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## Ludlow Memorial Day Parade one to be remembered



**Mount Sinai Motorcycle Group honoring Memorial Day.**  
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**Honoring the soldiers who never returned home.**  
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**The wreath ceremony.**  
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**BY SHARON HUNTLEY**  
*The Vermont Journal*

**LUDLOW, Vt.** – Ludlow’s Memorial Day Parade pulled out all the stops on a sunny morning Monday, May 27 with many new participants to the program including the Vermont Field Music Fife and Drum Corps; two motorcycle groups, Rolling Thunder and Mount Sinai Motorcycle Group; Catamount Pipe Band with bagpipers and

drummers dressed in traditional kilts; and even two bi-planes that buzzed overhead.

The event was organized by Gary Macintyre from the Ballard Hobart American Legion Post 36 in Ludlow. By his estimation, there were almost 200 participants in the parade with a sizable and enthusiastic crowd lining Main Street to cheer on the marchers.

Led by the American Legion Post 36 Color Guard and mem-

bers, many veterans marched or were driven along the parade route, which spanned from Benson’s Chevrolet to Memorial Park. According to Macintyre, two World War II veterans, aged 92 and 93, marched in the parade and a WWII 101-year-old veteran rode in one of the convertible vehicles. Marchers also included Freemasons, other Ludlow service groups, and fire and rescue trucks from Ludlow and Proctorsville.

The parade stopped for a wreath ceremony at the bridge, which included a firing squad salute and the playing of Taps. It then went onto Veterans Park for additional ceremonies, which included several speakers, songs, and dedications. Final stop for the event was at the cemetery at the Tomb of Unknown Soldier before participants were invited to an open house and luncheon at American Legion Post 36 in Ludlow.

After all Macintyre’s hard work, with planning that began last year, he was pleased with the result. “It did what I wanted it to do...the impact for me and for other vets was having people cheer and say thank you for your service.” A Vietnam veteran, Macintyre said that when he returned home, there was no welcoming ceremony. “This was our welcome home parade,” he said. Macintyre was quick to point out that it was the efforts of the

entire Legion family that helped make the event such a success, with many volunteers unable to see the parade because of all their preparations happening for the luncheon. “If it wasn’t for all the help from the Legion, I wouldn’t have been able to do it,” he said. He also spoke of his appreciation for local merchants who opened up their driveways for parking. “They were all very generous with their support.”

## Roots on the River celebrates 20th year

**BY JOE MILLIKEN**  
*The Vermont Journal & The Shopper*

**ROCKINGHAM, Vt.** – Starting Friday, June 8 at 3 p.m., Vermont Festivals LLC will present the 20th annual Roots on the River Festival, featuring a full weekend of live music presented at various locations throughout Rockingham and Bellows Falls. An all-volunteer event, this year’s festival nonprofit beneficiary will be the Bellows Falls Fire Department, members of which will be on hand to assist the event throughout the weekend.

Ray Massucco has been the promoter and leader of this wonderful music event going back to the eighth festival. “When I became an accidental promoter after the seventh Roots Festival, I honestly believed I would only put on one more festival after that. If I had known I’d still be doing this 13 years later, I would have approached it much differently. That said, I love producing the festival, especially curating the lineup and spending hundreds of hours vetting new artists and revisiting old favorites,” Massucco said.

“Ultimately, I decided that if I could run things until our 20th year, I would step back from it. I turn 72 shortly after the festival. I’m in good health, my law practice is more robust than it has ever been, and I took on a new partner in April. I have a long bucket list I need to pay more attention to, such as two



**Roots on the River Festival at the Rockingham Meeting House in 2018.**

PHOTO BY AMANDA WEDEGIS

motorcycles in my garage that need exercise, along with a canoe I’ve had for 40 years that has not been in the water for a few years now.”

It is not yet decided what path the Roots on the River Festival will take after this year’s event, but there is a core group of volunteers who put in a lot of time to make this event happen, including Ray’s law firm administrator, Sue Martin, who also assists with concerts at the Bellows Falls Opera House.

“Over the last 12 months, I laid out exactly what goes into putting the Roots festival together and I think once the realization of how much time, effort, and other resources go into it, from a producer’s vantage point, sunk in, they ultimately all decided that

they could not commit,” explained Massucco. “Since then, I’ve been approached, quite informally and tentatively, by another group who may explore the nitty-gritty of producing Roots on the River with me over the summer. Nineteen years is an enviable record for any all-volunteer event.”

The potential group is not ready to go public yet, Massucco said, “But if they do step up, I have no doubt they will do an excellent job. I also have one other ‘hail Mary’ approach that I may take if this prospect does not pan out, but I am still working out the game plan on that. If either one steps up,

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## Chester Artisans Alley Market off to a great success



**Artisans Alley Market vendors.**

PHOTOS BY SHARON HUNTLEY

**BY SHARON HUNTLEY**  
*The Vermont Journal*

**CHESTER, Vt.** – A new open-air market called Artisans Alley Market opened under sunny skies in Chester for the first time Sunday, May 26, drawing a crowd estimated between 300-400 visitors, with organizer Sharon Baker declaring the launch “an overwhelming success.”

Sharon Baker is the owner of Sharon’s on the Common, which sits at the end of what

has been dubbed Artisans Alley, just off the Chester Common. She has been staring at the empty alleyway for years thinking, “Wouldn’t it be wonderful to have an open air market in the alley?” The alley is located between The Free Range Restaurant and DaValia Art Boutique on the Common. After talking with local businesses, property owners, and checking in with the town, there was enough interest for her to begin spreading the word, largely through social media.

With plans to have the mar-

ket run every Sunday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., now through Columbus Day weekend, this first week Baker had seven participating vendors signed up with more being added in the coming weeks. This week’s vendors included a CBD product vendor, jewelry designer Hawk Mountain Company, sturdy fabric bowls from Empty Nest Sewing, gorgeous intricate cutting boards from Chase Woodworking, micro greens producer from Some No Name Farm,

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Crowds gathered in the Veterans Memorial Park. PHOTO BY SHARON HUNTLEY



Honoring our fallen soldiers. PHOTO BY JOE HAMMOND



Ludlow American Legion marching in the parade. PHOTO BY DONALD DILL

# Local realtor awarded RENE Certification

LUDLOW, Vt. – Sean Williams with Kelley Real Estate has been awarded the Real Estate Negotiation Expert certification, the premier negotiation credential in the country. The RENE is conferred by the Real Estate Business Institute and is an official certification of the National Association of Realtors. Sean joins an elite group of real estate professionals from around the world who have earned the RENE certification. All were required to successfully complete comprehensive

coursework in negotiation and subscribe to the Realtor Code of Ethics.

Sean has been a resident of Andover for four years and joined Kelley Real Estate in Ludlow this March. He represents buyers and sellers throughout the Okemo Valley. Before going into real estate, he was a mountaineering guide and freelance translator and has lived and worked in Oregon, Alaska, Europe, and Chile. He volunteers with the Andover Community Church and is

on the Member Engagement Committee for the Vermont Association of Realtors.

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Catamount Pike Band on the bagpipes in the parade. PHOTO BY DONALD DILL

# Black River Valley Senior Center upcoming events

LUDLOW, Vt. – Black River Valley Senior Center on High Street in Ludlow has the following events scheduled throughout June.

Every Tuesday in June, starting June 4, there is a monthly shopping trip to Market Basket in Claremont. Priority is given to non-drivers.

Tuesday, June 11, 18, and 25 join us for lunch at restaurants in Springfield, Rutland, and Claremont.

You must sign up at the senior center or by calling 802-228-7421 for either of these events.

Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 a.m. we will be having Game Day. Bridge, Rummikub, various card games and whatever game you care to bring can be played. Invite your friends.

On Saturday, June 8 from 10 a.m. to noon, we offer Computer Class with Matt Sydorowich. You may bring your laptop, tablet, or cell phone to get Matt's help.

You must call the senior center to sign up and also email Matt at sydscompufix@rocketmail.com so that he will be prepared to help you.

On Wednesday, June 19 at 11 a.m. join us for monthly luncheon and bingo. Lunch is guest chef's choice.

Thursday, June 20 at noon is our monthly birthday party. Birthday cake and door prize drawings. If June is your birthday month, you eat for free.

## Emerald Ash Borer presentation

ANDOVER, Vt. – There will be a presentation about the Emerald Ash Borer at Andover Town Hall Wednesday, June 5 at 6:30 p.m. Learn more the Emerald Ash Borer and what the state and residents can do to reduce the infestation. For more information, call Jock Harvey, Forestry and Natural Resources Services Inc., at 802-875-2646.

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## ROOTS

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I have offered to stay on-board as the artistic director for a year or two."

If somehow the Roots event does not continue, this year's event is one not to be missed, for it is arguably the finest

"small town" music festival you will ever see. Sunday's concert at the old Rockingham Meeting House will sell out in advance. However, there are other shows to enjoy. The weekend's entertainment includes open mic shows on Thursday and Friday before the main festival opens on Saturday.

"Each artist in our lineup attracts their own dedicated following and we are expecting record turnouts on all three festival days," Massucco said.

The main festival lineup will include both past favorites and newcomers alike to the Roots on the River stage. Returning headliners include Mary Gauthier, The Slambovian Circus of Dreams, and The Black Lilies.

Of special note, Gauthier's "Rifles and Rosary Beads" CD was recently nominated as Record of the Year by the Americana Music Association, to which Massucco said, "It is a huge honor and recognition of Mary's groundbreaking col-

laboration with wounded veterans to create an entire album of their songs."

However, part of Vermont Festival's mission statement is to also introduce their fans to new artists and bands, as well as regional artists who they feel deserve recognition and a wider audience than they might otherwise achieve. Several regional artists featured in this year's lineup include Miss Guided Angels, Bayou X, Low Lily, and Vermont's own Starline Rhythm Boys, who are celebrating their 20th anniversary.

Other bands and artists appearing throughout the weekend, coming from as far away as Los Angeles and Ontario, Canada, include Alice Howe, The End of America, Hayley Reardon, Julie Rhodes, Roger Martin, Freebo, Nora Jane Struthers, and Vance Gilbert.

Friday and Saturday shows are located at the Rodeway Inn on Route 5 in Rockingham, and the popular Sunday show is held at the Rockingham Meeting House. There is plenty of free parking, kids and pets are welcome, and the event is a smoke-free, family-friendly event. Day, weekend, and deluxe tickets are available in advance at the festival website, [www.rootsontheriver.com](http://www.rootsontheriver.com), and deluxe ticket holders have a reserved set under the big tent.

Saturday also features a "youth tent" from noon to 6 p.m. so parents can enjoy the music while the kids are entertained and well supervised. Seating under the big tent is first-come, first-serve basis, but blankets and lawn chairs are always welcome. Local food and beverage vendors will be on site, so leave coolers in the parking lot for safety. No glass containers allowed on site.

For more information, complete schedule, and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.rootsontheriver.com](http://www.rootsontheriver.com) or call 802-460-3333.

## Home Owner University

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Saturday, June 8, 2019 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM  
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# Weston Playhouse Theatre Company to receive grant from National Endowment for the Arts

WESTON, Vt. – National Endowment for the Arts awarded an Art Works grant of \$10,000 to Weston Playhouse Theatre Company for its new works program, which includes the Weston-Ghostlight New Musical Award and the Fall New Works Festival. Art Works is the Arts Endowment's principle grant-making program. The agency received 1,592 Art Works applications for this round of grant-making and will award 977 grants in this category.



Weston Playhouse receives grant. PHOTO PROVIDED

"These awards, reaching every corner of the United States, are a testament to the artistic richness and diversity in our country," said Mary Anne Carter, acting chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts. "Organizations such as Weston Playhouse Theatre Company are giving people in their community the opportunity to learn, create, and be inspired."

Executive Artistic Director Susanna Gellert says, "We're grateful for the National Endowment for the Arts' sup-

port of our New Works program and their recognition of Weston Playhouse Theater as a leading arts organization in Vermont and beyond. Thanks to the support of the NEA, we will be able to provide developmental opportunities to the new plays and musicals of tomorrow."

Weston's New Works Programs were launched in 2006 and in these years has helped dozens of artists create new and exciting works for the stage. Enhancement and expansion of

the company's New Works Programs has been made possible with the creation of a new year-round, state-of-the-art studio theatre at Walker Farm and the vision of the new executive artistic director. In addition to the Weston-Ghostlight New Musical Award and the New Works Festival, the grant from the NEA will fund Weston's annual Artists Retreat and a brand-new program, the Vermont 100 Playwright Residency.

The Weston Playhouse Theatre Company is a non-profit organization supported in part by funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and an ever-growing family of individuals and organizations who believe in the impact that the performing arts makes on its community.

For more information on this National Endowment for the Arts grant announcement, visit [www.arts.gov/news](http://www.arts.gov/news).

# Black River Academy Museum's plant identification with luncheon

LUDLOW, Vt. – April showers bring May flowers and June peonies. It's that time of the year again to be outdoors and appreciate the beauty of Vermont in the springtime. The Black River Academy Museum is hosting a luncheon and tea at the Frost Hill Peony Farm in Belmont. At 10 a.m., Gretchen Gregory from Northern Gardens and Landscaping will be on hand to help identify the various plants that are grown in this area. A light lunch and tea will follow this presentation. There is a suggested donation for this event. Please RSVP to

Georgia Brehm at 802-228-5050 or [glbrehm@tds.net](mailto:glbrehm@tds.net) if you are planning to attend this



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event. Looking forward to seeing you all for an informative and relaxing morning.

# Art in Bloom at Custer Sharp House

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Green Mountain Gardeners of Weston, Londonderry, Landgrove, and Peru are hosting "Art in Bloom: Color in the Landscape" exhibit and sale at the Custer Sharp House June 14-16, 2019, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. On Saturday, June 15, at 1 p.m., there will be an interactive presentation to demonstrate the creation of a watercolor landscape with GMG member Doris Ingram.

Art of local artists paired with floral interpretations created by GMG members will capture the radiance and color of Vermont's landscapes. Included in the show is student artwork from Flood Brook School. Artwork is available for purchase; 20% of proceeds will be donated to the Londonderry Art & Historical Society to support ongoing renovations at the Custer Sharp House.

A special pairing this year is GMG member Barbara O'Donnell and her granddaughter Nora O'Donnell, a student at The Long Trail School. As a grandmother, past GMG president, and dedicated gardener, Barbara is thrilled to design a flower arrangement to capture the mountain and seascape theme of Nora's painting



Grandmother Barbara O'Donnell and her granddaughter Nora O'Donnell with Nora's painting for the upcoming Art in Bloom. PHOTO PROVIDED

Barbara is also a pairing of a mother and daughter with Elsie Smith designing a floral arrangement to highlight a sculpture of her late mother, Katherine Mc-

Cabe. The Custer Sharp House, a perfect venue for this exhibit and sale, was the summer residence of Bernadine Custer Sharp, a prolific 20th-century American painter, illustrator, and WPA muralist who worked in New York City and summered in Vermont.

"LAHS is thrilled to have GMG and local artists celebrating summer in the space that Bernadine left for community events," stated LAHS President Annie Campbell. "We are thankful that proceeds will go toward keeping art and history alive in Lon-

donderry." Information about Green Mountain Gardeners and "Art in Bloom: Color in the Landscape" can be found at [www.greenmountaingardeners.net](http://www.greenmountaingardeners.net).

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## MARKET

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Stone House Kettle Corn Company, and an eclectic mix of carving and fabric creations from Maple Leaf Artisans. The market will be able to accommodate up to 16 vendors in total.

Somewhat unique to this market, there is no fee to participate; only a donation is asked. All money collected will be used for promotion, something the vendors appreciate, accord-

ing to Baker. This past week the money collected was enough to pay for the banner that spanned the alley entrance. Next week, Baker will put out a sandwich board on the green to direct more business their way.

This first successful introduction is a good sign that the market will gain more popularity over time. "I'm thrilled and [the vendors] were all happy and eager to keep going and watch it grow," said Baker.

Area businesses also benefited from the new foot traffic, with Sharon's on the Common

seeing the best Sunday business Baker has seen in months. Baker heard the same from other businesses on the Common as well.

Artisans Alley Marketplace will happen every Sunday between now and Columbus Day weekend, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Artisans Alley off the Chester Common. You can also follow them at [www.facebook.com/Artisans-Alley-Market-Chester-Vermont-2305334359738064](http://www.facebook.com/Artisans-Alley-Market-Chester-Vermont-2305334359738064).

For information on participating in the market, contact [sharons@vermontel.net](mailto:sharons@vermontel.net).

## Please Join Us for a Community Meeting



Please join us for community information forums on the following dates:

- Springfield, VT May 29th, 6-7:30 pm, Nolin Murray Center
- Londonderry, VT May 30th, 6-7:30, Town Hall
- Charlestown, NH June 3rd, 6-7:30, Senior Center
- Bellows Falls, VT June 4th, 6-7:30, Bellows Falls Library
- Ludlow, VT June 5th, 6-7:30, Ludlow Town Hall

Information will be shared regarding healthcare for the region, SMCS/SH overview, and plans for the future.

