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# BR Pops Concert celebrates school history



BY AIYANA FORTIN  
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LUDLOW, Vt. - Katie Herrle, music director of the band and chorus ensembles at Black River Middle/High School, took an unorthodox approach to this year's Pops Concert. The band and chorus together performed a piece from every decade since Black River's first year of operation in 1939 to present, alongside a slideshow that honored past and current students and alumni for their contributions to the community, showing the important role the school has played in our community and in shaping future generations. In addition to the BRHSMS concert, the high school, middle school, and elementary school students showcased their artwork at the art show, and the winners were chosen for a quilt raffle to benefit the Maryann Farley Gagner and the Frank Dressler scholarship funds.

The art show showcased fantastic clay monsters made by the LES 4th grade, as well as paintings, drawings, watercolor, and crayola artwork made by the elementary students. The middle school displayed their creative drawings, watercolor, and sharpie artwork. The high school displayed realistic paintings and drawings of wildlife, famous celebrities, nature, and other complex designs that exhibit their artistic eye and creativity.

The BR Pops Concert was a trip down memory lane, beginning in 1939 when the building opened and including pictures of the first graduating

class of 1940, as well as of the faculty and staff that were working when the school opened. The chorus performed an arrangement of "Over the Rainbow" by Teena Chin, adapted from "The Wizard of Oz," with alto soloist Christina LeTourneau. The chorus was accompanied by Diane Chartrand on the piano.

For the 1940s the band played "In the Mood" by Joe Garland, an upbeat tune that made the audience dance in their seats. For the 1950s, the band also performed "Johnny B. Goode" by Chuck Berry. For the 1970s, the chorus performed an arrangement of "Yesterday/Michelle," written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney, with baritone soloist Xzavior Fitzwater.

The 1970s were represented by Stevie Wonder's "Superstition," performed by the band, and Joe Gurdak was recognized as a hire in 1978 and for 40 years of commitment to the Ludlow community.

The 1980s were accompanied by Michael Jackson's "We Are the World," with soloists Karissa Trzesiara, Johnna Turin, Ayla Price, Jazmin Beam, Greta Fairbanks, Christina LeTourneau, Elizabeth Cavoto, Sadie Kobak, Xzavior Fitzwater, Natasha Fortin, Orion Corwin, and Lea Collado. Marcia Dockum was recognized as a hire in 1984 and for 34 years, and James O'Neil as a hire in 1988 and for 30 years.

The band performed "Smells Like Teen Spirit," originally recorded by Nirvana, and the 1990s recognized Karen Trimboli, a hire in 1992 with 26 years, Colin McKaig, a hire in 1993

with 25 years, Mike Tuomisto, a hire in 1995 with 23 years, Deb Harrison, a hire in 1998 with 20 years, and Carroll Adams, a hire in 1999 with 19 years.

The band performed "Viva la Vida," by Coldplay, for the millennial decade, and recognized Anne Gardner for 18 years, Mike McNamara for 18 years, John Bannon for 17 years, Vera Conroy for 17 years, Fern Melvin for 17 years, Matt Pincus for 16 years, Patty Rumrill for 16 years, Chet Gates for 14 years, Faye Larson for 13 years, Lisa Patch for 13 years, Toby Milne for 12 years, Denise Dean for 12 years, David DeSchamp for 12 years, Jen Grycel for 12 years, Heather Miele for 11 years, and Ted Gaine for nine years.

The chorus brought our trip down memory lane to the present with "Firework" by Katy Perry, recognizing Kristin Veysey for seven years, Suzette Cyr for five years, Kevin MacDougal for five years, Darlene Remy for five years, Jillian Getman for three years, Katie Herrle for three years, Victor Cucullo for two years, John Davis for two years, Cindy Wubbenhorst for two years, Trish Rafer for two years, Rai d'Honore for two years, Mellany Harrington for her first year, Ashley Billings for her first year, Greg Eddy for his first year, Terry King for his first year, Jessica Russ for her first year, and Yannick Oney for her first year.

The chorus concluded with a performance of the Black River School song, after which they invited everyone to join and sing together, and concluded the concert with many thanks, and a recognition of Sonya Sheehan, the

only senior in the music department who will be graduating this year.

This concert was inspired by Katie Herrle's desire to "celebrate Black River's history and to honor all of the faculty and staff members who have dedicated their lives to making it such a wonderful school. Although this is only my third year at BR," Herrle states, "we have many staff members who have spent 20, 30, or even 40 years educating the Ludlow community, and I wanted to give them an opportunity to reflect and feel appreciated for all they have contributed. I wanted to remind our veteran teachers of how many lives they've touched over the years, and to give our current students a celebration of Black River that they can take with them."

Herrle would like to thank: Mike Tuomisto, Chet Gates, Mike McNamara, and Terry King for all of their help with lighting, microphones, moving equipment, and seating setup; James Ahonen for help with the AV equipment; and Okemo Valley TV Studio for recording and producing the performance, which will be available on their website. Herrle would also like to thank Marcia Dockum for all of her positivity, support, her help decorating and advertising; Karen Trimboli, John Davis, and the Black River faculty and staff, for helping to gather information about the school's history

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# Chester explores converting historical firehouse into museum

BY PATRICK ADRIAN  
*The Vermont Journal*

CHESTER, Vt. - With the town still determining future uses for the Yosemite firehouse building, the Chester Historic Preservation Committee has proposed turning the building into a historical firefighting museum.

Lillian Willis and members of the Historic Preservation Committee presented its idea to the town Select Board at its regular business meeting last Wednesday, May 16.

"We have the [collection] for a museum, we have the major vehicles," Willis told the audience. "The question is how do we renovate it and make it into a museum, if that's what the town desires."

There are currently few such museums in the surrounding region, and the only exceptions are located far away or limited in size and exhibit, Willis said. Vermont's only fire museum is located in a 96-square-foot tool shed in Northfield, whereas New Hampshire's nearest fire museum is in Petersborough, N.H., approximately 55 miles in distance.

Funding the renovation for a museum would come predominantly through grants, which Willis stated would be facilitated by the firehouse's architectural uniqueness. Yosemite is one of only two firehouses in Vermont with twin towers, and the only one with a wood burning stove. Yosemite is already on the state's historical registry, and Willis said that an application has already been started to get the firehouse onto the national

registry, which would expand the firehouse's access to additional grants.

The Select Board would need to officially decide to utilize the firehouse as a museum before any fundraising could occur. The Select Board said that decision will hinge upon additional property assessments, a community study, and an action plan.

The most recent building assessment was completed in 2015. Overall the building has been found in good condition and well maintained, apart from structural supports along the riverbank. According to Town Manager David Pisha, engineers said that the support pillars were originally installed incorrectly. The town plans to complete that structural renovation regardless of its decision for the building's use.

Two critical property assessments remain before considering feasibility of a museum, Willis said. One is a flood evaluation of the property. The other is another building assessment specifically of the building's ability to function as a museum.

Architectural consultant Devin Coleman believed the firehouse could meet many museum requirements without significantly compromising the existing architecture, Willis told the board. Coleman told her that lighting improvements would be necessary, but that the firehouse's second floor could be used for exhibits without having to provide elevators, so long as visitors with physical disabilities could access the upstairs exhibits another way, such as visually through television monitors.



Historical Yosemite Firehouse.  
 PHOTO BY PATRICK ADRIAN

However, the flood evaluation may pose obstacles for museum parking. The firehouse's property is only about a quarter acre of land and can only hold about three cars. The flood assessment may limit the land availability even further. The field adjacent to the firehouse property is privately owned, and it is unknown whether the town would be willing to pursue an acquisition or if the owners would be willing to sell a subdivision.

The Select Board also asked the committee to survey the community to determine when residents support the committee's museum proposal. Willis and members said the intent of their presentation was to provide public information in order to solicit that community input moving forward.

Prior to the town's acquisition, Yo-

semita had been maintained by the Chester Historical Society - a separate organization from the Historical Preservation Committee, which formed in 2016. Historical Society President Ron Patch said that the historical society has cared for the property since 1976 and should be recognized for the firehouse's good condition. During that time, the society secured a \$35,000 Michael Leonard Grant for the building's restoration and spent \$25,000 of the society's own funds to keep the building insured.

Patch said that a couple of years ago, the society sought to transfer the firehouse's ownership due to the annual insurance cost. The group eventually decided to give the firehouse to the town. It was then learned that the society never had ownership of the firehouse in the first place, despite those years of investment.

While Patch supports the firehouse's restoration, he questions the logistics of the committee's museum proposal, in large part over the current location's lack of parking.

"It would need to be moved," Patch said, citing a more ideal location in the downtown. He said that the towers could be temporarily removed to transfer the building in separate sections.

However, Willis indicated during her presentation that having its original location may be a key condition for approval to the national historical registry.

## CTES block party for George Thomson



CAVENDISH, Vt. - Cavendish Town Elementary School will host a block party honoring Principal George O. Thomson Friday, June 22 on the Proctorsville Green from 6 to 8 p.m. This will be a potluck dinner so please bring a dish to share. Enjoy live music provided by Gowan Brae - Bob Naess's Celtic music ensemble - and Davis Brothers Garage Band featuring Mark Huntley. Come rain or shine to wish George well on his retirement.

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## Happy retirement, Kathy Martens



CHESTER, Vt. - Come join us to honor and celebrate Kathy's retirement after 42 years of teaching with an ice cream social. All are welcome to attend June 8 from 4 to 6 p.m. at the Chester-Andover Elementary School.

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## Rotary Interact Club's service trip to Nicaragua

CHESTER, Vt. - Nine local high school members of the Chester Rotary Interact Club at Green Mountain Union High School spent the 2018 February break in Nicaragua, engaged in service work. The participants included Magali Stowell-Aleman, Sierra Kehoe, Sadie Wood, Noelle Gignoux, Mary Churchill, Pearl Myers, Zoe Svec, Erik Heitsmith, all students at Green Mountain Union High School, and Hannah Fleming, a Chester resident enrolled at Northfield Mount Hermon School. They were accompanied by Wendy Schultz, Spanish teacher and Interact Club advisor, and Jeff Ladd, liaison to the hosting Chester Rotary Club.

The team provided materials and labor to help repair and paint the Maximo Jerez Elementary School in the remote village of San Jeronimo. The team also provided 350 books to establish the first lending library at

the school. Jane Mirandotte - director of the Alice Hodgson Libraries for All Foundation, a Rotarian and a resident of Nicaragua for nearly 50 years - coordinated the service project, which included an unforgettable visit to the elderly at the Asilo de Rivas.

The team enjoyed some free time activities. En route from Managua to San Juan Del Sur, the team visited Masaya Volcano, and on the return trip, the city of Granada. In San Juan Del Sur, they sampled a different local beach nearly every late afternoon, went zip lining, and visited the Cristo de la Misericordia statue that overlooks the town from a cliff.

Green Mountain Union High School Interact Club is grateful to Chester Rotary Club for its support, guidance, and generous donations as well as those in the community who donated to or supported its fundraisers since September 2017.

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# Chester/GMUHS alumni weekend June 8 and 9

CHESTER, Vt. - A reminder that the Chester/GMUHS alumni weekend is June 8 and 9, 2018. Friday, June 8, is the social hour at the Chester American Legion. This is an informal get-together for friends and classmates.

On Saturday, June 9, parade line up will be on Elm Street in Chester at 10 a.m. Stepping off will be at 11 a.m. and will end at the upper end of the Main Street green. Our barbecue will follow the parade at the Chester American Legion field. Children 8 and under are free.

Pass the word to all your classmates and meet them there. At this time, the winners of our scholar-

ships and the parade will be announced. Approximately at 2:30 p.m., there will be our annual meeting inside the American Legion. Hope to see many members there. Our treasurer has announced that she is retiring at the end of June 2018 so we will need applicants.

This year our golf tournament will be held Sunday, Sept. 9 at Tater Hill. More information for that will be in the newspaper and on our Facebook page: Chester High School/GMUHS Alumni.

Our address is CHUS/GMUHS Alumni Association, P.O. Box 882, Chester, VT 05143.

# Nominations to Board of Directors of Okemo Valley TV

LUDLOW, Vt. - Would you or someone you know be a good candidate to help local profit, independent, and local public media grow and thrive? If so, Okemo Valley TV wants to hear from you.

The Ludlow-based community TV station and media education center is putting a call out for nominations in advance of its annual Board of Directors election. Any resident of the towns of Andover, Ludlow, Mount Holly, Plymouth, Reading, or Cavendish who is at least 18 years of age is eligible to serve on the Board.

Okemo Valley TV, formerly known as "LPCTV," is an independent, nonprofit, public media resource serving the region around Ludlow and Okemo Mountain. It operates two channels on the local cable TV systems: a local community access channel on Comcast channel 8 in Ludlow, Plymouth, and Cavendish; Comcast channel 20 in Mount Holly; VTel system-wide on channels 166 and 1166, and an educational/government channel on Comcast channel 10

in Ludlow, Plymouth, and Cavendish; Comcast channel 21 in Mount Holly; VTel system-wide on channels 167 and 1167. Its website, [www.okemovalley.tv](http://www.okemovalley.tv) is full of local video-on-demand and other ways to engage. Okemo Valley TV also offers equipment, training, and use of its facilities to community members and organizations.

Community members will have an opportunity to vote by downloading the ballot from the Okemo Valley TV website during the two weeks before the election or in person at the annual meeting. The annual meeting is Wednesday, June 27 in the Okemo Valley TV studio; there will be an open house, with an awards reception, starting at 6 p.m.; the meeting will immediately follow.

Anyone interested in becoming a candidate or nominating someone they know should contact Executive Director Patrick Cody by email at [pcody@okemovalley.tv](mailto:pcody@okemovalley.tv) or calling 802-228-8808. Nominations must be received by Friday, June 8. More information on Okemo Valley TV is available at [www.okemovalley.tv](http://www.okemovalley.tv).



## Ludlow plant sale

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Ludlow Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale Saturday, June 2 at the Depot St. mini park from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is a great opportunity to purchase locally grown plants at great prices and support the work of the garden club.

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## Your funeral, your way

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Funerals in America have become expensive and families all too often make costly financial decisions in highly emotional states mere hours after someone dies. Michael Whitman, a consumer advocate for the Funeral Consumers Alliance says if you plan ahead, however, your family can arrange exactly what's wanted within specific financial parameters.

On Tuesday, May 29 at 5:30 p.m., Whitman will be at the Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections to talk about funeral

misconceptions; your legal rights; tips on making good decisions; options available at any funeral home; what family-directed after-death care is; and even how you go out "green" without breaking the bank. A Q&A session follows. There is no charge to attend, but call 802-824-4343 to register.

Neighborhood Connections is a nonprofit social services agency serving nine area mountain towns. The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections is located in Londonderry's Mountain Marketplace, next to the Londonderry post office.



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# SB approves funds to help properties in Village Center

CHESTER, Vt. - At their May 16, 2018 Select Board meeting, the Board approved changes to the Chester Development Fund policy. The new policy allows for assistance to property owners located in the Village Center Designated Area with improvements to the properties. Property owners who live in

the Village Center Designated Area may apply for either a mini loan, grant, or a combination thereof for assistance in conducting a variety of improvements to their property. These can include, but are not limited to, facade improvements, painting, or tree planting and maintenance.

Grants will be considered for up to \$500 each and loans are available for up to \$1,000 each. Total funds available are limited, and applications will be reviewed upon receipt. Further information, along with an application, is available at Town Hall or on the website, www.chestervt.gov.

# Chester plant sale June 1 and 2

CHESTER, Vt. - Spring is here, and the gardens are calling for attention. But cold nights can be dangerous for some plants. Fear not. That problem is solved by the Chester Plant Sale that is scheduled for later in the spring than usual, Friday, June 1, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., and Saturday, June 2, 8 - 11 a.m. The plant sale will take place on the side lawn of St. Luke's Church, 313 Main Street, Chester. Plants featured are hardy perennials from Vermont gardens, as well as some special, hardened annuals that cannot be found locally. The plants offered are top notch and ready to go into the ground without additional

hardening! A group of knowledgeable gardeners have been working to dig, pot, and groom the specimens. A wide variety of generous pots with fresh soil and weeded plants await purchase. Some of the favorite offerings are varieties of iris, hostas, ornamental grasses, daylilies (including ever-blooming Stella d'Oro), perennial geraniums, Lamb's Ears, Wild Ginger, Shasta Daisy, Hens & Chicks, Sedum Autumn Joy, coral bells, yarrow, Jacob's Ladder, Chinese astilbe, Lady's Mantle, yellow pear tomatoes, many kinds of herbs, and so much more - plus some shrubs such as Lit-

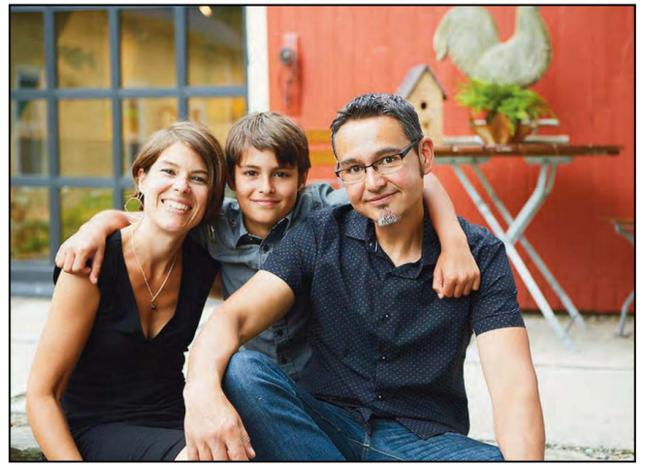
tle Princess Spirea. In addition, there will be information on invasive plants, Gardener's Log Notebooks, homemade jams and preserves, and seasonal produce if the weather cooperates. Also present will be knowledgeable gardeners eager to give advice on plants and design. Profits from the sale will benefit both St. Luke's Church and the new Chester-Andover Elementary School playground. For questions, please contact Lillian Willis at 802-875-1340.

# Artfully revitalizing Chester

CHESTER, Vt. - DaVallia's concept and philosophy of artful living is bringing national attention to the village of Chester. By focusing on the creative economy, this small business is hoping to make a big impact.

This Memorial Day weekend, DaVallia will be celebrating more than their nine-year anniversary of being in business. They will be celebrating their recent publicity that is putting DaVallia, but more importantly Chester, in the spotlight. The newest issue of Design New England magazine has a seven-page feature article, "Artful Living" about Michael and Jessie Alon, their galleries, and their local artists. Also this month, DaVallia is in Art New England and Vermont Art Guide magazine. "All too often, the little villages of Vermont are overshadowed by the larger towns," says Michael Alon. The Alons are working on getting an array of national press to drive tourism to town.

Since 2009, artists Michael and Jessie Alon have been creating a sense of home in their shops filled



The Alons plan to artfully revitalize the town of Chester.

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with custom furniture, home decor, and carefully curated artisan-made wares. Their business expansion to a second location in the Chester Stone Village in 2015 has been a very beneficial move for them and town. "We have re-directed so many travelers and homeowners to the Village Green. It's amazing the volume of people who are just now discovering

the Village Green," says Jessie Alon. DaVallia's new website, www.39NorthGallery.com, has been restructured to entice visitors to discover Chester! They are hoping to make an impact on the local economy. "We love Chester and our community. Thank you to everyone that has supported us over the last nine years."

# Lisa Verschoor's astrology workshop

CHESTER, Vt. - Everyone has Uranus in their birth chart somewhere... Come discover what this planet's recent move from Aries to Taurus means for you over the next seven years! On Sunday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Lisa Verschoor will be holding a workshop at Dream Barn Hollow to explain the attributes and tendencies this planet exemplifies. The workshop is limited to 10 participants. A light vegetarian lunch will be provided. Lisa Verschoor has been a professional astrologer for over 30 years.

She is the owner of Avalon Astrology, offering consultations, classes, and private phone consultations. She is also available weekends at Kripalu Yoga Institute in Stockbridge, Mass. Verschoor hosted two weekly radio shows, Light Line in southern Vermont and Star Tracks in the Berkshires, Mass.

Please call 802-875-1717 or email dreambarnhollow@gmail.com to register.

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# Vermont All State Music Festival

LUDLOW/CHESTER, Vt. - The 91st Vermont All State Music Festival was held May 9-12 at Essex High School. Auditions were held in January and 394 high school students qualified for the 2018 festival. Natasha Fortin from Black River High School sang her way into the All State Chorus. Jonathan Oaks from Green Mountain Union High School played his clarinet and earned a spot in the All State Band. Pictured are Miss Fortin with her music teacher Katherine Herrle and Mr. Oaks with his band teacher Christine Saul. The festival concert on May 12 was fantastic, and many pieces performed received standing ovations!

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# Memorial Day Parade

LUDLOW, Vt. - The American Legion Post 36 Memorial Day parade will take place Monday, May 28. The parade starts at 9 a.m. at Benson's Chevrolet, 25 Pond St. The parade will proceed to Veteran's Memorial Park on 1 High St. for a ceremony at 10 a.m. It will then proceed to

Pleasant View Cemetery, 37 N. Depot St. The parade will include the Color Guard and a wreath laying ceremony. A potluck will follow at the American Legion, 133 W. Main Street. For more information, contact Frank Fontaine at 802-688-4623.

