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Town meeting vote in question

BY JOEL SLUTSKY
The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The voting at the Bellows Falls Annual Village meeting, which resulted in the passing of a \$1.98 million budget, became a major point of discussion at a May 23 village trustee meeting. The vote to affirm the budget that took place at the Bellows Falls Opera House passed on My 16 with a total vote of 34 to 26. At the voting a villager had asked for a ballot vote in favor of a standing vote, which complicated the legitimacy of the results. New trustee member Jim McAuliffe stated that the registration checkers at the door only processed 51 voters. McAuliffe continued that this situation raised a red flag and questioned if this was a valid vote.

Municipal Manager Shane O’Keefe maintained that some people manning cameras at the vote did not sign in. The trustees have notified the sec-

retary of state about the issue. There was a discussion of reviewing the vote by watching a Fact VT video of the event. Town Clerk Kerry Bennett noted that if a petition challenged the results it would have to be filed 30 days after the vote, which would be June 5 and a new meeting could be warned at a considerable expense. Bennett clarified that with potential voters at 1,853 and 92.7 needed to file the petition 93 people would have to sign the document. Three trustees on the current board, Jim McAuliffe, Deborah Wright and Stefan Golec voted against the budget.

As was evident again at this year’s vote, the number of registered voters in Rockingham who actually voted was very small. Bennet proposed three ideas that could increase the participation in the future including: putting a warning on the water bill, including a flyer in the Shopper and placing a banner up in the town. Villager Doug MacPhee said he has

had several calls concerning a petition but was not inclined to move it forward at this time. He also stated that the ball was dropped by “all of us in this situation.”

The passed budget also became the point of discussion. Jim McAuliffe stated that the public should know that the trustees will go over the budget line by line. He said, “As a board let’s review the budget and possibly change some elements.”

Villager Jim Mitchell stated, “I hope the board will take a look at the budget and how it could be reduced as there is concern in the village about the recent six cent hike.”

Additional meeting items included the paper of record: The Shopper was named the paper of record and the Eagle Times as a backup. Bennett said that the Shopper gets delivered to everyone and is the least expensive option.

Farmer’s Market: Gary Fox announced the 2017 farmers market

will be opening June 2 and made a request on the behalf of the market’s manager that the events allow two ounces of sample cups of craft beer so they could decide to buy the beer in bottles. Fox clarified that no one will be walking around the market with beers and indicated that this is standard fare for farmer’s markets. Trustee Stefan Golec said that someone from the liquor commission needs to approve this and the issue was put on the June 30 joint board meeting.

The two new trustees made a brief statement at the end of the meeting. Wright said, “I would like to thank the voters who came out and I will do the job I was selected to do.”

McAuliffe said, “I would like to thank the people who voted and gave me the opportunity to serve. O’Keefe lauded the work that Colin James did on the board for six years.”

The entire meeting can be watched at www.fact8.com.



Memorial Day in BF

Pierce Lawton Post 37 American Legion Color Guard observing Memorial Day.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE

SHS arts festival blends “old & new” in visual arts and music –

BY KAREN ENGDAHL
The Shopper

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – From paintings of dinosaurs to drawings of space-scapes, from musical works of the Venetian Renaissance to a world premiere marimba concerto, Springfield High School fine arts students explored the range of “Old & New” in their annual Spring Arts Festival.

Drawings, paintings, sculpture, fashion, and mixed media pieces filled the cafeteria gallery space as well as multiple display cases in the hallways of the high school. Art lovers lingered at each display, enjoying the students’ work in chalk, pastel, watercolor, tempera, fabric, photography, and even humble corrugated cardboard.

“We’re especially proud of Kynzie Smith’s work,” said art teacher Katie Boduch. “She won the 2017 Congressional Arts Competition as



Architectural models done in cardboard.

PHOTO BY KAREN ENGDAHL

Vermont Congressman Peter Welch’s choice for her photograph of ‘Maxine the Goat.’”

Also prominent in the gallery were the large cardboard architectural models of ancient cities.

“They were a lot of fun to make,” said Boduch.

After browsing through the galleries, visitors made their way to the auditorium where music students presented a concert of works by Donato, diLasso, Jerome Kern, Steven Tyler, and others. Notable in the program were the opening march arranged by SHS music teacher, Jim Chlebak, and the world-premiere marimba concerto, “Restless,” written by his son, Nicolas Chlebak.

The concerto was commissioned for the occasion to celebrate the acquisition of the marimba, a memorial to former SHS music teacher,

Isabella Erickson. Ericsson was further commemorated with a video tribute written by former colleagues and students, curated by Chlebak.

After the instrumental section of the program, performed by the Wind Ensemble, came the vocal performance of the Madrigal Singers.

Seniors Madeline Macie and Danielle Marasa performed vocal solos in “How Great Thou Art” and “All the Things You Are” respectively. Cellist Nadine Spigel was featured in the Madrigal Singers’ performance of “Misty Mountains Cold.”

For the final two pieces, “See You Again” and “Those Magic Changes,” the Madrigal Singers were joined by the members of the SHS Chorus.



Nadine Spigel with her cello, warms up before the concert.

PHOTO BY KAREN ENGDAHL

Friendly Meals food challenge underway

BY JOEL SLUTSKY
The Shopper

ALSTEAD, N.H. – “One of the most important things you can do on this earth is to let people know they are not alone.” – Shannon L. Alder.

A local family foundation is holding a matching food challenge that started Memorial Day and will end on July 31 for the Fall Mountain Friendly Meal Program. The foundation will match cash donations dollar for dollar up to \$10,000 for a total of \$20,000 to help New Hampshire families. The foundation, which has sponsored this important event for several years, generously extended the challenge last year after the deadline so the amount could be reached. The money donated will buy food to provide full course nutritious meals.

The Friendly Meals Program provides meals for people in need. The program feeds an average of 50 people a day at the Alstead Fire Station and the affiliated Meals on Wheels Program delivers hundreds of meals a week to people in area towns including Alstead, Langdon, Charlestown, Walpole and North Walpole. The bags for delivery are filled and delivered after the lunch is over. Volunteers use their own vehicles and pay for their own gas to support this important service. According to the Director of the Fall Mountain Friendly Meals and the Langdon Food Shelf, Mary Lou Huffling, one of the founders of Friendly Meals 30 years ago,

“The delivered food allows people to stay in their homes and get nutritious meals as well as having

someone check in on them. We receive referrals for people in need from doctors, hospitals, home health care, family and friends. Friendly Meals finances are very low at this time and our expenses are high even though we are very frugal.”

According to Huffling, “At the Friendly Meals we serve a full course home cooked meal that include fruits, fresh breads, and a delicious desert. Many people we serve live alone and the meals are a chance to socialize and break bread with someone, food for the body and soul.” She added, “The meals have a special ingredient – they are made with love.”

Meals are served Tuesday and Thursday at the Alstead Fire Station beginning around 11 a.m. Huffling concluded her comments with, “We have the most wonderful crew of loving volunteers.”

Anyone interested in donating to the challenge can send a check to Fall

Mountain Friendly Meals, P.O. Box 191, Alstead, NH, 03602 or drop off a check at the Alstead Fire Station during meal hours. For further information call Mary Lou Huffling at 603-835-2283.



Friendly Meals volunteer Ann. PHOTO PROVIDED



L to R Joyce, Peter, Mary Lou, and Suzette preparing meals.

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Molesky brings comedy, rock’n’roll, and guitar to town

BY MARY ELLEN CANNON
The Shopper

ALSTEAD, N.H. – Short on laughter? Dennis Molesky lines up comedians Jim Bishop, Mike Holmes, and Greg Boggis to alter the deficit on Friday, June 2, 8-10 p.m. at Mole Hill Theatre, 789 Gilsun Mine Road in Alstead. Molesky writes, “Expect a wide range of cov-

ers from The Band, Hank Williams, the Grateful Dead, Neil Young, the Rolling Stones, Bruce Springsteen, Dire Straits.”

New Hampshire native Bishop performs regularly at Comix at Mohegan Sun and throughout New England. Holmes, another New Hampshire-grown comic, is making his mark with a warm and silly style. He too plays at Comix at Mohegan

Sun and the major comedy clubs. Hippo magazine awarded Greg Boggis “Honorable Mention” in the comedian category, and his comedy room at Fody’s Tavern in Nashua made the top five places to see comedy in New Hampshire, listed by the “Best Things in New Hampshire” website.

Molesky explains some comic material may be of mature nature.

Friends of Peter White invite all to a rock’n’roll good time at Mole Hill to support Peter White, Saturday, June 3 6-11 p.m. Lon Livengood and The Best Revenge, Hankey Bannister, Bill Symonds, and Julio Razquin will perform. The benefit is to offset medical and other expenses accrued due to cancer.

Roots Cellar-Zach Benton rocks Mole Hill Theatre, Saturday, June

10, 7:30-11 p.m. Check out Benton’s “Summer Fling” on You Tube or “Melodious Zach Benton” on Facebook.

Sunday, June 11, 4-5:30 p.m. guitar virtuoso Peter Ciluzzi fills a late spring afternoon with music. Ciluzzi was a finalist in the Canadian Fingerstyle Guitar Competition. His expansive sound is influenced by jazz, world music, classical, rock,

and bluegrass. Mole Hill Theatre is a bring-your-own-bottle-and-snacks venue with no hard liquor allowed. The venue has a fascinating history as a machine shop turned into a space to foster arts and community. The Leaf Charter School will lease part of the space in fall 2017.

See comedian photos online at www.VermontJournal.com

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Springfield Garden Club's annual civic beautification

BY KAREN ENGDAHL
The Shopper

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Take a perfect gardening day: overcast, cool (but not cold), with a bit of rain in the forecast (but not today), add an enthusiastic group of gardeners, 600 plants, and what do you get? Another successful civic beautification project for the Springfield Garden Club.

"The only problem is the bugs!" said Sue McCausland, swatting black flies as she weeded a spot in the Memorial Garden near the Black River. McCausland and fellow Garden Club member Valerie Hanly worked to refresh the "Plant it Pink" flower bed honoring those who have struggled with breast cancer.

A few miles away near the Springfield Town Hall, another group of Garden Club members assembled



Springfield Garden Club members 2017.

PHOTO BY KAREN ENGDAHL

to weed and refresh the large flower bed in front of the building.

Organizers with clipboards and checklists kept the process moving as trays of brightly-colored begonias, petunias, and potato vines were deployed to the many large planters along Main Street.

"This year we're using more than 600 plants and 33 bags of soil," said Sandy MacGillivray. "In January, a committee meets to decide what plants to use - we listen to community feedback about

what people like best. Then John MacAveeny at Sunshine Acres starts the plugs for us and John Harmer's class at the River Valley Tech Center nurtures them until we're ready to plant."

"This is the day we've all been waiting for," added Jocelyn Zezza. "I just got back at two o'clock this morning from a trip to New Orleans, but I couldn't wait to start planting. My favorite part of the project is making the town look pretty."

In addition to the Main Street planters, the Town Hall flower beds, and the Memorial Garden near the Gould's Mill Bridge, Garden Club members plant and maintain the flower beds at the downtown flagpole, plaza traffic island, Route

10/106 island, and the Eureka Shoolhouse. They also do planting and maintenance at the Springweather Wildlife Nature Habitat in North Springfield, the perennial garden at TARPS, and aid in the restoration of gardens at the historic Dan Foster House. The Garden Club's projects are primarily funded with proceeds from their annual "Festival of Trees" Holiday Season event.

"Planting everything is just the first step," said Zezza. "Then we water and take care of the plants until October."

For more information about the Garden Club, including information about becoming a member, visit their website springfieldgardenclub.org.

GFRCC has a new executive director

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is proud to announce that Doreen Stoodley has been appointed the Executive Director. The position was recently vacated by Deborah Carbin. Doreen Stoodley has served for Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce as the assistant for the past three years and for the last few months as the Acting Executive Director.

Doreen brings 30 years customer



Doreen Stoodley, executive director. PHOTO PROVIDED

service experience and 10 years sales experience to the chamber. She is a Certified Vermont State Ambassador - an expert in hospitality & customer service, and Vermont Notary. Doreen serves on the Bellows Falls Downtown Development Alliance Board & Promotions Committee, and on the Bellows Falls Middle School PTO Board.

Doreen came to Bellows Falls from Rutland, her and husband Lee have been together for 15 years, they have 2 daughters, a son-in-law, grandson and reside in the Bellows Falls area.

Her first official first day was May 17, 2017. Anticipate seeing Doreen out and around the Great Falls Regional Area introducing herself to local businesses. You can also stop by Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce at the Waypoint Center in Bellows Falls, VT to find out more information.

Nine staff honored for long-time service



Kurn Hattin Homes Service Award recipients, from left: Richard Long, Carol Bazin, Real Bazin, Jennifer Tallman (sitting), Sonja Fullam, Jennifer Leonard, and Kathleen Allen.

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WESTMINSTER, Vt. - As the weather heats up and the school

year comes to a close, service awards were given to the staff at Kurn Hattin Homes for Children who have spent a significant number of years dedicated to helping transform the lives of children. At the May all-staff meeting, Executive Director Steve Harrison welcomed all employees of the non-profit home for children, reminding everyone of the tremendous impact Kurn Hattin Homes has in the lives of children and their families.

Honored staff received a commemoration plaques and were recognized in the following order: Jennifer Leonard (assistant music director) and Kathleen Allen (lead counselor) for five years of service, Sonja Fullam (executive assistant) for 10 years of service, Jennifer Tallman (elementary teacher) for 20 years of service, Mary Jo Dansereau (assistant residential director) for 25 years of service, Real Bazin (farm and fleet director), Carol Bazin (assistant residential director) for 30 years of service, and Richard Long (social studies teacher) for an amazing 35 years of service. Also honored was Kathleen Gurney (senior accountant), who received the "Above and Beyond" Award for her commitment to helping others.