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# River Valley Tech Camp exciting lineup of classes

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - River Valley Technical Center has exciting classes lined up for their Tech Camp happening the week of June 17 - 21 at the River Valley Technical Center in Springfield, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. each day.

In "Film Creation: Audio Post Production with SAPA," Tech Campers will be immersed in technical audio post-production for film. Participants will have the opportunity to create and add sound effects to video and will learn audio post-production techniques that they can use in future video making projects such as personal YouTube videos and more!

Short Story Creation program allows campers to use their creativity to express themselves with a short story, complete with pictures and photos of their choice. The group will create and take home a "Tech Camp Week Book" which will include bios and photos of all the campers. Campers will also design and print their own t-shirt!

In 3-D Printing, campers will design and create solutions to challenges using the RVTC and APM 3D printers; this program is run in collaboration with the American Precision Museum.



Learn exciting new things at a tech camp class.

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Other programs include exciting hands-on Robotics; Micro:bit Coding; "Let's Get Cooking" where students learn basic cooking skills and how to make nutritious snacks; First Aid, which will provide them with basic life-saving techniques as well as proper use of and removal of gloves; Problem solving through gaming; career exploration with VSAC; and "Just a Breeze, Wind Spinners" class.

All youth entering the seventh, eighth, or ninth grade at any area middle school, private school, or home school are eligible to attend Tech Camp.

Space is limited to the first 50 to register. The camp experience could turn your child onto a new and exciting hobby or interest. Register before June 1 for a discounted fee.

If your child's school is still in session due to "snow days," some schools will allow their students to be excused so that they can take part in this exciting alternative educational experience.

For more information or to receive a brochure and sign-up forms, contact Marie Gelineau, camp director, at 802-384-1561 or by email at mgelineau@rvtc.net

# "Green Living - Inside and Out" in Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Curious about living more sustainably? Wondering what it means to live green? Looking for advice or wanting to share what you have learned? Join us at the Springfield Town Library, Thursday, June 6 at 6:30 p.m. for "Green Living - Inside and

Out" with Cheryl Joy Lipton. Come share what you do to live sustainably and learn what steps to take next, or what to do to get started.

Lipton has a Bachelor's degree in landscape architecture from SUNY, College of Environmental Science and Forestry, and a Master of Science in ecology from Penn State University. She is a specialist in native plants and

invasive non-natives. Lipton has been an organic gardener and has been living green for a long time, and now does so with her husband, daughter, cats, chickens, and a puppy.

Living green is healthier for everyone. And, there's no time like now to start being good to yourself, your family, your pets, and your environment. This program is free, accessible to people with disabilities, and open to the public. The Springfield Town Library is located at 43 Main St., Springfield. For more information, contact 802-885-3108 or stlas@vermontel.net.

# Home Owner University at NeighborWorks Week

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Windham & Windsor Housing Trust will host a Home Owner University Saturday, June 8 at Compass School in Westminster. The half-day program runs from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Topics include credit building, down-payment assistance programs, home repair loans, DIY weatherization, estate planning, aging in place, and much more.

It is part of a weeklong celebration of neighborhood improvement activities na-

tionally recognized as NeighborWorks Week. "NeighborWorks Week was the perfect way to highlight our new home owner university workshop," said WWHT's Director of Home Ownership, Bruce Whitney. "It is free to the public and we're happy to provide this critical information to home owners and those looking to buy a home."

WWHT is part of the national NeighborWorks network, an affiliation of nearly 250 nonprofit organizations located in every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. In fiscal year

2018, the NeighborWorks network provided 457,000 housing and counseling services; owned and managed 166,900 rental homes; and created more than 41,100 jobs.

The NeighborWorks network was founded and is supported by NeighborWorks America, which creates opportunities for people to live in affordable homes, improve their lives, and strengthen their communities.

To learn more, contact Bruce Whitney at 802-246-2111 or email bwhtney@home mattershere.org.

# The Windham Foundation latest round of grants

GRAFTON, Vt. - Thirteen organizations were awarded a total of \$63,000 in funding from The Windham Foundation in the recently concluded grants round. Liz Bankowski, CEO of The Windham Foundation, said, "We are proud to support these organizations who offer a variety of social, recreational, and educational programs that enrich their communities and benefit the state."

The Broad Brook Community Center located in Guilford received a grant to continue their renovations of the 120-year-old grange building to revitalize it as a gathering place for activities that enhance the well-being of the people of Guilford now and for the future.

Catamount Film and Arts received a grant to support the creation of three "creative hubs" in Northeast Kingdom towns. The goal of this new initiative is to identify artistic and cultural assets in each town and build a cultural network that benefits the entire region. Each hub will produce a culminating event or performance and will feature local talent.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Vermont in Windham County received a grant to support their school-based mentoring program. Each child is paired with an adult mentor. Mentoring activities include learning a new skill or craft, participating in a recreational or cultural event, and assistance with homework.

Green Mountain Camp for Girls in Brattleboro, which opened in 1917, received a grant to support their "Launching Leaders"



The Windham Foundation announces their latest round of grants. PHOTO PROVIDED

program for teenage girls 14 to 16. The program will enable 25 young women to develop leadership skills, expand their knowledge, and build their confidence.

The Isle La Motte Preservation Trust in Grand Isle received a grant to improve the educational signage on the Goodsell Ridge Preserve that is part of the 460-million-year-old Chazy Fossil Reef, a world-renowned geological treasure which underlies much of the bedrock of Isle La Motte.

The Springfield Art and Historical Society received a grant to conserve the only surviving uniform of the Springfield Blue Sox baseball team. The team played between 1926 and 1944.

New England Center for Circus Arts received a grant to bring their program "Circus in the Neighborhood" to children residing in two public housing developments in Brattleboro. NECCA is an internationally recognized circus school known for outstanding physical and creative programs.

Salvation Farms' Vermont Commodity Program, located in Winooski, aggregates large

volumes of unsold but wholesome food from Vermont farms, processes it and distributes it through food banks and other programs. This grant will be used to purchasing additional food processing equipment. The program also offers job opportunities and training for individuals who have been outside the workforce.

Since 1838, The Vermont Historical Society has been preserving the history of Vermont. In addition to their own collections and activities, VHS is a resource for the 190 local historical societies across the state. Mostly staffed by volunteers, these organizations play a key role in the cultural life of their towns. This grant supports VHS in the special training and professional development opportunities they can offer these local organizations.

Vermont Parks Forever was started in 2013 to support state parks. VPF was awarded a grant to help with the first redesign of a nature center. The 27,000-acre Groton State Park nature center will be revamped to better tell the story of the natural environment, enhance the educational resources, and provide more direct engagement for visitors.

The Vermont Youth Orchestra, which develops young artists in the pursuit of musical excellence received a grant to support their "Music Inspires" program in Winooski and Bakersfield, which brings instruments and teachers to disadvantaged families.

The Windham Foundation was founded in 1963 with the goal of preserving and enhancing the social, economic, and cultural vitality of rural Vermont. The Foundation funds a wide array of projects. Learn more at www.windham-foundation.org/grants. In addition to its philanthropic programs, the Windham Foundation operates The Grafton Village Cheese Company and The Grafton Inn.

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# LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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## The old sage

Last week Ted Spaulding and I made a trip to Weston. Ted lived in Weston from 1937 to 1941 with his ancestors living there long before him. The Patches were also early settlers in Weston. Both families would have known each other.

First, we went to the Weston Trout Club. What a beautiful location. When we came down from the trout club, I noticed Albert DeCell in his dooryard. I asked Ted if he wanted to stop and see Albert. "Sure," he said.

Albert had a welcoming smile when he saw me. I worked for Albert and Karne summers when I was a teenager. Albert walked to my driver's side door saying, "I bought your new book this morning."

I asked Albert, "Do you know this guy?" Of course he did. Albert and Ted have known each other from their school days 80 or so years ago.

As Ted and Albert got to reminiscing about the old days I sat and listened. Try to imagine someone like myself who loves local history sitting between these two venerable sages recalling days gone by.

I worked for Albert in his painting business. I was the youngest there and sometimes picked on by the older men or made the brunt of their jokes. One day during lunch, one of the men was talking about Rocky Mountain Oysters.

I asked what Rocky Mountain Oysters were. "You've never had Rocky Mountain Oysters?" My reply: "No." The next day as we sat together having lunch the painter produced a small glass jar of his pickled oysters. Well I took one and chewed and chewed. It was tough with a strong flavor. I managed to get it down and asked what they were. He told me what they were and the men started laughing at me.

"Give me another one," I said. With that I was accepted as one of the crew. Let's say these oysters are a venison by-



Weston Trout Club.

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product.

After we had visited a few sites Ted suggested we have lunch at the Bryant House. We were waiting for lunch when Ted recounted a pleasant memory. Ted recalled when he was a young boy on Halloween going to Mrs. Bryant's house, now Bryant House. In those days "trick or treat" as we know it today didn't exist. Halloween was a time when kids put on a mask and visited people they knew to show off their mask. Not always were treats offered. Mrs. Bryant was a nice old lady and did handout candy Ted recalled.

Years ago my father gave me a circa 1895 photograph of the Patch homestead in Weston. This was a location I really wanted to find. Ted brought his 1869 Windsor County Atlas along. On this old map are seen stores, shops, and homes in Weston in 1869.

Ted located the Patch place on the 1869 map so we set out to find it. It was possible it was no longer standing. Eventually we came to an old house that has seen much modernization. Ted said, "This must be the Patch place."

So I took a couple photos and when I got home I compared the old photo to the ones I had just taken. Both homes had a center chimney and two windows in the gable end of the second floor. After comparing the two photos it became clear both photos were of the same place only taken 125 years apart. In the old photo the windows are 12-pane over 12-pane and there is an ell on one end now gone.

Next we went to Moses Pond. My father and I hiked into Moses Pond when I was about 10 years old. I remember hiking a couple miles that day. My father quite often chose the road less travelled and we certainly took that road that day. Imagine my surprise the other day to learn we could have driven to within a half-mile of Moses Pond. My grandfather Donald Patch owned property near Moses Pond.

Ted remembers the 1938 hurricane well and the flooding that took place in Weston. Ted gave me a tour of the damage done in town. It was the day after the hurricane that Ted and his mother surveyed the damage.

Ted and I had a great time this day. In the near future Ted and I are going to tour Popple Dungeon in the same manner. Stay tuned.

The photo with this article is one of approximately 275 photos in Chester Historical Society's new book, "Pictorial History of Chester, Andover, Weston and Londonderry." It's available at select stores in Chester, Weston, Londonderry, and Bellows Falls.

*Instead of an old saying I offer advice you might find useful. "If a deal is difficult in the beginning it'll only get worse with time." I recently walked away from a \$3,000 deal for this reason. My friend Fitzie used to say, "Never beg a man to take your money."*

## Vermont State Historic Sites open for the season

**REGION** - On Saturday, May 25, seven Vermont state-owned historic sites opened their doors for the 2019 season. This exceptional collection of sites is comprised of more than 80 historic structures and hundreds of acres of forest and farmland.

"These sites house impressive museum collections and feature educational exhibits that chronicle the story of our region beginning with the first inhabitants who settled the area approximately 9,000 years ago," said Vermont State Historic Preservation Officer Laura V. Trieschmann. "Historic sites across the state, including pre-historic camps, Revolutionary War sites, and the homes of U.S. Presidents all shed light on the remarkable history of Vermont."

**Sites that opened May 25:**  
**President Calvin Coolidge - Plymouth, Vt.**

Opening day at the President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site in Plymouth Notch also marked the opening of the special exhibit "Presidential Menagerie: The Coolidges and Their Pets." This exhibit tells noteworthy and often humorous stories surrounding the

menagerie of domestic pets and exotic animals that made their home at the White House during the Coolidge presidency. This exhibit is funded through a grant from the Alma Gibbs Donchian Foundation.

**Chimney Point - Addison, Vt.**

For the 2019 International Year of the Salmon, Chimney Point State Historic Site in Addison will be hosting "Salmon and People in a Changing World." This traveling exhibit from the Lake Champlain Basin Program and Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership explores the successful reintroduction of the Atlantic salmon into Lake Champlain.

**Old Constitution House - Windsor, Vt.**

This year's temporary exhibit, "Curator's Choice," opens June 15. The Old Constitution House has been collecting rare and unusual items from the Windsor, Vt. region for more than a century. This special exhibit highlights some of our favorite pieces in the collection, a few of which have never been publicly shown.

Other sites now open include Hubbardton Battlefield

in Hubbardton, Justin Morrill Homestead in Strafford, Mount Independence in Orwell, and Eureka Schoolhouse in Springfield.

More than 70 public events and programs are scheduled this season at Vermont's State Historic Sites. Highlights include: 4th of July Presidential Birthday Celebration at the President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site; Revolutionary War Encampment at the Hubbardton Battlefield on July 6 and 7; 5K Road Race and Bennington Battle Day Weekend celebrations at the Bennington Battle Monument on Aug. 17 and 18; Soldiers Atop the Mount at Mount Independence on Aug. 31 and Sept. 1; and 19th Century Apple & Cheese Festival at the Senator Justin S. Morrill State Historic Site on Sept. 29.

Events, activities, and programs have been planned for all ages and levels of interest. For further information and event listings, visit us online at [www.historicsites.vermont.gov](http://www.historicsites.vermont.gov) and like us on Facebook at Vermont State Historic Sites. We can be reached by phone at 802-828-3051.

## Digitized glass plate negative collection unveiled

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - The Rockingham Free Public Library will present its digitized glass plate negative collection, taking place Friday, June 10 at 5:30 p.m. Featured will be speakers that were involved with the project and a slideshow of selected local images. Printed out copies of the images will also be available for viewing.

The Rockingham Free Public Library is proud to share its glass plate negative collection with the public for the first time. They can be viewed online on

the Library's Historical Collection website at [www.rockinghamlibrary.org/history](http://www.rockinghamlibrary.org/history).

Funding for the digitization of the glass plate negative project was graciously provided by the Windham Foundation, located in Grafton, Vt. The digitization was performed by Works on Paper LLC, based in Bellows Falls, Vt.

This event is free and open to the public. The library is located at 65 Westminster St., Bellows Falls, and is wheel-

chair accessible. For more information, call 802-463-4270 or email [reference@rockinghamlibrary.org](mailto:reference@rockinghamlibrary.org).



Glass plate negative sample. PHOTO PROVIDED

## "Graffiti: 200 Years of History at the Dodge Tavern" in Walpole

**WALPOLE, N.H.** - The Walpole Historical Society is hosting a presentation by local archaeologist, Gail Golec, titled "Graffiti: 200 Years of History at the Dodge Tavern," Friday, June 7, at 7 p.m. at the Walpole Town Hall.

The Old Dodge Tavern had been the cornerstone of a small enclave in the northeast corner of town known as The Val-

ley for over 200 years. Golec's presentation will give a comprehensive history of The Valley and serve as the backdrop for the WHS summer exhibit about The Valley, opening that weekend, titled "Life in The Valley: The history of a little known Walpole community," told through the MacNutt and Thompson families, circa 1919. The presentation will be 80

minutes long with an intermission and consist of a narrated slideshow created by Golec for her local history podcast, "The Secret Life of Death." The event is free of charge and open to all. There will be refreshments available.

Contact the WHS for more information at 603-756-3449, or visit [www.walpolehistory.com](http://www.walpolehistory.com).

## History of Snowboarding in VT

**LONDONDERRY, Vt.** - The Londonderry Arts and Historical Society hosts author Brian Knight Thursday, June 6 at 6 p.m. at the Middletown Road School House in Londonderry to talk about his book "Snowboarding in Southern Vermont."

Author Brian Knight details the birth, growth, and development of a new worldwide sport from humble beginnings

in southern Vermont. During the 1980s and 1990s, the "Manchester and the Mountains" area of Vermont was the epicenter of the fledgling sport of snowboarding. With the presence of Burton Snowboards, the U.S. Open Championships and one of the earliest machine-built half pipes at Stratton Mountain, the local population led the vanguard as the sport ventured from the

fringe to mainstream. Ranging from Olympic gold medalists to backhoe operators and converted skiers, locals contributed immensely to the development of the sport.

Parking is located across the street at the Custer Sharp House, 2461 Middletown Rd. This program is free to the public. For more information, call 802-856-7284 or email us at [LondonderryAHS@gmail.com](mailto:LondonderryAHS@gmail.com).

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Dear Editor,

On behalf of Charlestown Memorial VFW Post 8497, I would like to thank all the citizens who attended the Charlestown and North Charlestown parades and ceremonies Monday to pay fitting tribute to those military personnel who laid down their lives during the worst of all climates – war.

I thank all those who helped to make this year's Memorial Day ceremonies a success: fellow members of VFW Post 8497, VFW Auxiliary Unit 8497, Fall Mountain JROTC, Fall Mountain High School Band, Charlestown Middle School Band, Fun 4-H Club, Jim Dandies 4-H Club, Boy Scout Troop 31, Cub Scout Pack 31, Girl Scout Troop 58299, Charlestown Brownies, Charlestown Police De-

partment, Charlestown Fire Department, Charlestown Ambulance, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Charlestown Rotary.