# BRHS

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and for facilitating extra rehearsal space and time; Sherri Geimer for sharing photos and for helping with advertising; Christa Valente for helping to spread the word to Black River alumni; and most importantly, Herrle would like to thank the Black River

High School Middle School Band and Chorus for all their hard work.

After the concert performance, the raffle winners were drawn for the Black River HS and MS Quilt Project, in which Sherri Geimer facilitated the students learning to sew and make quilts. Nine quilts were completed, with one for each decade of Black River having been open, and nine winners were chosen. The money raised

by the raffle goes to prolong the Maryann Farley Gagner and Frank Dressler Scholarships for local high school students who plan to pursue post-secondary education.

This evening celebrated Black River's effect on the local community, which will not be forgotten even after the school has closed. The impact the Black River community has had on past and present generations will live

on as they make lasting contributions to our community and make the world a brighter place.

DVDs of the performance will be available for purchase soon. Contact brhsmusic@gmail.com to pre-order.

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Memorial Day Weekend - Enjoy! Grill all weekend!

# VA Medical Center holds Memorial Day ceremony

WHITE RIVER JCT., Vt. - White River Junction VA Medical Center will be hosting a Memorial Day ceremony Wednesday, May 30, 2018. The ceremony will take place outside under the flag on the Veterans Memorial Brick Walkway at noon. The Lyme Town Band will play music, Acting Medical Center Director Dr. Brett Rusch will open the ceremony, and the keynote speaker will be Col. Nathan Lord, commander of the 86th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (Mountain).

Col. Nathan Lord started his military career in Bravo Company 3rd Battalion, 172nd Infantry (Mountain) of the Maine Army National Guard in 1988. He was later commissioned a 2nd Lt. of Infantry in 1991 from the University of Maine ROTC



White River Junction VAMC's memorial walkway. PHOTO PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL GUARD

program. He initially served as a rifle platoon leader in Alpha Company, 3rd Battalion 172nd Infantry (Mountain) in Jericho, Vt. Col. Lord is a career mountain infantry officer whose assignments include company executive officer and company commander Alpha Company, 3rd Battalion, 172nd Infantry (Mountain), operations officer Army Mountain Warfare School, executive officer 3rd Battalion, 172nd Infantry (Mountain), operations officer 86th Troop Command, training officer and executive officer 86th IBCT (Mountain), and operations officer, Vermont Army National Guard. Col. Lord commanded the 3rd Battalion, 172nd Infantry (Mountain) from 2006-2009 and the Army Mountain War-

fare School from 2009-2011. Col. Lord is a veteran of Operation Enduring Freedom. His awards and decorations include among others the Bronze Star medal, Meritorious Service Medal with 3 oak leaf clusters, the Army Commendation Medal with 4 oak leaf clusters, the Parachutist Badge, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, and the Ram's Head Device. Col. Lord is a graduate of all levels of the officer education system as well as both summer and winter phases of Army Mountain Warfare School, the Winter Assault Climber Course, the Sniper Course, Northern Warfare Training Center, and the Norwegian Winter Warfare School. Col. Lord grew up on the coast of Maine and currently lives in Waterbury, Vt. with his wife Sarah, son Samuel, and daughter Elizabeth.

White River Junction welcomes everyone to attend this event and to pay their respects to our fallen heroes. For information concerning this and any other VA announcement, please contact Katherine Tang at the White River Junction VA Medical Center Public Affairs Office, at 802-295-9363, extension 5880 or vhwajpao@va.gov.



Col. Nathan Lord, keynote speaker. PHOTO PROVIDED

# Walpole Historical Society Museum opening June 2

WALPOLE, N.H. - Our season will open Saturday, June 2 from 12 - 4 p.m. Please come to browse and view the museum exhibits and gift shop items. We will be open every Saturday through the Columbus Day weekend in October from 12 - 4 p.m. Our new exhibit is "Busy Hands" - the industry and art of fabric and needlework in our community. This is a wonderful display of his-

toric and contemporary needlework of many kinds from the Walpole area. Our award-winning children's exhibit, featuring children's clothing from the 1800s to 1960s, remains in place this year as does the Timeline Walpole display of over 200 years of local history.

The gift shop has something for every age. New wooden toys and puzzles for the young. Colorful stained glass pieces - scarves and

accessories, napkins, candles, mugs, adult coloring books, magnets - and framed pictures and locally crafted wooden bowls. Our shop is stocked and ready for your browsing and shopping. Open every Saturday starting June 2- Oct. 13. We are at 32 Main Street, Walpole. Take Academy Lane for parking behind our building or park out front on street side. For more information, call 603-756-3449.

# Registration open for the best summer plans for 2018

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Are you looking for a place to send your children, ages of 5 and up? The Collaborative offers a 7-week day camp from July 2 to Aug. 17 of 2018. Children will participate in age-appropriate activities that will strengthen their communicative skills, cooperation skills, creative skills, and hand-eye coordination. The summer will include a fun theme-filled wonder, including optional participation in the 4th of July parade on the Collaborative float, learning proper techniques to reuse cardboard products through art and science, and practice their cooperation skills during color wars week when teams will go head-to-head in a week-long competition made up of different events from art to science to sports. The camp will also be offering swimming lessons all summer Mondays and Wednesdays at Memorial Park starting at 1:30 p.m. for no extra charge.

Registration is open now for the Collaborative Summer Camp



Campers on top of Bromley Mountain. PHOTO BY EMILY COWLES

2018! Camp will take place at Flood Brook School in Londonderry, Vt. from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. with an early camp available for an extra fee. For more information or questions, email Laura Muro, camp director,

at [laura@thecollaborative.us](mailto:laura@thecollaborative.us) or call the Collaborative office at 802-824-4200. You can also visit our website at [www.thecollaborative.us/collaborative-camp](http://www.thecollaborative.us/collaborative-camp) to register or find more information.

# Vendors for Fourth of July celebration

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - The Saxtons River Fourth of July committee is seeking vendors for its celebration. Profit and non-profit groups are invited to set up



Reserve your space today for the Fourth of July celebration. STOCK PHOTO

booths on Main Street for the event that draws about a thousand parade-

goers. Applications are available by contacting Krystal Hernandez at [kmhernand@gmail.com](mailto:kmhernand@gmail.com) or 802-376-4361.

The day's events include a 5K road race, parade, after-parade bandstand entertainment, food and game booths, a firefighters' water polo game, hula-hoop, egg toss and pie contests, and a giant musical chairs contest.

Further information will be available on the Saxtons River Fourth of July Facebook page closer to the date.

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**ROCKINGHAM MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE**  
The town of Rockingham invites you to attend the annual Memorial Day observance **Monday, May 28, 2018** at **10:00 a.m.** The program will start at Centennial Park (Waypoint Center on Bridge Street, located by the train station). There will be guest speakers, and patriotic music selections by our Bellows Falls School bands. A short parade for everyone to march in, with a Naval Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Arch Bridge. All of our participants are invited to the American Legion Post #37 after the parade for sandwiches and refreshments.

Commander Ernest "Smokey" Aumand  
Post #37 American Legion - Bellows Falls, VT

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# LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

Ron Patch is a Chester native, Chester Historical Society president, and a lifelong antiques dealer.

He can be reached at 802-374-0119 or email knotz69@gmail.com

## Remembering Henry Bond

For many years from the late 1860s to 1914 Henry Bond was a Chester resident. Bond was a well-respected citizen of the town of Chester and a quiet and unassuming man but who was he?

Henry Bond was born in Winhall, Vermont in 1845. Not much is known about his early life until the Civil War. He enlisted in the 11th Vermont Infantry in Jamaica, Vermont on August 11, 1862 as a private. The 11th was stationed in defense of Washington, D.C. for over a year and a half.

Originally an infantry regiment it was reorganized as an artillery regiment with additional recruits making it the largest of all Vermont regiments. In 1864 General Grant summoned all available troops as reinforcements for the Army of the Potomac. Henry Bond and the 11th Vermont responded. By now the 11th had been converted back to an infantry regiment. The 11th men were however allowed to wear their red chevrons designating artillery not blue for infantry.

Henry Bond in Company H participated in numerous battles and engagements including: Spottsylvania, Virginia, Cold Harbor, Cedar Creek and several other important battles. Of significance to this nation and the State of Vermont, Bond was at Petersburg, Virginia on April 2, 1865.

The 11th is noted for the heavy artillery fire it suffered at the hands of the Confederates at Spottsylvania, Virginia on May 18, 1864. This was followed by heavy losses at Cold Harbor, Virginia and then at Weldon Railroad where almost the entire battalion was captured by General Mahone. Other battles followed.

Henry Bond survived all these battles without being wounded or captured but his luck would run out on April 2, 1865 with the war just days from being over. It was at the Siege of Petersburg on that April 2nd, 1865 day where Bond was struck by a musket ball in an ankle. While he survived the wound he was fortunate not to



Henry Bond and family playing croquet at the Bond Farm. Notice the cat and dog. Circa 1900.

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have had his foot amputated. I'll give more on his wound after I give you the history of the Siege of Petersburg.

Petersburg, Virginia was heavily defended by the Confederates. Miles of trenches and earthworks supported by cannons had repelled all Union advances. The Union had attempted to capture Petersburg beginning in June of 1864. If Petersburg could be taken the road would be open to Richmond and an end to the war. I should mention that these trenches were a prelude to the trench warfare of WW1. In both wars frontal attacks proved devastating.

On April 2, 1865 the Sixth Corps with the 11th Vermont and Henry Bond made a bold early morning attack on the Confederate entrenchments. These Confederate entrenchments were the strongest line of defense of the entire war. The force of the Union attack was so overwhelming that they overpowered the Confederate forces in 15 minutes. In this assault 1,100 men were killed or wounded. One of the wounded was Chester's Henry Bond. The road to Richmond was open and the war was soon to be over.

When Henry Bond returned to Vermont in June 1865 he came to Chester to live out his days. His wounded ankle never really healed and troubled him for the rest of his life but did not stop him.

For many years he owned and farmed what is known today as

'Holden Acres' on the Green Mountain Turnpike. At the historical society we have several photos of the farm when Bond lived there. Also in our collection is a tintype of Bond in his Civil War uniform. That tintype was donated by Bill and Marjorie Orcutt.

Bond was the Town Constable for many years. He was a Mason at Olive Branch #64 until his death. Bond was a member in good standing of the Henry G.A.R. Post #27. He was active in the Grange, a fireman at the old Yosemite Firehouse and an auctioneer in town. Henry Bond died April 24, 1914 in Chester and is buried at Pleasant View Cemetery on High Street.

Losses for this hard fought regiment were: 155 killed in action, 175 died in Confederate prisons and 457 wounded. Many of the 11th Vermont soldiers held prisoner by the Confederates were captured at Weldon Railroad mentioned earlier.

The South was in ruin, hardly a single family had not lost someone close, and Abraham Lincoln would be assassinated on Good Friday, April 14th, dying the next day. Our nation healed these wounds.

*This week's old saying my mother used to describe someone who was really cheap. "He's tighter than bark to a tree."*

## Summer White Houses featured at President Coolidge site

PLYMOUTH NOTCH, Vt. - The President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site opens Saturday, May 26 for the 2018 season. It is considered one of the best-preserved presidential sites in the country, and 12 buildings are open to the public. The site has two museum shops, walking trails, a restaurant offering breakfast and lunch, sheltered picnic areas, and a cheese factory that produces the traditional granular curd "Plymouth Cheese."

This year's new temporary exhibit, "Presidential Holiday: The Coolidge Summer Retreats, 1924-1928," examines the idyllic settings and historic events associated with President Coolidge's five Summer White House locations. The exhibit showcases documentary photographs and artifacts of how the presidential family relaxed, including Coolidge's fishing equipment. Among the many gifts bestowed upon our 30th president during his summer explorations are outstanding examples of Native American beadwork and the fancy cowboy outfit from the South Dakota Summer White House. A highlight is the headdress given to President Coolidge when he was made leader of the Sioux Nation. This impressive

artifact, on display for the first time in Vermont, has been at the Forbes Library in Northampton since the 1920s. The exhibit was designed by Charles Gibson Design of Hanover, N.H., and funded in part through the generous support of the Alma Gibbs Donchian Foundation.

A visit usually begins at the Coolidge Museum and Education Center with its permanent exhibition, "More Than Two Words: The Life and Legacy of Calvin Coolidge." This highly interactive presentation brings Calvin Coolidge to life through objects, photographs, newsreels, and the masterful work of Jim Cooke, the reenactor acclaimed for his insightful portrayal of the 30th president. The exhibit received an Award of Merit from the American Association for State and Local History.

The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation has planned a busy season of special events:

- Grace Coolidge Musicales - June 3, July 29, and Aug. 26
- President Coolidge birthday celebration - July 4
- Plymouth Old Home Day - Aug. 4
- Plymouth Folk & Blues Festival - Sept. 1 & 2

- Plymouth Notch Antique Apple Fest - Oct. 6.

Ongoing programs are Tuesday Tales of The Notch with guided tours by the site administrator, Wednesday afternoons with Farmer Fred showcasing historic farming activities and wagon rides, and summer Thursdays and Saturdays at the Old Notch School featuring activities organized by the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation in the 1890 one-room schoolhouse.

The President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site is operated by the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, which is part of the Vermont Agency of Commerce and Community Development. ACCD's mission is to help Vermonters improve their quality of life and build strong communities by providing grants, technical assistance, and advocacy.

The President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site is open May 26 through Oct. 21, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., daily. For further information, call 802-672-3773 or visit the state-owned historic sites online at [www.historicsites.vermont.gov](http://www.historicsites.vermont.gov). Be part of the conversation and join the Vermont State Historic Sites on Facebook.

## Old Constitution House opening

WINDSOR, Vt. - Old Constitution House, the birthplace of Vermont, opens Saturday, May 26 for the 2018 season. Originally a tavern where Vermont's constitution was adopted in 1777, the restored Old Constitution House looks much as it did more than 200 years ago.

This year's temporary exhibit, "Lafayette's Grand Tour: Windsor Hosts An American Patriot," opens June 16. The Marquis de Lafayette, hero of the American Revolution, made a triumphal tour of the United States in 1824-1825. A crowd of several thousand turned out to meet him when he stopped at Windsor, Vt. Featuring objects from the site's collection and Royalton Historical Society, this special display examines this little-known chapter of local history. The permanent exhibition, "A Free and Independent State," examines Vermont's formative years, from the struggle for political independence to statehood in 1791. Revolutionary War-era artifacts are on display, including a rare copy of the sermon delivered at the 1777 Windsor Convention.

Back by popular demand is "History Happens at OCH," a series of programs organized by 18th-century reenactors Carl and Carolyn Ma-

likowski. The program commences Memorial Day weekend, May 26 and 27, with demonstrations of a variety of period activities including cooking, woodworking, and powder horn carving.

The "1777 Constitution Day Celebration" will be July 8, with reenactors, traditional artisans, and costumed guides saluting the 241st anniversary of Vermont's constitution in the old tavern where it all began. The event culminates with "Vermont's Revolutionary Trek" - a symbolic relay from Hubbardton Battlefield to Windsor's Constitutional Convention.

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The Old Constitution House State Historic Site is located at 16 North Main Street in Windsor. The 2018 season is May 26 to Oct. 14, Saturday through Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. For further information call 802-672-3773, or visit the state-owned historic sites online at [www.historicsites.vermont.gov](http://www.historicsites.vermont.gov). Be part of the conversation and join the Vermont State Historic Sites on Facebook.

The members of Colfax Lodge in Belmont will hold a

**Baked Ham Dinner at the Hall starting at 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 26th**

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Call 259-2460 with questions



### American Legion Post #37

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**ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**  
SUNDAY, MAY 27, 2018  
10:00 AM

American Legion Post #37 will hold its annual Memorial Day Sunday service May 27, 2018 at 10:00 am at The Faith Christian Church in Bellows Falls. All Legion, Auxillary and Sons of the American Legion are invited to attend, as well as family, friends and guests. **The Legion Family will meet at 9:50 am at the church front steps or foyer.**

Commander Ernest "Smokey" Aumand  
Post #37 American Legion  
Bellows Falls, VT

## CHS receives a mulch donation

CHESTER, Vt. - One of the prettiest flower gardens in Chester is at the Chester Historical Society. These gardens were created by and are maintained by society members. We appreciate all they do. At our April meeting, it was pointed out that the gardens needed to be mulched.

The expense of buying the mulch was being discussed when historical society member Larry Wright said he thought he could get us free mulch at Gilcris Enterprises where he works. Sure enough, Gilcris Enterprises donated two yards of select mulch for Chester Historical Society gardens.

Gilcris Enterprises is in Proctorsville on Peaceful Valley Road. The mill saws and sells both hard and softwood lumber, mulch, and pal-



Larry Wright delivered the mulch to the historical society.

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lets. The members of the Chester Historical thank Gilcris Enterprises and Larry Wright for their generous donation and making our flowerbeds the envy of the town.

Written by Ron Patch, Chester Historical Society president.

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# opinion

## Op-Ed: Vermont lawmakers send small businesses fleeing

As the Vermont General Assembly closes out this legislative session, NFIB, which represents more than a thousand small-business owners in the state, urges the Legislature to consider the cumulative impact of the costly mandates being considered. These proposals will make it harder for small-business owners to grow their businesses, impact employees' jobs, and ultimately hurt the state's economy.

At the outset of this session, Gov. Phil Scott called for a balanced budget without raising taxes and fees, and the Legislature seemed to agree. But now, some lawmakers seem hell-bent on enacting bills that place huge costs on the backs of small Vermont businesses and residents.

Requiring businesses to offer paid leave for 6 to 12 weeks at 70 to 80-percent of wages will hurt all workers, who are forced to pay for that program. It also puts a huge burden on small businesses that will struggle to handle the workload with so many absences. There are higher costs to the small-business owner who must pay for temporary workers or train replacement employees for specialized jobs.

On top of that, some lawmakers want to raise the minimum wage to \$15. Many recent studies show that will result in fewer hours and less pay for the people it's intended to help. It also leads to a reduction in entry-level positions, leaving unskilled or inexperienced workers unable to get their first job.

All of these additional labor costs, combined with rising health care costs, make it nearly impossible for many small businesses in the Green Mountain state to survive.

The proposed spending spree by certain lawmakers would also send up costs for property owners. This push for another property tax increase comes even as local school boards are working to reduce spending. That proposal could push more Vermonters out of their businesses and homes.

Do we want to send small businesses and homeowners fleeing to other states? Making Vermont affordable is key to its success, and that can't happen if the next General Fund budget increases beyond the rate of inflation. Instead, policymakers need to encourage entrepreneurship, attract companies to the state, develop and attract a workforce, and make it clear that Vermont is affordable and open for business.

*Written by Shawn Shouldice. Shawn Shouldice of Montpelier has represented NFIB, the leading advocate for small business, for 15 years. NFIB is nonprofit, nonpartisan, and member-driven. Since our founding in 1943, NFIB has been exclusively dedicated to small and independent businesses, and remains so today.*

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Op-Ed: Vermont climate economy, the moment is now

My first food was a testament to Vermont's economy. As a baby, the story goes, my parents held me as we admired the steaming arch at our neighbors' house. They took a small spoon and let me taste my first few drops of Vermont ambrosia: maple syrup. The only problem was, the syrup was so good I wouldn't let go of the spoon.

I have grown up surrounded by reminders of Vermont's economy. From the sweet scent of boiling sap, to the rumbling of chainsaws in nearby woods, to the tour buses that line Montpelier's Main Street in fall just as the leaves turn, I've watched our natural resource-based economy in action. The landscape is integral to our economy and to the happiness of the vast majority of Vermonters.

Climate change threatens the landscape I grew up with, know, and love. Climate change threatens that which I hold dear.

But climate change also offers an opportunity, a chance for Vermont to take a small but very real leadership role. It poses an opportunity for our state to show the nation and the world what a climate economy can look like.

The truth is that money drives behavior. That does not mean that we are doomed to succumb to the economic barriers in combating climate change. We must efficiently and effectively change the way Vermonters are able to interact with the economy. Like all consumers, Vermonters are unlikely to buy electric vehicles en masse until they are more affordable than other models. The average Vermonter will not choose solar and biomass until these options are as affordable as other energy sources.

Now is the time to get creative. We have the opportunity to make solar, wind, weatherization, electric vehicles, and other alternatives not only more affordable, but more accessible. We can use the settlement money from the Volkswagen emissions lawsuit and other funding mechanisms to focus on increasing the number of charging stations, creating new purchase incentives, and improving consumer awareness. Only when we tackle each aspect of an industry within the climate economy will we succeed.

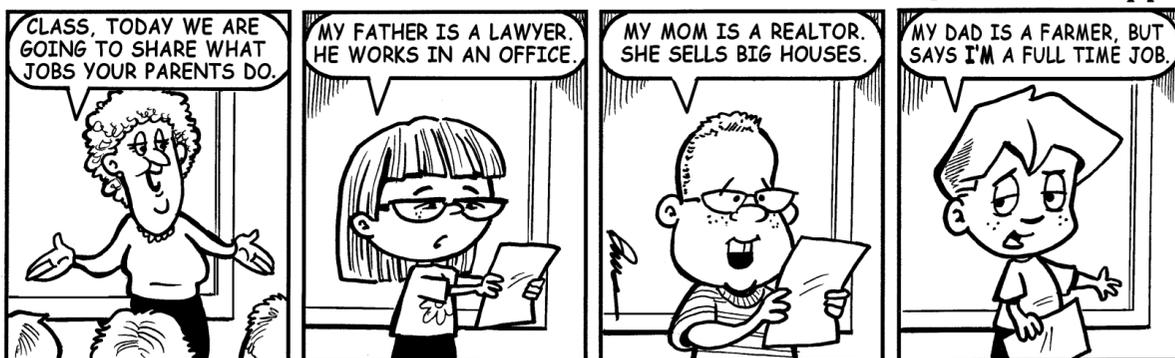
We can also focus on driving biomass adoption, and enhancing our electrical grid to be more flexible and efficient. Incentivizing modern wood heat and expanding smart grid technologies are examples of Vermont-focused initiatives that will put us at the forefront of the fight against climate change, allow us to act as a leader in these sectors, and save our landscape while saving Vermonters money.