Established in 1894, Kurn Hattin Homes for Children in Westminister, Vermont is a charitable, year-round home and school for boys and girls, ages 5-15, who are affected by family tragedy and social or economic hardship. Our mission: "Kurn Hattin Homes transforms the lives of children and their families forever."

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30th annual Kurn Hattin Day was a moving event

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Each year on Kurn Hattin Day, Kurn Hattin Homes for Children orchestrates a lively day of events with campus tours, a luncheon, and a concert performance to thank our donors and alumni for their kindness. This year, the celebration theme was Down on the Farm. The children's performance of music was inspired by barnyard classics, and had the audience dancing and singing along with the children to songs such as Old MacDonald, B-I-N-G-O, and The Chicken Dance. They were also treated to marching percussion and Color Guard, complete with cow print flags!



Children sing "Old MacDonald" dressed as farmers at Kurn Hattin Day. PHOTO PROVIDED

The day also included the Annual Meeting of the Kurn Hattin Alumni Association. At the meeting, each 2017 graduating eighth grade student was welcomed and inducted as an Alumni Association member. Elections were held, the current officers are: President Heather Kamp-

fer '01; Vice President Lyssa Jackson '08; Treasurer Shirley Bacon Doyle '49; and Secretary Mabella Mendez

'63. During the meeting, deceased alumni were honored and remembered.

Curb appeal challenge

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - This summer Union/Park Neighborhood Association is co-sponsoring a town-wide Springfield Curb Appeal Challenge. We hope that you (any Springfield resident, neighborhood group, non-profit agency, or organization) will want to be part of the planning and carrying out of this exciting project!



Contestants commit to making improvements to the exterior of their home or front yard.

improvement. Discounts on exterior building materials and yard materials will be available to contest entrants by our retail co-sponsors, who at this point are Bibens Hardware and Woodbury Florist. More info will follow as the time draws near.

This is the kind of activity that will build our town's pride and sense of community. Homeowners can improve their property's appeal and value, spend less money doing it, and possibly even win a prize.

Contest entrants will commit to making an improvement to their home or yard that is highly visible from the street. A panel of judges will award cash prizes to the several winners of the contest. The visual impact of the property's im-

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provement will be the determining factor in winning, not the cost of the improvement. Claffee or call 802-885-6388. This will be great for our town!

BFUHS inducts new members to NHS

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - The Bellows Falls UHS Jesse A. Judd-Marilee B. Huntoon Chapter of the National Honor Society (NHS) welcomed 14 new members recently. The ceremonies were conducted by current NHS members who lit candles and read a short passage detailing the five qualities it takes to be considered for the National Honor Society: scholarship, service, leadership, character and citizenship. Students then read an introduction for each inductee that described how, through their academics, community service and extra-curricular activities, each candidate met the criteria for membership in the NHS. Principal Christopher Hodsdon made closing remarks after the induction ceremony saying that each of these new inductees does not

exhibit one of these qualities, rather, he or she must exemplify all of these qualities to be considered for membership in the National Honor Society.

New members were presented with a National Honor Society pin and membership card and took the membership pledge. A reception was held afterwards for all members and guests.

The new members of the Bellows Falls UHS Jesse A. Judd-Marilee B. Huntoon Chapter of the National Honor Society are: seniors Nora Bright, Simon Bupp-Chickering, Deven Carrier, Liam Hackett, Michael Houle, and Hannah Kelly; and juniors Reaghan Baldasaro, Hannah Harlow, Abigail Jones, Ethan Lauricella, Danielle Marchica, Nicolas



Senior Anthony Mueller leads new inductees in the pledge. PHOTO PROVIDED

Potter, Zoe Schemm, and Katharine Wilkinson. Congratulations to all.

PTA awards \$5,000 to elementary schools

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Springfield's Elementary School PTA awarded \$5,000 to Union Street and Elm Hill elementary schools on Wednesday, May 24.

The funds were raised last fall during the PTA's first annual comedy night fundraiser. Over 200 people attended the event, raising more than \$7,200.

Union Street Elementary will use a portion of the funds to create an outdoor garden space. Principal Nancy Wiese explained that the students will plan, plant and maintain the garden space. According to Wiese, the Union/Park Neighborhood Association will participate and donate perennials. The gardens are part of the improvements to the Union Street property after a dilapidated building directly in front of the school is demolished later this year.

Elm Hill Elementary will use its funds to add needed swing sets to the playground and to improve upon its outdoor space. Principal Dana Jacobson-Goodhue said, "What an embarrassment of riches, we are so grateful for the PTA's generous do-

nation. When the fundraising committee asked what we would like to use it for, the teachers overwhelmingly agreed that more swings on our playground would be ideal. We all believe strongly in outdoor physical activity for primary school children - especially in this beautiful spot in Vermont!"

"The PTA wanted to do something tangible with the money we raised for the schools, something that would benefit every student and the community," said PTA Comedy Night Chair Meredith Kelley.

Plans are under way for this fall's comedy night event, which will take place on Saturday, September 30 at 8

p.m. at the Springfield High School. The lineup includes comedians Kelly MacFarland, Drew Dunn and Paul Landwehr. There will be a silent auction, games and prizes.

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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Windham County will expand —

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - In the interest of serving more children in Vermont with mentors, Youth Services is transitioning its successful Big Brothers Big Sisters program into a state-wide organization over the next two months.

"Presently there are 70 community and school-based Big Brothers Big Sisters matches in Windham County with more than triple the number anticipated being served state-wide by the new structure," explained Russell Bradbury-Carlin, Youth Services' Executive Director.

"In this move to serve more Vermont young people living in difficult circumstances we are making every effort to ensure that quality mentoring services continue to be delivered in Windham County," said Bradbury-Carlin, who described a year-long process they have undergone, with milestones, guided by a transition committee made up of Youth Services board members and BBBS Advisory Board members.

The new entity serving the Green Mountain state will be named Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont and

Youth Services' current Director of Mentoring, Kimberley Diamond, will be its Executive Director.

Bradbury-Carlin said that mentoring is an essential part of all Youth Services programs, from its transitional living program to court diversion. Staff or volunteers often work one-on-one with young people living under difficult circumstances, or in small groups. He expects his organization to maintain a close working relationship with the new entity, especially in regard to its Windham County matches.

"One of the strengths of Youth Services has always been the wide range of prevention, intervention and development programs we bring to the families and young people we serve. We expect to continue to refer at-risk children who could benefit from a mentor to apply to Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont as well as continuing to innovate with our proprietary programs," Bradbury-Carlin stated.

Part of a national organization, there are over 350 Big Brothers Big Sisters agencies across the country, approximately 50 of which operate with the assistance of a sponsoring agency, which best describes the mentoring program's long and successful relationship with Youth Services.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Windham County was one of the first programs that Youth Services launched after it was founded in 1972 as a community nonprofit. Over its more than 40 year history together, there have been close to 2000 matches made, some lasting a few years and others a lifetime. Their newest program is Bigs in Blue, a school-based program that pairs elementary students with local police officers.

National research demonstrates that "mentoring"—pairing a caring adult volunteer with a young person for a mutually rewarding friendship—is an effective method of addressing all sorts of youth-related issues, from combating drug and alcohol use and violence to getting along better with their families and peers. Youth mentored by the program are 46 percent less likely to use drugs and 27 percent less likely to use alcohol than their non-mentored peers.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Windham County presently offers several flexible options for volunteers who want to mentor a child between the ages of 6 and 18. In the school-based program volunteers visit with a child during lunch and recess period once a week. In the community-based program, volunteers meet with a



Steven Stone and Dreshawn or "Dre" DeLorio, 12 have been matched for four years (both of Brattleboro) when this photo was taken. Steven came together when Dre was eight. It was a time when Dre's biological father wasn't around and his mother wanted him to have a positive male role model. Sometimes their chatting over a burger after Dre's soccer practice, other times it is night skiing, canoeing or bowling, activities introduced to him by Steven, who teaches skiing on the weekends and organizes soccer matches when he is not designing timber frame houses or spending time with his wife and teenage son.

PHOTO BY JEFF WOODWARD PHOTOGRAPHY

child during their own time and play sports, take a walk or just hang out for at least four hours a month. The site-based plus program combines the structure of meeting regularly at school with the option of spending

time in the community on weekends and during school vacations.

For information on volunteering, call Big Brothers Big Sisters at 802-257-0361, email info@bbsvt.org or visit www.bbsvt.org.



Dawn Slade of Guilford and Jackie Palmer, 8 of Brattleboro have been matched nearly two years when this photo was taken. They do art projects together, are adventurous and enjoy spending time outdoors. Dawn is the activity coordinator at Valley Cares Assisted Living in Townshend, Vermont. Jackie was a flower girl in Dawn's wedding.

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Estate sale a huge success

CHESTER, Vt. - The Antiques Estate Sale held at the Chester Historical Society on May 27 was a huge success. Buyers came from miles around to shop this sale.

Many antiques, the likes of which aren't often seen, were hurriedly purchased. A few buyers made piles while others had their arms full. One lady filled an antique wooden wheel-

barrow with her purchases.

The members of the historical society are deeply indebted to the generous donor of this estate. The Chester Historical Society is a self-sufficient organization depending on the generosity of the public.

Their next sale will be in July. If you have items to donate to the historical society asks you to consider



A crowd gathered to discover treasures in the estate sale outside the Chester Historical Society.

PHOTO BY RON PATCH

donating to them. And they'll give you a slip so you can deduct your donation from your taxes. CHS is a 501-3C organization. You can call Ron Patch at 802-374-0119 to make arrangements.

Music fest tickets from Bike Project —

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Roots on the River music festival is coming up soon, and the Bike Project is selling tickets!

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The Bike Project will be at the Roots on the River festival, selling bike-powered smoothies, t-shirts, 50/50 raffle tickets and more. Come join the fun!

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LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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Indians, Mexicans & Ludlow, Vt.

Below is a handwritten letter in the collection of the Chester Historical Society. It is dated December 18, 1887. It was written by

a son of Byron H. Butterfield of Ludlow. I have copied the letter as it was written with spelling errors etc. After the letter I give Byron Butterfield's

Civil War service. This letter is an eyewitness account of important history regarding the old West.

Temper, Arizona
Dec 18, 1887

Byron H Butterfield
Ludlow, Vermont

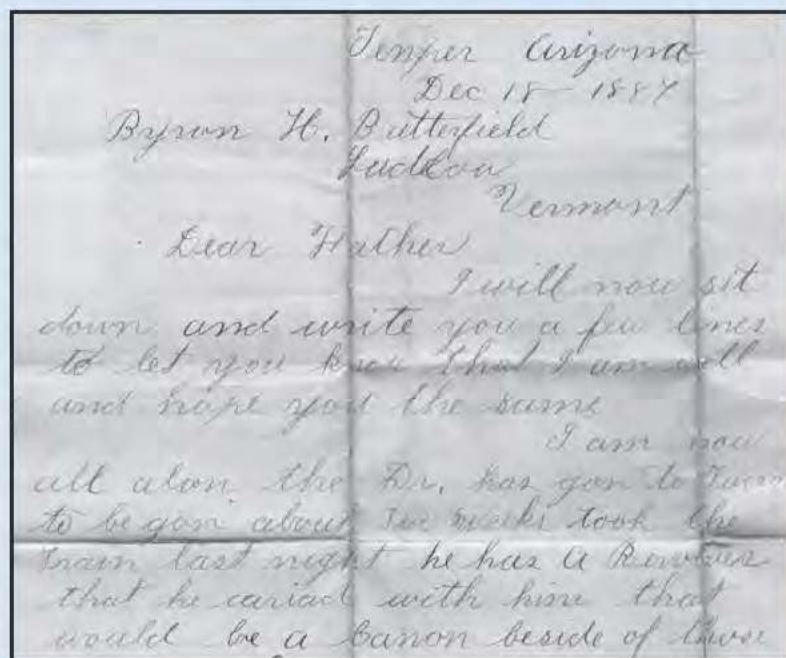
Dear father

I will now sit down and write you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope you the same.

I am now all alone the Dr. has gone to Tucson to be gone about two weeks took the train last night he has a revolver that he carried with him that would be canon beside of those you have East.

I am left to look after things I have a revolver laying by my side that I should enjoy very much if I could show it to my Eastern Friends. I don't think I shall like but dont know the country is full of Indians and Mexicans Eastern people ar pretty scirse only fore or five in the place. We have one man living in the back of the Drug store from Main by the name of Allen he sez his Grandfather and Eathen Allen wer brothers he hasnt been East sence he came hear some 45 years ago. He sez that all of those that crossed the plaines with him in 1843 have been killed by the Indians and he has halfed to bury them all.

He will go out into the hot sun and work all day bair headed then go to bead and hollar all night Sunday hear isent much as it is in the east all the Mexicans go to their church in the morning and then



1887 Ludlow letter.

PHOTO BY RON PATCH

they all begin to flock in to the vilage men and women and they spend the day drinking gambling horse resing shooting and every thing they can think of to pass away the time

I was some what surprised when I went to church and find as meny as their was their. Their ar lots of them who go and seam to tak an interest in what is sed but as soon as they get out side they forget it all and in less then an hour they ar as drunk as the rest.