Also we would like to thank Cadet Corporal Ethan Parrott and Cadet Private First Class Angelina Lewis for singing the Star Spangled Banner, Cadet Staff Sergeant Kyle LaFoe and Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Ruslan Bierweiler-Franks, and Major Maynard for reading of the names of our fallen veterans. A very special thank you goes out to those volunteers who work hard to make our Memorial Day programs and picnic lunch a success.

Thank you all,  
Tom St. Pierre  
Charlestown VFW Post 8497  
Charlestown, N.H.

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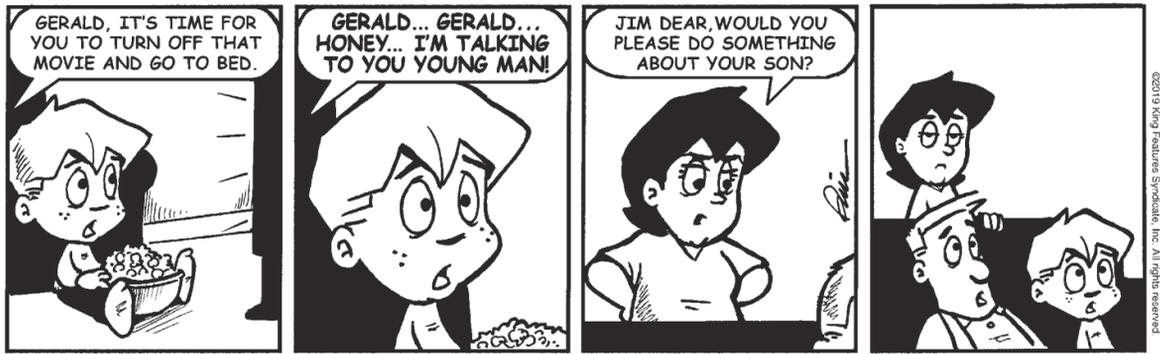
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## Amber Waves



## Op-Ed: Statement from Gov. Phil Scott for Memorial Day

Attending the 34th annual Essex Memorial Day Parade Saturday, May 25, Gov. Phil Scott delivered the following address for Memorial Day.

In the early summer of 1944, the world had been at war for nearly six years. Free nations were occupied by enemy armies, democracies had fallen, and war was spreading in nearly every direction.

On the morning of June 6, the Atlantic Alliance – led by our first army along with British and Canadian forces – prepared to engage Nazi Germany on the shores of Northern France.

I often wonder if those soldiers, those young men, had any idea how much was at stake that day. I wonder if they felt the weight of what rested on their shoulders or if they had any concept of how that day would help end the war in less than a year – end geno-

cide, liberate millions from oppression, and bring peace to Europe that continues to this day.

What happened on the beaches of Normandy 75 years ago next month, and those who sacrificed their lives, must never be forgotten.

Like Yorktown, Gettysburg and so many others, the D-Day invasion represents a pivotal moment in history when free people stood and fought against oppression, and died to defend freedom, liberty and equality.

In the 243 years since the Revolution, nearly every generation in America has stepped up to serve its cause. In Vermont, we've shouldered more than our share of the sacrifice. Answering our nation's call each and every time freedom has been threatened at home and around the world.

Vermonters like Harold Bergeron from right here in

Essex, who served in the 66th Infantry Division. Harold was Vermont's oldest living veteran when he passed away earlier this year at 104. His story is interesting and typifies what it means to be a member of "The Greatest Generation."

I know today we're joined by the family members of those who have given their lives in defense of our nation. On behalf of all Vermonters, I want to thank you for your sacrifice.

As the son of a disabled WWII vet who left this world when I was 11 due to injuries he sustained in the days after D-Day, I feel your pain, as well as your pride.

Serving your country is an honor but giving your life to protect our freedoms is honorable to the highest degree. I want you all to know we will never forget those who sacrificed so much. We live in freedom thanks to them, and it's important that we don't forget

how they lived, as well as how they died, and as more than just names and dates engraved on granite memorials.

President Coolidge said, "The place which these heroic figures hold in history is forevermore secure. They did not hesitate, they did not yield, they met their duty squarely. For its fulfillment they were prepared to give their fortunes and their lives. It ought never to be forgotten that it was out of this spirit, supported by these sacrifices, that our country was established..."

So, today after a long, cold winter, let us mark the first signs of summer by thanking all the heroes who never came home and those heroes yet to come.

We can never do enough to honor you. But saying "thank you" is a perfect place to start.

Written by Gov. Phil Scott for Memorial Day 2019.

## Op-Ed: Eight things to know about Lyme disease in Vermont

Many Vermonters are not aware that Vermont is number two in the U.S. for incidence of Lyme disease. According to the Vermont Department of Health, cases of other tick-borne diseases such as Babesiosis and Anaplasmosis are also steadily increasing in Vermont.

VTlyme.org is a new, non-profit organization focused on providing equitable information and support to Vermonters affected by Lyme and tick-borne diseases. VTlyme.org is working to provide prevention education in Vermont schools, and to increase understanding about the symptoms and effects of tick-borne diseases on Vermonters. You can find more information at their website, www.VTlyme.org.

Here are eight things to know about Lyme disease:

**Not everyone gets a rash**

According to the National Institutes of Health, "The most distinct symptom of Lyme disease – the circular red rash known as erythema migrans – does not appear in at least one quarter of people who are actually infected with Lyme bacteria." In Vermont, recent data shows the incidence of EM rashes has been decreasing in Vermonters with confirmed Lyme disease.

**It's not just Lyme disease**

According to the Vermont Department of Health, Anaplasmosis, Babesiosis, Ehrlichiosis, Borrelia miyamotoi, and Powassan Virus are all present in Vermont. Some of these tick-borne diseases may require a different test or treatment than Lyme disease.

**Lyme disease can be diagnosed 12 months of the year**

Vermont Department of Health data shows confirmed cases of Lyme disease are diagnosed all 12 months in Vermont. The majority of cases are diagnosed May through September.

**Blood tests might not work**

Because it may take weeks for antibodies to develop, the CDC notes, "testing an infected person too early can produce a negative result." According to the Vermont Department of Health, "Even the best available Lyme testing is imperfect and should be interpreted in the context of the patient's clinical presentation."

**A person may have symptoms weeks, months, or years after being bitten**

Treatment failure does occur, even with early diagnosis, so follow up visits for patients diagnosed with Lyme disease are essential. Vermonters with

disseminated Lyme disease may need a different treatment than those in an early stage of the disease.

Other tick-borne infections, such as Babesia, may require a different approach than Lyme disease, or have different symptoms. It is possible for a person to be infected with a tick-borne disease and not experience any symptoms for months to years after a tick bite.

**Not all ticks carry Lyme disease**

Only four of 13 tick species in Vermont are known to carry pathogens. One of these four is responsible for 99% of all tick-borne diseases reported in Vermont – the blacklegged tick.

The Vermont Department of Agriculture 2018 tick report showed over 60% of the ticks tested positive for at least one disease. 56.7% were positive for Borrelia burgdorferi, which causes Lyme disease. 8.25% were positive for Anaplasma phagocytophilum (Anaplasmosis), 1.03% for Babesia microti (Babesiosis), 1.03% for Borrelia miyamotoi, and 1% for Powassan Virus. Approximately 5% of the ticks tested positive for two or more pathogens.

Remember, just because you have been bitten doesn't mean you have contracted a tick-borne disease, and correctly identifying the type of tick that bit you will help you understand your risk for infection.

**Vermont has a lot of Lyme disease**

Vermont regularly tops U.S. states for incidence of Lyme disease. The most recent CDC surveillance numbers show Vermont's incidence per 100,000 people is 103.6. For comparison, the incidence rate in Connecticut was 38.5, New York's was 17.6, and Massachu-

setts rate was 4.7.

The CDC designates a state a "High Incidence State" when there is an average incidence of at least 10 confirmed cases per 100,000 persons for previous three reporting years. Vermont's three-year incidence rate is 86.7 per 100,000 persons.

**Lyme can affect mood, cognitive performance, and mental health**

According to the Global Mental Health Program at Columbia University "significant cognitive and psychological symptoms are being recognized as part of the symptom pattern associated with untreated and/or chronic Lyme disease."

Depression can be a component of Lyme disease. Case studies show symptoms of Lyme disease can be similar to symptoms of schizophrenia or bipolar disorder. Research has also shown a possible connection between Lyme disease and suicidality.

In children, Lyme disease may appear as a learning disability, difficulty with memory or processing, self-harming behavior, vision changes, or ADHD. Learn more about Lyme and mental health at www.VTlyme.org.

May is Lyme Disease Awareness Month. VTlyme.org, an all-volunteer nonprofit organization, is currently raising funds to offer free presentations, information and resources to Vermonters about Lyme and tick-borne diseases. Your contribution is sincerely appreciated at www.VTlyme.org or at www.gofundme.com/vermont-lyme-nonprofit-may-2019-vtlyme.org.

Written by Rebecca Zelis at VTlyme.org.

## Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



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# CHURCH SERVICES

## ALSTEAD, N.H.

**Third Congregational Church UCC, River St.**  
Sunday service is at 10 a.m. For more information, contact alsteadthirdchurch@gmail.com or 603-835-6358.

## ASCUTNEY, VT.

**Open Bible Baptist Church, 168 Cemetery Rd.**  
Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Morning service at 11 a.m. Afternoon service at 1:15 p.m. Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer at 7 p.m. For more information, call Pastor Daniel Anderson at 802-230-5307 or at the church 802-674-2266. Visit www.obbcvt.org.

**Brownsville Community United Methodist Church, 66 Brownsville-Hartland Rd.**  
Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. followed by fellowship and refreshments. Nursery care provided for children 5 years and younger. ADA accessible. Call 802-484-5944, email bcchurchvt@gmail.com, or go to www.brownsvilleumc-vt.org.

## BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

**Christ's Church, 24 Main St., Saxtons River**  
Sunday Service is 10 a.m. Service is followed by a potluck luncheon. For more information, call 802-376-6178.

## CHARLESTOWN, N.H.

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

**Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church, 99 Sullivan St., Claremont, N.H.**  
Saturdays at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 9:30 a.m. 603-542-6273; frandrew@tregubovstudios.com; hroc.org.

## CHESTER, VT.

**Chester Baptist Church, 162 Main St.**  
Sunday school at 9 a.m. for children and adults. Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. Childcare is provided for toddlers through preschool. Youth group meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. and prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m. Parking is on the street or in the lot behind the building. Wheelchair accessible. Call 802-875-2638, email churchoffice@chesterbaptist.org, or visit www.chesterbaptist.org.

## LONDONDERRY, VT.

**The Village Church, 35 Church St., Belmont, Vt.**  
The Sunday service and children's church is at 9:30 a.m. Contact 802-259-2440 or visit www.vbch.weebly.com.

## Peter M. Farley, 1958 - 2019

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - Peter M. Farley, 60, passed away Saturday, May 18, 2019 at home. He was born Nov. 14, 1958 in Bellows Falls, Vt., the son of Maynard and Dorothy (McCullock) Farley.

He attended Green Mountain Union High School.

Peter worked in several construction trades prior to owning and operating L&P Farley & Son lawn care and landscaping for 30-plus years. He enjoyed farming, hunting and fishing, and watching westerns.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Lisa (Gordon) Farley, and a son Michael Farley, both of Springfield; a sister Susan Janos of West Dummerston, Vt.; one grandson Olyn Farley; his niece Heather Janos of Bellows Falls, Vt.; and by many friends.

He was predeceased by his parents; by his son Kevin Farley; two uncles Harold McCullock and Robert McCullock; and by many friends.

Services will be private. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

## Joan Hicks Watson, 1929 - 2019

**PERKINSVILLE, Vt.** - Joan Nichols Hicks Watson died peacefully Monday, May 20, 2019, surrounded by her family. She was 89 years old.

Born Aug. 3, 1929 in Springfield, Vt., she was the only and adored child of the late Helen (LaVenture) and Henry Hicks.

She attended local Perkinsville schools and graduated from Springfield High School, class of 1947. Joan attended Syracuse University for two years before transferring to Bay Path College. While home for the summer and staying at the family home on Lake Morey, she got a job as a waitress at the Rutledge Inn. It was there that she met Willard Harold "Bud" Watson Jr. who was vacationing with his family from Connecticut. They married at the Perkinsville Community Church in 1951 and spent the next 62 years together before he predeceased her in 2013.

Joan is survived by her four children and their spouses Jody Dodge and her husband Brian of Murrells Inlet, S.C.; Willard H. Watson III and his wife Beth of Dorset; Kimberly Lewis and her husband Gary of Perkinsville; and John Watson and his wife Lisa of Perkinsville; her 10 grandchildren Trevor Dodge and his wife Katherine, Samantha Dodge Johnson, Kara Watson, Willard H. Watson IV, Molly Watson, Cole Lewis and his fiancée Claire, Devin Lewis, Karson Lewis, Madisyn Watson, and Henry Watson; and



Joan Hicks Watson, 1929 - 2019. PHOTO PROVIDED

her three great-grandchildren Cooper, Emery, and Lakelyn. She is also survived by her sister-in-law Jean Wetrich of Falls Church, Va.

The Watson family expresses their profound gratitude to the staff at Equinox Terrace for the loving and compassionate care they provided during Joan's final days and throughout the nearly six years she lived there.

A memorial service was held Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at the Perkinsville Community Church. Pastor George Keeler officiated. Interment will be private at Plains Cemetery, Perkinsville, Vt. Arrangements are under the direction of Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Joan's memory may be made to the Lake Morey Protective Association, P.O. Box 241, Fairlee, VT 05045.

## 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.

**Tyson Community Church, Corner of Rt. 100 and Dublin Rd.**  
Join us for service at 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship. Variety of ministers providing sermons and special music by Erik frequently. Communion offered the first Sunday of each month. Wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 802-522-8249 or email cindysummer55@gmail.com.

## SPRINGFIELD, VT.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church, 10 Pleasant St.**  
Sunday Masses at 9 a.m. and 6 p.m., Tuesday at 7 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Adoration. Thursday and Friday at 9 a.m. Confession on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Contact the rectory at 802-885-3400.

## WALPOLE, N.H.

**Walpole Unitarian Church, corner of Union and Main St.**  
Sunday Service begins at 10 a.m. Minister is Rev. Elaine Bomford who will be present twice a month. The first Sunday of each month is Family First Sunday with breakfast and spiritual activities for the whole family. Check www.walpoleunitarianchurch.org.

## WINDSOR, VT.

**Old South Church, UCC, 146 Main St.**  
Sunday worship is at 10 a.m. followed by coffee hour. All are welcome. For more information, call 802-674-5087 or email oldsouthchurchwindsor@gmail.com.

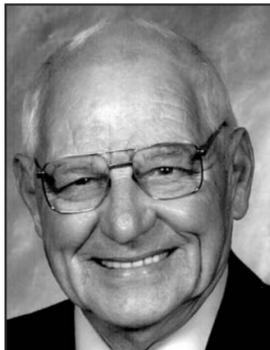
## Alvin L. Clark, 1931 - 2019

**LANGDON, N.H.** - Alvin L. Clark, 87, of Currier Road, passed away early Tuesday, May 21, 2019.

Alvin was born in Langdon July 31, 1931, the son of Leroy and Alice (Green) Clark. He was a graduate of Vilas High School and earned a degree in animal science from UNH Thompson School of Agriculture. He worked as a dairy farmer and forester for many years and was a Tree Farm Award recipient. He was the owner of Clark's Sugar House and Valley View Bison LLC. He also worked at St. Johnsbury Trucking, retiring in 1991.

Alvin was a member of the Farm Bureau, the Warren Pond Grange for more than 25 years, the Third Congregational Church where he also served as Deacon and Trustee, and was a Sunday School teacher. He was also a member of the National Bison Association and lifelong member of the New Hampshire Maple Producers Association. Alvin also did a lot of volunteer work with Friendly Meals.

Surviving are his sons Stephen and wife Mary Bitz-Clark of Chesapeake, Va.; David and partner Linda Volpe of Langdon and Acworth, N.H.; Bruce and wife Kimberly Clark of Yar-



Alvin L. Clark, 1931 - 2019. PHOTO PROVIDED

mouth Port, Mass.; his daughter Marcia Clark and husband Herb Hamblin of Milton, N.H.; seven grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. He is predeceased by his wife Nancy Jane Gilmore and his parents.

Calling hours were Saturday, May 25 at the Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vt. The funeral service was held on Sunday, May 26 at the Third Congregational Church in Alstead, N.H. with a burial in the Lower Langdon Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Friendly Meals, c/o Mary Lou Huffling, P.O. Box 191, Alstead, N.H. 03602.