Most importantly, these initiatives should attract green businesses and support the development of green jobs across Vermont.

And so it's our job as citizens, and our lawmakers' and business people's jobs as state leaders, to try to shape the Vermont economy around affordable, renewable, and lasting options. Let this moment mark Vermont's choice to support our economy while protecting our natural resources, including our sweet maple syrup, for future generations.

*Written by Harrison Bushnell. Harrison is a senior at U-32 High School. He lives in Middlesex, Vt.*

## Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Dynamic Organics is a small business headquartered in Putney, Vt., that is dedicated to the design, development, and operation of renewable energy and efficiency projects. When my business partner and I decided to expand beyond consulting and develop a software solution, we were suddenly faced with the challenges of a start-up company, including start-up costs, identifying markets, and access to capital. So we were thrilled to be chosen as one of eight business start-ups to join Accel-VT, a business accelerator providing start-up support, mentorship, and access to capital – for climate economy entrepreneurs.

Over the course of three months, we attended 12 day-long training sessions where we heard from over 40

mentors who provided us with critical input, feedback, and advice on our business plan. We also had substantive meetings with various Vermont companies who are interested in our services. This provided our company with the ability to refine our value proposition through conversations with these investors and stakeholders in the utility sphere.

During the Accel-VT training we also developed close relationships with the other companies in our cohort and gained invaluable insight of our business models strengths and weaknesses from these other groups feedback. Since meeting at the accelerator, we have also begun collaborating with another company that attended Accel-VT: Introspective

Systems of Portland, Maine.

Dynamic Organics' software solution enables building heating and cooling loads to be flexibly controlled, using these loads to balance intermittent, renewable generation. Introspective Systems is developing a pricing platform creating real-time pricing at multiple levels throughout the electric distribution and transmission grids. Having the chance to discuss both of our companies' software and hardware in-depth over the 3-month accelerator program illustrated the complimentary nature of our business models, and we have since started collaborating on a microgrid development at a former Naval air base.

Accel-VT afforded us a founda-

tional understanding of where we are currently as a start-up company, and tools for leveling-up our company as we go forward. The Vermont Sustainable Jobs Fund provided an amazing curriculum, instructors, access to stakeholders and investors, and a comfortable environment to refine our business model and value proposition. We sincerely thank all of our sponsors, and wholeheartedly recommend any Vermont start-up company participate in future accelerators to test your own assumptions about your business.

Sincerely,  
Morgan Casella  
CEO, Dynamic Organics  
Putney, Vt.

Dear Editor,

In just over five months, we get to once again decide Vermont's fate. Do we continue down the path to more taxes, more nanny state, higher overall cost of living, and more squeezing of Vermont businesses to insolvency or being forced to move? Or do we try a new path, one that uses common sense ideas that worked well in the past along with new, innovative approaches?

We have seen our economic foundation crumbling away under our feet, where we are now the fifth highest taxed state in the country. We have the oldest population per capita, yet we are the third most expensive state for retirees. We have had unnecessar-

ily high health insurance premiums forced upon us and now our legislators are saying "Tough! We are going to force you to buy health insurance you can't afford or else."

We don't have to live like this, nor should we. Start Aug. 14, 2018 on Primary Day to bring about the change we need. Let's restore conservative values of personal responsibility, fiscal responsibility, and common sense to Montpelier.

Sincerely,  
Keith Stern  
Republican candidate for governor  
N. Springfield, Vt.

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank the 29 people who attended the Climate Reality slide presentation given by Carol Stedman May 7 at the Springfield Library. It is not always easy to give up part of a spring evening to attend an event, but you did it!

Ms. Stedman's presentation was superbly sequenced. The audience first viewed magnificent pictures of devastating storms and destruction caused by climate change, followed by grim statistics on the frequency of such catastrophic storms, and the cost in human lives and money. The audience was filled with dread, but did not leave feeling that way.

Next we were treated to eye opening scenes and data about renewable energy. Why doesn't the average American know that renewable energy output far surpasses that of coal produced energy? How more and more companies are investing in renewable energy, and how many

jobs renewable energy produces. Yes, progress is being made on many fronts. There is hope.

Finally Ms. Stedman drove it home. She showed how each one of us can make a positive impact. It could be something big like buying an electric car, or we could use less plastic and advocate for the use of less plastics in packaging. It can be many small acts of conservation and efficiency.

To help you along with these small acts, Efficiency Vermont is giving a Button Up workshop Thursday, May 24 starting at 6 p.m. at the Springfield Town Hall, 96n Main Street. This free workshop will cover how homes lose energy, opportunities for air sealing and insulation, and information about financial incentives. It pays to conserve and be efficient.

Sincerely,  
Char Osterlund  
Springfield, Vt.

Dear Editor,

I would like to acknowledge a local business that time after time shows their generosity and commitment to their community. Biben's Hardware is the kind of business we should feel proud to have in the town of Springfield. Peter at Biben's was nice enough to donate some materials to the UVM Extension Master Gardener project up at the Howard Dean Technical Center here in Springfield, Vt. We are in the process of doing some redesigns and sprucing up a couple of the gardens at the entrance of the center. We needed some mulch and pea stone to start this project and Biben's came through for us.

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Thanks for all your support in Springfield and the surrounding communities.

Donna J. Thomas  
Springfield, Vt.

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# CHURCH SERVICES

# obituaries

## ALSTEAD, N.H.

**Third Congregational Church UCC, River Street**  
Sunday service and Sunday school is 10:30 a.m. For more information, contact alsteadthirdchurch@gmail.com or 603-835-6358.

## ASCUTNEY, VT.

**Bow Baptist Church, 1102 Rte 5.**  
Sunday school at 10 a.m. Morning service at 11 a.m. Evening service at 6 p.m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday at 7 p.m. Call 802-546-4902 or www.bowbaptist.com.

## BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

**Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St.**  
Holy Eucharist Services are offered at 8 a.m. (quiet service) and 10 a.m. (with music) every Sunday. Immanuel Church is handicap accessible.

**Faith Christian Church, 582 Rockingham Rd.**  
Pastor Matt and Brenda Farkas welcome all to come and enjoy their services. Memorial Day Service will be held Sunday, May 27, hosted by the Bellows Falls American Legion.

**Christ's Church, 24 Main Street, Saxtons River**  
On the first Sunday of every month, service begins at 10 a.m. and is followed by a potluck luncheon. For more information, call 802-376-6178. All welcome.

## CAVENDISH-PROCTORSVILLE, VT.

**Cavendish Baptist Church, 2258 Main St.**  
Sundays at 10 a.m. More at CavendishBaptist.com or call 802-226-7131

## CHARLESTOWN, N.H.

**North Charlestown United Methodist Church, Route 12A River Rd.**  
Sunday worship begins at 9 a.m. Church is handicap accessible. Contact 603-826-0381.

**Charlestown Congregational Church, 71 Main Street**  
Sunday service on starts at 10 a.m. All are welcome. For more information, call 603-826-3335.

## CHESTER, VT.

**St. Joseph's Church, 96 S. Main St.**  
Mass at 4 p.m. on Saturday and Thursday at 9 a.m. Confession from 3 - 3:30 p.m.

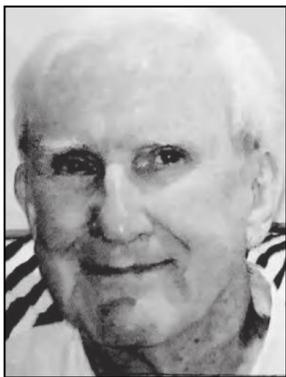
**Chester Congregational Church, 469 Main Street, Route 11 West**  
Sunday Service at 10 a.m. All are welcome. For more information, call 802-875-3382 or go to www.chestercongregational.org.

**First Universalist Parish of Chester, Rte. 103. 211 North St.**  
Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. followed by light refreshments and conversation. Youth Program for kids ages 4 and older; free childcare available for children under 5 in the playroom between Sept. and June. More at www.chestervtu.org or 802-875-3257.

**Andover Community Church, 928 Weston-Andover Rd., Andover**  
Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. and worship service 10:45 a.m. For more information, go to www.andovercommunitychurch.org.

## John J. Sandberg, 1925 - 2018

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - John Sandberg, 92, died May 3, 2018 at The Grand Nursing Home in Altamont, N.Y. with his loving family by his side after suffering from Alzheimer's and strokes. He was born June 28, 1925 in Ludlow, Vt. to the late John and Agnes Sandberg. He attended elementary and high school at Black River in Ludlow, Vt. John honorably served his country during World War II in the 10th Mountain Division Ski Troops, and worked at GE in Ludlow and Rutland, Vt.



John J. Sandberg, 1925 - 2018. PHOTO PROVIDED

In 1947, he married Gloria Strong, and they raised three sons Stephen who married Susan, Thane, and Jon. He is also survived by six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. John enjoyed many years of skiing on Okemo Mountain, and in later years wintering in Florida.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters Melba Wendling, Ruth Lamb, Janet Sandberg, Thelma Kalinen, Anna Overguard, and Dorothy Hammond.

Services will be at a later date at the convenience of the family in Ludlow, Vt. McVeigh Funeral Home

in Albany, N.Y. is handling the arrangements. Contributions in John's memory may be made to Alzheimer's or stroke associations.

To leave John's family a message on their guestbook, light a candle, or view other helpful services, please visit www.mcveighfuneralhome.com.

## GRAFTON, VT.

**The Grafton Church (UCC and ABC), 55 Main St.**  
Worship begins at 10 a.m. All are welcome!

## LONDONDERRY, VT.

**St. Joseph Chapel, High St.**  
Mass on Saturday at 6 p.m.  
**First Baptist Church, 62 Crescent Street, S. Londonderry, Vt.**  
Worship services are at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. For more information, visit www.firstbaptistlondonderryvt.org or call 802-856-7266

## LUDLOW, VT.

**Annunciation Catholic Church, Corner of Depot and High St.**  
Mass on Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Sundays at 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. Call 802-228-3451

**The United Church of Ludlow (UCC and Methodist), 48 Pleasant St.**  
Sundays starting at 10:15 a.m. followed by a time of fellowship and coffee hour. Call 802-228-4211 or email unitedchurch@tds.net. Visit us online at www.unitedchurch.us

**Tyson Congregational Church, Corner of Rt. 100 and Dublin Rd.**  
Regular worship begins at 10:30 on Sundays. 802-228-5114. All are welcome!

## PERKINSVILLE, VT.

**Perkinsville Community Church, 35 Church St.**  
All are welcome. Call 802-263-9539.

## SPRINGFIELD, VT.

**Church of Christ, Route 11, 972 Chester Rd.**  
Sunday school starts at 10 a.m. Worship service at 11 a.m. Wednesday Devotional is at 6:30 p.m. Enter through the back downstairs door. Check out the Facebook page: Springfield Church of Christ.

**Lighthouse Baptist Church, 142 Wall St.**  
Saturday service at 10 a.m. Bible Study at 11 a.m. Worship Tuesday night is at 7 p.m. with bible study and prayer. For more information, call 802-885-5763.

**Precision Valley Baptist Church, 69 Route 106**  
Adult Bible Study on Sundays from 9 -9:45 a.m. Services start at 10 a.m. Located right next to Cota & Cota.

**Unitarian Universalist Church, 21 Fairground Rd.**  
"Yoga At Every Stage of Life" with Aimee Parnell will be the Sunday, May 27 topic at 10 a.m. Come check out how yoga and meditation can

## Grace Precourt, 1930 - 2018

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - Grace Precourt, 88, of Rockingham, Vt. passed away May 19, 2018, lovingly surrounded by family at Springfield Health and Rehab after being diagnosed with cancer early this year. Grace was born April 21, 1930, in Teaneck, N.J., the daughter of George and Mary (Callahan) Sands.

She was best at being a mom. Most weekends at the Precourt home, the family enjoyed hiking in the woods, target practice, ice skating, bonfires, skiing, sledding, snowmobiling, and horseback riding. She loved doing everything as a family. She enjoyed many hobbies, such as crocheting and rug making. Many weekends and holidays were filled with laughter as we sat around the big wooden table in her dining room playing games together. Grace was a loyal member

of the Bellows Falls Moose Woman's Club and the American Legion Post 37. She easily made friends wherever she went because she was friendly to all and loved being around people. Wherever she was, you could find her laughing and telling stories about her life.

Her husband, Donald E. Precourt Sr., preceded her in death in March 2011. She is lovingly remembered by her daughter Susan (William) Burke, her son Donald Jr. (Sue) Precourt, her daughter Gail (Jim) Smidutz, and her son Ronald (Sue) Precourt, nine grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

There will be calling hours at the Fenton and Hennessey Funeral Home from 3-5 p.m. Saturday, May 26, followed by a funeral service with Reverend Jerry Kilyk.

improve your health and well-being. Aimee began practicing Iyengar yoga in 1999. She obtained her RYT-200 yoga certification in 2014 at Shoshoni Ashram in Colorado. Call 802-885-3327 or go to www.uspringfieldvt.org.

## WALPOLE, N.H.

**St. John's Church, corner of Westminster and Elm St.**  
Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Services begin at 10 a.m., followed by coffee hour. For more information about Art After School program, our outreach efforts, call 603-756-4533.

## WESTMINSTER, VT.

**Christian Family Circle Chapel, 1512 Back Westminster Rd.**  
Sunday song service begins at 10 a.m., Sunday school at 10:30 a.m. Fellowship lunch on first Sunday of each month. Non-denominational. Visit www.christianfamilycirclechurch.com and like us on Facebook.

All Church Services are listed online at www.VermontJournal.com. Click on "News" and then choose "Obituaries & Services."

## Paul E. Carlisle, 1933 - 2018

**GASSETTS, Vt.** - Paul Edgar Carlisle, 84, died May 19, 2018, at the Vermont Veterans' Home in Bennington, Vt. He was born Sept. 19, 1933 to Herbert Carlisle and Louella Carlisle of Gassetts, Vt. Paul was the husband of Joyce Carlisle. He attended school at Gassetts and at 17 joined the United States Marine Corps., where he served four years. He worked for Abby Butterfield Brownies Garage as well as Bryant Grinder where he retired after 20-plus years of service. His hobbies were hunting and fishing. He loved to go to the races at Claremont Speedway. Paul also enjoyed taking pictures with his camera of many excursions to the Northeast Kingdom. He was also a member of the Chester Rod and Gun Club where he taught hunter safety. He was a life member of the National Rifle Association.

Paul was predeceased by his brothers Alfred Carlisle, Ernie Carlisle, Maurice Carlisle; half-brothers Tuck, Walter, and Frankie; sisters Evelyn and Ella Carlisle; also his wife Joyce Carlisle; grandson Shane Carlisle; father Herbert Carlisle; and mother Louella Carlisle.

Paul is survived by his sister Margaret Grochowik and her sons Paul and Russel Grochowik; son Joshua Carlisle and Mary Carlisle, their



Paul E. Carlisle, 1933 - 2018. PHOTO PROVIDED

children Mercedes Carlisle, Katelynn Carlisle, Sabrina Crites, Madison Carlisle, Rebecca Crites, Mary Ella Crites, Zachary Carlisle; nieces Linda, Judy, Jeanie, and Donna Carlisle; nephew Danny Carlisle; and great-grand-children Blaze, Bladen, Landon, and Faith.

No formal services will be held as per Paul's last wishes. Any of those wishing to make a memorial donation are asked to make it to the Alzheimer's Association. To find out more, go to www.act.alz.org/donate.



## James C. Holton

**WESTMINSTER, Vt.** - A memorial service for James Holton, who died Dec. 5, 2017, will be held Saturday June 2 at 11 a.m. at the First Congregational Church in Westminster, Vt.

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## Wain K. Maass

**CHESTER, Vt.** - A service and Celebration Of Life for Wain K. Maass, a longtime resident of Chester, Vt., who died peacefully Jan. 22, 2018, will be held June 2 at 11:30 a.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Chester, Vt. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made in Wain's name to "Pennies For The Playground," Chester Andover Elementary School, Main Street, Chester, VT 05143.

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# Help fund K9 AJ's door pop and heat alarm—

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - K9 AJ is a "loving" 2-and-a-half-year-old Belgian Malinois certified in patrol, tracking and trailing, and narcotics. He is assigned to Officer Ryan Prince of the Springfield Police Department. He loves to play, chase his ball, and have fun with his family. Within his first week on the job, his track of a suspect resulted in a find and arrest, and he continues to excel!

K9 AJ is in need of a door pop/heat alarm system; and, here's how this equipment both helps AJ and Officer Prince on the job. A door pop allows the K9 handler officer to remotely unlatch the door so their K9 may exit the squad car and come to their aid should a call for service take a turn for the more dangerous.

A heat alarm system monitors the interior air temperature of the squad car and sets off the sirens, lights, alarms, and rolls down the windows

of the car to help ensure that a K9 doesn't suffer from heat trauma if the temperature rises into a dangerous threshold.

Please help the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce sponsor this equipment for K9 AJ by making a tax-deductible donation to Hero K9 today. Donations can also be dropped off at the Chamber's office at 56 Main Street, Ste. 2, Springfield, VT 05156.

Hero K9 is a national 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to protecting our nation by raising funds to provide the public safety community with K9s, training, and necessary equipment.

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K9 AJ and Officer Ryan Prince at their first day of school.

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# Department of Labor speaks on fiduciary best practices

LUDLOW, Vt. - Is your company's retirement plan in compliance with the Department of Labor? On Thursday, June 14 from 7:30 to 9 a.m. the Department of Labor will speak on fiduciary best practices at the Okemo Valley Golf Club, Gold Room, at 89 Fox Lane Rd. in Ludlow.

This seminar is open to business owners or anyone who takes on the fiduciary responsibility on behalf of their company's retirement plan. This exclusive event

will give you the rare opportunity to hear directly from the Department of Labor and our panel of experts about what you need to know now to effectively manage your company's 401(k), 403(B), or Simple Plan. Topics will include: proper investment policy statement administration, pros and cons of sharing arrangements, DOL's expectations of plan sponsors, preparing for DOL audit, impact of recent legislation, reasonable plan fees, and investigations and enforcement actions.

Featured speaker is Mary Rosen, associate regional director of the U.S. Department of Labor. Moderators are Steven McNeilly, ChFC, certified 401(k) professional and Mark Huntley, investment advisor representative.

Don't forget to ask for your free company plan analysis and benchmarking opportunity. Seating is limited so register now. Contact Derek Karner, American Portfolios: dkarner@americanportfolios.com at 888-922-1035.

# Students earn Aaron Douglas Outstanding Dependability award

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The River Valley Technical Center awarded the Aaron Douglas Outstanding Dependability award to students at a gathering Friday, May 18, 2018. The Aaron Douglas Outstanding Dependability award is given in honor of a former Horticulture and Natural Resources student from Green Mountain Union High School, who displayed outstanding dependability in the face of challenging circumstances. Aaron passed away in February of 2009 after a long illness.

In order to be considered for the award, a student must have a 97 percent or better attendance rate, he/she must come to class prepared to work each day, dress appropriately, follow instructions, complete tasks, and be true to his/her word. "This award means a great deal to the staff and alumni at the River Valley Technical Center. It is a huge honor that these students showed the dependability and integrity to earn it," said Scott Farr, superintendent/director at RVTC.

The following students earned the Aaron Douglas Outstanding



Level I students.

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Student award for the 2017 - 2018 school year: Brandon Nutting, Fall Mountain Regional High School; Shawn Desmarais, Springfield High School; Alan Aldrich, Springfield High School; Ashley Quelch, Springfield High School; Kyriona Quelch, Vermont Adult Learning; Mariyah Fales, Black River High School; Haley St. Louis, Springfield High School;

Kija Wood, Springfield High School; Danielle Barber, Springfield High School; Rachel Parent, Green Mountain Union High School; Ezra Leonard, Springfield High School; Alex Rennie, Springfield High School; Megan Banik, Bellows Falls Union High School; Tanisha Craft, Springfield High School; MaKailey Howarth, Springfield High School; Emily Perham, Black River High School; Madison Streeter, Bellows Falls Union High School; Chase Ordway Smith, Green Mountain Union High School; Luke Pennell, home school; Kynzie Smith, Springfield High School; Carissa Bailey, Green Mountain Union High School; Gavin Glidden, Springfield High School; Emily McCann, Green Mountain Union High School; Delenn Moore, Green Mountain Union High School; Austin McFadden, Springfield High School; Dominik Chase, Bellows Falls Union High School; Nicholas Ondre, Green Mountain Union High School; Zachery Barker, Green Mountain Union High School; Jacob Matulonis, Springfield High School; Seth Martin, Springfield High School; Biniyam Caloras, Springfield High School; and Olivia French, Springfield High School.