In politics a man has to be all mity carful what he sez. Most of the people ar strong democrats and their ar lots

of southern soldiers hear and they ar just as bitter against the North as they wer in war time

You may tell Stella that our school marm rides back and forth from school on horse back and that she carries her revolver just as regular as her dinner

The Dr. and I have visited the Ded City where they ar at work diging up the skeleton of bod-ies houses and crockery that has been sopped to have burried by an earthquack thousands of years ago

Byron was the father of the author of this unsigned 1887 letter. Byron Henry Butterfield was a Civil War soldier who served in the Second Vermont Regiment. Butterfield enlisted in Andover, Vermont on February 24, 1862 in Company I. He fought in

many battles including White Oak Swamp, Antietam, Maryland and was wounded at the battle of Fredericksburg, Virginia on December 13, 1862. Butterfield was discharged on March 12, 1863 for those wounds. Eleven months had elapsed before he was discharged indicating a serious

wound and a very long recovery. On May 3, 1864 Butterfield married Abby Hesselton. He died September 24, 1900 The photo with this article is the top of the 1887 letter. This week's old saying, "A man needs to know his limitations."

Vermont History Day winners

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Vermont Historical Society is pleased to announce that Natasha Fortin, a student at Black River High School Middle School won second place and qualified for National History Day in the Senior Individual Documentary Category at Vermont History Day, held April 8, 2017 at Montpelier High School with her documentary "Stomp on the Moon instead of the Soviets."

Also, Aiyana Fortin, a senior at Black River High School Middle School won first place and qualified for National History Day in the Senior

Individual Documentary Category at Vermont History Day, held April 8, 2017 at Montpelier High School with her documentary "Superman's Anon-

ymous Informant: Stetson Kennedy" Aiyana also won the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation History Prize.

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Natasha Fortin. PHOTO PROVIDED



Aiyana Fortin. PHOTO PROVIDED

Electrical work for Chester Hearse House almost finished

CHESTER, Vt. - Non-profit Chester Townscape was delighted when Steve Mancuso of Chester Electric volunteered the labor for all the electrical work to be done on the Hearse House - the building located opposite Chester's Village Green that formerly housed the Town's horse-drawn hearse. Prior to the structure's recent renovation and Mancuso's work, the building had lacked power; yet electricity was certainly essential for the renovated building to become a mini museum featuring the Town of Chester's handsome hearse and information about funeral customs and other hearse-related objects. The restoration of that building, adjacent cast-iron fence, and Public Tomb was part of a Chester Townscape proposal that won enthusiastic partnership support from the Town of Chester and the many volunteers and donors who contributed the funds and in-kind services to make the project possible.

Chester Electric's work included installation of a sub-panel and interior wiring; an outside light with motion and light sensor; lighting inside the new educational foyer in preparation for display materials; lighting both inside the Town's handsome hearse itself and on the building's dark interior walls to spotlight the vehicle; and installation of a smart TV that will show slides of the restoration project and additional information about funeral customs.

The remaining challenge for Mancuso is designing and installing appropriate, non-obtrusive lighting for the hearse's two lanterns without altering the historical integrity of the vehicle.

Other projects that need to be completed before the mini museum can open to the public include working out a solution with the Town for the ramp into the building and

finalization of the information and pictures for the educational displays. Some residents have promised to search for photos of the hearse in action, but many attic treasures have not surfaced yet. Anyone with photos or other historical data pertaining to the hearse or Chester funeral customs is urged to contact Suzy Forlie at 802-875-3634 or Lillian Willis at 802-875-1340 as soon as possible.



Yosemite fire truck

Chester townspeople should be aware that the beloved 1931 American LaFrance Yosemite fire truck has been moved to Head's Up Motorsports on Rt. 10. The truck is currently not inside being protected from the weather. It is shame that antique town property is being neglected. This photo was taken Wednesday evening, May 24.

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Steve Mancuso of Chester Electric installs an outside light on the Hearse House.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Carnegie's gospel of wealth

The phrase "noblesse oblige" means "nobility obliges" – a medieval concept that obliged lords to provide and take responsibility for the serfs and household dependents who served them, especially when they became aged or disabled. Today most people have the means to provide for themselves, and government programs fill the gaps for those who don't.

Noblesse oblige survives in the form of charitable giving, and government encourages that kind of giving with tax breaks. But there is another kind of giver – the philanthropist, or "lover of man" – who has prospered in life both by his or her own talents and with the help of the community and now "gives back to the community" without expectation of reward or special recognition.

This kind of philanthropist won the praise of Andrew Carnegie in his "Gospel of Wealth," written in 1889.

A Scots immigrant who made his fortune in steel, Andrew Carnegie declared that competition and enterprise drives progress overall, and private philanthropy by the very wealthy would do more for more people than merely putting more dollars into individual pockets would do. The talented, successful entrepreneur, he wrote, would eventually amass more money than he actually needed, which raised the question: What, beyond meeting one's immediate needs, should be done with it?

Carnegie does not blame individuals for making as much money as they possibly can, through their own talents and effort. Capitalism is built upon that premise, he writes. But there is a moral consideration, he warns: what you do with it tells what kind of person you are.

Carnegie's "gospel of wealth" describes how to dispose of "surplus wealth" to put that wealth to work indefinitely for the greater good. Handing it down within the family or bequeathing it is unacceptable – not only stingy but carrying the risk of being diverted or frittered away by those who do not share the same vision.

To him, "the true antidote for the temporary unequal distribution of wealth" was to convert the "surplus wealth of the few" into "the property of the many."

Carnegie was a Progressive, concerned with promoting the progress of civilization by modern means. This meant science, new technologies, and above all, universal education.

Carnegie cites the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, founded by inventor and industrialist Peter Cooper in 1859 as a resource for learning. Cooper did not discriminate on the basis of religion, gender, race, and offered free tuition for laborers. The institute included a public reading room with subscriptions to newspapers and periodicals, and some low-income children studied there who would later become leaders in their professions. That was Cooper's vision. He lived long enough to take an active hand in making it a reality.

Carnegie himself funded the construction of libraries across the globe between 1883 and 1929, including 1,681 in the U.S.

Vermonters also benefited from the Progressive impulse. In Woodstock, Roy-alton-born Frederick Billings, who became wealthy in railroading and law and was instrumental in creating Yosemite National Park, demonstrated scientific forest management principles on Mount Tom. The genes of his prize-winning Jerseys improved local dairy herds. He made his extensive library available for local schoolchildren. The spot is now the Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historical Park, where visitors can freely hike and learn about forest stewardship and the evolution of environmentalism in America. At Billings Farm & Museum, still a working dairy, visitors can experience a bit of Vermont's farming legacy.

Many of our state historic sites and parks began as gifts of Progressive philanthropy. Pay a visit to the new 204-acre Muckross State Park in Springfield. Its website states that it was the dream of Vermont Senator Edgar May to provide a natural area for recreation and environmental learning.

These places preserve our identity as a country of, by and for the people. They are our patrimony and must not be lost, sold off or squandered. The old-time Progressives like Carnegie knew that much.

~BM~

Dear Editor,

To the Chair of the Grafton Select Board

The wind issue is not dead in Grafton Vermont, as noticed by my reappointment. You might say or think it is, but until this town has an approved town plan, and Substantial Deference; Grafton is completely vulnerable and at risk for future development and my opponents know this.

My closing report as Grafton Planning Commissioner:

"The town plan has been outdated for many years (2008 with minor modification in 2013). It is now near complete. The only parts undefined on this town plan are the language for Industrial Wind Turbines (IWT) and Solar. We have all worked very hard; Jon Miller, Jon Plummer, Rex James, Steve Fisher, Eric Stevens, Liisa Kissel and myself, David Acker. It is your duty as Chair to finish the plan as soon as possible."

In the March 20 Select Board meeting with you as the new Chair, Selectman Al Sands tells the select board and the community at a public meeting that the information I presented to the town was "misleading." I submitted only my research to the town, not my notes. I

Dear Editor,

The Legislature ended the session passing a budget with no increase in taxes or fees. We still found the room in our finances to fund a \$35 million bond that will build several hundred low- and middle-income housing units. And, we created a number of economic development policies that, if successful, will help our small- and medium-size businesses grow and allow several more communities to take advantage of special tax districts if they meet certain criteria in development.

We were also able to reduce the average residential property tax. We believe that there will be health care savings statewide that will show up in next year's school budgets.

Several of you have asked why I voted the way I did on the teacher

Dear Editor,

I would like to express greetings and gratitude to many who made Green Up Day 2017 a vibrant reality. Thank you!

To the volunteers: Over 22,000 people of all walks of life and varied ages volunteered to come out and clean up litter from Vermont's roadsides, public and natural spaces and waterways. They did this before, during and after the traditional day of Green Up Day, the first Saturday in May, May 6 for 2017. They worked through varying degrees of weather, including rain in some areas that forced delay of cleaning to the weekend after Green Up

Dear Editor,

The West Windsor Historical Society would like to thank everyone who donated and purchased items at our recent Auction on May 21, 2017.

We also wish to thank our fantastic auctioneer, Mark Isenberg for a job well done, Tom Kenyon for storing and delivery of our donated items, our cashier's Leone Bushkin and Jack Dugdale, Karen Diop and

Dear Editor,

The recent Postal Carrier's food drive ("Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive") carried more than a lot of weight on behalf of Black River Good Neighbor Services this year. An amazing amount of food was donated in just one day coming in to our food shelf, and for that we are extremely grateful.

Letter carriers in Ludlow, Mt. Hol-

Dear Editor,

Neighborhood Connections would like to thank the towns of Andover, Jamaica, Landgrove, Londonderry, Peru, Weston and Wind-hall for their pledge of support at the recent March Town Meetings. Your generous backing helps us do our important work – particularly since we do not receive any federal or state funds.

Neighborhood Connections provides "well-being" support for all people in our mountain communities – particularly those who are

did two site visits to Lempster, N.H., spoke with the town clerk (not the administrator) and she stated to me, "yes, it is the road used as access to the site and the road was not good before," I asked, "Is it worse now?" The clerk acknowledged being worse. I am not sure why Al Sands again continues to mislead you and the community, which I believe vilified me and harmed my reappointment as commissioner.

According to the Chair regarding my reappointment, "I served well, maybe we need a change, no animosity here, we need someone who would help or benefit the process."

I find these statements unfortunately offensive and divisive. I hope in the future you can do a better job at bring the community together, Mr. Chairman

Please note as planning commissioner and in your absence I have done extensive research and spent time on the town plan for the whole of the community. I did not jump into this work until I found out our neighbors and friends were being harmed. It already had health effects on people (stressing over just the possibility), including myself.

My two years of research, (peer reviewed, etc.), I submitted, which I be-

lieve proved this could be very harmful to some of our residents and friends whom live much closer than I, my wife, Ellen and daughter, Charlie. We live 3 miles from the nearest proposed site. Some of our friends and neighbors were within 1.5 miles to as close as .5 mile. I researched the human health impact for over a year. I did a 45-minute presentation on the Health impacts to the Commission and public. I also served on the Select Board Health Committee. How was this not someone who "helped or benefited" the town?

After working on the health impact I discovered everybody seemed more interested in environmental impacts, and yes, I was ground zero for the Bicknell's Thrush and the American Bird Conservancy. I still believe strongly of the impact on this Thrush, less than 100,000 left, and which migrates here and has been spotted and known to nest at nearby Stratton Mountain; along with other songbirds, bats and raptors. I believe our forest would have been an environmental disaster.

I have a strong suspicion the town plan is intentionally being delayed as not to get substantial deference. If true, negotiations and health care, a discussion that consumed the last month of the session.

The short answer is I followed the money. At first, I thought the governor's idea was a good one because how can one argue with an 80-20 split on health care costs with teachers while returning \$26 million to taxpayers. I even co-sponsored the Republican Beck amendment when it came to the floor that was an endorsement of this idea.

However, as the month wore on and more facts came out, I realized Gov. Scott was going to return only one-third of the so-called \$26 million to taxpayers. In fact, it was only \$13 million because it was spread out over two fiscal years... have to be careful of those great sound bites

do with filled bags; arrange for and advise of any community festivities such as breakfast, refreshments, lunch and in some cases return for gathering at a community dinner; music; raffles.

To the many schools whose students participated: Several thousand students around the state helped clean up with fellow students just prior to Green Up Day and also on Green Up Day in their communities with family, friends and neighbors.

To the numerous businesses coming out to help clean up on Friday: Over thirty businesses primarily in large towns formed teams of employees to

help start the Green Up cleaning up on Friday, drawing attention and reminder to take part in Green Up Day on Saturday.

To Governor Scott: The Governor with a team of his cabinet members went out on Friday to clean up a stretch of RT Two from Montpelier to Middlesex. He

is making his presence and support visible to emphasize the importance of Green Up Day.

Sincerely,
Melinda Vieux
President, Green Up Vermont

Exchange donated coffee. Friends of the Library made baked goods and also donated plants. Funds raised will help support programs at the Rockingham Free Public Library.

Thank you for helping grow our Rockingham Library and fill local gardens with beauty!

Thank you,
Polly Montgomery
Friends of the Rockingham Library

Share compassion together with food assistance.

To the postal carriers and everyone who donated food, thank you very much!

Krey Kellington
Food Program Administrator
Black River Good Neighbor Services

On behalf of the Friends of the Rockingham Library I wish to thank the area businesses and the community for supporting our recent Plant Sale held at the Rockingham Free Public Library on Saturday, May 13. Community members donated plants dug from their gardens, and area businesses donated flats of annuals and gardening items for the raffle and silent auction. Flat Iron

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Anna Valentine of OMS nominated to U.S. Snowboard Rookie Team



Anna Valentine.