## Roderick I. Miller, 1939 - 2019

**PERKINSVILLE, Vt.** - Roderick Irving Miller, 79, of Linthicum, Md., passed away March 4, 2019, surrounded by family.

He was born to parents Merle and Evelyn Miller Sept. 20, 1939, in Springfield, Vt. Roderick enlisted into the Navy upon completion of his high school diploma in Springfield. While proving to be a valuable asset in the Navy, Rod was actively recruited by the NSA. Roderick worked hard for 30-plus years at the NSA as a computer scientist.

Roderick is survived by his sister Judy Pelsler; his sons Rick (Patti) Miller, Thomas (Stacey) Miller, Scott (Liz) Miller, and John (Samantha) Miller; as well as his much loved grandchildren Nathan, Lindsay, Jacob, Logan, Tyler, Riley, and Elijah Miller. Roderick was predeceased by his parents, Merle

and Evelyn Miller.

His love for his grandchildren was no secret. The smile on his face would light up the whole room when his grandchildren would walk in. Rod enjoyed the whole movie theater experience, watching a new movie on the big screen with a large bucket of popcorn. Rod had a passion for collecting antiques. As a previous antique store owner, Rod knew the value of treasures found at yard sales or flea markets. Some of his greatest treasures were friends he made along the way.

A graveside service will be held Saturday, June 8, 2019 at 11 a.m. at the Plain Cemetery in Perkinsville, Vt.

Maryland arrangements were under the direction of the Stallings Funeral Home. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements in Vermont.

## PLEASE NOTE

In order to have room for each obituary we receive each week, we ask that submissions are limited to 350 words. We reserve the right to shorten any obituary.

Church Services are subject to space with priority given to obituaries. Each service is published on a rotation every two to four weeks. All Church Services are listed online at www.VermontJournal.com.

If you have any questions, please contact Amanda at Editor@VermontJournal.com.

# obituaries

## Malcolm Ewen

**WESTON, Vt.** - We are deeply saddened to announce that Malcolm Ewen, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company founding director, beloved colleague, and friend, has passed after a long battle with cancer.

Malcolm was the heart of the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company, making every artist and theatre-maker feel at home and a part of the Weston family. Malcolm will be remembered as a creative leader and inspiring mentor. His joyful spirit is forever woven into the fabric of the company.

Weston will be dedicating its 83rd season to Malcolm and honoring him with a memorial in Weston later this summer. Arrangements are being made and will be announced shortly.

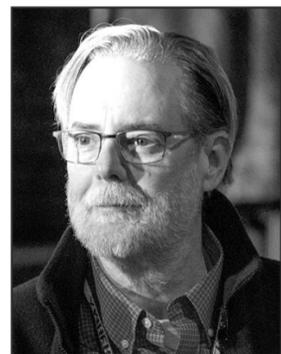
"Malcolm's love for this theater, its artistry, and its community, are the cornerstone of Weston's work today. His joy and abounding love for the family he created in Weston were infectious. We are profoundly fortunate to have known, loved, and learned from him," said Executive Artistic Director Susanna Gellert.

"No words can fully express our sadness at Malcolm's death or our gratitude for the opportunity to know him. Over the years, he shaped and developed a company culture that continues to define Weston as an extraordinary and special place for artists to do their best work," said Chair, Board of Directors, Oliver Olsen.

Tim Fort and Steve Stettler, Ewen's longtime collaborators, shared these words, "Mal was our partner, our brother, and our soulmate for more than four decades. Although his career included Broadway and London's National Theatre, he was never happier than when creating theatre with the Weston family, which he helped to nurture. His love of life and theatre was the essence of the Weston experience and remains an example for all of us."

In 1988, Malcolm, alongside Fort and Stettler, took the reins of Weston Playhouse, rededicating the theatre to its community, reorganizing it as a not-for-profit company, and entering into an agreement with Actors' Equity, the professional union of actors and stage managers. Malcolm personally guided the expansion of the company's accessibility, now a leader in the state. Weston has grown to become an award-winning regional theatre nationally known for its multi-stage summer festival and its year-round education and new works programs. Malcolm's impact on Weston will be felt far into the future as he was instrumental in opening a new second stage in 2017, Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm, an incubator for the arts and a hub for community engagement.

Over the course of his tenure,



Malcolm Ewen. PHOTO PROVIDED

Malcolm directed many memorable productions and audience favorites, including "The Music Man," "Guys and Dolls," "To Kill A Mockingbird," "Chicago," "The Oath," "The Threepenny Opera," "Doubt," "Urinetown," "The Drawer Boy," "The Full Monty," "Ragtime," "Stones in his Pockets," and "Of Mice and Men." Last year, his production of "Fun Home" opened the inaugural summer season at Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm.

Actors fondly remember his iconic "red tech hat" which came to symbolize his approach to the arduous 12-hour technical rehearsals. "Remember," he would say, "it's called a play for a reason. Have fun and tell the story."

Malcolm has also been a member of the Steppenwolf Theatre family since 1987, receiving an invitation into Steppenwolf Ensemble in March 2019, the first stage manager to be asked to join the company. During his 32 years there, he stage managed more than 40 shows and took four productions to Broadway, including the recent Tony award-winning production of Edward Albee's "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

He was the 2014 recipient of the Robert Christen Award for Technical Collaboration presented by the Michael Merritt Awards and in 2018, he received the Del Hughes Award for lifetime achievement in stage management given by the Stage Manager's Association of the United States.

A lifetime advocate for actors and stage managers' equitable treatment in the workplace, Malcolm was proud to serve on the Council of Actors' Equity Association, diligently fighting for the rights of his fellow union members. Malcolm was also a proud, long-serving board member for Season of Concern, and helped many theatres raise money over the course of his career. He previously served on the board of The Actors Fund.

In addition to his theater family, Malcolm is survived by his brother William Ewen, sister Camilla Durbin, and five nephews and nieces.

His wonderful spirit will be missed by so many.

## Marcellus H. Knight

**PERKINSVILLE, Vt.** - Marcellus H. Knight Sr., 78, of Perkinsville, Vt. passed away peacefully March 29, 2019 at Springfield Hospital in Springfield, Vt. A graveside service will be held Saturday June 1, 2019 at 11 a.m. at the Plain Cemetery in Perkinsville, Vt. Reverend

George Keeler will officiate.

A celebration of life will be held following the graveside service from 12:30 to 4 p.m. at the Springfield Elks Club, Park Street Springfield, Vt. A dish to share would be welcomed.

Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

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# Bridge 20 over Saxtons River to be replaced

**GRAFTON, Vt.** – A meeting and presentation was held May 20 by Laura Stone, VTrans scoping engineer, regarding Bridge 20 that spans the Saxtons River off of Route 121 and 35 in Grafton. The deteriorating bridge will need to be replaced. As discussed at the meeting, the project is currently in the budget for construction in the summer of 2023.

Approximately 10% of the population of Grafton was in attendance at the meeting. “Overall, I felt everyone was receptive to the recommended alternative of a complete bridge replacement on-alignment with a 76% approval rate,” stated Stone. “The community, however, was not in favor of an offsite detour, with 87% of respondents preferring a temporary bridge for traffic control.”

*Below are notes from Stone’s presentation.*

**Bridge closure with an offsite detour** – There was lengthy discussion about a bridge closure during the meeting, with the following concerns expressed.

**Business impacts** – Both the Grafton Village Store and the Windham Foundation were represented at the Select Board meeting. The Grafton Village Store indicated that it took a major effort to bring back the general store to a viable state, which could all be for not with an extended closure period. The Windham Foundation (which operates Grafton Inn, Grafton Village Cheese Company, Grafton Trails, and

Outdoor Center, and helps to promote local economy, tourism, and historic preservation in the area) was also represented. There was concern about a significant loss of business from summer tourism, as well as neighboring towns that visit restaurants and events in town, such as Burger and Brew Nights. The community indicated that Grafton is a destination town. People come in and out of town for specific reason of visiting, and not because it is along a route to somewhere else that travelers frequent.

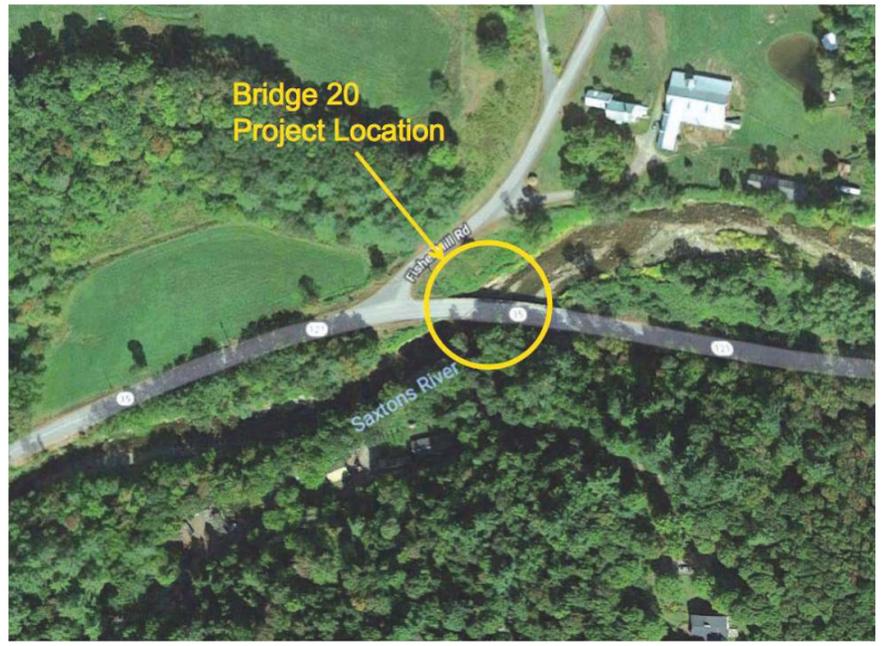
**Emergency response impacts** – During the meeting, the Fire Chief stressed that the detour route is difficult to navigate for larger emergency response vehicles and will add at least an additional seven minutes to response times to destinations west of the bridge, and five minutes to destinations east of the bridge serviced by Saxtons River. Other towns with similar concerns have stationed emergency response vehicles on each end of the bridge. The Grafton Fire Chief indicated that the department does not have enough equipment to do so.

**Act 153 was discussed in detail** – The intent of Act 153 is to reduce environmental and right-of-way impacts and reduce overall project costs. Per Act 153 from the 2012 legislative session, by closing the road to traffic during construction, the local share would be reduced by 50%. Additionally,

by rehabilitating the existing bridge, the local share would be reduced an additional 50%. Prior to 2012, the local share was 10% for all town highway bridge projects.

**Temporary bridge** – The community members present at the meeting strongly supported the use of a temporary bridge for traffic control during construction. Due to the size of the temporary bridge, it is possible that the contractor would construct the temporary bridge in the fall prior to construction.

**Right-of-way** – There was also brief discussion about the right-of-way process. Once construction limits are determined (early on in the design phase), property owner meetings would be set up to discuss impacts with each property owner. The VTrans right-of-way section would then appraise each of the parcels affected and offer compensation and proceed with negotiations. If an agreement cannot be reached with the property owners, then it is up to the town to enter the condemnation process with a lawyer. The legal fees incurred by the town for the condemnation process are all participating costs of the project, so the town’s share of these costs would be 10%. If the property owner decides to hire his/her



Bridge project location to be reconstructed in the summer of 2023.

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own lawyer, those costs are not participating costs. At the end of the condemnation process, if the court is in the town’s favor, the property owner would only be compensated the original offer, so it would be in the landowners’ best interest to reach an agreement through negotiations.

Once the town agrees to a scope of work, conceptual plans will begin. After conceptual plans are complete, they will be sent to the town for review and comment. After review, VTrans will draft a Finance and Maintenance Agreement, and once the town signs VTrans would continue with NEPA, start the

ROW process, and preliminary design. This is also when the town would see the first bill for work done to date.

The presentation, including the polling responses has been uploaded to the VTrans projects page at [www.outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/161177](http://www.outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/161177).

## Bible Cremation Service

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Worn out Bibles should be reused by finding a place where they are needed, and proper disposal of Bibles is either by cremation or burying them. Several area churches will be sponsoring a collection of used and worn out Bibles Saturday, June 1 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, and from 2 to 4 p.m. at the North Springfield Baptist Church. Collec-

tions also took place Tuesday and Wednesday, May 28 and 29 at the First Congregational Church.

Used Bibles will be made available for free at the North Springfield Baptist Church from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, June 2, and a Cremation Service will be held at 8 p.m. at the North Springfield Baptist Church for a respectful disposal of the worn out Bibles. Used Bibles that are

not claimed for use locally will be sent to places around the world where Bibles are difficult to find.

The Cremation Service is a special service for disposal of Bibles that involves readings from the Bibles that will be cremated and honoring the people that those Bibles have served. Cremation is a term used for both the burning of documents for disposal as well as for the

disposal of human remains. The service that we will use is based on the service developed by the United Methodist Churches and published on their website. Participants in the service will represent the various churches involved in the collections.

For additional information, please contact Rev. George Keeler, pastor of North Springfield Baptist Church, at 802-886-1050.

## Vacation and retirement: different goals require different investment strategies

**REGION** – To achieve any of your financial objectives, you need to save and invest – that much is clear. But just how you

save and invest may differ from goal to goal. Let’s look at two common goals to see the differences in your savings and investment strategies.

**A dream vacation** – A vacation could last a couple of weeks or more, possibly to an exotic locale. So, for the investments you’ve designated to fund this vacation, you need two key attributes: liquidity and low risk. For the liquidity requirement you want to be able to get to your vacation funds exactly when you need them, and you don’t want to be slapped with some type of early withdrawal or tax penalty.

The low-risk part of your vacation strategy means you want investments that won’t drop in

value just when you need to sell them to use the proceeds for your trip. However, you need to be aware that those types of stable-value investment vehicles likely will not offer much growth potential. As you may know, the investments with the greatest possible rewards are also those that carry the highest degrees of risk. Yet, by starting to invest early enough in more conservative investments, and putting away money regularly, you may be able to compensate for the lack of growth opportunities.

**Retirement** – When you are saving for retirement, your primary objective is pretty simple: to accumulate as much money as you can. Consequently, you

will need a reasonable percentage of your portfolio devoted to growth-oriented investments. But what’s a reasonable percentage? There’s no one-size-fits-all solution – the amount of growth investments in your portfolio should be based on several factors, including your age, risk tolerance, and projected retirement lifestyle.

Furthermore, this percentage may need to change over time. When you’re just starting out in your career, you may be able to afford to take on the greater risk that comes with having a higher percentage of your portfolio in growth investments. But as you get closer to retirement, you might want to begin shifting some dollars toward more conservative vehicles – you don’t want to be over-exposed to the volatility of the financial markets just when you need to start selling investments to help fund your retirement.

Nonetheless, you won’t want to give up all growth investments, even during your retirement years. You could spend two or three decades as a retiree, and over that time, inflation could take a big toll on your purchasing power. To counter this effect, you will need to own some investments that have the potential at least to equal, and ideally outpace, the cost of living.

The examples of taking that extensive vacation and enjoying a long retirement illustrate the importance of recognizing that you will have many goals in life – and you’ll need to prioritize and plan for them, sometimes following significantly different investment strategies. When you do, you’ll give yourself a better chance of reaching your destinations.

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# sports



## THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

### Black River, Green Mountain in playoffs

The Black River-Green Mountain rivalry is either on its last legs or it could have already ended. At least the competitive part of it, that is. After years and years of Presidents versus Sentinels and Chieftains, there is a strong chance that the two battles in both baseball and softball this spring might have been the swan song. Black River could possibly field some varsity teams in their final year of existence, but how they could ever be competitive with Green Mountain appears out of the question. Odds are if the Presidents play any varsity schedules in 2019-20, those teams will be very, very young.

Those two baseball games between the two rivals this spring were very strange. Chieftain Coach Matt McCarthy told me, "When Zach Paul pitches, they are a very tough team to beat." However, Green Mountain defeated Black River twice and Paul started both games. Now, the rest of the story. The truth is Green Mountain never actually beat Paul.

I call Black River and Green Mountain a tremendous rivalry. Over the years, it has been a great one from a number of vantage points. There has been hatred at times, great games, but in recent years respect and closeness has played a big part in relations between the two schools. It all starts with many of the coaches. There have been several occasions when one of the schools has advanced further than the other in the post season. Some of the rival coaches and some players have been seen at state playoff games of their nearby rivals, cheering them on. I consider this healthy.

Both Black River and Green Mountain are high seeds in their respective baseball tournaments this spring. In fact, they are the highest seeds our reporting area has in any sport this season. The Presidents have earned the number one seed in the Vermont Division IV Tournament and Green Mountain has placed themselves second in Division III. They both could host two home games on their way to their respective division title games. Since they both host games Friday, May 31 at 4:30 p.m. (Black River versus the Sharon-Mount Saint Joseph winner and Green Mountain against the winner of the Peoples-Randolph game) any cheering for their closest rival will be conducted from long distance at the start.