To learn more about the River Valley Technical Center and the employability and transferable skills we teach, please visit [www.rvtc.org](http://www.rvtc.org) or call us at 802-885-8300.



Level II students.

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# Fish & Wildlife celebrates newest wildlife management area

WINDSOR, Vt. - The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department will celebrate the grand opening of new Windsor Grasslands Wildlife Management Area Thursday, June 7, from 3 to 5 p.m.

The land was previously owned by Vermont's Buildings and General Services and was recently transferred to the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department. The 826-acre property contains habitat for a variety of species, from hayfields that are a favored nesting site for grassland birds, to young forests and apple trees that attract deer and bears.

"We're pleased that these lands will be permanently conserved for wildlife habitat and public access," said Louis Porter, commissioner of the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department. "The local community has been highly engaged in these lands in recent years, helping to release ap-

ple trees to improve wildlife habitat, hunting turkeys, or bird-watching for grassland birds. We look forward to continuing that tradition as we manage this property for a variety of wildlife species and those who care about them."

The celebration will take place on the wildlife management area at 1192 Marton Rd., Windsor, Vt. Brief remarks from department staff and partners, including Agency of Natural Resources Secretary Julie Moore, will be followed by a brief birding walk around the property led by department wildlife biologist John Buck. An informal gathering at the Windsor Station Restaurant will follow the event.

Members of the public interested in supporting habitat conservation and public access to land in Vermont can purchase a Vermont Habitat Stamp at [www.vtfishandwildlife.com](http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com).

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The funds collected as part of this fundraiser will be allocated by the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce to Springfield Police Department's Equipment Grant Application with Hero K9 for K9 AJ. Should the application status change and/or if donations received are in excess of the goal amount, donations will be directed to the organization's general fund to provide additional equipment grants and cover operational costs and/or other business-related expenses.

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1 Hospital Court, Bellows Falls, VT

Springfield Health Center  
100 River Street, Springfield, VT

The Women's Health Center  
29 Ridgewood Road, Springfield, VT

# outdoor news

## Vermont's summer free fishing day

**REGION** - Vermont's annual, statewide summer Free Fishing Day is Saturday, June 9. "Vermont's Free Fishing Day gives resident and nonresident anglers the opportunity to go fishing without a license for the day in Vermont lakes and streams," said Fish and Wildlife Commissioner Louis Porter. "Fishing is an activity that can be shared with friends and family or easily taught to newcomers while enjoying quality time together."

Vermont's regular bass season also opens June 9, marking the start of some of the hottest bass fishing action in the northeast. The season opens each year on the second Saturday in June and extends through the last day of November.

Fish and Wildlife also has teamed up with Vermont State Parks to offer the "Reel Fun Fishing" program to be scheduled by park interpreters on Free Fishing Day and during the summer at some state parks. The program provides loaner



Vermont's summer free fishing day is June 9.

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tackle kits and fishing clinics free of charge to anyone interested in fishing at a Vermont State Park. Fishing licenses are required for anyone 15 or older except on Free Fishing Day. Information on Reel Fun Fish-

ing can be found at [www.vtstateparks.com/fishing](http://www.vtstateparks.com/fishing).

To learn more about fishing in Vermont or to purchase a fishing license, visit [www.vtfishandwildlife.com](http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com).

## Slow birding with the Bird Diva

**CHESTER/ GRAFTON, Vt.** - For many avian enthusiasts, birding is an adventure in achievement. How many species can we check off of our bird lists? Who has the best "big year" (a year-long competition to count the most birds)? Which pair of binoculars is the most impressive? The most expensive?

Bird Diva, Bridget Butler, offers a new way to bird: slow birding. Based on the work by authors Donald and Lillian Stokes of the "Bird Behavior" books and the teachings of John Young and Dan Gardoqui, who wrote "What the Robin Knows," slow birding is an approach which encourages us to slow down and develop a deeper connection to birds, rather than the traditional chase-and-identify birding.

Join the Nature Museum and the Bird Diva for a two-part adventure in slow birding. On Friday, June 8, Butler will lead a Slow Birding Talk at 7 p.m. at the NewsBank Conference Center in Chester. Bridget will share how to read bird body language, how to listen beyond just birdsong, and how to discover our own sit-spot to achieve a more intimate look at the natural world. Join us for this special presentation and Q&A with the Bird Diva. Light refreshments will be served. For more information or to register, visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org), or call 802-843-2111.

Want more field experience? Part two of this slow birding adventure is a field session with the Bird Diva Saturday, June 9 at 7:30 a.m. The Bird Diva will take us on a slow birding adventure through the forests and fields of a private property in Grafton. Learn about how to look with and without binoculars, map what you're hearing and seeing, and take field notes. Participants are encouraged to dress for the weather and to bring a notebook, water, and comfortable, portable chair or pad to sit on. Both birding events are appropriate for tweens, teens, and adults. The bird walk will end by 10:30 a.m. Separate registration is required for the June 8 talk and the June 9 field session.

Bridget Butler has been a naturalist for more than 20 years, playing matchmaker for our wildscape here in Vermont and the people who call



Slow birding with the Bird Diva and the Nature Museum.

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this place home. Her mission is to tap into each person's innate passion for nature through exploration and deep listening. Butler is heard on VPR's biannual Bird Show on Vermont Edition. She is the former conservation education specialist at ECHO Lake Aquarium and Science Center in Bur-

lington. She also appears weekly on WPTZ NewsChannel 5 to discuss natural history and environmental topics.

For more information, find the Nature Museum at [www.facebook.com/naturemuseumatgraffton](http://www.facebook.com/naturemuseumatgraffton) or visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org).

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hike into Weathersfield's "deep history" Sunday, June 10 at 2 p.m. You will walk on a glacial esker that was deposited in a water-carved tunnel in the last continental glacier as it melted north toward Canada. This is a moderately difficult loop hike that will include a segment of the historic

Crown Point Military Road. Meet in the Crown Point camping area at 131 Bishop Camp Rd. off Stoughton Pond Rd. in Perkinsville, Vt. and follow the signs. The hike will take place, rain or shine. Don't forget to dress for ticks and black flies! For information, call 802-885-9517.

## Vermont's trophy trout stocking

**REGION** - Vermont's "Trophy Trout" stocking program for 2018 includes eight river sections and 15 lakes and ponds receiving the two-year old trout, some over 18 inches long.

"The trophy rainbow and brown trout stocked in the Black, Winooski, Lamoille, East Creek, Missisquoi, Walloomsac, and Passumpsic Rivers as well as Otter Creek provide exciting fishing for many anglers of all ages and skill levels," said Vermont's Director of Fisheries Eric Palmer. "Large two-year old rainbows will also be stocked in 15 additional lakes and ponds to provide excellent fishing opportunities."

Trout fishing opened April 14 and will continue through Oct. 31 this year. There is no length limit. The daily creel limit is two trout.

Stocking of the river sections will occur throughout May. Anglers can check [www.vtfishandwildlife.com](http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com) to see the stocking that has occurred. Click on "Fishing" and then "Stocking Schedule."

- Black River - along Route 131 in Weathersfield and Cavendish, from Downers covered bridge upstream, approximately four miles, to the next bridge across the river, the Howard Hill Bridge.
- East Creek - in Rutland City, from the confluence with Otter



Trophy trout like these are being stocked this spring in eight Vermont river sections and 15 lakes.

PHOTO BY JOHN HALL

Creek upstream, approximately 2.7 miles, to the top of the Patch Dam in Rutland City.

A portion of the annual stocking of trout in these waters will also be trophy trout: Black Pond in Hubbardton, Kent Pond in Killington, Knapp Pond 1 in Reading and Cavendish, Lake Rescue in Ludlow, Mill Pond in Windsor, and Stoughton Pond in Weathersfield.

Standard fishing regulations apply to these lakes and ponds. For details, see the "Vermont 2018 Fishing Guide & Regulations" available where licenses are sold.

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# sports



## THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

### Former Terrier Mike Howe

"For me, coaching is passing along my knowledge and love of the game, in hopes that others will enjoy the same experiences I have had. Coaching against Mike is always good. I enjoy watching him coach and pass along his passion for the sport to players in another community."

Bellows Falls baseball coach Bob Lockerby was the author of the quote. Lockerby's Terriers hosted Mike Howe's defending state champion Otter Valley Otters last Friday night, under the lights in Bellows Falls and everything about the game was perfect - at least for Otter Valley. In fact, Howe, former Terrier and Post 37 pitching standout, and his team took the Connecticut River Valley by storm last week.

They met Springfield Monday and easily disposed of the Cosmos 13-3. They traveled to Hartford Wednesday and Otters pitcher Josh Beayon tossed a no-hitter in a 12-0 victory. Then on Friday it was in a sense double-trouble as staff ace Payson Williams threw a perfect game versus the Terriers, 27 up, 27 down.

Howe guided his nine to a Division II state title last spring and disposed of Bellows Falls 5-1 in the quarterfinals along the way. Otter Valley athletic director Steve Keith feels Howe has been instrumental in building a strong base for the school's baseball program.

Keith told us, "Mike gets players playing the game in the summer. He really promotes the sport. I hired him in my second year as AD as the junior varsity coach and he has been the varsity coach for four years now. He holds a big clinic every spring, which draws interest from the younger players. He partners with the area rec directors and encourages players of all ages to play baseball in the summer. He stresses the importance of repetition in the sport and sells that to the players to make themselves better."

Moving back to Howe's area ties, the OV coach says, "Coach Lockerby is right," in reference to the quote I read to him over the phone, which began this piece, going on to say, "That's what I learned from my coaches in Bellows Falls. Coach Bisbee and Coach Lockerby both taught me how to play the game the right way. Every spring when we start practice inside, we talk about how you hustle on and off the field, how you never show up an opponent, and to play the game hard. Now I'm just passing that along."

Is there pressure on you and your team, Mike, because you are near the top of the standings and you are the defending champions?

## Former Terrier now coach of rival team



Two Legion baseball teams will be playing this year in Ludlow and Bellows Falls. STOCK PHOTO

The team's only losses in an 11-3 season are all to Division I teams.

"There is pressure on us every game, but it isn't because we are looking to repeat. The kids put pressure on themselves. They are just going out to beat the next opponent, whoever that is," Howe says of his team. He adds, "They are a pleasure to coach. They love the game. They get mad when I have to call off practice."

Howe was a good pitcher, and I asked if his perfect game pitcher (Williams) drew from who Howe was as a pitcher to help better himself. Howe said, "No. We are complete opposites. I always wore my emotion on my sleeve and he is a quiet kid. We were both competitors, but he doesn't show hardly any emotion. It was tough to even get him to crack a smile after the perfect game."

The former pitcher Howe insisted on crediting his catcher for playing a part in the two pitching gems last week. He mentioned he will never forget how important former Terrier catcher Garin Clough was in his pitching success. "Daniel Allen has been a four-year starter and he has a big part in calling pitches in both of those gems." The coach points out.

There is another thing Howe said that goes even further towards how to play the game the right way. "I like a pitcher to work fast. Get the ball back and throw it. I always worked fast. You can get into a rhythm and your defense stays sharp and ready to play." If all pitchers were like Howe, there wouldn't be talk about pitch clocks in the game of baseball at the major league level today.

Bringing one more area reference into the Otter Valley baseball story, Springfield Cosmos first-year baseball coach, Jim Winslow, was one of the centerpieces of Otter Valley's last State Championship Baseball team prior to Howe's arrival. The Otters have had very few strong teams over time, but 2012 and 2013 and the past two years, have things

headed in a different direction.

Winslow was, by my count, a centerpiece because he was the oldest of three players who just happened to all live in the same house, and he also played the most important position of the three who just happened to command the entire left side of the baseball diamond on those successful teams. The last of which captured the state title. Winslow had younger brothers who played third base and left field. Jim was the shortstop.

### Springfield track comment

It was reported in a story in this paper last week that Springfield's Cadence Wheeler was the male winner of the triple jump in the annual Connecticut Valley Conference Track Meet. This was exciting for a number of reasons, including the fact that Wheeler should be a constant for the Cosmos Track program in the coming years as he is just a sophomore.

Wheeler's coach Jim Fogg told me, "Cadence rose above the conditions on a day that it was extremely difficult to compete in."

Wheeler was the performer of the day for Springfield as he also brought home points in the long jump, 5th, and the javelin, 6th.

### Legion baseball

At one time or another all the towns that host high schools in the area have fielded a Legion team. This summer Bellows Falls and Ludlow will be the only two locales to offer competition. Bellows Falls will draw from Fall Mountain and have a couple grandfathered players from Windsor and Green Mountain, while Ludlow will attract the rest of our reporting area with current players from Springfield and Green Mountain headed that way.

On the Legion front, Rutland's Bill Flory passed away a few weeks ago. I knew the longtime Post 31 Legion coach who brought Rutland to 14 state title games in his 30-plus years of coaching. He had me by a few years on the age scale, but to see 90 years listed in his obituary was a surprise. The last time I saw Bill was at last year's state Legion tournament in Rutland. He still attended those affairs regularly and was still serving on the Vermont State Legion Baseball Committee, as well as the Vermont Principals Association Baseball Committee at his death. Rutland won nine of those title games in Flory's tenure.

The Southern Vermont Legion League will be comprised of eight teams this summer. In addition to the two area teams, there will be Rutland, Hartford, Brattleboro, Lakes Region (Fair Haven area), Bennington, and Randolph. There will be seven teams in the Northern Division.

If you would like to comment on the sports in this paper, feel free to email me at [bmurphy@vermontjournal.com](mailto:bmurphy@vermontjournal.com).

## The record is 5-7 for the Fall Mountain Wildcats

BY BILL MURPHY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

LANGDON, N.H. - The records are 5-7, but they are not the same. What does that mean?

Both the Fall Mountain baseball and softball teams are 5-7, but those records are not equal. And the playing field is not the same in more than one way.

Molly McManus's softball team is 5-7 and sit in 12th place in the NHIAA Division III state standings. Kyle Cavallier's baseball team is 5-7 and are 14th. Obviously,

the two sports play on different size diamonds. The other thing different about the playing fields is that softball takes 16 teams to the play-offs while baseball takes 12. Baseball may be on the outside looking in as a result.

Both teams had four games to play as we went to press. A split of the four contests would likely guarantee softball some post-season fun. A split would send the baseball team home.

McManus's team showed how dangerous they were last week when they took undefeated New-

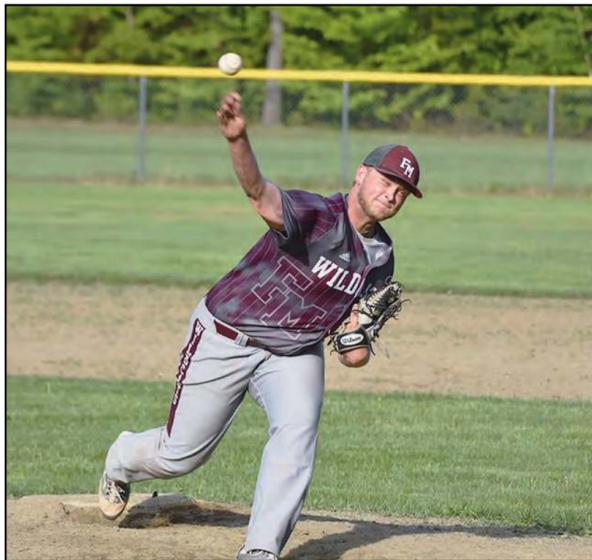
port to extra innings before bowing 1-0. The Tigers had won every game they played by at least three runs, but Fall Mountain pitcher Chloe Vogel, who made all-state honorable mention as a sophomore, held them scoreless for eight innings when a couple of bunts and strong Tiger base-running plated the game's lone run.

Vogel "is just amazing," McManus tells me. The coach has so much confidence in her, she says, "She definitely keeps us in games. If our hitting can get it's A-game on, we could be dangerous in the play-offs."

They showed their A-game in a Vogel 12-0 no-hitter versus Bellows Falls.

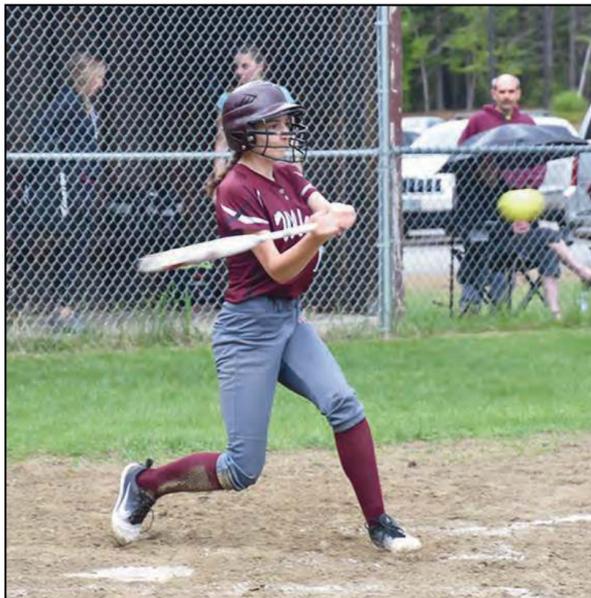
Baseball has to move up two spots in their last four games and three of the teams they play are above them in the standings. A 4-3 walk-off triumph over Newport on a Tucker Wright single was part of a strong streak of games Cavallier's team has shown after a slow start.

The coach says, "I couldn't be prouder of this group in the last eight games. A lot of people doubt us, but we have proven we can battle."



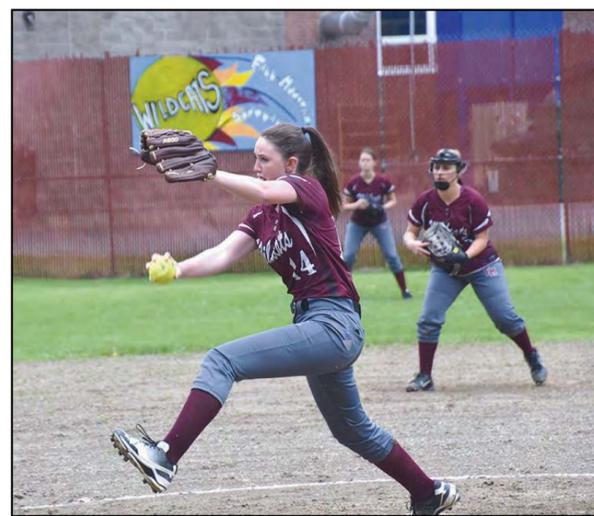
Fall Mountain's Kendall Heath came on to pitch and succeed in a real sticky situation to allow the Wildcats to upset Newport and remain alive for a play-off spot in the NHIAA Baseball race in Division III. Heath entered the game with the score tied 3-3 and a runner on third, who just tripled, with one out in the fourth and kept the Tigers off the scoreboard the rest of the way.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE



Fall Mountain's Amber Beliveau contributes a double to the offensive display for the Wildcats, which helped plate 12 runs in the softball triumph over Bellows Falls.

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Chloe Vogel is getting ready to deliver a pitch versus rival Bellows Falls in a 12-0 Wildcat victory. Vogel tossed a no-hitter and struck out 12 Terriers. Vogel was also the Wildcat pitcher who gave her team a chance to pull off a major upset in battling undefeated Newport to extra innings before bowing 1-0. Newport had won all 11 previous games by at least three runs.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE



This isn't just some ordinary run scoring. Nick Peltier is crossing home plate for Fall Mountain to tally the winning run in a 4-3 upset victory over Newport, which kept the Wildcats play-off chances alive.

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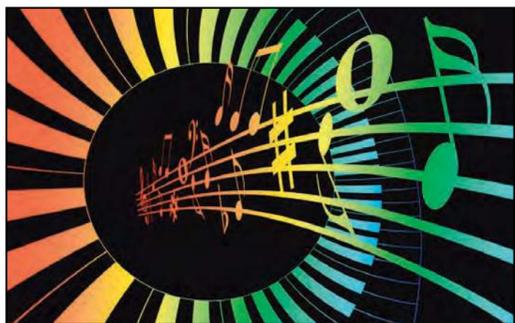
# arts & entertainment

## Springfield High School student art displays

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Springfield High School Arts Department invites families and neighbors to enjoy the artistic work of our students this year, on display for the eyes and ears during the annual Arts Festival Thursday, May 24 at the high school.

Drawings, paintings, and more will be on display in the school lobby and auditorium beginning at 6 p.m., and a concert by the wind ensemble, chorus, and Madrigal Singers begins at 7 p.m. Admission is free.

Musical selections include a traditional spiritual, John William's film



Artworks on display during the annual Arts Festival at SHS.

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themes, and rock hit "More Than a Feeling" by Boston. Selections also in-

clude folk songs, an a cappella arrangement of "Shut Up and Dance" and the premiere of a new march dedicated to Springfield Veterans - the same march will be featured during the Springfield VFW Memorial Day Parade. Senior vocal soloists round out the evening with featured songs accompanied by special guest, concert pianist Daniel Weiser.

## FOLA presents "Florence Foster Jenkins" as Ludlow movie

LUDLOW, Vt. - FOLA will present "Florence Foster Jenkins" Saturday, May 26 at 7 p.m. in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium.