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LUDLOW, Vt. – Okemo Mountain School snowboarder Anna Valentine (Class of 2018), of Sparta, N.J., was nominated recently for the U.S. Snowboard Rookie Team for Halfpipe. Valentine will continue to attend OMS for her senior year and work with Head Snowboard Coach Luke Bonang, while also having the support of the U.S. Snowboard Team at competitions. She will be able to attend U.S. Team projects and training camps. This nomination comes at the end of an incredible season for Valentine. Highlights include placing second in both the FIS Junior World Snowboard Championships and the Swiss National Europa Cup, two U.S. Revolution Tour podiums, and winning the Women's

Open Class for Halfpipe at USASA Nationals.

Head Snowboard Coach Luke Bonang said, "I couldn't be more stoked for Anna! She has been a part of this program since she was only 8 years old, and it has been amazing to watch her grow and develop as an athlete. This nomination to the U.S. Rookie Team couldn't be more well-deserved! Anna has a timeless style in her snowboarding and I am excited to watch her continue to make her mark on the sport."

"Anna is an incredible student-athlete who pushes herself to succeed at the highest levels both on the hill and in the classroom," said Head of School Mariel Meringolo. "Furthermore, she

is simply an absolute pleasure to have as a part of our school community. I couldn't be more proud of her and look forward to supporting her during her senior year with us."

Okemo Mountain School is a non-profit educational institution dedicated to the academic and athletic development of serious snow sports athletes. Student-athletes are given the opportunity to train in alpine ski racing, snowboarding, and freestyle skiing, while pursuing a rigorous course of academic study.

Further information about Okemo Mountain School may be obtained by contacting Mariel Meringolo at mmeringolo@okemomountain-school.org or (802) 228-1513.

CLIF Rural Libraries Grant goes to CFCL

CAVENDISH, Vt. - The Cavendish Fletcher Community Library is delighted to announce that they are the recipient of a Children's

Literacy Foundation Rural Libraries Grant for the upcoming school year. The library will receive \$2500 in new children's books for the library, two storytelling presentations during the upcoming school year at the school, two storytelling presentations during the upcoming year at two local preschools and two new books for each Cavendish Town Elementary School Student and preschool student. The library will also receive \$250 for an exciting and top-secret program to kick off the school year.

For more information, please contact Kata at 802-226-7503.

EdgarMay needs member feedback

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The EdgarMay Health and Recreation Center needs help and we are asking you. We are seeking members who would like to be a part of a summer project to give us feedback about member exercise habits.

The EdgarMay is designing a summer project, led by a UVM student, which focuses on what impacts exercise participation. The summer project will take place over a six-week period beginning in early June and lasting until mid-July. A minimal amount of time will be required each week from all participants. All member information will be kept anonymous through this study. With your help, the EdgarMay will be able to look at what motivates people to exercise. We will then analyze this information in a way to help us strengthen our support for members and their exercise needs.

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Sealed bids will be received for the chip sealing in two locations in the Village of Grafton, Vermont. Bids will be received at the Grafton Selectmen's office, P.O. Box 180, 117 Main Street, Grafton, VT 01546 until 3:00PM on June 15, 2017. Bidders are required to contact the Road Foreman, Danny Taylor, with any questions regarding the specifications for the chip sealing job. Danny Taylor can be reached at the Town Garage at (802) 843-2456.

All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the words "2017-20% Rubber Chip Sealing Bid". Current insurance documentation must be submitted with the bid. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the Select Board meeting scheduled on June 19, 2017 at 6PM at the Grafton Town Garage, 220 Bell Rd., Grafton, VT. Contractors will be notified of awards at a later date.

COLD PLANING TOWN OF GRAFTON INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received for Cold Planing in two locations in the Village of Grafton, Vermont. Bids will be received at the Grafton Selectmen's office P.O. Box 180, 117 Main Street, Grafton, VT 05146 until 3:00PM on June 15, 2017. Bidders are required to contact the Road Foreman, Danny Taylor, with any questions regarding the specifications for the cold planing job. Danny Taylor can be reached at the Town Garage at (802) 843-2456.

All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the words "2017 Cold Planing Bid". Current insurance documentation must be submitted with the bid. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the Select Board meeting scheduled on June 19, 2017 at 6PM at the Grafton Town Garage, 220 Bell Rd., Grafton, VT. Contractors will be notified of awards at a later date.

PAVING TOWN OF GRAFTON INVITATION TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received for paving over milled portions, approximately 2" thick of type IV asphalt. Locations to be paved are, Main Street (approximately 850 x 32 feet) and a portion of Townsh end Rd. (approximately 1,000 x 32 feet), at the Grafton's Selectmen's Office, P.O. Box 180, 117 Main Street, Grafton, VT 05146, until 3:00 P.M. on 6/15/2017. Bidders are required to contact the Road Foreman, Danny Taylor, with any questions regarding the specifications for the paving job. Danny Taylor can be reached at the Town Garage at (802) 843-2456. All bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope marked on the outside with the words "2017 Paving Bid". Insurance documentation must be submitted with the bid. Bids will be opened and read aloud at the Selectboard meeting scheduled for 6/19/2017 at 6:00P.M., which is held at the Grafton Town Garage, 220 Bell Rd., Grafton, VT. Contractors will be notified of awards at a later date.

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Get ready, get set, STOP aquatic exotics

REGION - Get ready, get set, go and river users are off at the start of river season on Memorial Day! The Connecticut River Conservancy asks all river users to protect the Connecticut River and its tributaries from exotic plants and animals. Whether you use a powerboat, row, canoe, kayak or wade, swim, fish or sail, all river enthusiasts have an individual responsibility to protect the Connecticut River and its tributaries from the introduction of exotic aquatic species.

There are no "fixes" once exotics are in our waters. Once exotics establish themselves in a new habitat they propagate more quickly than native species. If these invaders find their new surroundings welcoming, they explode because they do not face their usual predators. In their uncontrolled explosions, exotics deny native species their usual habitat. They also create problems for humans; just ask anyone living on a lake where Eurasian milfoil or water chestnut has taken hold and choked their lake or ask someone responsible for keeping a water intake pipe open in the presence of zebra mussels.

The list of invasives we face continues to grow, so the responsibility to stop their spread increases. Lake Champlain is now dealing with the spiny water flea, a small critter that multiplies in profusion, and although fish do eat them, they cannot digest them. In fact, a small fish has problems even swallowing them. The Connecticut River has not yet seen these pests, but all it would take is a clump of them attached to an uncleaned fishing or down rigging line or a live well contaminated with them to start their invasion of our river.

Zebra mussels were discovered in Massachusetts just outside the Connecticut River watershed. Even with the quick response to close boat launch ramps, the odds are good that the mussel will get into the Connecticut River watershed. In New Hampshire, the Asian clam may claim another lake this year. Investigative field survey work is underway in a Franconia area lake, spurred on by an alert that the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services received that fishers found the clams in fish stomachs.

This brief discussion does not even

address the other aquatic invasive species including phragmites, Chinese mystery snail, rusty crayfish, curly leaf pondweed, carp, or the freshwater jellyfish, all in or near our watershed.

Care in preventing further spread of these infestations is the only tool we have at our disposal. Act as though every waterbody harbors problem species. Rely on the precautionary principle, be safe not sorry.

It is not hard to protect the river. Just Check, Clean, or Dry!

Check: At the ramp during trailering, thoroughly inspect your boat's hull, drive unit, trim plates, trolling blades, prop guards, transducers, anchor and anchor rope, and trailer. Inspect all craft, powerboat or canoe and scrape off and properly dispose of any suspected mussels and all waterweeds hanging from boat or trailer. Do not move live bait from one water body to another. Do not dump live bait into the water; the bait may be a non-native species or diseased.

Clean: Before launching your boat, assume that some exotic was in the last body of water you were in and you are carrying it. You should

thoroughly flush the hull, drive unit, live wells, any pumping system, bilge, trailer, bait buckets, and engine cooling water system. Drain all bilge water, live wells, bait buckets and any other water from your boat and equipment at the ramp as you leave a water body. One quick way to clean the exterior is to use a hot hard spray from a do-it-yourself carwash.

Dry: Dry out all items that can absorb or hold water. If you cannot clean your water toys or tools, boats and trailers, PFDs, water shoes and boots, etc. dry them thoroughly in the sun for up to five days before using them in another water body. Hot water pumped through an engine's intake is one method of preventing zebra mussel growth inside an engine's cooling system. Do not use chlorine bleach or other damaging washing solutions in the water or next to the shore. If you are not sure that your water toy is clear of invasives, you should dry it.

Both Vermont and New Hampshire have recently increased boater responsibilities to prevent moving invasives among water bodies including enforcement provisions for



Stop spreading aquatic exotics. Clean your boats, canoes, kayaks, etc. before you bring them to a new river or body of water.

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boat owners. Beyond the changes in the law, the Connecticut River Conservancy hopes all of those who play on, in, or under the river or its tributaries will take personal responsibility and be especially careful to protect our rivers from further invasions by aquatic exotics. You enjoy it, so

do not ruin it for yourself and others, and remember: Check, Clean, or Dry!

This article was written by David L. Deen, an honorary trustee of the Connecticut River Conservancy, formally the Connecticut River Watershed Council.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife to discuss Vermont beavers

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Tyler Brown, the furbearer technician for the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department and Chris Bernier, furbearer project leader, will be at The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections on Friday, June 2 at 11 a.m. to discuss beavers in Vermont. The team will talk about basic beaver biology, the history of beavers in Vermont and the management of these mammals. In addition, they will explain the beaver baffle program. Beaver dams, while providing valuable wetland habitat for fish and other wildlife, can also cause damage to roads and septic systems. The baffle program uses water control structures to properly manage beaver dam water levels.

This program is offered at no charge, but space is limited, so call Mary C. Schwartz at 802-824-4343 to register. The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections is located in Londonderry's Mountain Marketplace, next to the Londonderry



Learn the history of beavers at this discussion at Neighborhood Connections.

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Neighborhood Connections is a community-based non-profit social services agency serving individuals

and families in the area mountain towns of south-central Vermont. Check out our web-site at www.neighborhoodconnectionsvt.org.

Vermont Open Farm Week celebrates local food origins

REGION - For the third consecutive year, farmers across Vermont will open their barn doors and garden gates to welcome the public for a behind-the-scenes look at Vermont's vibrant working landscapes. Vermont Open Farm Week 2017 will be held Monday, August 14, through Sunday, August 20, at dozens of farms in Vermont.

Open Farm Week is a celebration of Vermont farms offering visitors a backstage pass to learn more about local food origins, authentic agritourism experiences, and the chance to build relationships with local farmers. Activities vary and may include milking cows and goats, harvesting vegetables, collecting eggs, tasting farm fresh food, scavenger

hunts, hayrides, farm dinners, and live music.

Each Open Farm Week event is created by a farmer and focused on highlighting the unique character of the host farm. Below are some highlights for the 2017 schedule:

Pickle Making workshop: Learn to make and preserve your own pickles from scratch. All materials will be provided. Participants will go home with seven jars of dill pickles. Saturday, August 19 at Crossmolina Farm, Corinth, Vermont.

Meet the Parris Hill Farm alpacas: Learn all about the alpaca anatomy, husbandry, evolution, migration, history, fleece, and products. Saturday, August 19 and Sunday, August 20 at Parris Hill Farm, Brownsville,

Vermont.

Junior sugar maker learning and quiz: Children and adults can sample maple syrup, walk the maple trail, visit the sugar house and learn how maple syrup is made. Earn a sugarmaker certificate after finding the answers to a 10-question quiz. Monday, August 14 at Sugarbush Maple & Cheese Farm, Woodstock, Vermont.

Open Farm Week Events will be posted on DigInVT.com starting in June and finalized by July. Many events will be free. Not all farms are open every day, so be sure to check in July for detailed scheduling information to help plan a visit. Everyone is invited to join the Open Farm Week conversation on social media using the hashtag #VTOpenFarm.

Open Farm Week is a collaborative statewide agritourism project presented by the University of Vermont Extension, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Vermont Farm to Plate Network, Vermont Fresh Network, Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing, Shelburne Farms and Farm-Based Education, NOFA-VT, and City Market.

Vermont Open Farm Week is made possible by the generous support of its Premiere Sponsor, City Market/Onion River Coop.



Open Farm Week begins in August.

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Herb planter workshop at Horatio Colony House Museum

KEENE, N.H. - Container gardening in patio planters is not particularly hard. It is similar to gardening in a typical landscape garden bed. However, there are some unique considerations when you begin container gardening if you want to keep your plants alive and looking their best.

Join master gardener Sarah Mustin Stockwell to learn about these considerations. The workshop will also cover what herbs grow well in containers and how best to plant and care for them.

Potting soil will be provided. Herb plants will be available to purchase. Please bring your own containers or patio pots. Workshop is free. Please phone 603-352-0460 to register.

The Horatio Colony House Museum is located at 199 Main Street, Keene, New Hampshire. Parking is

available at Saint Bernard's Church. For information visit our web site at www.horatiocolonymuseum.com.



A workshop on how to container garden and keep your plants alive.

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Rich Watkin is Vermont's Warden of the Year

REGION - Senior Warden Rich Watkin, Ph.D., of Wilmington is Vermont's State Game Warden of the Year. Watkin received the award in recognition of his excellent service from Governor Phil Scott on May 24 in Montpelier.

Lt. Greg Eckhardt, Watkin's supervisor, praised him for his exemplary attitude and dedication to all aspects of the job. "Rich is knowledgeable in all aspects of the job," said Eckhardt. "He understands the intricacies of fish and wildlife law and has an excellent working knowledge of the wildlife and habitats common to his patrol district."

"Rich is professional, polite, hard-working, dependable, honest and always willing to help others whenever asked. He is highly regarded by his peers and is a great asset to both the Fish and Wildlife Department and the State of Vermont," added

Eckhardt.