By the way, before going any further, I would be the first in line to call for a recount of this year's two baseball games between the two schools. Their two games were won handily by the Chieftains 12-7 and 15-5, but there were extenuating circumstances. Don't get me wrong, the Chieftains won both games fair and square, but both games were decided by the big picture not by which team may be better.

Black River Coach Jim O'Neil played things just the way 99% of coaches would have played them. He started his ace Paul in both games and remarkably led both games 4-0 after four innings. Duplicate scores after duplicate innings.

Then O'Neil pulled his starter in both games and the Presidents didn't have the kind of pitching depth that could hold the lead. Green Mountain is a good team and has more pitching depth. They waited both contests out and prevailed. In one of those games Black River threw 106 pitches before retiring the Chieftains in one inning.

Why didn't O'Neil stick with Paul in one of the games and defeat their fiercest rival? First and foremost, Black River was fighting for their second consecutive Division Marble Valley League title and needed Paul to have innings to throw in other divisions games in adjacent games to make such a happening come true.

Obviously O'Neil certainly has confidence in his stellar ace, but Green Mountain is good enough to come back and possibly win anyway. There were no guarantees, but still in jest I still want a recount or some type of third game played after the season ends with all pitchers eligible. One final Black River-Green Mountain game. Before fans get on a bandwagon, such a game would be illegal. Too bad.

Truth be told, I am cheering loudly for both these teams to go as far as they can and wouldn't it be nice to see both of them collecting all the marbles in Black River's swan song in a banner season? However, it is not all that easy. Both teams have a good chance, especially because of their pitching, but both O'Neil and McCarthy have to scheme out the pitches to make their staffs play out to their best. There is certainly plenty of dice throwing in a high school baseball tournament. Match-ups are of extreme importance.

O'Neil has had the type of practice I noted earlier, utilizing his pitching to make it work the best way possible. That is why the Presidents are unbeaten in Division IV and also may be the reason they lost to Green Mountain twice in games that in one way don't count. But readers please promise not to tell those athletes in the Presidents' uniform that their games with the Chieftains do not count. I guarantee you they don't feel that way.

I like the way both schools sit entering the playoffs, but neither team has an easy route to the title game despite the home field advantage in their first two games. From our perch, the Chieftains road is a little tougher. Their first game is expected to be against a Peoples team, which finished sixth with an 9-6 record and has won seven games in a row, including their finale versus Division II's number two seed Enosburgh, which was 14-1 entering the game.

The good news is that McCarthy's team has plenty of pitching and is hoping Peoples may have to use up some of theirs to reach the quarterfinals. If Green Mountain wins that opener, chances are that Vergennes will be coming to town and the Commodores played 12 of their 16 games versus either Division I or II competition. In the four games they played below Division II, the average score was 14-0. That's right, no Division III or IV teams scored against them. They were 7-5 against those Division II and II teams, but none of those teams finished above fourth in their division.

Rice was fourth in Division I, and they defeated Vergennes 9-1, but Vergennes did give Division II fourth place Harwood a run for their money, losing by a run 10-9. Vergennes split a pair of games with Missisquoi, who finished seventh in Division II. They won 9-4 before losing 5-2. Thus, Green Mountain is a strong number two seed, but there will be challenges along the way. Then, if the Chieftains advance to the finals, they will have another Windsor type team likely waiting in the wings.

Last year's young team is a year older and McCarthy hopes the 2018 title defeat, 10-2 to the Yellow Jackets, which was a 3-2 game in the fifth, can find this group a little older but still young team, waiting more prepared for the task at hand. However, they lost 8-2 to top seed White River Valley down the stretch of the season, so it's wait and see what happens.

McCarthy tells me, "I told them at the beginning of the season we would take things day by day and see where it goes." If they advance to the finals and White River Valley is waiting, they will have had three more weeks of day by days to sort things out. It should prove to be interesting."

It would be an upset of earthquake proportions if Black River fell to either Sharon or Mount Saint Joseph, so their first challenge should not come until possibly the semifinals. Unlike the Chieftains, who have a total of two seniors and juniors, Black River has six seniors, which should help their cause. However, fourth seeded Proctor did challenge them 9-7 before bowing in one of their regular season meetings. The Presidents won the other encounter 7-1.

Blue Mountain could eliminate Proctor and face O'Neil's team instead in the semifinal. The Bucks played a very tough schedule and hold two wins over number two seed Danville, and they also split with number three seed Rivendell so they are not a team to take lightly at all. Black River defeated Blue Mountain in the tourney a year ago, before being thumped by eventual champion Danville 17-0. Danville is seeded second this year and Rivendell, who defeated Green Mountain 2-1 in an incredible pitching duel this spring, is third. Almost like the Chieftains, the Presidents are sitting nicely, but there is a long ways to go and certain level challenges ahead.

Black River has been working as hard as anyone to prepare, but

the hurdle this spring's weather has challenged them with is as strange as any high school baseball team has faced in this area, possibly ever. O'Neil's wits have been tested with more gym baseball than any team I have ever heard of. Field conditions have limited Black River to only three home games, and they have not been able to have an outdoor practice all season. Ripley wouldn't even believe that.

Black River and Green Mountain seeded one and two. Ready, set, go.

### Bellows Falls track

Coach Tim Eno is usually trying to create ways to challenge his boys' and girls' track teams at this time of year as they have always been getting ready to chase yet another Division III state title. Things are much different this time around. Bellows Falls moved up to Division II and that in itself is an extreme challenge. Eno tells me, "We will be giving it our best shot. We won't be the favorites this time and Hartford and Union-32 will be the boys' biggest challenge with Hartford and Rice looking toughest to beat in the girls meet."

Bellows Falls captured the big Marble Valley League Championship meet recently with both the boys' and girls' teams winning with Hartford behind the Terriers in both, but Eno, who always has the big meets figured out, says that the difference with the state meet is "more points are awarded up front with twice as many schools competing, and they have a fair amount of number one and two seeds in both genders. For us to win either meet, it would take a near perfect day." You can bet Bellows Falls will find a way to be in the mix in the meet at South Burlington on Saturday, June 1.

The scores in the MVL title meet saw the boys with 118, Mount Anthony 102, Rutland 97, Hartford 90, Brattleboro 77, Burr & Burton 56, and Fair Haven 17. On the girls' side, the Terriers had 177, Hartford 100, Burr & Burton 94.5, Brattleboro 93.5, Mount Anthony 40, Fair Haven 24, and Springfield 16.

Several Terriers qualified for the New England Meet to be held in two weeks at Thornton Academy in Saco, Maine. Those Terriers were Reno Tuttle in the shot put and discus. He hit the qualifying standard and finished first in both events and won the Trackmeister as the top field event performance. Abby Broadley qualified with a second in the 3,000, setting a new school record in the process. Jaden Luebbert had the numbers in winning the pole vault, while also setting the school record. Brigid Hodsdon reached the New England with a fifth in the pole vault, setting a new personal best to get there. Emma Lawrence was also in, as a result of a fifth in the Shot Put and Macie Streeter's fifth place Javelin Throw qualified her.

### North Walpole softball

Last week in saluting Anthony "Auntie" Jurkoic, I mentioned a North Walpole softball team that competed in the Brattleboro Softball League. In fact, one year in the mid-60s, this team from the metropolis of North Walpole captured the Brattleboro League title with an 18-2 record. In fact, one source tells me the team was so good the powers in Brattleboro encouraged the team to move to another league. So North Walpole moved on to Keene.

Auntie was the team's beloved calm and collective catcher who was a stabilizing force for the team's overall success. In doing research for last week's Jurkoic salute, Junie Bousquet, the team's left fielder, told me an out-of-character story about Jurkoic. One play during the North Walpole team run to a championship, Bousquet told me, "I will never forget one day, when there was a play at the plate and I had never seen Auntie react the way he did that day. He became violently mad and reacted to the call. It was so out of character for him."

Giving older people and relatives a peek at the rest of the team back then, Bob McCormick and Dom Kissell were the pitchers, Bill Davis and McCormick both played first base, Tim Ryan was at second, Whitey O'Brien was the third baseman and Poody Walsh was the shortstop. Bousquet was in left next to his brother Phil, in center with Pete Oet in right. Dugan Shaughnessy coached the team. Obviously, some substitutes were needed, so the team brought along some much younger guys glad to fill in and that pair was Ron Golec and Alan Gaspardino.

Certainly a team worth remembering.

## Fall Mountain 2019 JV baseball team

LANGDON, N.H. – According to head coach Smokey Aumand, the Fall Mountain Regional High School junior varsity baseball team "has some of the best ball players from the Fall Mountain area playing this year, and they will definitely be tough to beat as they advance to the varsity ranks."

There are four players batting over 300: Dominic Van Laere-Nutting, playing shortstop, .393; one tough catcher Curtis Hosley batting .393; maybe the league's best first baseman Noah Blake also hitting .393; and Lucas Roy belting out a solid .359.

Six boys share the mound with

a "keep you guessing" variety of hard to hit pitches: Lucas Roy, Owen Aubin, Dominic Van Laere-Nutting, Hayden Anastasio, Noah Blake, and Noah "Gutz" Gutierrez. Coach Smokey said, "These boys of the spring will be very tough contenders in the next few years. Here we come!"



From left to right: (back) Coach George Nutting, Pat McQuirk, Garrette Menter; (middle) Coach Missy Pearce, Wyatt Pearce, Palmer Braga, Owen Aubin, Noah Blake, and Head Coach Smokey Aumand; (front) Dominic Van Laere-Nutting, Lucas Roy, Carlos Grenier, Hayden Anastasio, and Curtis Hosley. Not pictured: Hudson Willett, Noah Gutierrez, and Quinn Healy.

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## Vermont Challenge 2019 limited to 100 riders



Cyclists enjoy picturesque Vermont during the Vermont Challenge.

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JAMAICA, Vt. – The Vermont Challenge is now an intimate experience limited to 100 riders over four-days of riding through the picturesque countryside of Vermont, taking place Aug. 15-18, 2019.

Each day we'll be offering three routes with roughly 15-20 riders per group: long, medium, and short. Each length ride will have a minimum of two to three experienced ride leaders who will

take groups out at different average paces, breaking up based on average speeds within each group. Our goal is to keep riders together in their respective groups providing an opportunity to bond over four days.

We'll be once again offering four sumptuous farm-to-table lunches at the end of each day's tour. We will also be offering a kick-off dinner Wednesday evening after check-in, as well as on Friday. On Thursday and Saturday, you are free to

choose your own dining experience.

All registered riders will receive a full kit; jersey, shorts, and bib, Tech-T, water bottle, a goodie bag plus all the meals listed above. Lodging is not included.

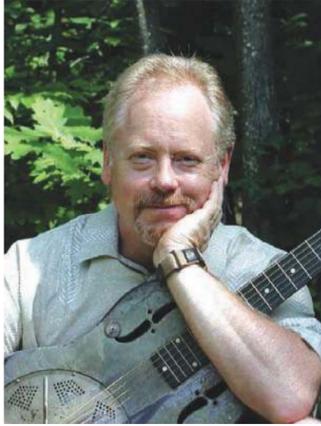
Please visit [www.vtchallenge.com](http://www.vtchallenge.com) to learn more, review routes, and register. Please note the field is limited to 100 riders only. Please don't delay, register today. Register by June 15 or while spots remain.

# arts & entertainment

## Kleeman to perform and discuss the blues at Chester Rotary

CHESTER, Vt. – Chester Rotary first Thursday, June 6 will host Chester's very own blues treasure, Chris Kleeman, who will present a workshop and performance on blues music at The Fullerton Inn.

Kleeman, a world-class performer and recording artist, will be sharing his music and deep understanding of the blues as an art form. He will also be presenting blues history and his personal influences as part of the presentation and performance. Frequently touring internationally, Kleeman has produced many CDs and has guest-appeared



Chris Kleeman.

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on numerous other artists' recordings. Kleeman's first recording was produced by blues legend B.B. King in 1970.

Open to the community, Chester Rotary first Thursday is held at The Fullerton Inn, on the Green in Chester, Vt. The program starts at 5:15 p.m. with hors d'oeuvres and cash bar, and ends at 6:30 p.m.

For planning purposes, please RSVP to chester.vtrotary@gmail.com. Contact Bill Dakin at 802-875-4000 for further information.

## Windborne to present "Song on the Times"

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Join the Windborne singers on Saturday, June 1 at 7:30 p.m. as they present "Song on the Times," their project of working class movements for peoples' rights from the past 400 years, sung for today's struggles. Concert will be held at Immanuel Episcopal Church, in Bellows Falls.

The group was catapulted to new heights when a clip of them singing in protest outside Trump tower went viral, and their Indiegogo for the project raised 1,600% of its goal from 2,600 people in every State and 22 countries.

Aside from this new project, Windborne has collected and studied polyphonic vocal music for over 15 years from traditional singing masters from cultures around the world, Windborne is able to shift from radically different genres like



Windborne to perform at Stone Church Arts.

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no band you have ever heard, as comfortable with an improvised Corsican couplet song, as an English ballad. Lynn Mahoney Rowan, Will Thomas

Rowan, Lauren Breunig, and Jeremy Carter-Gordon share a vibrant energy on-stage – their connection to each other and to the music clearly evident. They educate as they entertain, telling stories about the music and explaining the characteristics and stylistic elements of the traditions in which they sing. For more information, visit [www.stonechurcharts.org](http://www.stonechurcharts.org).

## Caitlin Canty and Oshima Brothers at Next Stage

PUTNEY, Vt. – Next Stage Arts Project and Twilight Music present an evening of contemporary folk and Americana music with Nashville-by-way-of-Vermont singer and songwriter Caitlin Canty, and Maine duo Oshima Brothers at Next Stage Friday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m.

Caitlin Canty's music carves a line through folk, blues, and country ballads. Her songs have a "haunting urgency" (NPR Music) and her voice is "casually devastating" (San Francisco Chronicle). Canty's third record "Motel Bouquet" features 10 original songs that hold her darkly radiant voice firmly in the spotlight. Produced by Grammy-winning Noam Pikelny from the Punch Brothers, the album boasts a band of some of the finest musicians in roots music, including fiddler Stuart Duncan and vocalist Aoife O'Donovan. Rolling Stone hails "Motel Bouquet" as "dreamy and daring" with "poetic lyrics and haunting melodies."

Since the release of her critically acclaimed "Reckless Skyline" CD in 2015, Canty has put thousands of miles on her songs, circling through the U.S. and Europe. She has shared stages with Mary Chapin Carpenter, The Milk Carton Kids, and Josh Ritter, and recorded with longtime collaborators Darlingside and Down Like Silver, her duo with Peter Bradley Adams.

She won the Troubadour songwriting competition at the Telluride Bluegrass Festi-



Oshima Brothers.

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val, and her song "Get Up" was nominated for Song of the Year in the Folk Alliance International Music Awards. Canty's original recordings have recently appeared on CBS's "Code Black" and on the Netflix original series "House of Cards."

Oshima Brothers' magnetic sibling sound and contagious joy result from a lifetime of making music together. Raised in a musical family in rural Maine, Sean and Jamie Oshima have honed a harmony-rich blend of contemporary folk and acoustic pop music. On stage, the brothers create a surprisingly full sound with dynamic vocals, electric and acoustic guitars, octave bass, loops, and percussion. Their debut album "Oshima Brothers," released in 2016, is a collection of 11 original songs written by Sean, and arranged and recorded by Jamie.

Next Stage is located at 15



Caitlin Canty.

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Kimball Hill in downtown Putney, Vt. Tickets are available in advance and at the door. For information, call 802-387-0102. Advance tickets are available at [www.nextstagearts.org](http://www.nextstagearts.org). Turn It Up in Brattleboro, and the Putney General Store in Putney. For more information, visit [www.caitlincanty.com](http://www.caitlincanty.com), [www.oshimabrothers.com](http://www.oshimabrothers.com), [www.twilightmusic.org](http://www.twilightmusic.org), and [www.nextstagearts.org](http://www.nextstagearts.org).

## Workshop for teen storytellers

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. – Everyone has a story to tell, and teens are no exception. Main Street Arts is offering teens a workshop on the art of storytelling June 17 to 21 to help them create oral and written stories from their lives. The workshop will run from 9 a.m. to noon under the leadership of Michelle Bos-Lun, a teacher of social studies and English at Okemo Mountain School who has worked for many years with youth and young adults in educational, study abroad, and social service capacities. According to Bos-Lun,

the workshop will provide a space for students to generate oral and written stories about times and people in their lives that were significant, funny, interesting, beautiful, or challenging. Storytelling techniques and strategies will be presented to enable students to create and share stories in a variety of ways. Written pieces will be collected into a booklet at the end of the week.

The workshop will conclude with a final presentation, and students will have the opportunity to perform their stories at "The Great Tent Event" at MSA's Great River Theater Festival Saturday, July 13. Students who register for the workshop and wish to present their stories at the festival will also be able to attend a free "True Stories" workshop prior to the festival. Bos-Lun has extensive ex-

perience working with young people in cross-cultural settings, including leading youth leadership and peace-building programs with teens from Iraq and Belarus through the World Learning summer youth programs, and with the Vermont Governor's Institute for Current Issues and Youth Activism. She is a graduate of Beloit University and holds a master's degree in international education from the School for International Training. Born in Taiwan, she has also studied, taught, and lived in China and India.