This is a movie about an opera singer - really about an opera singer with no talent. The movie, "Florence Foster Jenkins," is a 2016 biographical comedy-drama film directed by Stephen Frears and written by Nicholas Martin. The film stars Meryl Streep as Florence Foster Jenkins, a New York heiress who became an opera singer known for her painful lack of singing skill. Hugh Grant plays her husband and manager.

The movie concentrates on Jenkins' musical efforts during World War II in New York City. What follows is her efforts to entertain the troops by buying out Carnegie Hall and giving tickets to service members. When the service members respond to Jenkins' singing with laughter, members of the Verdi Club shout them down and demand that they show respect to Jenkins. Cole Porter and Tallulah Bankhead are the among that audience. When the music critic for the



"Florence Foster Jenkins."

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her "the world's worst opera singer."

Despite - or perhaps because of - her technical incompetence, she became a prominent musical cult figure in New York City during the 1920s, 1930s, and 1940s. Cole Porter, Gian Carlo Menotti, Lily Pons, Sir Thomas Beecham, and other celebrities were fans. Enrico Caruso is said to have "regarded her with affection and respect." The poet William Meredith wrote that what Jenkins provided "... was never exactly an aesthetic experience, or only to the degree that an early Christian among the lions provided an aesthetic experience."

Meryl Streep was praised for her role as Jenkins by the movies director who noted, "You can only sing badly if you are good singer."

As with all FOLA movie's, the event is free and open to everyone; donations are appreciated. Popcorn will be supplied by Berkshire Bank and water by FOLA. More information is available at www.fola.us or 802-228-7239.

New York Post newspaper says he will write a damning criticism of her performance, her husband buys up all the issues of the paper.

Florence Foster Jenkins was an American socialite and amateur soprano who was known and mocked for her flamboyant performance costumes and notably poor singing ability. The historian Stephen Pile ranked

## Bellows Falls drama presents "An Evening of One Acts"

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - "An Evening of One Acts," two original plays written by Bellows Falls Union High School dramatic performance students, Zoe Schemm and Emily Wunderle, will be performed Thursday, May 31 at 4 p.m.

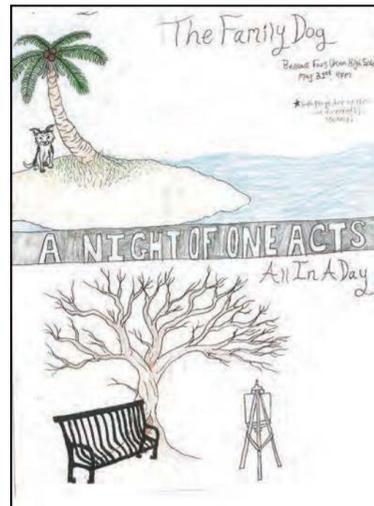
"All in a Day," written by Emily Wunderle, follows the story of four strangers coming together in one tale of dreams, magic, and the power of acceptance. With massive twists, heartfelt relationships, and beautifully comic moments this play is a must see for anyone who loves theater. The production will also incorporate elements of puppetry, a first in the Bellows

Falls theater department!

The second play to be performed, "The Family Dog," written by Zoe Schemm, tells the story of a shipwrecked family attempting to make it off a deserted island with their lives and their sanity still intact.

Both plays will be performed at the Bellows Falls Union High School auditorium May 31, at 4 p.m. There is a small ticket fee.

Zoe Schemm is the producer of the upcoming show.



2018 one act poster.

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## VAULT open studio demo and open wall art show

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Gallery at the VAULT is pleased to feature Springfield native, Deb Craigue at this year's Open Studio Weekend May 26 and 27. Craigue is a self-taught artist who has been inspired by the nature around her since childhood, enjoyed then and now on horseback rides in the area. She paints using a magnifying glass and invites the viewer to examine the detail of her work. Especially known for her birds, she also loves to paint horses and lighthouses.

Gallery at the VAULT will be open May 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Craigue will demonstrate her painting from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Craigue paints her lovely images on barrel staves, horseshoes, and other reclaimed surfaces, and she'll have some materials ready for visitors to try their hand at painting on wood.

Open Studio Weekend is a statewide celebration of the visual arts and creative process, offering a unique opportunity for visitors to meet a wide variety of artists and craftspeople. For full details, see www.vermontcrafts.com.

Gallery at the VAULT is proud to

present a new open wall art show, "Cycles of Life" on view until July 26. Open Wall is an exhibit space for anyone living in a 30-mile radius of Springfield. It is a non-juried show. The diversity of art from new as well as seasoned artists is just wonderful. You can enjoy paintings, photographs, pottery, mixed media, embroidery, geometric sculpture, and an uncommon tricycle.

Gallery at the VAULT, a Vermont State Craft Center selling the work of 160 artists, is located on 68 Main St. in Springfield, Vt. and regular hours are from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. See www.galleryvault.org for details on changing



Deb Craigue very detailed painting.

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## Slambovian Circus of Dreams to play Vermont's Roots on the River

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Slambovian Circus of Dreams will be playing the Roots on the River Festival June 8 at 9:55 p.m. The Roots on the River Festival runs June 8-10 at the Rodeway Inn, 593 Rockingham Rd., in Bellows Falls, Vt.

Called everything from "hillbilly-Pink Floyd" to "folk-pop" to "surreal Americana," New York's Slambovian Circus of Dreams "is a riveting, mesmerizing, crazy, amazing machine of music," according to Chronogram Magazine.

A rootsy psychedelica that Maverick Magazine calls, "Mightily impressive and hugely original rock from the cool end of Americana," their melodic avant-folk conjures with an exotic instrumental arsenal and palette of styles ranging from dusty Americana ballads to huge Pink Floyd-esque cinematic anthems. The Slambovians charm from the first note. The Slam-

bovian's live show is more experience than concert, which has earned them a cult following.

Formed in Sleepy Hollow, N.Y. over a decade ago, they pioneered the alt-folk circuit, staying on the fringes of the music industry. Winning support from indie radio and press since their inception, fans fueled their career from the ground up to an international status. Having headlined major music festivals and venues across the U.S., Canada, and U.K., this band has a devoted cult following. Lead singer-songwriter Joziah Longo and Tink Lloyd lead the band, which will be including songs from their upcoming album, "A Very Unusual Head," including "I Know Where The Bees Have Gone."

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# arts & entertainment

## Museum of Mining and Minerals unveils new quartz crystal exhibit

GRAFTON, Vt. – “The Wonders of Quartz Crystals” is a new exhibit at the Vermont Museum of Mining and Minerals in Grafton, Vt. Quartz is one of the most abundant minerals on earth, but its six-sided crystal form is not easy to find in Vermont. Specimens from a rare find in East Dorset, ranging in size from two inches to one-and-a-half feet, will be featured as part of the new exhibit. Clear doubly terminated quartz crystals known as “Herkimer Diamonds” found in Rutland, Vt. and a model house composed of Vermont dimension stone featuring a quartz crystal garden will also be on display. The Vermont Museum of Mining and Minerals features a large collection of Vermont minerals as well as a model of Grafton Village made

entirely of Vermont’s three official state stones: marble, slate, and granite. Replicas of famous gems and unique worldwide minerals are also featured in the museum. The museum is open Saturdays and Sundays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. or by appointment beginning Memorial Day weekend through the fall. For more information or to make an appointment, please call 802-875-3562.



Christmas Quartz. PHOTO PROVIDED BY WWW.VTM3.ORG

## Project Space 9 exhibit featuring Norris-Brown and Cannon

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – As part of May Art Month in Bellows Falls, Vt., an exhibition of work by Charles Norris-Brown and Jean Cannon will be featured in the Project Space 9 Gallery, located on 9 Canal St. The show will run from May 17 to May 31. It is open to the public from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. seven days per week. The work of Norris-Brown consists of pen and ink illustrations. Cannon’s paintings and watercolors feature nature scenes. The Vermont Crafts Council Open Studio Weekend will be held May 26 and 27, when participat-

ing visual artists and craft persons will open their studios to the public and mount group shows in all three galleries. Artists include Robert McBride, Phyllis Rosser, Chris Sherwin, Cathy Tretler, and Tsuga Studios of Bellows Falls; Clare Adams of Cambridgeport; Jeanette Staley of Saxtons River; and Ailyn Hoey and Mark Goodenough of Rockingham. Work will also be on display at the Canal Street Art Gallery and the Flat Iron Exchange in Bellows Falls. Music, performing artists, theatre, and open studios are featured

during the month of May in Bellows Falls, Rockingham, and Saxtons River through Memorial Day weekend. Visitors and residents of Rockingham will have no less than 21 opportunities to enjoy arts events and recognize the work of local artists. BF3F, third Friday merchant activities, take place during the evening in downtown Bellows Falls. Visit the RAMP website at [www.ramp-vt.org](http://www.ramp-vt.org) for event and location details, or to discuss accessibility issues please call in advance at 802-463-3252.

## Celebrate spring with Vermont Open Studio weekend

REGION – Bright yellow signs compete with a multitude of greens along Vermont’s roads enticing visitors to the studios of craftspeople and other artists across Vermont during the 2018 Spring Open Studio Weekend taking place over May 26 and 27, Memorial Day weekend. Open Studio Weekend is a statewide celebration of the visual arts and creative process, offering a unique opportunity for visitors to meet a wide variety of local artists and craftspeople in their studios, and purchase high quality, hand made artwork. The self-guided Open Studio tour features the work of glassblowers, jewelers, printmakers, potters, furniture makers, weavers, ironworkers, painters, sculptors, quilt makers, and wood carvers. Many participating galleries will host gallery talks and feature special exhibits in con-

junction with this event. This year visit over 220 artists at 179 sites across Vermont. Some of the local artists participating include: water color artist Robert O’Brien in Weathersfield and oil painter Lynn VanNatta and mixed media artist Angie Follensbee – Hall in West Windsor. Directions to their studios are in the studio guides. Be sure to stop in for a visit to their studios. The Vermont Crafts Council



Water color painting by Robert O’Brien. PHOTO PROVIDED



Oil Painting by Lynn VanNatta. PHOTO PROVIDED

publishes a free map booklet with directions to participating sites. The Vermont Open Studio Guide is available throughout the state at tourist information centers, galleries, and studios. Request a map on the VCC website [www.vermontcrafts.com/OSW/springmap](http://www.vermontcrafts.com/OSW/springmap) or by calling 802-223-3380. The Vermont Crafts Council premiered Open Studio Weekend in 1993 to increase the visibility of artists and craftspeople in Vermont and to foster an appreciation for the creative process and the role that artists and craftspeople play in the vitality of Vermont’s communities.

## Weston Playhouse unveils blockbuster 2018 season

WESTON, Vt. – Vermont’s award-winning Weston Playhouse Theatre Company unveils a blockbuster 2018 line-up, the largest in the theatre’s history. The season includes three productions on the company’s Main Stage at the historic Weston Playhouse and four productions at its stunning new Second Stage, Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm, plus pre-theatre dining, post-show Cabaret, and periodic special events. The Main Stage series kicks off with Thornton Wilder’s Pulitzer Prize-winning masterpiece, “Our Town.” Last seen at the Playhouse in 1973 with the late Sam Lloyd, Sr. as the all-knowing Stage Manager, the new production will feature his brother, film and TV actor Christopher Lloyd, in that pivotal role. Sponsored by Manchester Designer Outlets and directed by Steve Stetler, performances run June 21 to July 7. Next up on the Main Stage is American’s most iconic musical, “West Side Story.” Star-crossed lovers Tony and Maria fight to keep their forbidden love alive in a powerful retelling of Shakespeare’s “Romeo and Juliet” set on New York’s West Side. Weston’s production celebrates the centennial of author Arthur Laurents, composer Leonard Bernstein, and director/choreographer Jerome Robbins, and is directed by Tim Fort with Robbins’ original choreography recreated by Felicity Stiverson. Performances run July 12 through Aug. 4. Four lively weeks of high-energy, rock-and-roll nostalgia wrap the Main Stage roster with Broadway’s recent phenomenon, “Million Dollar Quartet.” A triple threat cast recreates the most famous jam session in American musical history and performs hits like “Hound Dog,” “Blue Suede Shoes,” and “Walk the Line,” bringing Elvis, Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, and Jerry Lee Lewis to life onstage. Sponsored by Casella and directed by Michael Berresse, performances run Aug. 9 to Sept. 2. The company’s Second Stage at Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm opens with Weston’s 2018 Young Company of talented undergrads in a musical for young families. Based on L.M. Montgomery’s beloved novel, “Anne of Green Gables” is a one-hour musical by Broadway veterans Gretchen Cryer and Nancy Ford. The spirited show follows orphan



Brad Stanley, Julie Benko, and the cast of ONCE, 2017. PHOTO PROVIDED

Anne Shirley as she discovers the true meaning of family, friendship, and home. Directed by Tim Fort and Piper Goodeve, “Anne of Green Gables” plays at family-friendly times and prices from June 13 to June 30. 2015’s groundbreaking musical “Fun Home” follows on the Second Stage at Walker Farm. Based on Vermont author/cartoonist Alison Bechdel’s best-selling graphic memoir, this five-time Tony Award winner brings us into Alison’s world as she grows and grapples with her dysfunctional family, her sexuality, and her father’s secrets. Directed by Malcolm Ewen and starring Weston favorites Susan Haefner and David Bonanno, performances run July 5 to July 28. Continuing a trend of hot new titles at Walker, Weston presents the Vermont Premiere of the Broadway hit, “A Doll’s House Part 2.” Nominated for eight Tony Awards, Lucas

Hnath’s comedy picks up where Ibsen’s famed 19th-century drama, “A Doll’s House,” concludes. Mary B. Robinson (Weston’s “All My Sons” and “Copenhagen”) directs, with performances from Aug. 2 to Aug. 26. Extending the theatre season into Vermont’s fabulous fall foliage, Weston proudly presents August

Wilson’s Pulitzer and Tony-nominated “Two Trains Running.” The seventh in Wilson’s ten-part series chronicling the African-American experience, Wilson’s play is Weston’s fourth annual American Masters production. Directed by Reginald L. Douglas and sponsored by the Vermont Country Store, performances run Sept. 27 to Oct. 21, including daytime school matinees. To round out your experience, pre-theatre cocktails and farm to table fare are available at the café on the lower level of the Playhouse. Plus, Weston’s legendary Cabaret serves up a zany hour-long music and comedy revue, featuring Young Company and Equity actors, after each of the three Main Stage shows. Individual tickets are available online at [www.westonplayhouse.org](http://www.westonplayhouse.org) or by phone through the Box Office on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. at 802-824-5288. Seasons subscriptions are available in two exciting packages with preferred pricing and special perks. Email [boxoffice@westonplayhouse.org](mailto:boxoffice@westonplayhouse.org) for details!

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# golf news

## SHS Alumni Association hosts 15th annual golf tournament

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield High School Alumni Association will host their 15th annual Golf Tournament at Crown Point Country Club Friday, June 15.

This is a scramble event, with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. This event is the “Tee Off” for SHS Alumni

weekend, followed by parade and class reunions, which are held on Saturday. Please join us for another great golf event this year.

Last year we had 76 golfers and lots of classmates and friends that had a chance to win \$25,000 cash, for hole-in-one on the 18th hole, but no one hit the shot. Perhaps this year someone will win that grand prize.

This event includes a barbecue dinner at CPCC Sports Bar after golf. For more information, photo gallery, or an entry form, please visit our website at [www.shsalumni.com](http://www.shsalumni.com), under the “Events” tab.

Bill Flore, the chairman of the tournament, said this event has long



SHS Alumni 15th golf tournament. PHOTO PROVIDED

been successful for raising money for scholarships that are awarded to Springfield High graduates and helps to pay for the parade and reunion banquet. Money is raised by asking local businesses to provide sponsorship of this event at various levels.

Please contact Bill Flore for any questions on the golf tournament. If you would like to make a donation or help out by being a sponsor at this year's event, please contact Bill at [bill.flore73@gmail.com](mailto:bill.flore73@gmail.com) or [amber.bedi84@gmail.com](mailto:amber.bedi84@gmail.com).



The tournament will be held at Crown Point. PHOTO PROVIDED

## Okemo Valley golf club men's league results for May 15

LUDLOW, Vt. – Okemo Valley Golf Club's men's league moved into their match-play format on the back nine this week. Engle & Volker's won the night, May 15, by pounding Huntley's Wealth Management, 24-12. Chris Garvey, Austin Danyew, Larry Plumb, and Fra Devine combined to win those 24 holes. Skygate HWC grabbed second place by smoking Green Mountain Appraisals, 23-13. Kevin Theissen, Bob Higgins, Jim Poissant, and Geoff Smith combined to win those 23 holes. Benson's Chevrolet rounded out the top three as Trevor Benson, Eric Stocker, Charlie Howard, and Jack Cassidy combined to win 21 holes. Closest to pin win-

ners were John Goffinet and Mark Hyjek.

### Results - holes won/points

- 1st Engle & Volker's - 24/15
- 2nd Skygate HWC - 23/13
- 3rd Benson's Chevrolet - 21/11
- 4th Stryhas Builders - 21/10
- 5th Diamond Realty - 19.5/ 9
- 6th Built Rite MFG. - 16.5/8
- 7th Knight Tubs - 15/7
- 8th Honey Dew Man - 15/6
- 9th Green Mountain Appraisals - 13/5
- 10th Huntley's Wealth Management 12/4

### Season standings:

- 1st Stryhas Builders - 25
- 2nd Engle & Volker's - 25
- 3rd Diamond Realty - 22

- 4th Skygate HWC - 18
- 5th Knight Tubs - 18
- 6th Bensons Chevrolet - 17
- 7th Honey Dew Man - 15
- 8th Huntley's Wealth Management - 12
- 9th Built Rite MFG. - 12
- 10th Green Mountain Appraisals - 12

Okemo Valley Golf Club is Vermont's first heathland-style golf course and was designed according to the traditions of the game. The golf club features a full-service clubhouse, indoor practice facility, 18-acre, state-of-the-art training center, fully stocked pro shop, and fleet of electric carts. The layout is a par 70 that measures 6,400 yards in length and features bent grass greens, tees, and fairways with multiple tee areas on each hole, ensuring playability and challenge for all ability levels. Rolling hills, moderate elevation changes, and wide fairways with well-placed hazards enhance the heathland layout.

For more information about Okemo Valley Golf Club, please call 802-228-1396 or visit [www.okemo.com](http://www.okemo.com).

## Third annual Golf for a Cause looks to deliver fun and funds

LUDLOW, Vt. – The 3rd annual Golf for a Cause at the Okemo Valley Golf Club is scheduled for Monday, June 4 with a 1 p.m. shotgun start. The event welcomes area foursome golf teams to play for prizes, which have been donated by over 30 local companies including a Chevrolet Malibu for a hole-in-one, sponsored by Benson Chevrolet. Prizes will be awarded based on a wide range of circumstances during play, intended to reward every level of golfer. An extensive barbecue dinner is also planned as well as a 50/50 raffle.

Again this year, non-golfers are also welcome to participate with a scheduled two-hour lesson that allows them to learn about the game, vie for the prizes, and enjoy the festivities. There is also an option just to enjoy the barbecue.

This event is hosted by the Crown Point Board of Realtors and is a key fundraiser for their group with all proceeds directly benefiting local families. Over the last two years, the fund has helped seven local families recover from



Golf for a Cause at Okemo Valley Golf Club.

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fire or other life-altering disasters. According to Diamond Realty Executive, Frank Provance, the group is especially proud of their ability to deliver a quick response to families in crisis. “We come in with a check immediately, while the family is still

figuring out how to navigate through insurance and other services,” he said.

For more details or to register your foursome, your new golfer lessons, or your barbecue spot, call Frank Provance at 802-345-3894.

## Golf update from Sugarbush

WARREN, Vt. – The Sugarbush Resort Golf Club on 1091 Golf Course Rd. in Warren is now open from 9 a.m. to dusk. The pro shop is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Designed with respect for the natural setting and its breathtaking vistas, our par-70 (men) and par 72 (women) course is as beautiful as the game itself.

### Course conditions, deals, and upcoming tournaments

What an incredible stretch of weather we're having. Conditions have never been this good in mid-May. We are offering early season rates. Sugarbush winter pass holders get 50 percent off through May 31.

### Valley League Night

Join fellow golfers for some spirited fun and competition Wednesday evenings throughout the summer. Format is two-person team, net point. Prizes and Hogan's Pub dinner and drink specials weekly. Reservations requested.

The first night of the league will be Wednesday, June 6, weather

permitting. The program runs for 16 weeks. Dates cancelled due to weather will be added at the end. You must sign up by Sunday, June 3 to participate. Don't have a partner? No problem, we'll find you one! Go to [www.sugarbush.com/camps/valley-league-night](http://www.sugarbush.com/camps/valley-league-night).

### Rotary's 7th annual MRV Golf Tournament

Join us Father's Day weekend – Saturday, June 16 – for the annual Mad River Valley Charity Golf Tournament. This year, net proceeds benefit the Mad River Valley Ambulance Service. Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. with a 10 a.m. shotgun start. The format is 18-hole scramble. The award reception immediately follows the tournament. Awards will be given to teams, hole-in-one, longest drive, closest to the pin, mulligans, and pro drive.

Registration is limited to the first 32 teams of four, in order of receipt of entry fee. Individuals are encouraged to register and will be placed on a team by the tournament committee.

For information to sign up, go to [www.sugarbush.com/event/mrv-rotary-golf-tournament](http://www.sugarbush.com/event/mrv-rotary-golf-tournament).