"Warden Watkin represents so many of the things that makes our warden force the professional and well-respected institution that it is," said Commissioner Louis Porter. "He goes out of his way to serve his community, from teaching kids at the local elementary school about wildlife to giving free snowmobile rides to disabled children."

Warden Watkin's district includes the towns of Stratton, Somerset, Dover, Searsburg, Wilmington, Stamford, Readsboro, and Whitingham.

Shikar-Safari Club International, a private wildlife conservation group, sponsors a warden of the year award

in each state and Canadian province to help promote and encourage the enforcement of wildlife conservation laws. Watkin received a colorful framed certificate honoring his selection as Vermont's State Game Warden of the Year, provided by Shikar-Safari Club International.



Rich Watkin is shown here receiving recognition from Governor Phil Scott. Pictured (from left) Col. Jason Batchelder, Gov. Phil Scott, Senior Warden Rich Watkin, and Lt. Greg Eckhardt.

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Robin eggs spotted in Chester

A mama robin laid her eggs in Chester. Soon after they were found, the eggs hatched into little baby robins!

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Okemo's Jackson Gore summer music series returns

LUDLOW, Vt. – Okemo Mountain Resort kicks off summer with the return of the Jackson Gore Summer Music Series presented by William Raveis Real Estate Vermont Properties Team. Jackson Gore Summer Music Series features free concerts scheduled from 6 - 9 p.m. most Friday nights throughout the summer. Kicking off the summer music series on June 9 is The Starline Rhythm Boys, a trio that evokes the spirited country and juke joint sounds that echoed out of the Tennessee Hills and Texas Honkytonks in the 1940s and '50s.

On Friday nights throughout the summer season, the lawn in the courtyard at Okemo's Jackson Gore

Inn is transformed into an outdoor concert venue featuring popular local and regional bands. Admission is free and the grounds open at 5 p.m. Families are welcome and attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or picnic blankets. In case of rain, the concerts will move under cover. Dining options include fresh-from-the-grill burgers, hot dogs, and other summertime favorites, plus beer and wine is available for purchase. Full-service dining with al fresco seating in the courtyard is offered at Jackson Gore's Coleman Brook Tavern.

Following The Starline Rhythm Boys on June 9, the summer lineup for the Jackson Gore Summer Music

includes: Jenni Johnson and the Jazz Junketeers, June 16; Copilot, June 23; 2ADAM12, June 30; The Detonators, July 14; Dojo, July 21; The Mad Mountain Scramblers, July 28; CK3, August 11; Studio Two, August 18; Big Fez & The Surfmatrics, August 25; The Grift, September 1.

Okemo's Adventure Zone stays open late on Friday evenings for concertgoers who like a little adventure with their music. Visitors especially enjoy The Timber Ripper Mountain Coaster and the Haulback Challenge Course. There's trampoline bungee jumping, miniature golf, disc golf, a climbing pinnacle, zipline tours, Segway Personal Transport tours, and the Amp Energy Big Air Bag. Each of Okemo's Adventure Zone features is priced individually or visitors can purchase an Adventure Zone Day Pass wristband. Special Twilight wristbands are available for purchase on Friday evenings during



Enjoy a free concert at Jackson Gore.

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the Jackson Gore Summer Music Series.

In addition to the Jackson Gore Summer Music Series, Okemo will

host several other events this summer. The Resort celebrates Independence Day on July 1 with its Great American Party presented by South-Face Village at Okemo. On July 7, Okemo welcomes the Vermont Symphony Orchestra presented by Mary W. Davis Realtor & Associates to the Okemo Valley. Okemo's Blueberry Fest presented by William Raveis Real Estate Vermont Properties Team celebrates all things blueberry on July 23. Sample more than 50 craft beers and a selection of great wines August 4 through 6 as Okemo's annual Hops in the Hills Beer and Wine Festival presented by William Raveis Real Estate Vermont Properties Team spans three full days. Then on October 7, Okemo's Fall into Winter presented by Lipton Tea celebrates the change of seasons.

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Great River Theater Festival

PUTNEY, Vt. – The Great River Theater Festival promises to be one of the most exciting theater collaborations Southern Vermont has ever seen. The brainchild of Main Street Arts in Saxtons River, and an outgrowth of the 4-County Theatre Collaborative MSA also spearheaded, the festival will showcase a "Who's Who" of community and professional the-

ater companies in its inaugural program. The Festival will run July 6-9 in Putney with 7 companies performing 14 shows.

Joining Main Street Arts will be the Weston Playhouse, the Vermont Theater Company, The Apron Theater Company, New England Youth Theater, Sandglass Puppet Theater, and Actor's Theater Playhouse.

According to Main Street Arts Co-chair Gina Cote, the Festival has been a priority for David Stern, MSA's Artistic Director. "Since David first came to MSA he wanted to showcase the outstanding quality of the work offered in this area and bring it before a larger, regional and even national audience," Stern agrees, reflecting that the companies "inspire one another to produce better art and to engage more effectively with the communities who have supported us over the years. I hope that audiences will see that inspiration on stage. Both the dedicated theater buff and the person who has never seen a live show before should have a fantastic time."

Among the shows planned for the festival are family favorites such as the Carol King/Maurice Sendak musical, "Really Rosie," to be produced by Weston, and Main Street Arts' offering of the multiple award-winning musical comedy, "Little Shop of Horrors." Apron will contribute the Bertolt Brecht classic, "Mother Courage and Her Children," a work that has been characterized as "the best play of the last hundred years," and to give audiences a chance to compare clas-



Four days, seven theater companies, 14 shows, four venues, a theater festival full of excitement.

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sics, The Vermont Theater Company will perform Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" outdoors.

Stern adds that, "We want to give our audiences a chance to sample the full spectrum of the area's live theater, and that means integrating original works into the mix. We are happy to announce that The New England Youth Theater will produce a new commedia of the "Emperor's New Clothes" for the Festival and Sandglass will revive their wonderful original piece, "When I Put On My Glove." Working collaboratively in this way,

we can we make the Great River Theater Festival the "Can't Miss" event of the summer."

To give audiences a taste of what's in store, for them, Main Street Arts will offer audiences a "Sneak Peek" of "Little Shop" at MSA's own theater in Saxtons River a week before the Festival opens. Main Street Arts preview of "Little Shop of Horrors" will run June 30-July 2 in Saxtons River, VT

For more information, tickets for individual shows and subscription tickets for the entire series go to greatrivertheaterfestival.org.

The artist's garden studios, gardens and famous locations

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – RAMParts Presents, in partnership with Exhibition on Screen, brings "The Artist's Garden: American Impressionism and the Garden Movement, 1887-1920," to the Bellows Falls Opera house on Thursday, June 22, 7 p.m.

The 90-minute feature captures the Impressionist movement and its influence tied to a love of gardens by its two most famous artists, Claude Monet and Pierre-Auguste Renoir. The exhibition program states, "The American Impressionist movement followed its own path which, over a thirty-year period, reveals as much about America as a nation as it does about its art as a creative

powerhouse." The viewer is treated to a mesmerizing inside look at studios, gardens and famous locations throughout the United States, United Kingdom and France.

Robert McBride, Director of RAMParts, is expanding arts programming locally, in the broadest sense, by making it accessible in cost and availability. "Not everyone is able to afford travel to a city to see art exhibitions or Broadway shows. A trip can easily cost over \$100 per person in travel and ticket expense and becomes a barrier to the art experience. By creating the RAMParts ticketing platform and partnering with the Opera House, we can create unique,

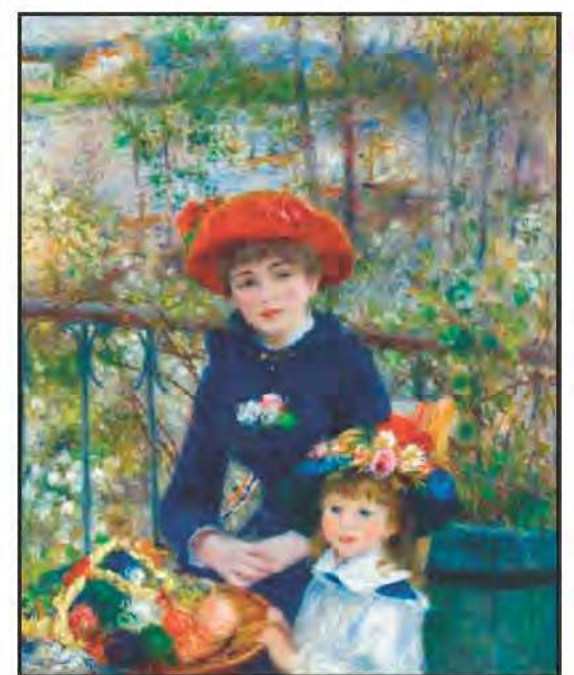
spectacular box-office offerings right here in Bellows Falls. Arts events are a proven economic driver for any community. Merchants benefit from increased traffic to events held at the Opera House."

The Artist's Garden appeals to artists, gardeners and horticulturists in presenting how the Impressionist art movement inspired the beauty of carefully considered gardens during a thirty-year period, from 1887-1920. Viewers will be transported to beautiful locations and unique artist studio viewing.

Broadway shows will also be scheduled this

summer at the Opera House. According to McBride, "At this time we have access to over 200 Broadway hits, and we'll be working closely with the Opera House to create an online streaming experience so that current Broadway shows are available, much like Metropolitan Opera HD Live performances."

Tickets for The Artist's Garden can be purchased online through the RAMParts ticketing platform, <http://siteline.vendini.com/site/rampartstickets.com> and will also be available at the door. Seating is general admission. Contact Susan MacNeil at 603-313-0052 or email susan@svi-dol.com for more information.



A 90 minute feature film that captures the Impressionist movement and its influence tied to a love of gardens.

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River Theater Company auditions for all roles

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The River Theater Company's fall production of the musical "A Christmas Story" is holding auditions on Monday, June 19 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday, June 24 from 10:00 a.m. to noon, upstairs at the Charlestown Town Hall Theater on Summer Street, right behind Ralph's Supermarket.



Audition to be in "A Christmas Story." PHOTO PROVIDED

"A Christmas Story" has a large cast of children, teens and adults. The show will be performed at the historic Claremont Opera House in November. All roles are open.

The children's roles include: Ralphie Parker, a 10-13 year old boy and Randy Parker, 8-11 years old, who both need to be strong singers with unchanged voices and be able to act and move well, two 13-17 year old boys with strong voices and stage presence, as well as a large ensemble of 9-17 year olds who are used throughout the show and in the production numbers.

The adult roles include: Jean Shep-

herd /Narrator, 40-60 years old, a strong actor with great presence and spark, an animated story teller with a deadpan sense of humor, The Old Man, 30-50 years old, rough exterior but good-hearted, high baritone/tenor, Mother, 30-50 years old, more in charge than she lets on, very much the "mom" with warm sense of humor, mezzo soprano, Miss Shields, 20-40 years old, the elementary school teacher, who needs to be a strong

comedic actress, strong Broadway style belting voice, as well as an ensemble of 18 years-old, male and female, strong singers/actors/ dancers to fill multiple roles.

Please be prepared to read, sing and move at the auditions. We are also looking for people (adults and children) who know how to tap or are willing to learn (you don't have to know how

to tap to audition).

We are always looking for volunteers who love theater and community events but don't want to appear on stage. There are lots of opportunities to get involved- set construction, props, costumes, production assistants, advertising, and more!

For more information please visit our website, rivertheater.org or email mwright@rivertheater.org/

2017 RVTC Tech Camp is more exciting than ever

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Folks at the River Valley Technical Center (RVTC) in Springfield are excited to announce that six new instructors and several new programs have been added to this year's summer Tech Camp. Everyone is hard at work designing new segments such as "Game Design," "Escape Rooms," "Design CO2 Cars," and "Learning Basic Animation Coding."

This year's First Aid program instructor is an EMT from the Springfield Fire Department and, when available, an ambulance or fire truck will be available for a segment of this program.

The Video & Film Making program is an exciting two-part program focusing on the art and techniques used by professional cinematographers in the film industry. Campers will have the opportunity to get their hands on the cameras and other tools to learn some of these very skills for

themselves.

More good news is that the Robots and Rockets program introduces campers to the fun of engineering and automation. Robots allows campers in teams to build and manipulate robots in a variety of games and activities including fun with lasers. The program allows campers to create a model rocket, customize and launch it, as well as determine its altitude on the Springfield High School track field. Campers will explore pneumatic and hydro propulsion of delivery systems.

The Let's Get Cooking program is always a favorite as Chef Dave turns campers on to creating culinary delights and healthy treats for themselves.

Camp is for incoming seventh-, eighth-, and ninth- graders from throughout the region and includes homeschooled as well as private schooled youth. The camp experience could turn your child on to a new and exciting hobby or interest and at the low price of \$100 this is a steal!

Camp is scheduled for June 26-30 at RVTC, 307 South St., Springfield, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 each day. Bussing is available from some middle schools.

For more information or to receive a brochure and sign-up forms, contact Marie Gelineau, camp director, at 802-384-1561 or by email at mgelineau@rvtc.net. Camp is filling up fast so don't delay if you have youths interested.