There is a registration fee for the workshop, but scholarship assistance is available from MSA. Further information is available at [www.mainstreetarts.org](http://www.mainstreetarts.org) or by calling 802-869-2960. Pre-registration is required.



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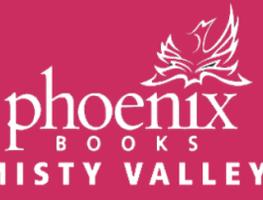
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## Fish Ladder, Visitor Center opens with programming through the summer

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Join us to discover the Connecticut River Watershed through the unique perspective of the Bellows Falls Fish Ladder and Visitor Center at 17 Bridge St. in Bellows Falls. Open on Fridays and Saturdays from Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. You can experience a bird's eye view of the fish ladder from above, and also experience a fish's eye view from below by gazing through our large viewing windows that look directly into the flowing water of the fish ladder. Knowledgeable educators will be available to greet visitors and answer questions.

On Saturday, June 15, we will be hosting an open house with a special presentation by Vermont Fish and Wildlife Fisheries Biologist, Lael Will. Will has done work for fisheries across the country and has been working with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department since 2012. Notably, part of Will's work focuses on monitoring several migrating fish species that use the fish ladder in Bellows Falls including the American eel, sea lamprey, and American shad. From 11 a.m.

to noon, Will will give a presentation about her work and share her knowledge surrounding migrating fish species in Vermont, and will be available to answer questions from visitors.

In the afternoon, join us for a World of Owls program presented by our senior environmental educator Jay DeGregorio, from 2 - 2:45 p.m. This program is geared towards the whole family, young and old. Learn about what makes these often nocturnal raptors so special. From silent flight to nighttime sight, these birds of prey that call Vermont home are truly magnificent. Get a chance to check out some great hands-on owl bio-facts and ask DeGregorio all about owls.

Beginning Tuesday, June 18 through Saturday, Aug. 10, join us for our Summer Unplugged Program series. This free environmental education programming will be happening at local libraries on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and at the Visitor Center on Fridays and Saturdays. These kid-focused programs will focus on all kinds of fun nature-themed topics with hands-on items, pictures, a story reading, and a craft making activity. These programs are

led by The Nature Museum's knowledgeable environmental educators. Program topics include "Nature's Amazing Adaptations," "Righteous Reptile and Awesome Amphibians," and "Who Eats What At Nature's Dinner Table?" just to name a few.

For more details on each week's programming at local libraries and the Visitor Center, visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org). This programming is made possible thanks to generous support from Great River Hydro.

Stop by and enjoy these special programs and exhibits of the Visitor Center, which guide visitors of all ages through the ecology of this amazing river and its habitats. Learn about the fish, reptiles, amphibians, mammals, and birds that live here. Walk below the water level and watch the water rush past, you may be surprised what you see! Discover the history of the fish ladder, and be sure to meet the newest member of the fish ladder team: Bernie, a full-size, historic diving suit used in the 1970s by technicians at the fish ladder.

## Nobody's Girl performing at Roots on the River

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Nobody's Girl will be performing at Roots on the River June 8 and 9. The trio Rebecca Loebe, Grace Pettis, and BettySoo have known each other for nearly a decade. As staples of the national folk music scene and veteran troubadours, these critically acclaimed songwriters and performers have shared stages occasionally over the years. Throughout, they've remained close friends and loyal fans of each others' work.

It was not until recently, however, that they considered joining forces to create music together. Nobody's Girl was original conceived as a one-time tour – a chance for three like-minded peers to travel and perform together for a few weeks. However, the unexpected success of a music video recorded on a shoestring budget, which received 20,000 views and hundreds of shares in less than 48 hours, coupled with a new batch of stunning co-writes and a swiftly booked 20-city tour, attracted the interest of a record label.

Nobody's Girl signed with



Nobody's Girl trio will be celebrating the release of "Waterline," their debut EP.

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Lucky Hound Music in February. Within the same month, with the label's backing, the group recorded "Waterline," its soon-to-be-released debut EP. The recording is produced by Michael Ramos and was recorded

at Firefly Studios in Fischer, Texas, and features a core band of Austin all-stars Dave Grissom, Glen Fukunaga, JJ Johnson, and Michael Ramos. "Waterline" will be released September 28.

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## Quechee Hot Air Balloon Craft and Music Festival celebrates 40 years

**QUECHEE, Vt.** – The Quechee Hot Air Balloon Craft and Music Festival, the longest running hot air balloon festival in New England, will celebrate its 40th anniversary in 2019 when thousands are expected to flock to the Quechee Village Green on Father's Day weekend, June 14 -16, 2019.

More than 20 balloonists headline the event with five flights slated throughout the weekend and additional tethered rides during the day. Attendees can visit with 70 craft vendors, indulge in a variety of fare from 16 food vendors and sit back and enjoy dozens of entertainers for all ages over the three-day extravaganza. Children's activities include Euro Bungee, Ninja Warrior Obstacle Course, Rock Climbing wall,

bounce house, and more. And a variety of festival favorites and new food offerings with local healthy options and a beer and wine garden are planned.

"We're proud to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Quechee Hot Air Balloon Festival which truly epitomizes what a community event stands for," said P.J. Skehan, executive director of the Hartford Area Chamber, who hosts and manages the annual event. "Our sponsors, volunteers and the town come together and rally each year to make this a benchmark event. It truly epitomizes what we can achieve when our community comes together."

Festival-goers have much to choose from for the three-day event. They can start their day at sunrise and watch morning

balloon liftoffs while indulging in breakfast pizza and coffee, spend the day enjoying stellar entertainment, or visiting the various artisans and food vendors. During evening liftoff you can grab dinner and sit hillside on the Quechee Green or consider waiting until dusk for the balloon glow show.

Headlining this year's three-day extravaganza of entertainers are The Brooks Hubbard Band Friday, The Party Crashers Saturday, and Tuck's Rock Dojo Sunday.

"The Quechee Balloon Festival is a great boost to our economy and local businesses," added Skehan. "We are giving the thousands of locals and visitors who support the event many reasons to come to the festival and celebrate 40 years with us.



Check out the balloon festival. PHOTO PROVIDED

This really is just a fun time for everyone."

The Quechee Balloon Festival hours are Friday, June 14, from 3 - 10 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday, June 15 and 16, 6 a.m. - 10 p.m., Father's Day weekend.

## Twilight on the Tavern Lawn kicks off with The Chris Kleeman Band

**PUTNEY, Vt.** - Twilight Music begins its 17th annual Twilight On The Tavern Lawn series of folk, world beat, zydeco, Celtic, jazz, blues, and bluegrass summer concerts on Sunday, June 2 with an evening of hard driving, house rocking, in your face blues by The Chris Kleeman Band.

Chris Kleeman (guitars, vocals), Bobby Gagnier (drums) and Brian Hobbs (bass, harmonica) feature a wide range of eclectic instrumentals, gutsy acoustic blues styles, stinging slide guitar, electric blues, and funk. The Vermont-based trio will be joined by Terry Youk (horns) for this concert.

Chris Kleeman began playing professionally for almost 50 years. He released his first recording, produced by B.B. King, with partner Malkum Gibson in 1970. Specializing in the blues of the Piedmont region, Kleeman and Gibson toured together until 1972, and recently reunited for a 2017 tour of Ireland. Kleeman's other international performances include a 2002 appearance at the Montreux Jazz Festival.

The seven concert series continues every other Sunday through August 25. All concerts

begin at 6 p.m. in downtown Putney on the Putney Tavern lawn - bring a lawn chair or blanket - or at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in case of rain. The series is sponsored by the Town of Putney, Green Mountain Well, Soundview Paper Company, The Putney Food Co-op, The

Stockwell Brothers, and many other Putney area businesses and organizations.

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# outdoor news

## Vermont's free fishing day is Saturday, June 8

**MONTPELIER, Vt.** – Vermont's annual, statewide Summer Free Fishing Day is Saturday, June 8 this year, and it is also the opening day of the state's regular bass fishing season.

"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 & 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 on June 8, 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 & Wildlife also has



Vermont's summer Free Fishing Day will be Saturday, June 8 this year. It's also opening day of Vermont's bass fishing season. PHOTO PROVIDED

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

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

## Open Garden Day and Plant Sale for The Nature Museum

**GRAFTON, Vt.** – Beautify your gardens while supporting The Nature Museum. Come to the home of Will and Lau-

rie Danforth Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. for a unique collection of perennials from their extensive gardens.

Over 25 varieties of clearly labeled perennials will be for sale. To keep things simple, we will be accepting cash and checks only.

Enjoy strolling through beautiful gardens, choose a few plants to bring home, and know that you're partnering with us to encourage kids to put away screens and head outside. Every plant purchase is a donation to support the mission of The Nature Museum to connect all ages to the wonders of our natural world. We're grateful to be celebrating our 30th summer season this year, thanks to the generous community support.

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## Birding Boot Camp with the Bird Diva

**GRAFTON, Vt.** – What is a Birding Boot Camp? It's strength training for our eyes and ears, as well as critical thinking to help us on our birding adventures. Led by the remarkable Bridget Butler, known as the Bird Diva who specializes in "slow birding," this two-part experience will build skills for identification, awareness, and appreciation of the avian world all around us.

Join The Nature Museum and the Bird Diva for a two-day birding experience. For part 1, Saturday, June 8, from 5-6:30 p.m., Bridget will lead an interactive boot camp experience designed for birders of all levels. She'll take us through a number of skill-building exercises, quizzes, and drills to prepare us for the spring migration. She'll focus each "bird workout" on a different bird, and by the end, she promises that we'll walk away better, stronger, savvy birders. The talk takes place in the Homestead Room, across from the Grafton Inn. Registration is required on



Who's that bird? Find out and build your skills with the Bird Diva. PHOTO PROVIDED

the Nature Museum website. Please note that this program is designed for adult participants.

After the talk, roost with The Bird Diva and a group of enthusiastic birders at the Grafton Inn for dinner. The Bird Diva will join guests at the dinner table in the Inn's Garden Room. Hotel and dinner reservations are to be made directly with the Grafton Inn, and participants are responsible for purchasing their own meals and drinks. Please call the inn directly to reserve your dinner at 802-843-2248.

Want more field experience? Sign up for Part 2 of this birding adventure: a field session with the Bird Diva Sunday, June 9 at 7 a.m. Walk slow, look carefully, and listen quietly. The Bird Diva leads an "in the field" Birding Boot Camp walk beginning at The Grafton Trails and Outdoor Center and wherever else the birds call us to explore. This

program will help the attendee slow down and develop a deeper connection to birds, a deeper observation skill set, and build a foundation for deeper citizen science. Register early, as this will be a small group. Afterward, the group is invited to join Bridget at the Grafton Inn for breakfast, reservations made separately through the inn.

For more information and to register for all Birding Boot Camp events, visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org) or call 802-843-2111.

## Join VINS for National Trails Day

**QUECHEE, Vt.** – National Trails Day, Saturday, June 1, is a day of events aimed at advocacy and trail service. Thousands of hikers, bikers, rowers, horseback riders, trail clubs, federal and local agencies, land trusts, and businesses come together in partnership to advocate for, maintain, and clean up public lands and trails. Explore the trails at the Vermont Institute of Natural Science Nature Center and learn to appreciate the abundance of life around you on a guided walk with a VINS naturalist at 1 and 3 p.m. Meet a few of our animal ambassadors and enjoy our exhibits. All ages are welcome to this event.

VINS also invites visitors to explore the Forest Exhibit,

which captures the sights, sounds, and smells of a natural forest. Discover common trees in our area and how to identify them. Investigate the amazing diversity of mammals, birds, reptiles, and insects that call the forest home. Also explore our new Adventure Play-scape, a natural place for kids with elements for creative play and fun for all ages.

All exhibits, trails, and daily programs are included in the price of admission to the VINS Nature Center, and free for members and for children 3 and



Check out the trails at VINS. PHOTO PROVIDED

under. VINS is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about VINS and the variety of exhibits, programs, and education opportunities offered, please visit [www.vinsweb.org](http://www.vinsweb.org) or call 802-359-5000.

## Bird Mist Netting Demonstration and Wildlife Walk

**WALPOLE, N.H.** – You are invited to the Bird Mist Netting Demonstration and Shrubland Wildlife Walk at Distant Hill Gardens and Nature Trail, at 507 March Hill Rd. in Walpole Wednesday, June 5, from 4 - 6 p.m. Leading the event will be Matt Tarr, a UNH associate professor of wildlife and conservation biology, and Extension educator.

Matt and a group of UNH graduate students have been studying the shrublands beneath

electric transmission lines in New Hampshire and Maine with the hope of better understanding the use of this increasingly rare habitat by songbirds and other wildlife.

The research team will be setting up mist nets in the shrub lands at Distant Hill to demonstrate how they used this important monitoring tool to determine the diversity and relative abundance of songbirds using the transmission line corridors. You will also learn about the

various methods available to researchers to sample other forms of wildlife in this critical habitat, such as the use of cover boards to estimate reptile and terrestrial amphibian populations.

There is no charge for the event, but there is a suggested donation for the Distant Hill Nature Trail Fund to help make Distant Hill more accessible to all.

For more information, visit [www.distanthill.org](http://www.distanthill.org). Rain date is Wednesday, June 12, from 4 - 6 p.m.



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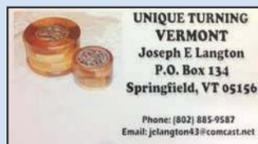


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Joseph Langton is the proud owner of Unique Turning Vermont out of Springfield, producing fine wooden bowls and other small fine woodcrafts at an affordable price. Each piece is unique and hand turned by Langton himself.

"I started out working in a tooling manufacturing plant in Springfield making cutting tools for all over the world," Langton explained. He spent 38 years in the tool making business before retiring. Langton then wanted something to keep himself busy, and that something became creating fine woodcrafts, specifically bowls.

Langton began by making tables and "other flat things that people make when they retire," using a lathe for table legs and other small pieces. "I was always handy at woodworking, and so I bought a lathe and taught myself the craft of turning. This is when I found that turning bowls and perfecting my craft was my new venture." After watching videos and working more on the lathe, he never made anything flat again.

Langton is 76 years young today, and has been producing fine wooden bowls for about five years. The craft is his pride and joy, and is what he loves to do in his spare time. He attends craft shows all over Vermont, New Hampshire, and sometimes Massachusetts and New York.

Though wooden bowls and wooden yarn bowls are Langton's specialty, he also turns other little crafts such as wine stoppers, Christmas ornaments, and potpourri dishes.

Langton is usually in his studio from 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. Contact him if you'd like to visit the shop. His bowls are for sale at www.unique turningvt.com or on Etsy. You can also view Langton's work on Facebook.



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**JUNE 4 –**  
LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Backyard composting class will be happening at The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections Tuesday, June 4 at 5 p.m., hosted by

Esther Fishman, recycling coordinator for the Londonderry Solid Waste Recycle Group. Come to this free informational meeting to get informed on how to start your home compost because as of July 1, 2020, Vermont law bans food scraps from the trash. A limited number of Soil Saver Compost

bins will be available for purchase at a reduced rate. Countertop food scrap buckets will also be available. Neighborhood Connections is located in the Mountain Marketplace next to the Post Office. For more details, visit [www.neighborhoodconnections.vt.org](http://www.neighborhoodconnections.vt.org).

**JUNE 15 –**  
PLYMOUTH, Vt. - Women's-only fly-fishing clinic Saturday, June 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Hawk Inn & Mountain Resort in Plymouth. Experts from Southern Vermont Trout Unlimited will teach you all there is to know about fly-fishing from casting loops to tying knots and conservation basics. Coffee and pastries, lunch, and a one-year membership to TU is included, it is recommended that you bring bug repellent or anything that you may need to be prepared for the ever-changing spring weather conditions in Vermont. Please direct all inquiries to Peter Nardini at [tuswvt@gmail.com](mailto:tuswvt@gmail.com).

**SUNDAYS –**  
PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. - Sweaty Sunday Sizzle class at DG Bodyworks, 7 Depot St. in Proctorsville,

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**MONDAYS –**  
BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center Knit and Stitch group meets Mondays 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.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –**  
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**TUESDAYS –**  
SHREWSBURY, Vt. - Restorative Yoga at Sol Luna Farm on Tuesdays, from 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at 329 Old Farm Rd. in Shrewsbury. Restorative Yoga is a delicious surrender into rest and relaxation, with supported postures on bolsters and blankets. The practice is enhanced with soothing music and aromatherapy, and culminates with a Crystal Singing Bowl Bath to help the body release, relax, and renew. No

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**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –**  
On Tuesdays, May 14 through June 18, Grace Cottage Hospital is offering a free six-week Healthy Aging educational series for women 60 and up. The casual meetings will focus on matters of the mind, body, and spirit. Meetings will be held in the Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center in Townshend. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, email Deb at [dbrown@gracecottage.org](mailto:dbrown@gracecottage.org) or call 802-365-3640.