### Brew-Grass Festival

Kick of the summer with Sugarbush's 8th annual Brewfest featuring craft beers from more than 20 Vermont breweries, tasty local eats, and jamming' bluegrass bands, Saturday, June 9 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the Lincoln Peak Courtyard.

### Brew-Grass 9 Hole Golf Scramble

Follow up a day at the Brew-Grass Festival with a 9-hole tournament at Sugarbush Golf Club Sunday, June 10 at 10 a.m. All participants will receive their choice of two 16 ounces Vermont Craft Beers from Hogan's Pub to take on the course. Participants compete to win prizes from Vermont breweries for top teams, closest to the pin, and longest drive. Award ceremony following at Hogan's Pub, with free appetizers and giveaways. Participants can sign up as a team or individually. For more information go to [www.sugarbush.com/event/brewgrass-golf-scramble](http://www.sugarbush.com/event/brewgrass-golf-scramble).

## Killington Resort summer events

KILLINGTON, Vt. – Killington Resort, the largest mountain resort in eastern North America and a POWDR company, announced the 2018 Summer Event Schedule including the Fox U.S. Open of Mountain Biking Aug. 1-5, 2018,

and the Under Armour Mountain Running series Aug. 25, 2018.

In addition to more than 20 events this summer, Killington's summer operations continue to expand. A Woodward WreckTangle and additional summer attractions will be added to the Adventure Center. Inspired by Woodward, WreckTangle is an outdoor ninja obstacle challenge course designed to encourage kids and adults to overcome challenges by using skill, strength, creativity, imagination, and determination while igniting spatial awareness, athleticism, agility, and amusement.

Additionally, Killington's Mountain Bike Park will make improvements to beginner terrain, unveil the newly completed Krusty Trail on Ramshead, and extend riding hours. The bike park will also host two key events this summer: the Vermont Bike & Brew June 15-17, featuring organized riding for all levels, live music, and local Vermont brews; and the Fox U.S. Open of Mountain Biking will land in Killington Aug. 1-5 with a race for every age rider.

“The opportunity to host the Fox U.S. Open of Mountain Biking will

showcase the investment Killington has put into the bike park to design trails for all levels of riders,” says Justin Pill, events and sponsorships manager at Killington Resort. “This event will attract some of the best mountain bike athletes from all over the country competing in the U.S. Open Downhill, U.S. Open Enduro, Best Whip, Kids Open with Grom Bomb and Adaptive DH Race. Vendors, live music and group laps will create a party like atmosphere for all.”

**Memorial Day weekend** at Killington is expected to feature prime late-spring skiing and riding - conditions permitting - plus the kickoff of summer operations including the Killington Golf Course, Adventure Center, and Mountain Bike Park, followed by events for all types of athletes from golfers to runners. The Cooler in the Mountains concert series starts July 14 and returns to the K-1 base area for eight weeks, featuring local and national entertainment. The summer season closes out with the well-known Killington Brewfest Sept. 29.

For more information about the 2018 summer event line-up and to purchase the new Beast 365 Year-Round season pass, please visit [www.killington.com](http://www.killington.com).

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Mark Savery, owner of Tyson Autoworks and Green Mountain Carbine, opened his auto repair shop in 2007. Savery has been in the automotive business since high school. One of Savery's big hobbies is to go off-roading, and "it's basically the only job I've ever had," he stated. So it was only natural to start an auto repair business.

At Tyson Autoworks, Savery works on primarily domestic cars, but also some imported Asian and Japanese vehicles, "and I generally get a lot of 4-wheel-drive vehicles," he said. He offers many auto services including engine repair, chassis work, and tire services. But Savery wants customers to know he doesn't offer alignments or bodywork.

"Guns were always my passion, but wrenching cars paid the bills." Savery explained that he grew up in a "household with entrepreneurial parents, so it's in my blood to do my own thing." In 2012 Savery and his wife Jeri integrated Green Mountain Carbine into the same location as the auto repair shop. While Mark works on cars and guns, his wife Jeri handles all of the administrative and bookkeeping jobs.

After attending many gun shows in the area, the couple finally got the paperwork from ATF (Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives) during a show, "and my wife said lets just fill it out this time!" From then, they went through all of the zoning requirements and regulations, and got the store up and running from there.

Green Mountain Carbine has an array of new and used guns for sale, as well as ammunition. They also provide firearm transfers, firearm maintenance and repairs, alterations and optics mounting, custom builds, and also refinishing and custom coating. Coating can include many choices of colors, patterns, and details.

Custom builds all depend upon the customer. "It's common that someone will come in with an idea and collaborate, and we will start their project from there," Savery explained. It is all dependent on the scope of what the customer wants, and the budget they have to work with. Savery will make some parts from scratch, or modify specific parts to fit the needs of each project and customer. "It all depends on the gun, but a custom build could take as little as a week, or depending on the components and the firearm, it could take up to a year."

Stop by the shop for an auto repair or to look at a firearm. The Savery's are open for business Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.



### ADULT/CHILD CARE

WEE HAVEN Childcare & Preschool  
Call Jen at 603-826-KIDS (5437)  
E-mail: weehavenchildcare@comcast.net  
Visit us at: WeeHaven.org (TFN)

### ANTIQUES

NEW AND USED ANTIQUES We have it all. Cummings Hardware Rt.103 Chester 802-875-3342 (TFN)

### AUCTION

N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Auction held May 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at 96 Rt. 106 N. Springfield, VT. To be auctioned:  
Kris Sanborn unit #192  
Orion Pfenning unit #197  
Brenda Kenyon unit #69  
Hagan Praitt unit #149 (05/29)

### BUILDING MATERIALS

REGION - Rough sawn lumber for sale. Pine boards, framing lumber and hardwood furniture stock. Contact AMP Timber Harvesting at 802-254-0680. (06/12)

### ESTATE SALE

CLAREMONT, N.H. - One day only! Furniture, antiques, glassware, household goods, jewelry, clothing, sporting goods, tools, electrician and carpenter supplies, coral, lawn & garden fun, horse gear, art, collectibles, Christmas goodies, and more! This is a repeat sale, but with many new items & EVERYTHING IS 50% OFF! Saturday, May 26 from 8 am-4 pm at 86 Hewitt Road. (05/29)



### FIREWOOD FOR SALE

REGION - Green firewood, cut, split, delivered. Prices vary by location. Rough sawn lumber. Also buying standing timber. Contact AMP Timber Harvesting, Inc. Call 802-874-7260 office or 802-254-0680. (06/12)

### FOR RENT

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - Two bedroom unfurnished apartment. \$1200/month, includes heat, hot water, electric, snow & rubbish removal. No dogs. Call 203-668-3591 (05/31)

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - One bedroom apartment, first floor, newly renovated kitchenette and bath, and new windows. \$610/month plus utilities. No pets. First, last, and security deposit. References and credit check required. 802-875-3548. (06/12)

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Outskirts of Springfield, 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath, large bonus room, huge kitchen, completely renovated. \$1250/month. First, Last, Security, and Pet Deposit. Call Matt 802-885-5737 (06/19)

### HELP WANTED

FENCE INSTALLER - Lots of variety installing all types of fencing. Paid travel time. Some overtime. Min. age 21 w/ driver's license. Benefits after qualifying period. CDL-A a plus. Springfield Fence, 50 Rte 106, N. Springfield, 802-886-2221. (05/29)

CHESTER, Vt. - HIRING IMMEDIATELY. Full & part time Non-CDL drivers, office, and general labor positions. Good pay for the right people. APPLY IN PERSON at Bliss Farm Enterprises at 74 High St. (06/26)

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - SEVCA's Good Buy Store has an opening for a part-time sales clerk at least 2 days a week including every other Saturday. Retail experience & ability to work

in fast-paced environment, and occasional travel to other store locations required. Applications available at: www.sevca.org/employment; Good Buy Store, 23-25 Main St., Springfield & 45 Rockingham St., Bellows Falls; and SEVCA's main office, 91 Buck Dr., Westminster. Applications due by 6/4/18. AA/EOE employer. (06/05)

CAVENDISH, Vt. - Looking for one driver for the local area, \$10/hour, about 20 hours/week. Also hiring one lawn care professional to maintain 3 local properties. Call John MacLean for either position at 802-226-8131 (TFN)

CHESTER / GRAFTON, Vt. - Real Estate Co. seeks Social Media Intern Summer Intern. 10 week paid internship, 20 hours/week. Contact Daire@BarrettAndValley.com with resume and letter of interest. 802-875-2323 (05/29)

CHESTER, Vt. - Legal Secretary for busy law firm. Full time position requiring good typing and computer skills. Strong organizational skills a must. Previous law office experience a plus. Please respond with resume and references to PO Box 499, Chester, VT 05143. (05/29)

Housekeepers / Cleaners / Helpers, Part Time / Full Time, Monday - Friday from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. \$350 weekly. Goodwill Cleaning Service. Send resume to carteradams257@gmail.com (06/12)

WESTON, Vt. - Seasonal May - Nov. Colonial House Inn looking for housekeeper and wait staff. Mornings and weekends. Competitive pay for 25-40 hours. Experience preferred, references required. 802-824-6286 or cohoinnvt@comcast.net (06/05)

N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Vermont Timber Works, Inc. has openings for experienced timber framers and apprentice timber framers with some carpentry experience. Duties include reading blueprints, cutting mortise and tenon joints, and traveling to help erect frames. Competitive pay, six paid holidays, paid vacation after one year, single health insurance available, and Simple IRA plan after

six months. Stop by at 16 Fairbanks Road to fill out an application. 802-886-1917 (06/19)

WESTON, Vt. - Lifeguard: FT & PT Weston Recreation Club. Excellent pay. Must be 16 and able to get to Rec. daily. Email thewestonrec@gmail.com for details. (05/29)

LUDLOW, Vt. - Summer housekeeper. Fletcher Farm School for the Arts & Crafts is looking for a part time housekeeper for lodging unit and classrooms from mid-June to August. Interested parties may call 802-228-8770. Ask for Sue or Layne. (06/05)

### SEPTIC PUMPING

SEPTIC PUMPING AND LOCATING. Reasonable rates 802-672-3719 (TFN) 863-8818. (TFN)

### WOOD BOILERS

NEW HAMPSHIRE RESIDENTS save up to 30% of the system and installation cost on a Maxim wood pellet boiler. Contact New England Outdoor Furnaces at 603-863-8818. (TFN)

### YARD SALE

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Moving/Yard Sale one day only! Saturday, May 26 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Everything must go, rain or shine. King size canopy 4 post bed frame, computer desk, and file, air conditioners, clothing, and many household items. 194 Coolidge St. (05/29)

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Cleaning out Grandma's house. 75 years of collected goodies. Sale will be Saturday, May 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 23 Litchfield St. Springfield. (05/29)

ALSTEAD, N.H. - Saturday, May 26 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 90 Barnett Hill Rd. Furniture, household items, sports equipment, odd things, and some free stuff too. (05/29)

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### art

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#### GALLERY AT THE VAULT

Open Studio Weekend 5/26 & 5/27 - Painting on Reclaimed Surfaces with Artist with Debbie Craigue 11-3 both days. Visitors invited to join in.

Opposites Attract - Paintings by Peter Huntoon and Mareva Millarc, until May 31

Art in Bloom - June 6 to July 18

Open Wall Shows invite budding community artists to show their work.

Cycles of Life theme, May 9 to July 6

Gifts for graduation and all occasions. Bridal Registry and Wish Book!

Gallery at the VAULT, a Vermont State Craft Center selling the work of 160 artists, is located on 68 Main St. in Springfield, VT and is open from 11 to 5 Tuesday through Saturday. See www.galleryvault.org for details on changing exhibits and classes. (03/12/19)

#### SMS DESIGNS

Graphic Designer Shawntae Stillwell can help you design your logos, advertisements, magazines, books, and other publication layouts, and more. Call 802-289-4389 or email shawntae\_stillwell\_sms@yahoo.com

### bakery

#### CROWS BAKERY & OPERA HOUSE CAFE

Yummy Pastries, Cakes, Pies, Breads, Cookies. Full Breakfast & Lunch 73 Depot St. Proctorsville 802-226-7007. crowsbakeryandcafe.com. Like us on Facebook. (06/17/18 TFN-13)

### builders/contractors

#### PETER JORDAN CONSTRUCTION

Over 25 years of experience in all phases of construction. Framing, finish carpentry, custom showers and tile work, hardwood flooring, decks, roofing and siding. Fully insured and registered with the State of Vermont. Lead Paint Certified. Located in Proctorsville. 802-226-8125 (05/29/18 TFN)

#### DIAZ HOME CARE

##### Construction & Interior Refinishing

Building & Remodeling: Framing, roofing, siding, windows & doors, decks, interior/exterior painting, flooring, and more. Property Management and Excavation. Contact Antonio Diaz: cell 802-779-8117, office 802-297-7680, antonio.noel.diaz@gmail.com (12/31/18)

### chiropractor

#### FOUR SEASONS CHIROPRACTIC, PC

Dr. Denise Natale 58 Parker Avenue, Proctorsville, VT 05153, 802-226-7977 Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-6PM (08/01/18 TFN)

### cleaning

#### CLEANING & CLEANING OUT

Cleaning and cleaning out houses, apartments, businesses, condo's camps, barns and sheds. One-time or regularly. Fully insured - Free Estimate. Call Reggie 802-376-4159 (05/31/18 TFN-13)

### decorating & remodeling

#### CHRISANDRA'S HOME SHOWCASE & DESIGN CENTER

Affordable design consultations including color selections, room layouts, window treatments and furniture choices. Pond St, Ludlow 802-228-2075. Main Street, Ludlow 802-228-4581. www.chrisandras.com (08/08/18 TFN)

### furniture

#### CHRISANDRA'S HOME FURNISHINGS

Our customers say "Your prices are great!" Shop our large selection of affordable furnishings and accessories. 122 Main St., Ludlow, VT www.chrisandras.com 802-228-4581. (08/08/18 TFN)

### home improvement

#### ROSE'S HOME IMPROVEMENT

Property management, lawn care, carpentry, interior & exterior painting, window & door replacements, window cleaning, vinyl siding washing, pressure washing, drywall repairs, texture ceiling repairs, and more. All calls returned. 802-226-7077 or 802-591-0019. Cavendish, Vt. (03/02/19)

#### ALEX ALBERTI LANDSCAPING

Landscaping and lawn care, painting, window and door replacement, fram to finish remodeling, and property management. Call, text, or email Alex: 802-451-6112, alexalberti@gmail.com (11/06/18)

### masonry

#### MOORE MASONRY

Fireplaces, chimneys and liners, chimney sweeps, patios, walls, steps, restoration and repairs. Fully insured, free estimates. Contact Gary Moore at 802-824-5710 mooremasonry802@gmail.com (08/22/18 TFN)

### painting

#### TONES & HUES

Quality interior & exterior painting and wallpaper removal. Insured, and free estimates. 802-885-8633 www.TonesAndHues.com (08/08/18)

#### RALPH'S PAINTING

Interior & Exterior painting, power washing, and roofs. 30+ years experience. Fully Insured. 18 Pleasant St. Ext. Ludlow, VT. 802-975-0356 or 802-738-5282 (06/24/18)

### perennials

#### HALE HOLLOW ROAD PERENNIALS

All \$3.00! Located on Hale Hollow Road, Bridgewater Corners, off Route 100A. Will accept most used pots. Open daily. 802-672-3335 (08/14/18)

### rentals

#### WHITE'S RENTALS LLC

For Rent: Like new 10,000 lb Kabota Excavators w/ steel or rubber tracks. Both machines offer a thumb, angle float blade, A/C, heat, and free local delivery up to 15 miles.

For Rent: 28 foot 10,000 lb capacity deck over trailer with electric brakes, with our without ramps.

Call Lou at 802-289-3796 for prices and availability. Visit us on the web: www.whiterentals.com to see everything we have to offer. (09/18/18)

# calendar

## LEGAL NOTICES/HELP WANTED

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2 - SAXTONS RIVER, Vt.** – Reiki Master Lauren Potter is giving a Reiki I Certification Class on Saturday, June 2 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Main Street Arts in Saxtons River. This class will teach the Usui-Holy Fire II Reiki basics. For more info

or to book an appointment for a session please email Lauren at laurenpottervt@gmail.com or go to www.laurenpotterreikihealing.com.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 3 - SAXTONS RIVER, Vt.** – Reiki Master Lauren Potter is giving a Reiki for Creativity Class on Sunday, June 3 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Main Street Arts in Saxtons River. This class will

teach techniques to inspire creativity with Usui-Holy Fire II Reiki. Must either have taken the Reiki I basics course on June 2 or already possess a Reiki I certification. For more info or to book an appointment for a session please email Lauren at laurenpottervt@gmail.com or go to www.laurenpotterreikihealing.com.

**MONDAY, JUNE 4 - PUTNEY, Vt.** – Next Stage Arts Project is offering a cooking class focusing on "Cooking with Herbs" on Monday, June 4, from 6 - 9 p.m. at Next Stage in Putney, taught by acclaimed chef, Linda Stavely. In this class you will learn all about cooking with herbs. After a lively discussion, we will head to the kitchen to make delicious dishes using

a variety of herbs including Vichyssoise, shrimp in herbed oil, asparagus with either pistachio-orange-basil sauce or mixed herbal green sauce, pasta with either arugula and basil pesto or mint pesto, carrots with dill, capers and creme fraiche, spring salad with edible flowers and herbs, cherry thyme clafoutis and fruit basil galette. Class size is limited so get your tickets early. The classes are held at Next Stage's recently completely renovated state-of-the-art commercial kitchen. Let us know if you have any dietary restrictions or allergies. The classes will dine together and wine will be included. For more information go to www.nextstagearts.org, or contact kitchen@nextstagearts.org, or call 802-387-0102.

**TUESDAYS - 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. Discussion of all aspects of the poem. 802-463-2204. TFN

**WEDNESDAYS - 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. The group is happy to donate "Knitted Knockers" to breast cancer survivors, stop by and ask for Betty for more information. Call: 802-463-3907. TFN

**THURSDAYS - CAVENDISH, Vt.** - From 5:45 to 6:45 p.m., join 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. There is a monthly tuition 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: www.facebook.com/gemstaichi/. TFN

**CHESTER, Vt.** – Strength-building chair yoga class with Liz Eaton, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Fullerton Inn, Main Street, Chester. This is a strength building yoga class in the hatha tradition for anyone looking to build bone density, physical strength, flexibility and endurance. Come as you are and do what you can. Use a chair, yoga mat, or both! Drop in anytime or purchase a few classes at once. No experience necessary. For details, contact 802-875-2868, eaton.liza@gmail.com or www.buddhafulyoga.com. TFN

**CHESTER, Vt.** – Meditation class with Liz Eaton takes place on Thursday, 10:45-11:15 a.m. at the Fullerton Inn, Main Street, Chester. Learn simple yet profound meditation techniques for beginners (all levels welcome). There is no fee for this class; donations are appreciated. For details,

contact 802-875-2868, eaton.liza@gmail.com or www.buddhafulyoga.com. TFN

**LUDLOW, Vt.** – Okemo Valley TV offers "Train the Trainers" workshops on fourth Thursdays at no cost, 6-7 p.m. at the Okemo Valley TV studio, 37C Main St. in Ludlow. Everyone who wants to learn the "ticks and tricks" of TV-video production is welcome. Reserve a space at pcody@pctv.org or call 802-228-8808. TFN

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Great Hall Handcrafters meet every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the open art gallery at Great Hall Art Gallery, 100 River Street in Springfield. Bring your own project and join a creative group of people doing different handiwork.

**FRIDAYS - CHESTER, Vt.** - Liza Eaton, founder of Buddhaful Yoga, offering a Strength Building Vinyasa Yoga Class using optional weights on Fridays from 9:30 - 11 a.m. Build bone density, upper body strength as well as overall strength, endurance, resilience, flexibility & reduce stress. No experience necessary. At Buddhaful Yoga, Fullerton Inn, 40 The Common, Chester, VT For more information go to www.buddhafulyoga.com, email eaton.liza@gmail.com or call/text 518-763-1490. TFN

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Fridays, 9-11 a.m. creative movement activities and playgroup held in the gym of the Community Center. All parents with young children are welcome. Contact Parks and Recreation Dept. at 802-885-2727. TFN

**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. The group is comprised of a wide range of abilities including new swimmers. Call 802-885-2568 or visit www.myrecenter.org. TFN

**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. Our adult swim lessons are on Thursday mornings and feature three levels: Stroke Development, Stroke Improvement, and Stroke Refinement. We also offer a special class, Swimming for the Petrified, by appointment call 802-885-2568 or visit www.myrecenter.org. TFN

**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 Ascutney 10 - 11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: Cavendish Baptist Church 10 - 11:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: Andover Community Church 3 - 4 p.m. TFN

**CLUBS**  
**SATURDAY, MAY 26 - PERU, Vt.** – Join the Green Mountain Club Manchester Section for a hike up Bromley Mountain on Saturday, May 26. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Vt. Route 11/30 Long Trail/Appalachian Trail parking. Hike to the summit of Bromley Mountain and back via the Long Trail. Total distance of 6 miles and 1,460 feet elevation gain, moderate hike. Bring extra layer, raincoat (just in case), fluids, snacks and lunch. RSVP required. Contact leader Katie Brooks at 516-978-4016 or kktadams@comcast.net

**MONDAY, MAY 28 - PERU, Vt.** – Join the Green

#### TOWN OF CHESTER INVITATION TO BID WINTER SAND

The Chester Highway Department is seeking bids for winter sand for the town's stockpile. A bid form and additional information can be obtained at the Chester Town Office, 556 Elm Street, Chester, VT during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.).