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CHESTER, Vt. - Summer is nearly here and Whiting Library is once again offering free or discounted passes to Vermont Historical Sites, Vermont Day Parks and regional museums. These includes eight Vermont state historical sites: Bennington Battle Monument, Chimney Point in Addison, Hubbardton Battlefield, Justin Morrill in Strafford, Mount Independence in Orwell, Old Constitution House in Windsor, President Calvin Coolidge in Plymouth and President

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In historic Windsor see machine tools and inventions that celebrate craftsmanship at the American Precision Museum, www.americanprecision.org. The Library pass allows

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Please contact Whiting Library for more information about these great perks of membership. Call 802-875-2277 or contact whitinglibrary@yahoo.com

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Students perform at the Great Hall

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Springfield Town Library, Riverside Middle School and Gallery at the VAULT are hosting a party with refreshments, Monday, June 5 at 5:30 p.m. at the Great Hall, 100 River Street in Springfield. A free evening of Art, Poetry, and Family Stories brings to an end Springfield's celebration of Brown Girl Dreaming, the 2017 Vermont Reads title. Students, families, friends and neighbors are welcome to see and hear the work created by Riverside students as they respond to the themes of Brown Girl Dreaming. Librarian Michelle Stinson, Riverside teacher Lisa Mobus and the VAULT's Diane Kemble worked together to create this event—choosing the Great Hall for its magnificent setting, easy parking, and accessibility.

Visitors can also enjoy the current Great Hall exhibit, "Four Centripetal Views," from Rutland artist William T. Ramage.

Brown Girl Dreaming is a beautiful memoir for adults and children, written by Jacqueline Woodson. She evokes the Jim Crow years in her story of finding herself, as reader, writer, child, daughter, sister, and granddaughter in South Carolina and Brooklyn, N.Y. To explore themes in the book, the Springfield Town Library turned to local presenters. Hugh Putnam of the Springfield Art and Historical Society guided adults through basic Vermont and Springfield genealogy. Vermont poet and educator, Dan Heller, led a book discussion of Brown Girl Dreaming and read from his first book of poetry,

"Between the Shadows." Michelle Stinson brought the picture books of Jacqueline Woodson to the youngest Springfield residents. Riverside Middle School found civil rights and literature in the book—enlarged with a residency on telling family stories given by Natalie Kinsey Warnock.

Vermont Reads is a program of the Vermont Humanities Council. This year Vermonters in all corners of the state will read and discuss Brown Girl Dreaming. Springfield readers are welcome to turn their paperback copies in at the Library and the Springfield Food CoOp; they will travel on to other Vermont communities. For more information about the Great Hall program, call the Springfield Town Library at 802-885-3108.

Circus art shows

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - New England Center for Circus Arts (NECCA) announces a series of summer shows, starting with "A Fairytale Circus," a modern, upbeat circus fairytale starring Brattleboro Union High School Vocational students, slated for Friday, June 2 at the Austine Gym (209 Austine Drive) at 7:30 p.m.

Circus students will perform at Brattleboro's Slow Living Expo on the lawn of the Brattleboro Retreat (1 Anna Marsh Lane). This performance will correspond with the Strolling of the Heifers on June 3, every half hour from 11:30 - 3:30 p.m.

June 9 - June 11, the Intensive Program graduates will perform "Penumbra" at the Austine Gym at 7:30 p.m. daily.

All ticketing and additional event information can be found at www.necenterforcircusarts.org/events/shows/.

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THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY
The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

I'm not a calendar guy when it comes to figuring out seasons. To me, the official start of summer comes on the Friday night of Memorial Day weekend. I know the calendar says it is June 21, but I am not buying that. It's the same in the fall, when the calendar tells us, you are two-thirds through September before fall kicks in. When you settle down for the night on Labor Day, it is time to kiss summer good-bye.

It's just like those things of your youth, which you just can't let go of. When I was nine years old, the local baseball season began with a jamboree on Memorial Day weekend and the play-offs were in early August. Now, except if you are considered an all-star, the regular season is over about the time school closes, leaving the majority of youngsters with no organized activities throughout most of their summer vacation. Filling youngsters waking hours from dawn to dusk with a full

schedule in May and June when school is winding down and then leaving them free time all summer, isn't the best use of their time I say.

Thinking back to those days of little league, with purposely small letters, because you see the league in Bellows Falls and most surrounding towns, was officially Junior League, because you had to pay the bucks to be part of the official organization. The league began in BF in 1957 and the most active people I remember way back then were Eddie Kane, Jack Paris, Johnny Dagnoli, Charlie Russell, Paul Aumand, Bob Joy, Bob McCormick, Dick Brown, Cas Menard, Dan Keefe, George McAuliffe and Earl Gilman. If this was another day, I might recall some other names and forget those of those mentioned, but both those remembered and forgotten, made life a whole lot different for so many youngsters. They were the pioneers, the grassroots of the game in the Falls. Those were very special names in my formative years and I know, as I said, the years have clouded my memory on other important contributors of that time. If you have names to add to the list use the e-mail at the bottom of the article to remind us and we will pass them on sometime in the future. In addition, if you grew up in another

area town and have similar memories to pass along, please drop us a note and we will make a mention.

A few weeks back, we passed along to you numerous area athletes, who played a fall or winter sport in college. Since that time, some readers made us aware of a few more. If you know of an area athlete, who attended college this school year and was a part of one of their college athletic teams, let us know. We will be mentioning the spring athletes in a column soon and want to make sure we recognize everyone, including those we missed the first time around from the fall and winter seasons. Please contact us.

High school play-off action begins in both Vermont and New Hampshire this week and there are very few local teams knocking on title doors. The only possible favorite is the Bellows Falls Boys Track Team. To a lesser extent, the BF Girls Track Squad could surface, as could the Green Mountain Girls Softballers. A longer shot at succeeding lies with the BF baseballers, the GM baseballers and the Black River baseball and softball teams, but they do all stand a chance. If anyone else captures a state title, they really blindsided us. We never saw them coming.

The BF track team qualified five in-

dividuals and a relay team for the New England Track Meet over the weekend in Essex. DJ Snide had the best day winning both the 110 and 300 Hurdle events, as well as placing fifth in the Triple Jump. Reno Tuttle had a fourth in the Shot and a 5th in the Discus, Keri Ticino was 5th in the Pole Vault and 6th in the Javelin, Emma Lawrence took 4th in the Discus and Jaden Luebbert was 6th in the Pole Vault. The Terrier Relay team of Sawyer Reis, Gabe Hakimoglu, Connor Smith and Cam Joy ran the 4 x 100 Relay team to 6th place to qualify.

It is nice to see the Yankees (honestly) off to a good start and back in the pennant race. The Red Sox do have the best team in the American League East division and I would expect them to win the division by 10 games or more. If someone else wins, they have really played beyond their capability.

By the way, if you are looking to go to Fenway Park this summer and don't have tickets, as long as one gets there early, the odds are very good you will get a ticket, regardless of who the opponent is.

One Sox ticket employee told me this weekend, "We always have a few tickets to sell at our game day ticket window opposite the Cask and Flagon Restau-

rant."

In the same conversation, another employee spoke of their scalp free ticket selling service further down Landdowne Street opposite from the House of Blues. Tickets are turned in there to resell at face value or below. If you arrive at Fenway 90 minutes prior to first pitch, chances are, one way or the other will work. Do have some alternative plans in case one day proves different, but here's predicting you won't need them. Let us know if you try one way or another.

Television will be presenting the College World Series in both baseball and softball in the next few weeks. Do you think that the female game is more exciting on the tube than the men's?

Green Mountain Softball coach Terry Farrell is very high on his 2017 Lady Chieftains and told us last week of how he had told his team early on this spring, that there was no reason not to consider themselves title contenders. He also told me the same day,

"I told them that, but I haven't told them about Oxbow yet."

Farrell had just scouted the Division III number one undefeated seed and came away impressed. Oxbow is really talented and will be the favorite to capture that crowd, if the Chieftains make

it that far, they will be determined to upset the Olympians cart. People who have seen GM play this spring have said some wonderful things about that local team.

For those who like to keep track of the Connecticut River Valley Baseball League, the Walpole Maples are still at the head of the class standing at 3-0 and the main reason they stand alone is because their cross town, the Walpole Wild Blue knocked off the Keene Summit As 7-1 to hand them their only loss. The As stand at 3-1, while Putney is 2-1 just ahead of that Wild Blue team which is 2-2. The other three teams in the circuit, the Connecticut River Ironmen, Brattleboro and the Claremont Cardinals are all 1-3.

I have had a couple inquiries lately about the Saxtons River Pirates. They have unofficially, played one game this year. They took on a strong Massachusetts team at the Hubbard Complex under the lights and lost, but Dave Moore is still trying to scrape together a unit for more games, including a possible Fourth of July contest.

Any ideas about the 4th? If you really think you are good enough to play at that level, call Moore at 802-289-9006.

You can contact us at bmurphy@vermontjournal.com.



Bellows Falls Baseball

The Bellows Falls Baseball team will be facing Otter Valley on the road Friday at 4:30 p.m. in the quarterfinals. Terrier alumnus Mike Howe, the Otters coach, is pictured with his former Legion coach, BF Head Coach, Bob Lockerby.

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Fall Mtn.

Kendall Heath has been front and center stage all season long for the Fall Mountain Wildcat Baseball Team. He came up big in the season finale versus Stevens. He homered in the bottom of the sixth inning to give FM the lead and pitched well for 6 1/3 innings until he ran out of pitches, not gas. High school baseball has pitch counts and when Heath's ran out, the Cardinals ran the bases and came away with the victory.

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GM Boys Baseball

The GM Boys team is seeded 4th and finished with an 11-4 record and was slated to have played Northfield, Tuesday at home. A win in the play-off opener would have the Chieftains returning home to face a future foe Saturday at 4:30 p.m.



The GM seniors L to T: Ethan Hart, Ben Reilly, Tommy Knockenhauer, Coach Matt McCarthy, Josh Woods, Mack Walton, Sean Kenney.

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GM Girls Softball



The Green Mountain Softball team is young, but Coach Terry Farrell feels they are experienced enough to make some noise in the Vermont Division III State Softball Tournament. Farrell, pictured with his only two seniors, Cassidy Cummings and Hanna Veysey, will guide his team into action Friday at home at 3:30 p.m. The Lady Chieftains are 14-2 and the tourney's number three seed.

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Fall Mountain - Stevens



Fall Mountain-Stevens game brings a big crowd, 500 fans, when the two met Saturday night in Walpole, at the Hubbard Complex, the crown jewel of a field in this area. Stevens, a top four seed, won with two runs in the top of the seventh. Fall Mountain's Hunter Cannon is pictured scoring one of the Wildcat runs.

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Springfield Baseball

Springfield's Girard LeCouffe stretches out to officially retire BF's Spencer Clark. Cosmos were slated to take a long trip to Fairfax on Tuesday in the Vermont Division II Tournament first round. Their opponent was Bellows Free Academy of Fairfax.



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Okemo Valley Golf Club Men's League results

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Men's League at Okemo Valley Golf Club moved their match to the challenging back nine for week three on May 23. Winning the night and moving up the leaderboard was Diamond Realty. Roger Danyew, PJ Garvey, Bob Ahlers and Chuck Sweetman combined for 23.5 holes out of a possible 36 against Benson's Chevrolet. The Honey Dew Man squad walloped

UBS as Peter Girouard, Eric Stocker, Larry Plumb and Tim Faulkner garnered 22.5 holes. Green Mountain Appraisals finished in third for the night as Ed Richter, Bob Higgins, Doug Lemire and Rich Russo won 21.5 holes. Closest to the pin winners were Dave Higley on the 14 and Bob Cook on the 17.

Weekly Results: 1st Diamond Realty 23.5 holes won/15 pts. 2nd Honey

Dew Man 22.5 holes won/13 pts. 3rd Green Mountain Appraisals 21.5 holes won/11 pts. 4th Skygate Financial 20 holes won/10 pts. 5th Built Rite MFG. 19.5 holes won/9 pts. 6th Stryhas Builders 16.5 holes won/8 pts. 7th Huntley Wealth Management 16 holes won/7 pts. 8th Knight Tubs 14.5 holes won/6 pts. 9th UBS 13.5 holes won/5pts. 10th Bensons Chevrolet 12.5 holes won/4

pts. **Season Standings:** 1st Skygate Financial 34 pts. 2nd Diamond Realty 33 pts. 3rd Honey Dew Man 30 pts. 4th UBS 28 pts. 5th Built Rite MFG. 27 pts. 6th Huntley Wealth Management 27 pts. 7th Bensons Chevrolet 23 pts. 8th Knight Tubs 22 pts. 9th Stryhas Builders 20 pts. 10th Green Mountain Appraisals 20 pts.

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

SATURDAY, JUNE 3- WINDSOR, Vt. - Strawberry-vanilla preserves cooking class, June 3 at 9:30 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m. Blake Hill Preserves, Artisans Park, 60 Artisans Way, Windsor.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14- LUDLOW, Vt. - Skycgate Financial Group will hold an educational event for business owners on business retirement plans, June 14, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Skycgate Financial Group Office Building, 211 Main St., Ludlow.

or optimize your current plan. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments provided. Call 802-875-8100.

MONDAYS - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center Knit and Stitch group meets Mondays at 9:00 a.m. They can help you finish a project, repair an item and even take on special projects.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - 9-10:30 a.m. play group at the Springfield Area Parent Child Center. Come to play and meet new friends.

TUESDAYS- CHESTER, Vt. - Eight-week yoga series "Strong, Fearless & Free," May 23 through July 18 (no class July 4). 6-7:15 p.m. at Buddhafu Yoga Studio in the Fullerton Inn on the green in Chester.

for four weeks (choose as you go along) or all eight weeks. This yoga class is suitable for beginners and practicing yogis alike. Yoga mats, blankets, pillows and chairs provided.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - River Voices Poetry meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Flat Iron Exchange building on the Square. All poets welcome.

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - The Windham County Extension Master Gardeners are back at The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections. There is no charge to attend, but space is limited.

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - 9:30-11:00 a.m. Play Group at Saxtons River Elementary School. Come on over for crafts, activities and to play!

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Edgar May Open Play Group 10-11:30 a.m. at Studio Momentum, 71 Main Street. An active playtime specifically designed for children aged 6 months through 5 years!

