun bargains to be found at this annual fundraising event. Laughter, deals and good will abound at this tag sale which will again be held at 94 Main Street in Ludlow, just a few steps from Fletcher Memorial Library. The sale will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. GFWC is an international women's organization dedicated to community improvement and enhancing the lives of others through volunteer service.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21 - LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Pingree Park Family Fun Day at 36 Pingree Park Lane, Londonderry. Gates open at 2 p.m. Movie starts at 8:00 p.m. Food for sale. Other activities include a frog race, dunk tank, bouncy houses, and carnival games. All proceeds go toward the Londonderry Town Park fund.

HEALTH

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 RUTLAND, Vt. - The Rutland Area VNA & Hospice will be the host site for two blood drives for the American Red Cross in August. Dates for these two blood drives will be Thursday, August 11 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. and Wednesday, August 24 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 7 Albert Cree Drive in Rutland. Follow the signs to the entrance around the side of the building. Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements. Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, prior to arriving at the blood drive! To get started and learn more, visit redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and follow the instructions on the site.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive held at the Elks Club, 49 Park St., Springfield, VT from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. We need Double Red donors with blood types: O+, O-, A-, or B-. ALL types are needed for Whole Blood donations! THE NEED IS GREAT! Please make an appointment at RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-Red Cross. If you haven't tried RapidPass - it works. Save time by pre-filling the history questions on your phone or printing from your computer. It must be done on the DAY of the Drive.

EVERY MONDAY AT 7:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY AT 5:00 P.M., AND FRIDAY AT 7:30 A.M. - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Edgar May Health and Recreation Center is leading community walks 3 days a week for free! You don't have to be a member, you don't have to pay, and you don't even have to sign up. Meet in the front lobby of the Recreational Center. Come meet your neighbors, make some new friends to talk as you walks, and get healthier with every step.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 - WARREN, Vt. - Warren United Church's Annual BBQ: Saturday, Aug. 13, starting at 5 p.m. on the church lawn. Rain or shine. Pulled pork, chicken, assorted salads, breads, desserts, iced tea & lemonade. All proceeds will benefit The Community Fund, specifically their support for the new Capstone outreach worker in the Mad River Valley. The Silent Auction will support the Mad River Valley Seniors.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The 11th annual Black Sheep Radio

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MONDAYS - MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. - Zumba with Brigid Faenza 6 p.m. Mount Holly School Gym. Workout to upbeat music and have fun! Bring flat shoes, water bottle and a towel. Drop-in fee applies or save money and purchase a block of classes. For more information email Bakerbrigid@vermontel.net

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Overeaters Anonymous Meeting from 7 - 8 p.m., Lower Level Conference Room, The Health Center, 1 Hospital Court. Please call 802-376-3507.

THURSDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) #0013 CHANGED THEIR MEETING DATE FROM TUESDAYS TO EVERY THURSDAY at Huber Building, 80 Main St. Weigh-in starts at 8 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m.

WEEKLY - REGION - "Bone Builder" program developed by Tufts University to combat osteoporosis. Free and open to men and women 55+. Call 802-674-4547. Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Windsor Recreation Center 9:00 -10:00 a.m. Monday and Wednesday: Brownsville Town Hall 9:00 -10:00 a.m.; Martin Memorial Hall in Ascutney 10:00 -11:00 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: Cavendish Baptist Church 10:30 -11:30 a.m.

LIBRARIES

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Come to Movie Night at Springfield Town

Library on Thursday, August 11th from 7:00 - 9:15 p.m. Recently released on DVD, this film tells the inspiring true story of African American athlete Jesse Owens and his journey to the 1936 Berlin Olympic Games. Teens and adults welcome. Popcorn, courtesy of Springfield Cinemas 3, will be served. This program is free and open to the public. Please go to <http://www.springfieldtownlibrary.org/calendar> or call the library at 885-3108 for the movie title.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13 - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Charlestown Police Association's 3rd Annual Car Show and BBQ will be held on August 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Whelen, Rte 12, Charlestown, NH. Admission is free for the public and drivers, and includes homemade salads and beans

MONDAY, AUGUST 14 - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - Origami Paper Cranes at 4:00 p.m. at the Silsby Public Library. Come learn how to make origami paper cranes in honor of Obon Day, the Japanese custom of ancestor remembrance. For Ages 8 to 8+

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Springfield Town Library will host a celebration of summer reading at the library on Wednesday, August 17 at 2 p.m.! Music will be provided by Steven Coronella and we will have ice cream! Summer readers will receive recognition and top readers will be rewarded. This event will recognize the

hours of reading completed by Springfield area youth this summer and the wonderful adults who support and encourage a love of reading. This event is funded by the Rosemarie "Ro" Ratti Memorial Fund. Ro was an exceptional advocate for children and recognized the importance of literature as a foundation of education and well being. For more information, www.springfieldtownlibrary.org or call 802-885-3108.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - Hiking

Charlestown at 9:00 a.m. at the Silsby Public Library. Join us for a series of hikes that feature the trails and nature of Charlestown! Jim Fowler will be our guide for this fun trail as we meet at the Great Meadow Trail head at Lower Landing. Please wear proper attire, sunscreen, and insect repellent.

LUDLOW, Vt. - School age children are invited to the Fletcher Memorial Library to read a story with Oreo, the Reading Dog, from 3 to 4 p.m.

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MEETINGS

SUNDAYS - N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol holds its meetings on Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. at 13 Airport Road, North Springfield, Vermont. The CIVIL AIR PATROL is the volunteer auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Membership is open to age 12 yrs. and up. For further information please call the Commander, Maj. Fellows at 802-263-5544 or drop by a meeting.

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