All bids must be received at the Chester Town Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 31, 2018.

#### TOWN OF CHESTER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Development Review Board will be holding a Site Visit at 5:25pm and a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, June 11th 2018 at the Town Hall, for a Conditional Use Review application (# 522)

PROPERTY OWNERS: Payne & Elise Junker  
APPLICANT: Pairman-New Ventures LLC  
Heather Chase  
LOCATION: 7 Pine View Drive  
DISTRICT: Residential Commercial (RC)

**ACTION REQUESTED:** With the changing of ownership, renovate an existing retail, restaurant and personal service space(s) into a new mixed use, restaurant, retail and professional office(s).

Abutters are hereby notified that further information can be found at the Town Clerk's Office which is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Participation in this hearing is a pre-requisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.

For the Development Review Board  
Michael Normyle  
Zoning Administrator  
(802) 875-2173  
michael.normyle@chestervt.gov

#### TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY NOTICE OF SALE

The resident and non-resident owners, lienholders, and mortgagees of the lands in the Town of Mount Holly, County of Rutland, State of Vermont, are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such Town for the year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 remain, either in whole or in part, unpaid on the following described lands in the Town, to wit:

Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Blue Spruce House, Inc. by Warranty Deed of New England Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America dated September 20, 2013 recorded in Book 84 Page 345 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed and the record thereof reference is made and had for a more particular description.

So much of the lands will be sold at a public auction at the Town Clerk's office on the 18th day of June, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with cost, unless previously paid.

Dated at Mount Holly, Vermont this 8th day of May, 2018  
Peter Perrino, Collector of Taxes  
Town of Mount Holly, Vermont

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Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Anthony J. Messina by deed of A.M.A. Contracting Corporation dated February 13, 1987 and recorded in Book 40 Page 10 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed and the record thereof reference is made and had for a more particular description.

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#### Landscape Business Hiring

- Lawn Mowing Crew
- Landscape Installation Crew

Positions are Full Time April through November  
Option of Year-Round for qualified, independent applicant

Ogden & Chalmers, LLC  
209 Cody Road, Landgrove, VT 05148  
802-824-5423 - theoffice@ogdenchalmers.com

#### GRIEVANCE HEARING TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM BOARD OF LISTERS PO Box 370 Bellows Falls, VT 05101

Grievance hearings for the Town of Rockingham will be held on Monday June 4, 2018 starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall third floor Listers office in Bellows Falls.

If you wish to grieve your 2018 Assessment, Homestead or Housesite value, or Current Use Allocation it is required to submit your grievance in writing before or on Monday June 4 by 4:30 p.m.

In addition, if you wish to have a hearing in person with the Listers Office, please call to make an appointment between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 802-463-1229 x 1101.

ROCKINGHAM BOARD OF LISTERS  
Camilla Roberts - Paul Noble - Paul Obuchowski

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Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Anthony J. Ciuffo by Quitclaim Deed of Antonio L. Ciuffo and Aili L. Ciuffo dated October 17, 1989 and recorded in Book 43 Page 114 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed reference may be made for a more particular description.

So much of the lands will be sold at a public auction at the Town Clerk's office on the 18th day of June, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with cost, unless previously paid.

Dated at Mount Holly, Vermont this 8th day of May, 2018

Peter Perrino, Collector of Taxes  
Town of Mount Holly, Vermont

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Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Lois Miller by Warranty Deed of Philip Conderino and Jeannette Conderino, Trustees of the Philip Conderino Trust and Jeannette Conderino Trust dated October 14, 2003 and recorded in Book 64 Page 396 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed and the record thereof reference is made and had for a more particular description.

So much of the lands will be sold at a public auction at the Town Clerk's office on the 18th day of June, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with cost, unless previously paid.

Dated at Mount Holly, Vermont this 8th day of May, 2018  
Peter Perrino, Collector of Taxes  
Town of Mount Holly, Vermont

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Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Keith Flanders by Warranty Deed of Mary E. Filiault dated December 18, 1997 recorded in Book 52 Page 370 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed reference may be made for a more particular description.

So much of the lands will be sold at a public auction at the Town Clerk's office on the 18th day of June, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with cost, unless previously paid.

Dated at Mount Holly, Vermont this 8th day of May, 2018

Peter Perrino, Collector of Taxes  
Town of Mount Holly, Vermont

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Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Darcia Cole Pierce by Quit Claim Deed of Jonathan Guy Pierce dated August 11, 2015 recorded in Book 87 Page 604 of the Mount Holly Land Records to which deed and the record thereof reference is made and had for a more particular description.

So much of the lands will be sold at a public auction at the Town Clerk's office on the 18th day of June, 2018 at 10:00 A.M., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with cost, unless previously paid.

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Peter Perrino, Collector of Taxes  
Town of Mount Holly, Vermont

# LEGAL NOTICES/HELP WANTED

# calendar

Mountain Club Manchester Section for a hike up Bromley Mountain on Monday, May 28. Meet at 9 a.m. at the Peru Town Office (Peru park and ride) in Peru village. Car pool to the parking lot on Mad Tom Notch. Hike up to the summit of Bromley Mountain and back, total distance of 5 miles and elevation gain of 814 feet to the north summit plus an additional elevation gain of 200 feet to the south summit. Bring extra layer, raincoat (just in case), fluids, snacks and lunch. RSVP required. Contact hike leader Katie Brooks at 516-978-4016 or kktadams@comcast.net.

**MONDAYS -**  
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Springfield Community Chorus rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church on 21 Fairground Rd. Contact Terri at springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com or call Barbara at 802-886-1777. www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org. TFN

**TUESDAYS -**  
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. Visit www.ludlowrotary.com or contact club President, Suzanne Garvey at ludlowrotary@gmail.com TFN

**WEDNESDAYS -**  
LUDLOW, Vt. - Looking for a friendly game of bridge? Want to learn how to play or update your rusty skills? We play every Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Black River Valley Senior Center, 10 High St. in Ludlow. You are most welcome to join us. For more information, call 802-228-2983.

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

**RUTLAND, Vt. -** Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club meets from 7-10:30 p.m. at the Godnick Center in Rutland, Vt. Snacks provided. Come join for a fun evening. More info call 802-228-6276. TFN

**SATURDAYS -**  
MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. - Still life drawing. The Mount Holly Artists Group meets at 10:30 a.m. in the community center room (under library) and sets up a still life. The sessions are open to all and free of charge. All that is needed is pen and paper. TFN

**SUNDAYS -**  
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets at 3:30-6:30 p.m. most Sundays at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport Road, N. Springfield. Membership is open to ages 12 and up. Call Commander

Capt. Tom Williams at 802-558-5571, Twilliams@vtcap.org. TFN

## COMMUNITY MEALS

**THURSDAY, MAY 24 -**  
LONDONDERRY, Vt. - The Second Congregational Church of Londonderry, UCC, is having a Senior Lunch on Thursday, May 24 at noon, and will be held at the Church's Friendship room beginning at noon. All seniors are welcome and encouraged to bring friends. Families and neighbors can also encourage seniors to attend. There will be a free will offering.

**FRIDAY, MAY 25 -**  
ANDOVER, Vt. - Community Cares Network of Chester/Andover is holding a fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, May 25 from 5 - 6:30

p.m. at the Andover Town Hall. Donations will be taken at the door. Handicap accessible.

**SATURDAY, MAY 26 -**  
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - 14th annual "Dinner to Honor Veterans" is at VFW Post 771, Springfield on Saturday, May 26. Social hour is from 3 - 4 p.m. with dinner at 4:15 p.m. The dinner is free to any veteran and guest. Space is limited, so please call 802-885-6008 to confirm reservation by May 19. Dinner is hosted by Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 771 and Auxiliary, American Legion Post 36 and 67, and Sons of the American Legion, Elks 1560, and Moose Lodge 579 including WOTM 1085.

**BELMONT, Vt. -** The members of Colfax Lodge in Belmont will hold a baked ham dinner at the hall on Saturday, May 26 starting at 5 p.m. Tickets on

sale at the door. Call 802-259-2460 with questions.

**SATURDAYS -**  
CHESTER, Vt. - Gassetts Grange holds a buffet breakfast every month on the first Saturday at 8-9:30 a.m. It consists of eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, toast, pancakes (blueberry and plain), real maple syrup, juice, coffee, tea, and hot cocoa. All are welcome! Admission at the door. Hope to see you there. We are located on Route 103N, just above junction of 103 and Route 10. Any questions, call Dave at 802-875-2637. TFN

**WEEKDAYS -**  
BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center serves lunch 11:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. 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

View the weekly Calendar online!

VermontJournal.com

### NOTICE OF VACANCY BELLOWS FALLS VILLAGE CORPORATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES & AUDITOR OF ACCOUNTS

The Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Bellows Falls, Vermont, hereby gives notice of a vacancy for the unexpired term of Trustee member, and for Auditor of Accounts (3 positions). All positions will run from the time of appointment to the annual meeting election in May 2019. You must be a registered voter and resident in the Village of Bellows Falls. If interested in serving please forward a letter of interest to Kerry Bennett, Bellows Falls Village Clerk, P.O. Box 370, Bellows Falls, VT 05101 no later than Wednesday, June 6, 2018. The Bellows Falls Trustees are scheduled to consider letters of interest and appoint a new board member at its June 12, 2018 meeting.

### TOWN OF LUDLOW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing before the Development Review Board for the Village of Ludlow, Vermont, will be held on June 11, 2018 at 6:00 P.M., in the Ludlow Town Hall conference room, to consider a Conditional Use Permit located in the Village Residential Commercial District:

APPLICANT: Shon Racicot  
Alexandra Racicot  
211 Predom Hill Road  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
PROPERTY LOCATION: 44 Pond Street  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
Parcel No. 220306.004  
220306.005

REASON FOR HEARING: Application for a Conditional Use Permit to expand the existing ski shop, The Boot Pro, into two additional units that were previously permitted for office space. The project is in the Village Residential Commercial District.

APPLICATION NUMBER: 467-18-CU

The above application is available for inspection at the Ludlow Municipal Offices. Persons wishing to participate may do so in person, be represented by an agent or an attorney, or by writing the Board. Written communications about the application should be filed with the Board either prior to, or during, the hearing.

Rosemary Goings  
Board Clerk

### TOWN OF LONDONDERRY Help Wanted

Town of Londonderry summer parks maintenance position - Part time, 10 hours a week, beginning mid-May ending in late October. The position will report to the Parks Board. The hourly rate is \$15.00.

- Tasks to include the following, but is not limited to:
- General oversight of all park cleanliness and overall appearance
  - Maintain flower beds
  - Light carpentry repairs and projects
  - Weekly water tests at Memorial Park
  - Check weekly "to do" list in the Town Office
  - Assist Parks Board with long-term planning projects

Please submit a letter of interest and completed Employment Application to:  
Town of Londonderry, 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155, Attention: Town Clerk.

Employment Applications can be downloaded at: <http://londonderryvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/Employment-Application.pdf>.

For additional information call: 802-824-3356.

### TOWN OF LUDLOW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing before the Development Review Board for the Town of Ludlow, Vermont, will be held on June 11, 2018 at 6:00 P.M., in the Ludlow Town Hall conference room, to Amend a Local Flood Hazard Review Permit located in the Special Flood Hazard Area in the Town Residential Commercial District.

APPLICANT: Glenn Heitsmith  
112 Route 103 South  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
PROPERTY LOCATION: 112 Route 103 South  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
Parcel No. 230543.000

REASON FOR HEARING: Application to amend a Local Flood Hazard Review permit to remove & replace interior framing, flooring, plumbing fixtures & rewire all new electric fixtures to the last two rooms of the Timber Inn Motel that were damaged in Tropical Storm Irene. The project is located in the Special Flood Hazard Area of the Town Residential Commercial District.

APPLICATION NUMBER: 367-13-FHR; Amendment No. 1

The above application is available for inspection at the Ludlow Municipal Offices. Persons wishing to participate may do so in person, be represented by an agent or an attorney, or by writing the Board. Written communications about the application should be filed with the Board either prior to, or during, the hearing.

Rosemary Goings  
Board Clerk

### Town of Londonderry, VT Request for Proposals

The Town of Londonderry is seeking bids for the installation of an Emergency Generator. The Request for Proposal document can be downloaded at the following link: [www.londonderryvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/RFP-2018-3EOC-Emergency-Generator.pdf](http://www.londonderryvt.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/RFP-2018-3EOC-Emergency-Generator.pdf) or by visiting the Town of Londonderry website: [www.londonderryvt.org](http://www.londonderryvt.org). Sealed bids are due no later than 4 PM EDT on June 15, 2018.

### TOWN OF LUDLOW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing before the Development Review Board for the Town of Ludlow, Vermont, will be held on June 11, 2018 at 6:00 P.M., in the Ludlow Town Hall conference room, to consider a Subdivision in the Lakes District:

APPLICANT: Jane Wallace  
c/o Jim Wallace  
9201 S. Damen Avenue  
Westboro, Massachusetts 01581  
PROPERTY LOCATION: 1358 Route 100 North  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
Parcel No. 200246.100

REASON FOR HEARING: Application to subdivide one lot into two separate lots. The project is in the Lakes District.

APPLICATION NUMBER: SUB18-006

The above application is available for inspection at the Ludlow Municipal Offices. Persons wishing to participate may do so in person, be represented by an agent or an attorney, or by writing the Board. Written communications about the application should be filed with the Board either prior to, or during, the hearing.

Rosemary Goings  
Board Clerk

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE AT GREEN MOUNTAIN UNION HIGH SCHOOL

**Bus Drivers Needed - STARTING PAY AT \$22.00/Hour**  
We have openings now for Bus Drivers! Call Todd Parah for information on Green Mountain Union High School work schedules.

Must have a CDL with school bus and passenger endorsements, as well as DOT Medical Card.

**Varsity Boys Soccer Coach for upcoming 2018 Fall Season**  
Green Mountain Union High School is looking for a qualified Varsity Boys Soccer Coach.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:  
- Management and Coaching of the Varsity Soccer Team  
- Program development at both Varsity and Middle School levels  
- Experience at the Varsity Level is preferred but not required.

**Also Need MS Boys and Girls Soccer Coaches for the upcoming Fall Season.**

Background Checks Required.  
Please forward a letter of interest and references to:  
**Todd Parah**  
Transportation Supervisor/Athletic Director  
Green Mountain Union High School  
716 VT Route 103 South  
Chester, VT 05143  
802-875-2146

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The Take a Break is slightly smaller this week due to space for our Legal Notices.

We apologize for the inconvenience, and thank you for your understanding.

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TAKE A BREAK!

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## King Crossword

**ACROSS**

1 Paddington or Pooh  
5 That guy's  
8 Edinburgh native  
12 Soft cheese  
13 Shriek bark  
14 Perspiration outlet  
15 Laos neighbor  
17 Leak out slowly  
18 Single  
19 Timesaving type of necktie  
21 PC shortcut  
24 Ring out  
25 Persia, now  
26 Sheer undergarment  
30 Part of RSVP  
31 "Family Guy" dog  
32 Skillet  
33 Race for a seat  
35 Flex  
36 Ceremony  
37 Wild West show  
38 Acid neutralizer  
41 Scatter seed  
42 Skeletal  
43 Alabama's state flower  
48 Fencing sword  
49 Past

**DOWN**

1 Telly letters  
2 Mound stat  
3 Intent  
4 Given new energy  
5 Jekyll counterpart  
6 Square root of IX  
7 Astronaut, usually  
8 Goes bad  
9 Henhouse  
10 Pasta resembling rice  
11 Adolescent  
16 Yoko of music  
20 Rested  
21 Uncategorized (abbr.)  
22 Met melody  
23 Tranquil  
24 Baseball's Satchel  
26 Decisive  
27 Newspaper  
28 Highway division  
29 Within (Pref.)

31 \$50, in Monopoly  
34 Orion  
35 Tackled toppings  
37 Fish eggs  
38 First victim  
39 Easy bounding gait  
40 Elbow counterpart  
41 Urban pollutant  
44 Time of your life?  
45 Secular  
46 Anger  
47 As well as

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) An apparent act of injustice might turn out to be either an error in judgment or just plain stupidity. So calm down and cool off, and let the explanations roll out.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) It's upsetting when someone you trusted might have failed you. But with new opportunities ahead, you'll soon be too busy to feel even a wee bit sorry for yourself.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) A sense of uncertainty could be a good reason to change your position on an important matter. Someone close might try to talk you out of it, but it's your decision to make.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Being too zealous in pursuing your goal could create some resistance. Try to be more mindful of what you ask people to do, and they'll be more likely to do it.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Things change as you go from being ignored to being lionized once again. This is a good time to reintroduce those previously rejected ideas to a more receptive audience.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Someone new in your life creates both anticipation as well as anxiety. Avoid the potential for misunderstandings by watching what you say and how you say it.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Watch your budget so that you don't overspend now and have less to invest when the time is right later on. Arrange to share your weekend with someone special.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) The temptation to involve yourself in a friend's or family member's personal problems is laudable. But get the facts before you make a firm commitment.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) You might be upset by some of your critics. But most of your associates continue to keep the faith in your ability to get the job done, and done well.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) You've reached an important point in your ongoing pursuit of your goals. You might now want to consider letting someone you trust join you on your journey.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You've been going through a spate of uncertainty involving people you care for. But it might be time to take a stand on a position you feel sure you can defend.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Treading water keeps you busy, but it won't get you where you need to go. Time to stop making excuses and start moving ahead toward your goals.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You see life as both creative and pragmatic. You would not only be a fine artist, but also a successful one.

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# calendar

# REAL ESTATE

## EVENTS

**SATURDAY, MAY 26 - CHESTER, Vt.** – The First Universalist Parish of Chester is having a huge tag sale, including perennial plants and bake sale all in one! Saturday, May 26 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Included in the sale are a large number and variety of potted perennials, baked goods and a wide array of items from frames to furnishings inside and outside under the tents. Hot dogs and sodas will also be for sale. Make it an outing, there's something for everyone. All proceeds help us to be the

caretakers of our wonderful historical stone church, and the good work of the parish. Contact Melody Reed by email [melodious54@gmail.com](mailto:melodious54@gmail.com) or phone 802-875-5414.

**PROCTORSVILLE, Vt.** – The Holy Name of Mary Altar Society is having a Plant & Bake Sale on Saturday, May 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the church hall and yard, 308 Main Street in Proctorsville. There will be indoor, outdoor, vegetable, and herb plants, as well as pies, cakes, breads, cookies, jams, and other goodies. For more information, call Carol at 802-226-7842.

**SATURDAY, MAY 26 & SUNDAY, MAY 27 - PLYMOUTH, Vt.** – Join us for the 5th annual Antiques & Treasures Sale on Saturday, May 26 and Sunday, May 27 from 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. at the Plymouth Community Center in Plymouth. This two-day sale features a wide range of antiques, contemporary treasures, knick-knacks, sporting equipment, and good-quality clothing. Come early for the best deals! Cash or check only.

**MONDAY, MAY 28 - WESTON, Vt.** – On Monday, May 28, from 5.30 - 7 p.m., head to Mildred's Dairy Bar at the Weston location of The Vermont Country Store in a classic car or truck and receive a free maple creemee on us. It's a great way to show off your ride, meet other drivers and enjoy the best soft serve around. Route 100, in Weston. For more information contact 802-824-6287.

**PERKINSVILLE, Vt.** – Memorial

Day is a solemn day to remember and honor the selfless dedication of service members who have boldly stood in harm's way carrying the torch of freedom fighting to protect our abundant way of life. Please come to the Perkinsville Green, in Perkinsville, Vt. on Monday, May 28 at noon to recognize the men and women who have served us and have passed on.

**TUESDAY, MAY 29 AND TUESDAY, JUNE 5 KEENE, N.H.** - The audition schedule has been set for the 2018-19 season of the Grand Monadnock Youth Choirs. Youth in grades 2-8 may try out for the Keene Chorus. Keene auditions will be held in the parish hall of St. James Church, 44 West Street, on Tuesday, May 29 and June 5 from 3 - 7 p.m. Arrive 15 minutes prior to scheduled audition to complete registration paperwork. For details and to schedule an audition, contact Esther Rhoades by May 23

at 603-499-3505 or email [grandmonadnockyouthchoirs@gmail.com](mailto:grandmonadnockyouthchoirs@gmail.com). You may also schedule an audition online at [www.GrandMonadnockYouthChoirs.org](http://www.GrandMonadnockYouthChoirs.org).

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6 AND MONDAY, JUNE 11 - PETERBOROUGH, N.H.** - The audition schedule has been set for the 2018-19 season of the Grand Monadnock Youth Choirs. Youth in grades 2-8 may try out for the Peterborough chorus, and girls in grades 9-12 for the Cecilia Ensemble. Peterborough auditions will be held in the parish hall of the Peterborough Unitarian Universalist Church (PUUC), 25 Main Street, on Wednesday, May 30 and June 6 from 3 - 7 p.m. Cecilia auditions will be held in the PUUC on Monday, June 11 from 5 - 6:30 p.m. Arrive 15 minutes prior to scheduled audition to complete registration paperwork. For details and to schedule an audition, contact Rhoades by May 23 at 603-499-3505 or email [grandmonadnockyouthchoirs@gmail.com](mailto:grandmonadnockyouthchoirs@gmail.com). You may also schedule an audition online at [www.GrandMonadnockYouthChoirs.org](http://www.GrandMonadnockYouthChoirs.org).