WEDNESDAYS - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Ladies' Night at the Bike Shop, 24 Canal St., Bellows Falls.

WEDNESDAYS - CHESTER, Vt. - Liza Eaton, founder of Buddhafu Yoga, will be offering a Gentle Flow Kundalini Yoga class for beginners every Wednesday 9:30 - 11 a.m.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center Knit and Stitch group meets Wednesdays at 9 a.m. They can help you finish a project, repair an item and even take on special projects.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Play Group at First Baptist Church of Bellows Falls/Rockingham Recreation Center. 9:30 a.m. -11 a.m. Come join the fun!

CAVENDISH, Vt. - From 5:45 to 6:45 p.m., there will be a Tai Chi beginners' class at DG Bodyworks, 7 Depot St. in Cavendish/Proctorsville, Vt., next to the Post Office at the corner of Rte 131 and Depot St.

cost. To learn more about the classes, please contact Djemila at 802-490-0225, by email: djem.translator@gmail.com or check for updates on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/gemstaichi/. TFN

CHESTER, Vt. - Liza Eaton, founder of Buddhafu Yoga, will be offering a Gentle Flow Kundalini Yoga class for beginners every Wednesday 9:30 - 11 a.m. You will be encouraged to go at your own pace and listen to your body.

THURSDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Edgar May Open Play Group 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Studio Momentum, 71 Main St. An active playtime specifically designed for children aged 6 months through 5 years!

WINDSOR, Vt. - Play Group 9:30 - 11 a.m. Come and enjoy an open gym, ball games and sometimes even a bounce house!

FRIDAYS - CHESTER, Vt. - Liza Eaton, founder of Buddhafu Yoga, will be offering Kundalini Yoga Dance every Friday 9:30 - 11 a.m. Held at the Fullerton Inn, on the Chester Green.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - 9-11 a.m. creative movement activities and playgroup held in the gym of the Community Center. All parents with young children are welcome.

SATURDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Edgar May Open Play Group 10 - 11:30 a.m. at Studio Momentum, 71 Main Street. An active playtime specifically designed for children aged 6 months through 5 years!

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WEEKLY - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Come swim with a great group of adults in our masters swim group at the Edgar May Center. The group meets on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 8 a.m.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Youth swim lessons are offered on Saturday and Sunday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. Current classes available including our Parent and Toddler class in our warm water therapy pool as well as levels 1, 2, and 3.

REGION - "Bone Builders" to combat osteoporosis. Free and open to 55+. Call 802-674-4547. Monday and Wednesday: Brownsville Town Hall 9 - 10 a.m.; Martin Memorial Hall in Acutney 10-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: Cavendish Baptist Church 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

CLUBS

MONDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Springfield Community Chorus rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church on 21 Fairground Rd.

LUDLOW, Vt. - Ludlow Rotary Club meets every Tuesday and is hosted by DJ's Restaurant, 146 Main St. from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enter via side door opposite bank drive-through.

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THURSDAYS - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Charlestown Rotary Club meets at the Charlestown Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Summer Street.

RUTLAND, Vt. - Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club meets from 7-10:30 p.m. at the Godnick Center in Rutland, Vt. Snacks provided.

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. The sessions are open to all and free of charge.

SUNDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol at 4-6 p.m. at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport Rd., North Springfield.

COMMUNITY MEALS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2- NORTH SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The North Springfield Baptist Church will host a free community dinner Friday, June 2, 5-6:30 p.m. Dishes served are usually salads, casseroles, beans, soups, breads, desserts and beverages.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3- CHESTER, Vt. - Double feature: breakfast, square dance. Gassetts Grange is having their monthly community breakfast, Sat. June 3, 8-9:30 a.m. It is buffet style, bacon, sausage, home fries, eggs, toast, plain and blueberry pancakes with real maple syrup, juices, hot cocoa, tea, coffee.

PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF LANDGROVE - SELECTBOARD

The Landgrove Selectboard will meet in the Town Office Building at 8 AM on Thursday, 8 June 2017 to review and accept the recently-revised and updated zoning bylaws and the revised zoning application fee schedule.

Copies of the documents are available for public review at the town office (88 Landgrove Road) or by contacting the zoning administrator at landgroveza@gmail.com

VILLAGE OF LUDLOW BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of Title 24, Chapter 117, § 4384, of the Vermont Statutes Annotated, the Board of Trustees for the Village of Ludlow, Vermont will conduct a public hearing for the residents, taxpayers, and interested persons in the Village of Ludlow on the 6th day of June, 2017, at 6:00 PM in the Ludlow Town Hall Conference Room to inform the community about the Transportation Alternatives Application and Project and to solicit comments from citizens as it relates to the Village Sidewalk Project.

Copies of the proposed Village Sidewalk Plan are available inside the Municipal Office located in the Ludlow Town Hall.

TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

16 Main Street | Saxtons River Cafe 3-5 Rockingham Street | Rockingham Roasters and Cafe 20-24 Mill Street | Bellows Falls Historical Society's Riverfront Park

Hearings held on June 14, 2017, 7 pm, 3rd Floor Conference Room, Town Hall. Purpose is to hear testimony on the proposed developments. Contact planning@rockbf.org for more information.

TOWN OF ANDOVER NOTICE OF TAX SALES

The resident and nonresident owners, lien holders and mortgagees of lands in the Town of Andover, in the County of Windsor and State of Vermont are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by the Town of Andover for the 2013-2014, 2014-2015 and 2015-2016 (except where otherwise noted) fiscal years remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following described land in such Town, to wit:

- 1. Parcel No. 011000061.000. Being all those same lands and premises described in the following documents: Order and Decree of Foreclosure dated November 5, 1991 and recorded in Book 29, at Page 45 of the Town of Andover Land Records on November 25, 1991; Warranty Deed of Rudolph L. and Diane N. Stewart Mazzei to Pareunia Zimi, Inc. dated February 23, 1984 and recorded at Book 23, Page 89 of the Town of Andover Land Records on February 25, 1984; and, reference is made to an Assignment of Rudolph L. Mazzei to STAN GABRIELSON and IRENE GABRIELSON dated November 11, 1991 and recorded at Book 29, Page 44 of the Town of Andover Records on November 25, 1991. The property is described as containing 5.46 acres and located at 2889 Simonsville Road.
- 2. Parcel No. 005100004.000. Being those same lands and premises that are described in a deed to CAROL LEE SKERPAN, from Jack Badner dated February 12, 1988 and recorded in Book 26, Pages 279-280 of the Town of Andover Land Records on March 22, 1988. Consisting of 10 acres of land located at 4525 East Hill Road.

So much of said lands will be sold at public auction at the Town Office in Andover, Vermont, a public place in said Town on the 9th day of June 2017, at 10 o'clock a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs and fees, unless previously paid.

Dated at Andover, in the County of Windsor and State of Vermont this 26th day of April 2017.

Attest: Jeannette Haight, Collector of Delinquent Taxes Town of Andover

TOWN OF GRAFTON PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of the Town of Grafton, Vermont, will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Grafton Elementary School Gymnasium to discuss a 2-lot minor subdivisions located off Fisher Hill Road and Townshend Road.

A copy of the Townshend Road subdivision plan can be downloaded at https://tinyurl.com/y9ax85dz

A copy of the Fisher Hill Road subdivision plan can be downloaded at https://tinyurl.com/y8hxoqkw

STATE OF VERMONT

SUPERIOR COURT Windsor Unit PROBATE DIVISION Docket No. 225-5-17 Wrpr

In re ESTATE of Darlene M. Sherer NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of Darlene M. Sherer, late of Cavendish (Proctorsville), Vermont.

I have been appointed to administer this estate. All creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate must present their claims in writing within four (4) months of the first publication of this notice. The claim must be presented to me at the address listed below with a copy sent to the Court. The claim may be barred forever if it is not presented within the four (4) month period.

Dated: May 22, 2017 Signed: William O. Gibson Mailing Address: 90 Flat Iron Rd. City, State, Zip: Reading, VT 05062 Phone Number: 802-484-9020 Name of Publication: The Vermont Journal Publication Date: May 31, 2017

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CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Charlestown Senior Center, 223 Old Springfield Road, will hold a spaghetti and meatball supper Saturday, June 3. Tickets go on sale at 4 p.m. and we will start serving at 5. The menu includes spaghetti with marinara sauce, garlic bread and a side salad. Gluten-free pasta will also be offered. There will be a homemade dessert. For takeouts please call 603-826-5987 between noon and 3 p.m., to be picked up at 4.

SATURDAYS-MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. - Belmont's Summer Supper series runs until Oct. 28 at the Odd Fellows Hall, 37 Lake St., Belmont, to benefit the MHVF Auxiliary, Colfax Lodge, Mount Holly fire Dept., Mt. Moriah Mason, the Historical Museum, the MHV Rescue Squad, and Gill Home, IOOF. Settings start at 5 p.m. All you can eat, served homestyle. Takeouts

available with all dinners. Menu varies, call 802-259-2460 for details. Remaining dates: June 24, July 22, Aug. 12, Sept. 2, Sept. 23, Oct. 7, Oct. 28. On July 4, the Odd Fellows will hold their chicken BBQ at 11:30 a.m., after the town parade.

WEEKDAYS-BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center serves lunch 11:30-12:15 Monday through Friday to area seniors. The Senior Meals menu for the week is available by calling 802-463-3907. The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center is located at 18 Tuttle St. We are wheelchair and walker accessible with plenty of parking. TFN

EVENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 2-SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - UU First Friday Film: "Sherpa," June 2, 7 p.m. Sherpas are the native guides who help Western mountain climbers conquer the Himalayan peaks, but until now they have been behind the scenes. "Sherpa" documents a 2014 expedition that ended in tragedy and spurred the sherpas demand human rights and respect. 96 minutes. Unitarian Universalist Church, 21 Fairground Road, Springfield. Doors open at 6:45 p.m.; film begins at 7. Popcorn and beverages served. No charge, all welcome!

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, JUNE 2-3-ASCUTNEY, Vt. - Spring

yard sale, Friday 7 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m.-1 p.m., to benefit the Ascutney Volunteer Fire Department, at the Ascutney Fire Station, 540 VT-Rte 131 in Ascutney. Now accepting donations for the yard sale on Tuesday evenings, 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m. and also by appointment. Call Katie, 802-376-5070 to schedule a time.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3-SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Volunteers needed to help with spring cleaning at the new local state park, Muckross, June 3, 9 a.m.-noon. The park is located on the Toonerville Trail and Route 11 along the Black River. We will be clearing the road and picking up trash in the yard and near the house. Bring work gloves and rakes if you have them. You will receive one free pass to any Vermont state park. To sign up to volunteer, email Traci Minton at traci.minton@vermont.gov.

SOUTH LONDONDERRY, Vt. - "11 Miles of Trouble" West River Trail Run June 3. Celebrate National Trails Day by participating in the fifth annual West River Trail Run, 11 miles from South Londonderry's Depot to Jamaica State Park. The 11 mile race will begin at 9 a.m. at the South Londonderry Depot and end at Jamaica State Park. There is also the 5K fun run/walk for adults and youth. The 5K will start at Jamaica

State Park at 10 a.m. Register at <https://runsignup.com/race/vt/southlondonderry/westrivertrailrun>. For details, visit thecollaborative.us/westrivertrailrun/.

LUDLOW, Vt. - Friends of Ludlow Auditorium (FOLA) will present the award-winning sci-fi movie, "The Martian" starring Matt Damon, Saturday, June 3, at 7 p.m. at the Ludlow town Hall auditorium. Matt Damon stars as Mark Watney, an astronaut who is mistakenly presumed dead and left behind on Mars. The film depicts his struggle to survive and efforts to rescue him. The review website Rotten Tomatoes, which indicated the film was "smart, thrilling, and surprisingly funny." The movie is free and open all; donations are appreciated. Popcorn is provided by Berkshire Bank, water by FOLA. For information call 802-228-7239 or visit the FOLA website at www.fola.us.

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - Giant tag sale, collectibles sale on Main Street. Main Street Arts will host an arts, antiques and artifacts fundraiser sale Saturday, June 3, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Rain date for the sale is June 4. The fundraiser will feature attic treasures and unique finds from the homes of friends of the community arts center. River Artisans will be holding a tag sale down the

street, and other individuals and organizations are putting out tables to get in on the fun. Donations for the Main Street Arts sale can be left at 35 Main St., Saxtons River, during regular business hours. Contact Main Street Arts at 802-869-2960 or visit mainstreetarts.org.

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Ludlow Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale on Saturday, June 3, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Depot Street mini park. Perennials, vegetables and much more will be for sale at great prices. All proceeds help support the Garden Club's work in Ludlow.

ALSTEAD, N.H. - Lon Livengood and the Best Revenge, Hankey Bannister, Bill Symonds, and Julio Razquin headline at Mole Hill Theatre on Saturday, June 3, 6-11 p.m. at a dance to benefit Peter White, who faces medical and other expenses due to liver cancer and the passing of his beloved wife, Carol Pienkos. A silent auction will also be held that will include some of Carol Pienkos' and Peter White's artworks. Mole Hill Theatre is located at 789 Gilsun Mine Road in Alstead, N.H. Owner Dennis Molesky explains the venue is bring your own bottle, but no hard liquor is allowed.

SUNDAY, JUNE 4-CHESTER, Vt. - On Sunday, June 4, at 4 p.m., Phoenix Books Misty Valley in Chester will host NYT bestselling author Jon Katz for a discussion of his new book, "Talking to Animals." This book will completely change the way you think about and interact with animals. This event is free and open to all. Phoenix Books Misty Valley is located at 58 Common Street in Chester, Vermont. Copies of "Talking to Animals" will be available for attendees to purchase and have signed. For more information, please call 802-875-3400 or visit www.phoenixbooks.biz.