**WEDNESDAYS –**  
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**PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. –**  
Advanced Tai Chi class at DG Bodyworks, 7 Depot St. in Proctorsville on

Thursdays at 5:45 p.m. Join Djemila to take your Tai Chi to the next level. To learn more about the classes, please contact Djemila at 802-490-0225 or email [djem.translator@gmail.com](mailto:djem.translator@gmail.com).

**CHESTER, Vt. –**  
Join the Six Loose Ladies for Knit Knite on Thursdays from 5-8 p.m. at the Six Loose Ladies shop in Chester. This is not only for knitting but also to crochet, spin, or work on any other portable fiber project. We also serve sweets in the evenings – many ladies like to bake. Whether you want to learn to knit or crochet or consult with a more experienced knitter, this is a great time to join us. For more information, visit [www.sixlooseladies.com](http://www.sixlooseladies.com).

**CHESTER, Vt. –**  
Strength-building chair yoga class with Liz Eaton, 9:30-10:35 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](mailto:eaton.liza@gmail.com) or [www.buddhafulyoga.com](http://www.buddhafulyoga.com).

**FRIDAYS –**  
CHESTER, Vt. - Melissa Lovell Post will teach international folk dancing Fridays, from 10:30 a.m. - noon at the Chester Town Hall, located at 556 Elm St. in Chester, Vt. Classes will run until early June 2019. The classes will be geared for beginners and intermediate-level dancers. No partner is necessary. Casual, comfortable clothing is suggested. It is helpful to wear supportive

### TOWN OF CHESTER PROPOSED ZONING DISTRICTS

The Chester Planning Commission will hold 2 meetings and an open house in June 2019 to discuss the new proposed zoning districts and uses with the citizens of Chester. The Planning Commission members are anxious to hear from citizens about the proposal. Refreshments will be served.

All meetings will be held upstairs at the Chester Town Hall. The first meeting, on Monday, June 3rd at 6:30 PM, will address the Village districts. The second meeting on Monday June 17th at 6:30 PM, will address the Rural districts. Brandy Saxton of PlaceSense will explain the purpose of the districts and the dimensional standards and other information that citizens will need to fully understand the proposals. The third meeting, on Saturday, June 22nd from 10:30 to 1:30 is an open house for people to ask specific questions about parcels or zones.

Copies of the maps and proposed zoning use tables are available for inspection at the Chester Town Hall, Whiting Library, and many other businesses in Chester. They also may be found on the Town of Chester website, [www.chestervt.gov](http://www.chestervt.gov) and at the Chester Vermont page on Facebook.

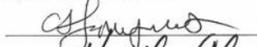
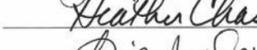
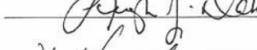
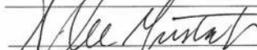
### TOWN OF CHESTER WARNING NOTICE OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

The Legal Voters of the TOWN OF CHESTER are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Chester Town Hall, Second Floor in said Town of Chester on Monday, June 10, 2019, at 6:00 pm., to act on the following Articles.

**ARTICLE 1:** To see if the Town will vote to purchase a loader for the Highway Department in an amount not to exceed \$165,000. Said loader to be financed as illustrated in the Capital Plan for a 4 year term beginning in 2020. The purchase of the loader was inadvertently left out of the Capital Plan approval article 8 on the 2019 Town Warning although the expense is already budgeted within the Capital Plan.

**ARTICLE 2:** To transact any other business deemed proper when met, not including the expenditures of Town Funds or other business acted upon in the preceding Articles.

Dated at Chester, Vermont on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2019.

 /s/ Arne Jonynas, Chairman  
 /s/ Heather Chase  
 /s/ Leigh Dakin  
 /s/ Ben Whalen  
 /s/ Lee Gustafson

### NOTICE OF TAX SALE TOWN OF WINDHAM

The resident and non-resident owners, lienholders and mortgagees of property in the Town of Windham, in the County of Windham and State of Vermont are hereby notified that the taxes assessed for such town remain either in whole or in part unpaid on the following described lands in such town, to wit:

- Being lands and premises known as Lot # 3 on the so-called Horseneil Road (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 010013*) conveyed to Jack and Christine Hidy by Warranty Deed of Ethelbert A. and Cecil M. Rawson dated and recorded May 16, 1963 in Book 16, Page 270 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises at the intersection of the northerly side of the Popple Dungeon Road and the easterly side of the road leading northerly from the Popple Dungeon Road to Route #11, known as Howard Hill Road, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 010042*) conveyed to Mark Niedbala by Warranty Deed of Cyr Management, Inc. dated January 19, 1989 and recorded February 3, 1989 in Book 26, Page 331 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises known as 268 White Road, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 040114-1*) conveyed to Gary L. Clay, Jr. by Quit Claim Deed of Cathy L. Prouty, f/k/a Cathy L. Clay, joined by Douglas C. Prouty and Edith Hussey, dated April 14, 1998 and recorded April 20, 1998 in Book 32, Page 493 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises on Vermont Route # 121, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 040301*) conveyed to Barry Kolber and Harriet Kolber by Warranty Deed of Ernest J. Bratton and Norma W. Bratton, dated February 26, 1970 and recorded March 31, 1970 in Book 18, Page 109 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises known as 34 Timber Ridge Road, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 040403*) conveyed to John Norton by Warranty Deed of Gregory G. White, dated July 2, 2003 and recorded July 16, 2003 in Book 39, Page 512 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises known as Lot #7 in Timber Ridge, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 040337*) conveyed to Walter B. Hintz by Warranty Deed of William S. Ingraham, dated and recorded January 27, 1966 in Book 17, Page 108 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises known as 6206 Windham Hill Road, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 070209-3*) conveyed to Howard Ires by Quit Claim Deed of Bethanie Ires f/k/a Bethanie M. Boggs, dated May 30, 2009 and recorded in Book 47, Page 361 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.
- Being lands and premises known as 212 Woodburn Road, (*Windham Grand List Parcel number 070213*) conveyed to Merle Russell, III and Janet Russell by Warranty Deed of Charles Snyder and Regina Snyder, dated December 5, 2008 and recorded December 8, 2008 in Book 46, Page 569 of the Windham, Vermont Land Records.

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 5254, such property will be sold at public auction at the Windham Town Office, a public place located at 5976 Windham Hill Road in Windham, Vermont on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019, at 9:00 A.M., to discharge such taxes with costs unless previously paid.

Dated at Windham, Vermont this 30<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

  
Erin Kehoe  
Collector of Delinquent Taxes  
Town of Windham



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### STATE OF VERMONT SUPERIOR COURT WINDSOR UNIT

PROBATE DIVISION  
Docket No. 92-2-19 Wrpr

IN RE ESTATE OF KEDRA M. GREAVES

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the creditors of Kedra M. Greaves, late of Bridgewater, White River Junction, and Ludlow, Vermont

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

Dated May 21, 2019

Signed  
David W. Chipman  
25 Thornton Way #325  
Brunswick, ME 04011

Name of Publication: The Vermont Journal

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Name and Address of Court:  
Vermont Superior Court, Windsor Unit  
12 The Green  
Woodstock, VT 05091



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### TOWN OF CHESTER

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

The Town of Chester has a full time employment opportunity available in its Highway Department. This job is specific to the position of Public Works Director. Minimum requirements are:

- \* High School Diploma or equivalent;
- \* Minimum of 5 years of experience in a public works department
- \* Minimum of 2 years of experience in management of a public works department is required
- \* Valid Driver's License
- \* Valid Commercial Driver's License
- \* Thorough knowledge of road equipment, hand tools, welding equipment and other special tools
- \* Ability to deal with the personnel and public in a positive manner
- \* Chester residency preferred

Applications will be accepted until 4:00 p.m. on May 31, 2019. Please submit Employment Application and Resume to the Chester Town Manager's Office, 556 Elm Street, P.O. Box 370, Chester, VT, 05143.

# LEGAL NOTICES/HELP WANTED

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shoes that slide easily on a wooden floor. For more information, please contact Melissa at 802-875-4102 or goodwood@vermontel.net.

**SATURDAYS – SHREWSBURY, Vt.** – “Serenity” Gentle Yoga at Sol Luna Farm on Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at 329 Old Farm Rd. in Shrewsbury. This gentle yoga class helps to lengthen, stretch, and strengthen the body gradually, while bringing mindful awareness to the breath. The class culminates with the healing vibrations of a Crystal Singing Bowl “Sound Bath.” Perfect for beginners as well as practiced yogis. For details, visit [www.sollunafarm.com](http://www.sollunafarm.com) or call 802-492-9393.

**WEEKLY – SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Youth and adult swim lessons are available at Edgar May Heath and Recreation throughout the year. Check their website for days, times, and details at [www.myrecenter.org](http://www.myrecenter.org) or for an appointment call 802-885-2568.

**PROCTORSVILLE, Vt.** – Join Denise at DG Bodyworks in Proctorsville for Boot Camp classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Let Denise work you towards your health and fitness goals with an amazing workout that will leave you coming back for more.

**REGION – Bone Builders** to combat osteoporosis is free and open to seniors 55-plus. Call 802-674-4547. Mondays and Wednesdays classes are held at Martin Memorial Hall in Acutney from 10-11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday classes are held at Cavendish Baptist Church from 10-11:30 a.m. or at Andover

Community Church from 3-4 p.m.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt.** – Strong Bones ongoing classes offered Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. or 5-6 p.m.; Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:45-9:45 a.m. or 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd. in Townshend. Preregistration required. Call 802-365-3649.

**PROCTORSVILLE, Vt.** – Enjoy weekly yoga classes at DG Bodyworks, 7 Depot St. in Proctorsville on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 8 a.m. All-level classes designed to improve core strength and balance, stretch and strengthen muscles, and promote a sense of well being.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt.** – Yoga classes at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd. in Townshend. Classes available Tuesdays, from 4:30-6 p.m.; Fridays, from 3:30-5 p.m. Chair yoga for beginners is on Wednesdays, from 1-2 p.m. Instructor for all classes is Crystal Mansfield. Small fee for each class. Call 802-365-3649 for details.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Springfield Adult Learning offers ongoing classes to earn your high school diploma. Anyone interested should contact 802-546-0879 or visit Vermont Adult Learning at 363 River St. in North Springfield.

## CLUBS

**MONDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Springfield Community Chorus rehearsals are on Monday evenings at

7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church on 21 Fairground Rd. Contact Terri at [springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com), call Barbara at 802-886-1777, or visit [www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org](http://www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org).

**TUESDAYS – LUDLOW, Vt.** – Ludlow Rotary Club meets every Tuesday and is hosted by DJ’s Restaurant, 146 Main Street, from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. Enter via side door opposite bank drive-through. Visit [www.ludlowrotary.com](http://www.ludlowrotary.com) or contact club President Barb LeMire at [ludlowrotary@gmail.com](mailto:ludlowrotary@gmail.com).

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

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

**LUDLOW, Vt.** – Looking for a friendly game of bridge? Want to learn how to play or update your rusty skills? We play every Thursday 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.

**SATURDAYS – MOUNT HOLLY, Vt.** – Still life drawing. The Mount Holly Artists Group meets at 10:30 a.m. in the community center room under the 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.

**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 Rd., N. Springfield. Membership is open to ages 12 and up. Call Commander Capt. Tom Williams at 802-558-5571 or email [twilliams@vtcap.org](mailto:twilliams@vtcap.org).

## COMMUNITY MEALS

**JUNE 1 – ALSTEAD, N.H.** – Turkey buffet at Third Congregational Church, River Street in Alstead, Saturday, June 1, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Takeout available. Children under 6 eat free. Menu includes turkey, stuffing, gravy, cranberry, potato, peas, carrots, rolls, beverages, and dessert. Volunteers may message Third

Congregational Church on Facebook if interested. Food prep and table set up at the church Friday, day prior to supper, at 9 a.m. Come and join the fellowship and fun of food prep. Call Joanne at 603-835-6734 for more information.

**CHARLESTOWN, N.H.** – Turkey supper hosted by the Charlestown Senior Center Saturday, June 1 at 5 p.m. at 223 Old Springfield Rd. in Charlestown. A complete meal includes turkey, potatoes, carrots, stuffing, green beans, rolls and butter, and homemade

pies for dessert. Tickets go on sale at 4 p.m. until we sell out. For take out, call 603-826-5967 between noon and 3 p.m. the day of the supper, to be picked up between 4 - 4:30 p.m. Please come and enjoy our company and our food.

**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.

## EVENTS

**MAY 30 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Rockingham/Bellows Falls wastewater treatment plant, 80 Mill St., will host a public open house and facility tours Thursday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Attendance is free and Vermonters of all ages are invited for a first-hand introduction to the science, high-tech, and human dedication that protect the public health and keep

## NOTICE OF SALE

According to the terms and conditions of a Judgment and Decree of Foreclosure by Judicial Sale (the Order) in the matter of *Proctorsville Garden View Home-owners Assoc. Ltd. v Michael P. Gray, Claremont Savings Bank, Inc., Windham & Windsor Housing Trust, Inc., Vermont Housing and Conservation Board and Any Tenants Residing at 12 Park Place, Proctorsville, VT*, Vermont Superior Court, Windsor Unit - Civil Division, Docket No. 284-6-18 Wrcv, foreclosing a lien for non-payment of association fees and assessments on real estate more fully described below, the real estate with an E-911 address of 12 Park Place, Proctorsville, Vermont (the Property) will be sold at public auction at **11:00 a.m. on June 14, 2019** at the location of the Property.

**The Property to be sold is all and the same land and premises described as follows:**

Being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Michael P. Gray by warranty deed of James E. Altman dated June 21, 2013 and recorded on June 24, 2013 in Volume 80, Page 174 of the Cavendish land records. The Property may be subject to easements, rights-of-way and other interests of record.

**Terms of Sale:** The Property will be sold to the highest bidder, who will pay \$10,000.00 at sale in cash, certified, treasurer’s or cashier’s check made payable to Thomas Hirchak Company (or by wire transfer, if arrangements for wire transfer are made in advance, confirmation of wire transfer is available before commencement of sale and bidder pays additional fees required for wire transfer), will pay the remaining balance of 10% of the highest bid to Thomas Hirchak Company within five (5) calendar days of the sale and will pay the balance of the highest bid price within fifteen (15) days of the issuance of an Order of Confirmation by the Vermont Superior Court. The successful bidder will be required to sign a Purchase Agreement. Copies are available by calling the telephone number below. If the successful bidder fails to complete the purchase of the Property as required by the Agreement, the \$10,000.00 deposit will be forfeited to Plaintiff. The Property is sold “AS IS” and the successful bidder is required to purchase the Property whether or not the Property is in compliance with local, state or federal land use laws, regulations or permits. Title to the Property will be conveyed without warranties or representations of any kind, by Order of Confirmation. This sale is exempt from federal lead based hazards disclosure. 24 CFR Section 35.82.

**Redemption Rights:** The Property Owner is entitled to redeem the Property at any time prior to the sale by paying the full amount due under the Order, including the costs and expenses of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale or inquire at Thomas Hirchak Company, 1-800-634-7653. [www.THCAuction.com](http://www.THCAuction.com)

Dated: May 10, 2019

/s/ Robert W. Scharf  
Robert W. Scharf, Esq.  
Attorney for Plaintiff

## GRIEVANCE HEARING TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM BOARD OF LISTERS

Grievance hearings for the Town of Rockingham will be held on Friday June 7, 2019 starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Town Hall third floor Listers office in Bellows Falls.

If you wish to grieve your 2019 Assessment, Homestead or Housesite value, or Current Use Allocation it is required to submit your grievance in writing before or on Friday June 7 by 4:30 p.m. Mail : PO Box 370, Bellows Falls, VT 05101 Email : [listers@rockbf.org](mailto:listers@rockbf.org)

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

ROCKINGHAM BOARD OF LISTERS  
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## Winterplace Condo Association

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# TAKE A BREAK!

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆◆

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## King Crossword

### ACROSS

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- 22 Arrest
- 24 Stay informed
- 28 Waistband material
- 32 Aircraft
- 33 Mary's pet
- 34 Twitch
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- 37 Prom-goers' rides
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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Try using that Aries charm to warm up the usual set of workplace naysayers, and then back it up with a solid block of facts and figures to sell your idea to your colleagues.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) While nothing can deter a determined Bovine from following a course you believe in, it helps to have some supporting data and statements by trusted colleagues to make your case.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Take advantage of new information that could help make your career transition easier. The weekend is a good time to re-establish relationships with people you haven't seen in a while.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Personal matters demand your attention as once-stable situations begin to shift. Quick action to shore things up is called for in order to avoid more problems down the line.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Although your financial picture begins to brighten, "thrift" and "caution" are still the watchwords for fiscally astute Leos and Leonas to live by. Expect news about a family matter.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Before you try to blame a colleague for a workplace problem, make sure you have the proof to back you up. Make some quiet inquiries on your own to try to solicit more information.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Trying to cheer up a depressed friend or downcast family member can be difficult. But keep at it, and your efforts should soon pay off in ways you might have never expected.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Taking a new look at an old and frequently recurring problem might lead you to consider making some surprising changes in the way you had been handling it up till now.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Despite what the naysayers might say, setting your sights on a new goal could be one of the smartest things the typically sagacious Sagittarian has done in a long time.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Rebuilding an unraveling relationship won't be easy. But you can do it, if you really want to. Just remember to keep the lines of communication open between the two of you.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) A new friendship could develop into a close relationship. Meanwhile, reassure an old friend who might be feeling neglected that he or she is still an important part of your life.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) You might be feeling that you're still in over your head as you continue trying to adjust to your new situation. But the pressures ease by week's end, giving you time to come up for air.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have a gift for sensing the feelings of others. You might consider a career in some aspect of counseling.