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – The North School Preservation Society

will be holding its annual JuneBilee Sale at North School, located at 49 Main St. in North Springfield on Saturday, June 2 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Access and parking are off lower School St. Many items are available including electric train set, porcelain dolls, antiques, household and sports items, pet supplies, books, office supplies, toys, artwork, frames, and craft supplies. Be sure to check out our Holiday Room where you will find a wide variety of decorations.

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - The Ludlow Garden Club will hold its annual Plant Sale Saturday, June 2 at the Depot St. mini park from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is a great opportunity to purchase locally grown plants at great prices and support the work of the garden club.

**MONDAY, JUNE 4 - LUDLOW, Vt.** – Join us for the 3rd annual "Golf for a Cause" at the Okemo Valley Golf Club on Monday, June 4 with a 1 p.m. shotgun start barbecue, tons of prizes and a 50/50 raffle are planned or win a Chevrolet Malibu with a hole-in-one, sponsored by Benson Chevrolet. Hosted by the Crown Point Board of Realtors. All proceeds to benefit local families. For more details and to register your foursome call Frank Provence at 802-345-3894.

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**WEDNESDAYS - CHARLESTOWN, N.H.** – Weekly bingo at the Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497, 365 Lovers Lane Rd. Early Birds at 5 p.m., Regular Games at 6:30 p.m.

**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

**SUNDAYS - PUTNEY, Vt.** – Dinner and a movie every fourth Sunday, 5:30 p.m. At each event, the chefs at the Gleanery will serve a special menu in time for diners to make it to the hosted 7 p.m. film screening around the corner at the newly renovated Next Stage. For pricing or reservations call 802-387-3052. Limited seating available. 15 Kimball Hill Rd. TFN

**FARMERS' MARKET SATURDAY, JUNE 2 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – The opening of the regular season of the Springfield Farmers' Market is Saturday, June 2 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This will be our second year at our new location on lower Clinton St. next to Nortrax and near the trailhead of the walk/bike path. There is plenty of parking at this location. We still have room for qualified vendors. Email [springfieldfarmersmarketinc@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldfarmersmarketinc@gmail.com) or call 802-885-4096 for more information. The Springfield Farmer's Market Inc. is a vendor run nonprofit organization.

## LIBRARIES

**MONDAYS - CHESTER, Vt.** – Children of all ages are invited to join the LEGO Club at the Whiting Library in Chester. We will provide the LEGOs and DUPLOs and you supply the imagination. The program is on Mondays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thanks to the Rotary Club of Chester for helping us with a generous donation for this program. For further information contact 802-875-2277, [www.whitinglibrary.org](http://www.whitinglibrary.org), or on Facebook. TFN

**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 story time, 43 Main St., 10 a.m. Free and open to the public with stories, songs, and activities for the youngest readers. For more information, call the library at 802-885-3108. TFN

**ROCKINGHAM, Vt.** - Crafts, Stories and Play Time toddlers and preschoolers. Enjoy stories, songs, and activities. Rockingham Free Public Library 10:30-11:30 a.m. Contact 463-4270. TFN

## Storage Unit Auction

**Sale of Contents of Storage Unit #2**  
Sale shall be to the highest bidder.

172 Whitesville Rd. Cavendish, VT  
802-228-8469  
Michael Robin & Kristina Cousins

Storage unit owner reserves the right to reject any bid lower than amount owed by occupants.

**Unit #2 will be sold on Saturday, June 9, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at 172 Whitesville Rd., Cavendish, VT**

## ESTATE SALE

**SATURDAY & SUNDAY MAY 26 & 27 from 10 am - 4 pm**

**323 Rte. 100N of Ludlow across from Clear Lake Furniture**

List of some items: 19th c. student lamps; 19th c. schooldesks from Grahamsville School; 19th c. gaming table; old blanket chest with orig. paint; sleigh box for pung; set of 2 horse shafts; tinware; old camping items; beds & dressers; barn cleanout odds 'n' ends; old wooden shipping crates; glassware; stangl dishes; end tables; lots of chairs; 2 older wing chairs; mason jars; some artwork/linens/books; tools; old first aid and medicinal items; golf clubs; record albums; metal shelves; general house items.

### Ludlow, VT



Stunning Bensonwood home in gated community on cul de sac with privacy and beautiful views on 11 acres. 4 bedroom 6 baths. This custom Timberframe home boasts an open floor plan on the first floor with gorgeous natural birch floors and staircases. The custom kitchen offers cherry cabinets, granite countertops, center island. The living area features a floor to ceiling wood burning stone fireplace. There are 2 master en-suites, theater room & wine cellar. **Price: \$900,000**

### Chester, VT



Situated just 1/2 mile from Chester Town Green and boasts 5.5 acres! Bright and sunny home has 3 bedrooms and 2 baths - there is a bedroom with private bath on the first floor. Large fireplace in the living room with open floor plan- needs some TLC. **JUST REDUCED: \$199,000**

CALL LISTING AGENT  
Karen Wilson & Cathy Fisher  
802-228-5678

**COLDWELL BANKER**

156 Main Street  
Ludlow, VT 05149

### Upgraded 1900s Farmhouse

Hardwood Floors, Shiplap Walls, Open Concept, First Floor Master Suite with Cathedral Ceiling, 2 Additional Bedrooms and Den, and an Oversized 2 Car Garage. A Must See.

Call for More Details



**802-228-1234**  
101 Main Street  
Ludlow, VT 05149  
[DiamondRealtyVt.com](http://DiamondRealtyVt.com)

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New Deck, 2 "Sunrooms,"  
Living Room & Dining Room,  
First Floor Bedroom, Walk to  
Inn, Market, Library, Museums.  
Move-in Condition  
Grafton \$439,000



**Private Gambrel-Style Home**  
on 25 Acres!  
2 Bedroom Guest House, 2 Car Garage  
Perfect for Multi-Generations or  
Home Occupation  
Overlooks Large Koi Pond  
3 Bedrooms, 4 Bathrooms  
3,176 Sq. Ft., 25 Acres  
Athens \$375,000



**Circa 1830 Colonial in Historic Stone Village**  
Once an Assisted Living  
Also a Lovely B&B  
All up to Code  
Beautiful Pine Floors  
6 Bedrooms, 7 Baths  
3,136 Sq. Ft., 1.00 Acres  
Chester \$244,000



**5 Units / 3 Two Bedroom and 2 One Bedroom**  
Front & Side Porch, All Units Have  
Refrigerators and Ranges  
2,849 Sq. Ft., .50 Acres,  
Springfield \$175,000



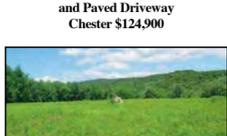
**Restore a VT Farmhouse**  
5 Bedroom, 1 Bath  
Brick Federal on 9 Acres +/-  
Living Room w/Fireplace, Kitchen w/  
Walk-In Pantry, 2 Screened Porches,  
2 Story Barn, 3 car Garage  
and Paved Driveway  
Chester \$124,900



**JUST LISTED!**  
Lovely 3 Bedroom 2 Bath on 3.9 Acres  
New Roof, Flooring, Septic and Well.  
Full Basement with Walkout Access,  
Nice Decks, Move in condition  
Chester \$109,500



**JUST REDUCED!**  
Village Lot in Quiet Neighborhood  
Front and Side Porches  
Kitchen Redone  
W/ Soapstone Counters  
4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths  
1,400 Sq. Ft., 0.17 Acres  
Springfield \$107,500



**Grafton Edge, 152 Acres Just One Mile From The Village, Open Meadow, Brooks, Forest, 4,450 Ft of Road Frontage, Views, Trails Through Property, Several Potential Building Sites, Many Stone Walls, Boundary and Internal**  
Grafton \$249,000



**145 Acres Of Timberland In The Current Use Plan Long Level Gravel Drive Utilities at TR Frontage Private Country Location**  
Chester \$189,900

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**An efficient home, easy to maintain.** This two story home has undergone remodeling to include replacement windows, a remodeled kitchen with granite top bar area and a tiled bathroom. A comfortable floor plan with formal dining area with corner hutch, functional kitchen, large living room, foyer/mudroom, upstairs with three bedrooms and a full bath and storage. Unfinished basement is great space with laundry and shop space. Garage for storage, all on an easy to maintain village lot. **REDUCED AGAIN TO \$99,900**



**This ranch style home** offers so many conveniences. Includes a nice attached screen room, large eat-in kitchen, spacious living room, built-in china cabinet, three bedrooms and full bath. Basement includes a bonus room, workshop space and extra storage room. Situated on a nice, outer corner lot. A must for those seeking maintainable and affordable! **JUST REDUCED TO \$119,900**



**The real treasure** lies within on this 3-4 bedroom home. Upgraded through the years with a modern eat-in kitchen, refinished baths, laundry room, attractive foyer leading to the side yard, large living room with pellet stove, den, master suite on the second floor with sitting room, walk-in closet, private bath and office/nursery. Outside includes close to three acres with a year round stream passing through, views of both Ascutney Mountain and Little Ascutney. Currently fenced with mini-barn for storage or animals. **\$176,000**



**This cape style home** offers convenient access to the high school and local shops. Includes three bedrooms, large bath, eat-in kitchen, comfortable living room and a three season porch off the back. Convenient large garage offering direct access to the full basement. Situated on a comfortable, level corner lot. A great find. **\$129,900**

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# calendar

## WEDNESDAYS -

**WESTON, Vt.** - Come and enjoy a story hour with friends at the Wilder Memorial Library, Lawrence Hill Road in Weston! 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

**LONDONDERRY, Vt.** - Join world traveler Carol Barclay for "Sit and Knit" at the South Londonderry Free Library, 15 Old School Street in South Londonderry, on Wednesday evenings from 7 - 9 p.m. Carol is an extremely patient instructor and is always creating a beautiful, intricate something out of yarn. Come on over, all are welcome! TFN

## THURSDAYS -

**BELLOWS FALLS, 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.

**CAVENDISH, Vt.** - Sit & Knit at Cavendish Fletcher Community Library on Thursday evenings from 5 - 7 p.m. Sit and Knit or Crochet, or do any fiber art of your choice. Light snacks will be provided. There is no charge. TFN

## THURSDAYS & SATURDAYS

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - The Springfield Town Library has a tech help desk available on Thursdays from 3 - 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Having trouble with your first smartphone? Want to re-set your Facebook privacy? Need to take a course in Word or Excel? Call 802-885-3108 to make an appointment with Dylan and June, our high school volunteer and his colleague. The Springfield Town Library is located at 43 Main St., Springfield.

## FRIDAYS -

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

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - Minecraft Club at the

Rockingham Free Public 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

**BELLOWS FALLS, 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

## SATURDAYS -

**ALSTEAD, N.H.** - Stop by the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library for cinnamon buns the last Saturday of each month and visit with friends or neighbors. The cinnamon buns are from McGuire's Bakery and are available for a small fee. All the proceeds go to benefit the library. The library is at 3 Main St., Alstead.

## MEETINGS

### MONDAYS -

**ANDOVER, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are every second and fourth Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at the Town Office. For information, call 802-875-2765.

**CAVENDISH, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Office. For more information go to www.cavendishvt.com or call 802-226-7291. Recordings of the meetings can be found at www.okemovalee.com.

**GRAFTON, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are the first and third Monday at the Grafton Elementary School or the Town Garage at 6 p.m. For more information, call 802-843-2552 or go to www.graftonvt.org. Recordings are found at www.fact8.com.

**LONDONDERRY, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are the first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Town Office. For more information, call 802-824-3356 or go to www.londonderryvt.org. Recordings are found at www.gnat-tv.org.

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - Select Board

meetings are the first Monday of every month at the Town Hall. For more information, call 802-228-2841 or go to www.ludlow.vt.us. Recordings found at www.okemovalee.com.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are on the second and fourth Monday of the month starting at 7 p.m. in the Selectman's Hall on 96 Main Street. For more information, go to www.springfieldvt.govoffice2.com.

## TUESDAYS -

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - Rockingham Select Board meetings are on the first and third Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. Bellows Falls Village Trustee meetings are the second and fourth Tuesday. Both meetings take place in the Lower Theater of the Bellows Falls Opera House. Call 802-463-4336 for more information or go to www.rockbf.org. Recordings can be found at www.fact8.com.

**MOUNT HOLLY, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are on the second Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. of each month at the Town Office. For more information, call 802-259-2391.

**WESTON, Vt.** - Select Board meetings are on the second and fourth Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office. Call 802-824-6988 or go to www.westonvt.org for more information. Recordings can be found at www.gnat-tv.org.

**WEDNESDAYS - CHESTER, Vt.** - Chester Select Board meetings are on the first and third Wednesday of every month. For more information, call 802-875-2173 or go to www.chestervt.org. Recordings can be found at sapatv.org.

## 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. HCRR, 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 -

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - Co-Dependents Anonymous meets on Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30 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

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - TOPS Chapter Vermont #12 meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Social Center, 39 Green Street in Bellows Falls. Come to TOPS (take off pounds sensibly) a non-profit, non-commercial, weight loss support group that really works. Every week there are interesting programs that touch on topics that help us in our quest for weight loss. We share healthy recipes for main meals and snacks. Your first meeting is free. Bring a friend; you won't be disappointed. Visit our website www.tops.org for more information. 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

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - Eating behavior support group meets every other Wednesday at 6 p.m. at the Green Mountain at Fox Run at 262 Fox Lane. This free group is intended to help you understand your eating and/or weight-related struggles. The group is led by trained therapists who specialize in eating behavior. To join call 802-228-8885 or email shiri@fitwoman.com. TFN

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - Twin State Depression Support Group meets on the fourth Wednesday at Turning Point Recovery Center (Handicapped-accessible), 7 Morgan Street, Springfield at 6:30 p.m. Do you know or think you may be depressed? Have a friend or family member who has depression? Then this group is for you! Support, empathy, sharing, education, confidentiality, peer-led. Contact TwinStateDSG@gmail.com or 641-715-3900 (ext. 650055#). 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

**PERKINSVILLE, Vt.** - Twin State Depression Support Group Board of Directors meets every other month on the third Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at 2520 Route 106 in Perkinsville. Please come join us. New local phone number is

802-795-0098. This is a voice mail line. Updates regarding meetings will be posted during bad weather. Messages will be checked daily. Remaining Dates: July 19, Sept. 20 - the one exception will be in November - that date to be announced.

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## How can you meet your short-term goals?

**REGION** - Why do you invest? If you're like most people, you'd probably say that, among other things, you want to retire comfortably. Obviously, that's a worthy long-term goal, requiring long-term investing. But as you journey through life, you'll also have short-term goals, such as buying a second home, remodeling your kitchen or taking a much-needed vacation. Will you need to invest differently for these goals than you would for the long-term ones?

To answer that question, let's first look at how you might invest to achieve your longer-term goals. For these goals, the key investment ingredient is growth - quite simply, you want your money to grow as much as possible over time. Consequently, you will likely want a good percentage of growth-oriented vehicles, such as stocks and other stock-based investments, to fund your 401(k), IRA, or other accounts.

However, the flip side of growth is risk. Stocks and stock-based investments will always fluctuate in value, which means you could lose some, or even all, of your principal. Hopefully, though, by putting time on your side - that is, by holding your growth-ori-

ented investments for decades - you can overcome the inevitable short-term price drops.

In short, when investing for long-term goals, you're seeking significant growth and, in doing so, you'll have to accept some degree of investment risk. But when you're after short-term goals, the formula is somewhat different: You don't need maximum growth potential as much as you need to be reasonably confident that a certain amount of money will be there for you at a certain time.

You may want to work with a financial professional to select the appropriate investments for your short-term goals. But, in general, you'll need these investments to provide you with the following attributes:

### Protection of principal

As mentioned above, when you own stocks, you have no assurance that your principal will be preserved; there's no agency, no government office, guaranteeing that you won't



Make and meet your short-term financial goals. STOCK PHOTO

lose money. And even some of the investments best suited for short-term goals won't come with full guarantees, either, but, by and large, they do offer you a reasonable amount of confidence that your principal will remain intact.

### Liquidity

Some short-term investments have specific terms - i.e., two years, three years, five years, etc. - meaning you do have an incentive to hold these investments until they mature. Otherwise, if you cash out early, you might pay some price, such as loss of value or loss of the income produced by these investments. Nonetheless, these types of investments are usually not difficult to sell, either before they mature or at maturity, and this liquidity will be helpful to you when you need the money to meet your short-term goal.

### Stability of issuer

Although most investments suitable for short-term goals do provide a high degree of preservation of principal, some of the issuers of these investments are stronger and more stable than others - and these strong and stable issuers are the ones you should stick with.

Ultimately, most of your investment efforts will probably go toward your long-term goals. But your short-term goals are still important, and the right investment strategy can help you work toward them.

*This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.*



## Bridge, anyone?

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - Looking for a friendly game of bridge? Want to learn how to play or update your rusty skills? We play every Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Black River Valley Senior Center, 10 High St. in Ludlow. You are most welcome to join us. For more information, call 802-228-2983.

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## Castleton Video Festival award winners announced

**CASTLETON, Vt.** - Castleton University is pleased to announce the winners of the 23rd annual Castleton VideoFest held Thursday, May 10 in the Casella Theater.

High school students throughout Vermont and the surrounding area submitted original work in the following categories: documentary, animation, narrative fiction, and public service announcements/advertisements.

First place from each category receives a \$1,000 scholarship to

Castleton University communication or theater arts program.

### Documentary

The winning video for the documentary category was "All in Order" by Nick Fish, Dan Denton, and Logan Moore of Stafford Video and Multimedia Communications program.

### Advertising/PSA

The winning video for the advertising and public service announcement category was "Driving Behavior is Learned at Home" by Tanner Bischofberger of River Valley Techni-

cal Center.

### Narrative fiction

The winning video for the narrative fiction category was "My Leather Jacket" by Jon Lenser, Emerson Palmer, and Joey Nakamura of Stafford Video and Multimedia Communications program.

### Animation

The winning video in the animation category was "Olivia's Dilemma" by Cassie Dupont, Valerie Nikolic, Montana Stomski, and Pam Bettis of Poultnery High School.

## A 99-year-old grand master of yoga coming to Walpole

**WALPOLE, N.H.** - A chance to learn yoga from Tao Porchon-Lynch, a grand master of modern yoga, will be offered Saturday and Sunday, June 2-3 at the Hastings House in Walpole.

Tao's life is extraordinary. There will be time to hear some of her stories. Tao was born in India. She marched with Gandhi at an early age. She helped with the underground during World War II. She was a model in Paris, and the stories go on and on.

Her teaching style reflects the great masters with whom she

studied, including B.K.S. Iyengar, Matji Indra Devi, and Swami Prabhavananda. Her passions, in addition to yoga, includes ballroom dancing. At the age of 99, Tao brings a delightful childlike love of life and nature to all that she does.

The classes are Saturday, June 2 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, June 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. To register, call Josephine Russell, 603-352-1684.



Grand master of yoga.

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## Windsor County brings in 594 pounds of unwanted medications

**WINDSOR COUNTY, Vt.** - On April 28, 2018, Windsor County Sheriff's Department, in cooperation with local and state police, again participated in the DEA-led National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day, resulting in 594 pounds of disposed medications collected throughout Windsor County for incineration.

"Take-Back" efforts began in 2012 as stand-alone disposal events occurring twice a year. Since then, many police departments and pharmacies across Windsor County, the state, and the nation have installed permanent drug collection units, assisting in medication returns year-round. The spring take back resulted in the most amount collected for Windsor County.

Windsor County Sheriff, Michael Chamberlain, has been in-

strumental in keeping the take back efforts going. Normally, the sheriff's department collects the disposed of medication and brings them to DEA officials to weigh. They are then taken for incineration by the DEA. Sheriff Chamberlain helps in arranging the collection and incineration of medications collected. "We want to encourage everyone to get rid of their medications, get it out of the house. The collection efforts help to keep dangerous medications out of the hands of people who struggle with substance use disorders," he said.

Windsor County's April 28 collection sites yielded the following quantities: Hartford PD, 155 pounds; Rochester Constable Office, 8 pounds; Royalton PD, 11 pounds; Weathersfield Transfer Station, 36 pounds; Chester PD, 49 pounds; Ludlow PD, 39 pounds; Norwich PD, 18 pounds; Woodstock PD, 60 pounds; Wind-

sor PD, 102 pounds; and Springfield PD, 113 pounds. The state of Vermont collected a total of 6,007 pounds from 257 boxes.

Permanent medication drop boxes and ongoing collection and incineration efforts across Windsor County has been made possible by funding through the Windsor County Prevention Partners and the Vermont Regional Prevention Partnership grant. The WCPP is a partnership with law enforcement, prevention, and community partners to reduce underage drinking, binge drinking, and prescription drug abuse for the 12-25 aged population. For more information on substance abuse prevention efforts, visit [www.facebook.com/windsorcountypreventionpartners](http://www.facebook.com/windsorcountypreventionpartners).

For information on proper use, storage, and disposal of prescription medications, visit [www.twinstatesafemeds.org](http://www.twinstatesafemeds.org).

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