ALSTEAD, N.H. - Colts & Fillies 4-H Horse Show, rain or shine, Sunday, June 4, 9 a.m. on Millot Green in Alstead. Eleven divisions of horse show competition including a stick horse class open to the public. Enjoy refreshments by Furry Friends 4-H and celebrate our 50th year of club activity and dedicated service to the youth of Cheshire County! For details contact 603-756-3082 or email coltsandfillies_4h@yahoo.com.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6-MONTPELIER, Vt. - "Vermont's Environment and the Trump

Administration: What's Coming and What Can We Do About It?" The Vermont chapter of the Sierra Club and Defend Our Vermont Environment (DOVE) co-sponsor an informational forum on the Trump administration's environmental agenda, June 6, 7 p.m., at the Unitarian Church, 130 Main St. (across from the library). For details contact Susan Abbott, DOVE, 802-454-1621, sa@susanabbott.com, or Robb Kidd, Sierra Club Vermont, 802-505-1540, robb.kidd@sierraclub.org.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8-BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - On Thursday, June 8 at 5 p.m., Jerry Pfohl's iconic painting "Vilas Bridge" will be on display at the Rockingham Library, accompanied by a panel discussion with prominent area artists Brian Cohen, Charlie Hunter and Gretchen Abendschein. Abendschein was married to Pfohl and brings an intimate perspective to this discussion. The program launches the Friends of the Library fundraising campaign to purchase Pfohl's "Vilas Bridge." To learn more about the artist, go to jerryppfohl.com. For details about the June 8 program and how to donate, call 802-463-4270, email

TOWN OF CAVENDISH, VERMONT NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Agreeably to the provisions of Title 32 Vermont Statutes Annotated, Section 4111, notice is hereby given that the undersigned Listers, within and for the Town of Cavendish have this day completed the Abstract of Individual Lists of persons, co-partnerships, associations, and corporations owning taxable property in said town on the first day of April 2017; that they have this day lodged the same in the office of the Clerk of said town for the inspection of taxpayers; that on the 9th day of June, 2017 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the undersigned Listers will meet at the Town Hall in Cavendish in said town, to hear grievances of persons, co-partnerships, associations or corporations aggrieved by any of their appraisals or by any of their acts as such Listers, whose objections thereto in writing shall have been filed with them as prescribed by statute, and to make such corrections in said abstract as shall upon hearing or otherwise be determined by them; and that unless cause to the contrary be shown, the contents of said abstract will, for the year 2016, become the Grand List of said town and each person, co-partnership, association or corporation therein named. Please call the Cavendish Town Office at 802-226-7291 or 7292 to schedule an appointment.

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4 Recipe meas.
7 Lass
8 Luster
10 Calcutta's land
11 High, wispy cloud
13 Orphan Annie's benefactor
16 Really messy place
17 Frogs' hang-outs
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19 Crooked
20 Witnessed
21 Representative
23 Dervish
25 "Two and a Half Men" role

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1 Lightheartedly silly
2 Dry
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LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A workplace situation can be awkward for Librans who prefer to keep their problems private. But you might have to "tell-all" if you hope to see it resolved in your favor.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Although your financial situation starts to improve this week, you still need to be cautious about money matters. Avoid major obligations, for now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your overall aspects continue to brighten, allowing you to tackle long-deferred challenges. A change in travel plans could work to your benefit.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Things seem to be slowing down for the usually restless Sea Goat. But wouldn't a bit of respite be just what you need right now? Activity picks up by the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Personal relationships take a positive turn for both married and single Aquarians. Professional commitments, however, could be complicated by newly emerging events.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A decision you thought was final might be reopened as new facts are discovered. This could lead to a short-term problem, but ultimately might prove beneficial.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your keen interest in pursuing global events could lead you into a career as a politician or journalist.

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calendar

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EVENTS CONT.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 10- WESTON, Vt. - Irish harp concert with harpist Aine Minogue, Saturday, June 10, 7:30 p.m. Venue: Weston Community Church on the Hill, Lawrence Hill Rd., Weston. For more information, visit www.vtchurchonthehill.org.

MONTPELIER, Vt. - Vermont LGBTQIA Solidarity March, rally and entertainment, State House lawn, Saturday, June 10 (rain or shine), 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Meet at Vermont Dept. of Labor parking lot. Speakers: Rainbow Umbrella of Central Vermont, Central Vermont

Climate Action, Montpelier Mayor John Hollar, Rights and Democracy, Interfaith Alliance, and Black Lives Matter. Sponsor: Rainbow Umbrella of Central Vermont, facebook.com/RainbowUmbrellaVT.

SUNDAY, JUNE 11- BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Our Jamboree fundraiser will be held on Sunday, June 11 at the Moose Family Center, 59 Westminster St., Bellows Falls, noon-5 p.m. Featuring music by Playing Possum, there is a cover charge. We will be offering food and bake sales, over 200 raffle prizes, a 50/50 cash drawing and a Jamboree cash raffle with a grand prize of \$400. This event is open to the public and to people of all ages, come out and support the center! Call 802-463-3907 for details.

TUESDAYS- ALSTEAD, N.H. - Tuesdays starting June 13, Pizza Night at Orchard Hill Breadworks, 121 Old Settlers Rd. East Alstead, 5-7:30 p.m. Pizza Night is when you pay to make your own pizza. Orchard Hill Breadworks provides the crusts, sauce, cheese and you pick your own veggies. Customers are to bring: other pizza toppings, cash or check, drinks, picnic blanket, plates and silverware. All proceeds benefit a nonprofit group for the summer. Pizza night is weekly, ending on Aug 29. To view the nonprofit calendar, visit orchardhillbreadworks.com.

WEDNESDAYS- WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Scottish Country Dance class, friendly, informal, and free. Meets during the school year, 7:30-9:00 p.m., Westminster Center School. Contact Jessie Haas: 802-387-2601 or email kjh@sover.net. TFN

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. TFN

GASSETTS, Vt. - Bingo will be held every Thursday night at the Gassetts Grange. Starts at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5 p.m. Supper, raffle and 50/50 tickets are on sale. Come and

join in. Call Donna at 802-591-4290 or you can call the hall at 802-875-1051. TFN

SATURDAYS- BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Internet and jazz jam Saturday at the Flat Iron Exchange, located in the square. No cover charge, just a tip jar to listen to some great jazz music. Enjoy a coffee and relax. 5-7 p.m. TFN

FARMERS MARKETS

FRIDAYS- LUDLOW, Vt. - Ludlow Farmers' Market opens Friday, May 26, 4-7 p.m. with a full array of vendors and offerings and live music with versatile guitarist and singer Gus Bloch. Venue: Okemo Mountain School front lawn, 53 Main St. (Route 103), south of the village. For details, a list of vendors, and to sign up for updates and each week's vendor roster, go to ludlowfarmersmarket.org/blog/. TFN

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Greater Falls Farmers' Market opens on Friday, June 2 and runs to September 29, 4-7 p.m. Rain or shine. Fresh produce, bread, maple products, cheese, eggs, meat and more, accompanied by live music and including children's activities. Venue is Hetty Green Park, 2 Church St. Organized by the Sustainable Valley Group.



HISTORIC SITES

SATURDAY, JUNE 3- WALPOLE, N.H. - The Walpole Historical Society Museum and Gift Shop opens for the season on Saturday June 3, with two new exhibits in addition to the popular Louisa May Alcott exhibit. The main gallery offers a timeline of over 200 years of Walpole history. Another new exhibit "When They Were Young" features children's clothing from the 1800s to the 1960s. The gift shop offers books, colorful home accessories and fun items. Open hours are every Saturday through October 14, noon to 4 p.m., or by appointment. We are located at 32 Main St., Walpole, N. H. Call us at 603-756-3449.

LIBRARIES

TUESDAYS - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - Story time for toddlers and Pre-K at the Silsby Free Library from 10:30 a.m. Children and parents are invited for stories, songs and finger plays. Session includes playtime, an activity and a story time. Free and open to all. TFN

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Springfield Town Library storytime, 43 Main St., 10 a.m. Stories, songs, and activities for the youngest readers. TFN

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - Crafts, Stories and Play Time toddlers and preschoolers. Enjoy stories, songs, crafts, and activities. Rockingham Free Public Library

10:30-11:30 a.m. Contact 463-4270. TFN

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Westminster Fire & Rescue Department monthly meeting on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m. Rescue training is on the second Tuesday and combined drill on the third Tuesday. More information found at www.westminsterfireandrescue.org. TFN

WEDNESDAYS - WESTON, Vt. - Come and enjoy a story hour with friends at the Wilder Memorial Library! 11 a.m.-noon. Call ahead to check, 802-824-4307. TFN

LUDLOW, Vt. - Weekly toddler and pre-school story time with a weekly theme, music, and activity. 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the Fletcher Memorial Library. Best suited for ages 5 and younger. Call Sacha at 802-228-3517 or email skrawczykvt@gmail.com to register for programs. TFN

WINDSOR, Vt. - Preschool and Toddler Storytime every Wednesday from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Windsor Public Library, 43 State Street. Each week features a theme, music stories and a craft. www.windsorlibrary.org. 802-674-2556. TFN

THURSDAYS ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - Join the genealogy group at Rockingham Free Public Library every Thursday, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. when genealogy enthusiast Wayne Blanchard takes you on a quest to discover your family roots. If

you own a laptop, please bring it along. Many free databases are available at the library. Beginners and seasoned genealogists are welcome. Free and open to the public. For details, call 802-463-4270, email programming@rockinghamlibrary.org or go to www.rockinghamlibrary.org. TFN

FRIDAYS- CHESTER, Vt. - Storytime at Whiting Library from 10:30-11 a.m. Come and listen to a story every Friday with your children. Call 802-875-2277. TFN

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - Minecraft Club at the Rockingham Library every Friday from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. A limited number of library computers are available. Registration is recommended if you will need to use a library computer. If you are joining the club with your own laptop and Minecraft account, you do not need to sign up. TFN

FIRST FRIDAYS- ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - Bellows Falls Area Senior Center Book Club, in partnership with the Rockingham Free Public Library, 65 Westminster St., meets on the first Friday of every month at 9 a.m. Call the senior center at 802-463-3907 or the library at 802-463-4270 for details. TFN

MEETINGS

TUESDAYS- SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Steampunk Society event

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MEETINGS CONT.

TUESDAYS CONT. - committee meeting at the Hartness House Inn at 6 p.m. located at 30 Orchard St. TFN

FIRST TUESDAYS- WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Westminster Fire & Rescue Department monthly meeting on the first Tuesday at 7 p.m. Rescue training is on the second Tuesday and combined drill on the third Tuesday. More information found at www.westminsterfireandrescue.org. TFN

SUPPORT GROUPS

MONDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - NAMI Vermont Connection Recovery Support Group is a mental illness support group. It provides a forum to share experiences and learn about opportunities and challenges regardless of diagnostics. HCRC, CRT Room, 390 River St. Meets every Monday from 1 - 2 p.m. Info: call 800-639-6480 or visit www.namivt.org. TFN

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Overeaters Anonymous Meeting from 7 - 8 p.m., 44 School St., Bellows Falls. Please call 802-376-3507. TFN

TUESDAYS- SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Breast Feeding Support Group

2nd and 4th Tuesday at the Springfield Hospital Library Level D. 12 - 2 p.m. It is free and no registration is required. For more information call Erin at 802-885-7511. TFN

LUDLOW, Vt. - Co-Dependents Anonymous meets on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. in the basement of the Fletcher Memorial Library, 88 Main St. in Ludlow. Find out more about CoDA at coda.org. For more information regarding this meeting, contact Sarah E. at sarahcoda2016@gmail.com. TFN

FIRST TUESDAY- WINDSOR, Vt. - Cedar Hill is proud to announce our new Alzheimer's caregiver support group. Meet fellow caregivers who really understand because they've been there, too, when things are difficult or isolating. From 3:30-5 p.m. at 92 Cedar Hill Drive (off Rte. 5). TFN

SECOND TUESDAY- BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Just Us Moms Program (JUMP). Moms up to age 25, come with your children. Have dinner with

other moms in the area, learn about resources, and have fun while your children play, and eat dinner. 5-7 p.m. at Cherry Hill School, Cherry St. through June 13. Dinner and child care provided. Older women who want to volunteer as mentors and sharers are also welcome. Contact Michelle, 802-275-7871.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Wellness/Lifestyle Change Support

Group, meets the second Tuesday of each month from 5:45-7 p.m. at the Springfield Health Center, 100 River St. Free. Register by calling 802-886-8946 or email cht@springfieldmed.org. TFN

WEDNESDAYS - LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Weekly clean and sober 12-Step Meeting. Support Group meets at Neighborhood Connections next to the Londonderry Post

Office at 5:30 p.m. every Wednesday. TFN

THURSDAYS - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Mental health peer support group, 2-3:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 77 Main St. The group's goal will be to provide a safe and healthy environment for people to give and receive support around mental health issues. The group is free and open to

the public. Call Diana Slade at 802-289-1982. TFN

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at Huber Building, 80 Main St. Weight-in starts at 8 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m. TFN

FIRST SUNDAY- BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - Brattleboro Area Jewish Community, located at 151 Greenleaf St., offers a Jewish-

based drop-in playgroup, Bagels and Blocks, on the first Sunday of the month, 2-3:30 p.m. for parents/caregivers and their infants and toddlers (0-5 years). Bagels and Blocks is a facilitated parenting group as well as an activity group for babies and toddlers. These fun and friendly gatherings feature songs, stories, crafts, snacks, and free play. Playgroups are free and open to all. Call 802-257-1959 for details. TFN

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