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## REAL ESTATE

### EVENTS CONT.

**MAY 30 CONT.** – Vermont's rivers and lakes clean. For more information, contact Rob Wheeler, chief operator, at 802-376-6483 or bfsewer@rockbf.org.

**WESTMINSTER, Vt.** – Bingo night at Compass School Thursday, May 30, from 6 – 8 p.m. Cash payouts and prizes in every game. Bake sale and food. Great night of family fun, starting at 6 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Compass School Global Connections program.

**JUNE 1** – **LUDLOW, Vt.** – The Ludlow Garden Club will hold its annual plant sale Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., in Kesman Park, next to the Town Hall. There will be a wide variety of perennials, annuals, herbs, and houseplants. Come early for the best selection. The plant sale is the only fundraising activity undertaken by the Garden Club, and proceeds are used in our ongoing efforts to beautify our town. Membership in Ludlow Garden Club is open to anyone interested in gardening and the continued beautification

of Ludlow. For more information, call Kay O'Hare at 802-228-2983.

**JUNE 2** – **WEATHERSFIELD, Vt.** – The Weathersfield Historical Society will host a hike in Weathersfield Bow Sunday, June 2, starting at 2 p.m. Park and meet at the Bow Baptist Church, 1102 US-5, in Weathersfield Bow. Jeff Pelton will lead walkers down the Class IV Old Springfield Road, which originally ran from Weathersfield Bow to Bugbee Road in Springfield. The walk will be held rain or shine but not during thunderstorms. Dress for ticks and bring your water bottle with you. Call Jeff Pelton at 802-885-9517 for details.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Bible cremation ceremony is planned for Sunday, June 2 at 8 p.m. for respectfully disposing of old and worn Bibles at North Springfield Baptist Church. Several area churches are collecting old and worn Bibles on Saturday, June 1, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, and from 2 – 4 p.m. at the North Springfield Baptist Church. Used bibles will be available for free at the North Springfield Baptist Church from 6 –

8 p.m. Sunday, June 2 before the cremation. The Cremation Service is a special service for disposal of Bibles that involves readings from the Bibles that will be cremated and honoring the people that those bibles have served. For details, call 802-886-1050.

**JUNE 6** – **CHESTER, Vt.** – Chris Kleeman, our renowned Vermont blues guitarist, will be featured at Rotary First Thursday June 6 at 5:15 p.m. at the Fullerton Inn, on the Green in Chester. Kleeman will present a personal and musical perspective on his journey in becoming one of the finest blues musicians in the state. Contact Bill Dakin at 802-875-4000 for further information.

**JUNE 8** – **GRAFTON, Vt.** – Open Garden Day and Plant Sale Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Danforth's extensive perennial gardens at 1357 Hall Ranch Rd. in Grafton. Over 25 varieties of perennials will be for sale to benefit The Nature Museum in Grafton. Visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org) for more details.

**GRAFTON, Vt.** – Birding Boot Camp with Bridget Butler and The Nature Museum of Grafton offer a Birding Talk and Field Session for adults. Part 1 - Birding Talk is Saturday, June 8, from 5 - 6:30 p.m. at Homestead Room across from Grafton Inn. For more details and required registration, visit [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org).

**JUNE 9** – **GRAFTON, Vt.** – Birding Boot Camp Part 2 - Field Session with Bridget Butler and The Nature Museum of Grafton is Sunday, June 9, beginning at 7 a.m. at Grafton Trails

and Outdoor Center. For more details and required registration, visit Nature Museum website at [www.nature-museum.org](http://www.nature-museum.org).

**MONDAYS** – **WESTON, Vt.** – Weston Rod & Gun Club will host Monday Night Bingo, starting at 7 p.m., at their location Route 100 North, one mile north of the town center. For more information, call 802-824-6577.

**TUESDAYS** – **BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Join us for bingo at the Moose Lodge, 59 Westminster St., in Bellows Falls every Tuesday. Doors open at 5 p.m. and first game starts at 6 p.m. Food is available. Call 802-463-4054 for details.

**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** – **PUTNEY, Vt.** – Dinner and a movie on the last Thursday of the month, 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 Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill Rd. For pricing or reservations, call 802-387-3052. Limited seating available.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Gassetts Grange is holding Bingo every Thursday from 6:30- 8:30 p.m. at the North Springfield Baptist Church on Main St in Springfield.

**WESTMINSTER, Vt.** – Bingo at Compass School on the last Thursday of the month (except July), 7892 Route 5 in Westminster.



**SATURDAYS** – **BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Join us for karaoke at the Bellows Falls Family Center, 59 Westminster St. on Saturdays, from 7 to 11 p.m.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - Dump Daze Flea Market will happen every Saturday, weather permitting, on the spacious lawn of St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 33 Fairground Rd. The market will open when the first dealer arrives and close when the last dealer leaves. There is ample parking as well as rest rooms. Dump Daze prime location, on the route to the area's recycling center, guarantees heavy Saturday traffic. The event is totally free, with no entrance or dealer set-up fees. Dealers must provide their own tables and chairs and cannot leave anything behind when they leave. Dealing of animals is strongly discouraged. Electricity provided to food vendors. There is no need to register, just show up. If you have any questions, please call 802-885-2972. Be sure to leave a message and call back number should there be no answer.

### FARMERS' MARKET

**JUNE 1** - **SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – The Springfield Farmers' Market will be opening for the season June 1 at it's summer location on lower Clinton Street on a grassy area just before Nortrax Equipment Co. The market is open rain or shine unless the weather is dangerous. We are a nonprofit vendor run farmers' market, look for us on Facebook. Vendor information can be found on the website at [www.springfieldvtfarmersmarket.com](http://www.springfieldvtfarmersmarket.com).

### KIDS' CORNER

**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. For further information, call 802-875-2277, visit [www.whitinglibrary.org](http://www.whitinglibrary.org), or check our Facebook.

**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.

**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.

**SAXTONS RIVER, Vt.** – Play group at Saxtons River Elementary School takes place 9:30-11 a.m. Come on over for crafts, activities, and to play! Call Molly 802-376-6204.

**ROCKINGHAM, Vt.** – Crafts, stories, and playtime for toddlers and preschoolers. Enjoy stories, songs, crafts, and activities. Rockingham Free Public Library 10:30-11:30 a.m. Contact 802-463-4270.

**WESTON, Vt.** – Come and enjoy a story hour with friends at the Wilder Memorial Library, Lawrence Hill Road in Weston, from 11 a.m. to noon. Call ahead to check at 802-824-4307.

**WINDSOR, Vt.** – Preschool and toddler story time every Wednesday, from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Windsor Public Library, 43 State St. Each week features a theme, music, stories, and a craft. For more information, go to [www.windsorlibrary.org](http://www.windsorlibrary.org) or call 802-674-2556.

**WEDNESDAYS** – **LUDLOW, Vt.** – Story time for ages 5 and under on Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. at Fletcher Memorial Library in Ludlow. Children and their caregivers are invited to join us each week for early literacy activities, STEM explorations, music, and more! Call Sacha at 802-228-3517 or email [skrawczykvt@gmail.com](mailto:skrawczykvt@gmail.com) for details.

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Play group at First Baptist Church of Bellows Falls/ Rockingham Recreation Center, from m9:30 -11 a.m. Come join the fun! Healthy snack served. Call Molly 802-376-6204.

**THURSDAYS** – **SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Edgar May Open Play Group, 10-11:30 a.m., at Studio Momentum, 71 Main Street. An active playtime specifically designed for children aged 6 months through 5 years. Free to member families. Call 802-885-2568 or [info@myreccenter.org](mailto:info@myreccenter.org).

**WINDSOR, Vt.** - Play group is from 9:30-11 a.m. Come and enjoy an open gym, ball games, and sometimes even a bounce house! Call Windsor Recreation Center at 802-674-6783.

**FRIDAYS** – **SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Creative movement activities and play group are held in the gym of the Community Center, Fridays, from 9-11 a.m. All parents with young children are welcome. Contact Parks and Rec. Dept. at 802-885-2727.

**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.

**GRAFTON, Vt.** – Preschool nature programs at The Nature Museum in Grafton on Fridays through May from 10-11:30 a.m. Mighty Acorns Club invites young adventurers to explore the natural world through interactive games, puzzles, and activities. Most sessions involve exploring our backyard and the nearby woods, fields and pond. Our environmental educators Jay DeGregorio and Jill Bruning lead the group. We hope you and your little ones can join us!

**MANCHESTER, Vt.** – The Northshire Bookstore is offering a weekly Kids' Storytime on Fridays at 10:30 a.m. Contact Northshire bookstore for more information.

**SATURDAYS** – **SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – Edgar May Open Play Group is 10-11:30 a.m. at Studio Momentum, 71 Main Street. An active playtime specifically designed for children aged 6 months through 5 years. Free to member families. Call 802-885-2568 or email [info@myreccenter.org](mailto:info@myreccenter.org).

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## LIBRARIES

**JUNE 1 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –** Reserve your spot in the “Four Seasons in One Morning” painting class led by local artist Debbi Wetzel Saturday, June 1, from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., at the Rockingham Library. Spots are limited. No painting experience required. At the end of class, walk away with four 3-by-3 inch original paintings depicting each season of the year and a mini-easel to display them on. This is a fundraiser for the Friends of the Rockingham Library. The price includes four mini-canvases, one mini-easel, use of paints and brushes, a fun teacher, and refreshments. Wear old clothes or an apron. To sign up for this class or for more information, email programming@rockinghamlibrary.org or call 802-463-4270.

**JUNE 5 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –** Join us for a community forum called “See the Change, Be the Change,” Wednesday, June 5, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., at The Rockingham Public Library. The event, a follow-up to “The Importance of Hope” forum in February 2018, will highlight stories and progress on our community’s efforts to respond to the opioid epidemic. It is intended to inspire and reduce stigma, while featuring recent successes in bringing more recovery resources to the community.

**THURSDAYS – ROCKINGHAM, Vt. –** Join genealogy enthusiast Wayne Blanchard on a quest to discover your family roots on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Rockingham Library. If you own a laptop, please bring it along. With the many free databases available at the library, it’s hard to tell what you might find. Both beginners and seasoned genealogists are welcome. This program is free and open to the public. For more information, call 802-463-4270, email programming@rockinghamlibrary.org, or go to www.rockinghamlibrary.org.

**FRIDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –** Minecraft Club at the Rockingham Free Public Library every Friday, from 3:30-4:30 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.

## MEETINGS

**MAY 30 – LONDONDERRY, Vt. –** The Londonderry Conservation Commission is hosting a Lowell Lake Informational Meeting at the Londonderry Town Offices at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30. The meeting intends to review community concerns over VT Dept. of Forest Parks & Recreation’s Master Plan to develop Lowell Lake State Park. Londonderry Town Offices is located at 100 Old School St. in Londonderry.

**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.tv.

**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.tv.

**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.gov/office2.com.

**TUESDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –** Rockingham Select Board meetings are on the first Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. and Bellows Falls Village Trustee meetings are the second Tuesday during the summer. 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 6 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.

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

**LUDLOW, Vt. –** Black River Area Community Coalition meets third Wednesdays in the community room of the Fletcher Memorial Library, Main Street, in Ludlow, starting at 5:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.braccvt.org.

## MUSIC & THEATER

**MAY 31 – PUTNEY, Vt. –** Next Stage Arts Project and Twilight Music present an evening of contemporary folk and Americana music with Nashville-by-way-of-Vermont singer/songwriter Caitlin Canty and Maine duo Oshima Brothers on Friday, May 31 at 7:30 p.m. at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in downtown Putney. For information, call 802-387-0102. Advance tickets are available at www.nextstagearts.org. Turn It Up in Brattleboro, and the Putney General Store in Putney.

**JUNE 16 – PUTNEY, Vt. –** Next Stage Arts Project and Yellow Barn Music are proud to co-present Beowulf with Benjamin Bagby, Sunday, June 16 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available both in advance and at the door, and may be reserved by emailing info@yellowbarn.org, by calling 802-387-6637, or purchased online at www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4076291. Following the performance there will be a discussion with Benjamin Bagby moderated by Yellow Barn Artistic Director, Seth Knopp.

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

## 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. HCERS, CRT Room, 390 River St. Meets every Monday from 1-2 p.m. For more information, call 800-639-6480 or visit www.namivt.org.

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

**TUESDAYS – WALPOLE, N.H. –** Hope and Help for Families is held every Tuesday night, from 6:45-8 p.m. at the Congregational Church on the common in Walpole, N.H. It is open to all family members and loved ones – over the age of 16 – of people who are suffering from addiction. It is free and confidential. For information, call Becky Pearson at 603-860-0221.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –** Weight Loss Support Group meets every Tuesday, from 10:30 a.m. – noon at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd., in Townshend. Instructor is Grace Cottage Health coach Liz Harrison. Call 802-365-3766.

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –** TOPS Chapter Vermont #12 meets every Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Sacred Heart Social Center, 39 Green St. in Bellows Falls. Come to TOPS, a nonprofit, noncommercial, 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.

**WINDSOR, Vt. –** Cedar Hill Alzheimer’s caregiver support group. Meet fellow caregivers who really understand because they’ve been there too when things are difficult or isolating. First Tuesdays of every month, from 3:30-5 p.m. at 92 Cedar Hill Dr. off Route 5.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –** Wellness/Lifestyle Change Support Group meets the second Tuesday of each month from 5:45-7 p.m. at the Springfield Health Center, 100 River St. Free. Register by calling 802-886-8946 or email cht@springfieldmed.org.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –** Mental Illness Family Support Group meets the second Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8 p.m. at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd., in Townshend. Facilitated by trained members of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. Free. Call 713-591-2857.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –** Breast Feeding Support Group is on the second and fourth Tuesdays at the Springfield

Hospital Library Level D from noon-2 p.m. It is free and no registration is required. For more information, call Erin at 802-885-7511.

**WEDNESDAYS – CHESTER, Vt. –** Co-Dependents Anonymous meets on Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Whiting Library in Chester. Find out more about CoDA at www.coda.org. For more information regarding this meeting, contact Sarah E. at sarahcoda2016@gmail.com.

**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.

**KEENE, N.H. –** All Recovery is held at the Keene Center Serenity, 40 Carpenter St. in Keene every Wednesday, from 6:30-8 p.m. It is open to all people in recovery and to the families and loved ones of people who are suffering. It is free and confidential. People with questions can call the center at 603-283-5015.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –** Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital will host a Mental Illness Family Support Group on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Grace Cottage Wellness Center (133 Grafton Rd.) in Townshend. NAMI Family Support Group meetings are monthly 90-minute support groups of family and friends of individuals living with a mental illness

where they can talk frankly about their challenges and help one another through their learned wisdom and coping strategies. For more information, call 713-591-2857. To find a complete list of all NAMI offerings, visit www.namivt.org.

**ASCUTNEY, Vt. –** Twin State Depression Support Group meets on the third Wednesday at Martin Memorial Hall, Lower Level, 5259 Route 5, Ascutey 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, and peer-led. Contact TwinStateDSG@gmail.com or 641-715-3900.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –** Living Alone Support Group meets on the third Wednesday of every month, from 10:15-11:45 a.m. at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd., in Townshend. Free. Call 802-365-4115 x108.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –** Twin State Depression Support Group meets on the fourth Wednesday at Turning Point Recovery Center, 7 Morgan St., 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, and peer-led. Contact TwinStateDSG@gmail.com or 641-715-3900 ext. 650055#.

**THURSDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –** Mental Health Peer Support Group meets 2-3:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 77 Main Street. 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.

**TOWNSHEND, Vt. –** Alzheimer’s Caregiver Support Group meets on the first Thursday of every month, from 11 a.m. – noon at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, Heins Building, 133 Grafton Rd., in Townshend. Led by Grace Cottage Community Health team member Claire Bemis. Free. Call 802-365-3763.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –** TOPS at Huber Building, 80 Main Street. Weigh-in starts at 8 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m.

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STOCK # U1178, ONLY 46,129 MILES

**\$24,995**

## 2016 FORD FOCUS S



STOCK # U1228  
ONLY 41,983 MILES

**\$12,995**



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