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## Zander Hamilton donates to Chester Recreation Dept.

CHESTER, Vt. – Zander Hamilton, age 4, of Chester, Vt. recently won the Savings Bank of Walpole coloring contest. He got to choose a nonprofit organization to donate \$250. He chose the Chester Recreation Dept. Pictured is Zander with his picture and Matt McCarthy, recreation director, with the donation. Thank you, Zander.

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## Mount Holly Day was recently held



MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. – Mount Holly Day was recently held, which included live music, tug of war, swimming, sack races, and lots of fun!

PHOTOS BY JOE HAMMOND

## 2019 Killington Wine Festival premier tasting



2019 Killington Wine Festival's Premier Tasting at Peak Lodge.

PHOTO BY SHARON HUNTLEY

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The Vermont Journal

KILLINGTON, Vt. – The leisurely picturesque gondola ride to the Killington Mountain summit Friday evening, July 19 was the perfect way to kick off the weekend-long 2019 Killington Wine Festival with the premier tasting at the Peak Lodge event. After being greeted with a goody bag that included a custom event glass and palm-sized glossy tasting notes booklet, guests escaped steamy temperatures at the base area and enjoyed the spectacular views on the way up the mountain via gondola to the cooler breezy summit.

Once inside the Peak Lodge with windows overlooking the mountain views, guests meandered among tables featuring 16 different wine labels, each offering a taste of three varietals of their wines. Vintners ranged from Vermont's Shelburne Farms to California and Oregon labels and many inter-

national wines. There was also a long food table serving stuffed savory waffle cups, and another with cheeses, dips, crackers, vegetables, and fruit. Appetizers were also circulated throughout the room. Classical music played by students from the Killington Music Festival added to the ambiance.

Each wine table was manned by a representative of the vineyard itself, or from the wine distributor, knowledgeable about the vineyard, process, and flavor notes of the wines. Engaging with the vintner to learn about the wines enhanced the experience beyond the palate. One vintner new to the Killington Wine Festival was One Hope Wine with vintner Dave Vincent engaging guests with the details from this California Central Coast portfolio of wines. Each varietal from One Hope gives back to a

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## GMUSD meeting and decisions shaped by ongoing legal woes

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CHESTER, Vt. – The July 18 meeting of Green Mountain Unified School District began with an addition to the agenda for an executive session to discuss yet another lawsuit being brought against the Two Rivers Supervisory Union for a discriminatory firing at Cavendish Town Elementary School. This is the third lawsuit being dealt with at the TRSU. Two other pending lawsuits were discussed at last month's GMUSD meeting also in executive session. Those lawsuits involved the firing of a TRSU executive assistant and a dog-biting incident involving an 8-year-old special needs student, another news publication reported.

With that addition, many agenda items and decisions that followed in the meeting reflected the GMUSD board's heightened concern for their TRSU's ongoing legal issues.

Tim Vincent from Vermont School Boards Insurance Trust gave a presentation on the insurance coverage of the TRSU, which covers the TRSU itself as well as all the schools in the district including Green Mountain Union High School, Chester Andover Elementary School, Cavendish Town Elementary School, Ludlow Elementary School, Black River Middle School/High School, and Mount Holly Elementary School. The insurance covers educators legal liability for school districts.

The presentation confirmed that the levels of coverage were appropriate for the TRSU district. During the discussion, Vincent also confirmed that when a claim is submitted to VSBIT for legal services, VSBIT chooses legal counsel, uses the legal counsel, and has settlement authority over the

claims. TRSU currently uses attorneys Lynn, Lynn, Blackman & Manitsky from Burlington, which is an approved counsel by VSBIT. Vincent also talked of several free services that VSBIT provides including reviewing a number of documents for the TRSU and school districts.

The TRSU employee handbook was again brought before the board for approval but was quickly targeted for revision by Board Member Doug McBride, largely to improve legal protections for the TRSU. McBride cited three specific issues with the handbook: that it included aspirational statements that go beyond legal requirement; that there aren't enough employer protections since it was written from an employee versus employer point of view; and that language should follow a more conservative approach following Vermont statute more closely. The board agreed with Board Chairman Joe Fromberger requested that McBride write down his statements to submit to Superintendent Meg Powden and then asked the superintendent to ask for assistance from VSBIT to review the handbook and bring back to them with recommended changes.

A breakdown of the TRSU legal bills was distributed to the board, which broke out the bills by category for negotiations, arbitration, grievance, and general. Each was then broken into the district responsible for the fee. Grand total for the legal expenses totaled \$82,787.11 – with a breakdown of \$23,591.99 for TRSU, \$46,100.77 for GMUSD and \$13,094.35 for LMHUUSD – significantly higher than the budgeted total \$27,500 with \$6,000 for TRSU, \$15,000 for GMUSD, and \$6,500 for LMHUUSD.

McBride said it was “disconcerting and a bit shocking” that the GMUSD budget was up over 300% and pointed out it was going to be even higher because the \$23,000 from TRSU will ultimately be passed onto



The recent GMUSD meeting.

PHOTO BY SHARON HUNTLEY

GMUSD and LMHUUSD. “We budgeted \$15,000. That’s just getting to be a big number,” he said. The costs will continue to increase with the latest lawsuit in addition to TRSU Financial Director Cheryl Hammond saying that all the legal bills have not been received yet.

In the board comments agenda item, McBride turned to Open Meeting Law violations with the TRSU board. According to McBride, he still believes that the TRSU board has not “cured” the Open Meeting Law Violations stemming from three meeting violations.

GMUSD, TRSU, and LMHUUSD were all accused of violating Vermont's Open Meeting Law by the Chester Telegraph through a letter dated June 4, 2019. Both TRSU and LMHUUSD boards chose to follow advice given by legal counsel Chris Leopold, which included admission of errors, citing the proper topic and exemption for going into executive session, retroactively going into executive session and re-ratifying any action taken.

McBride advised following a different path that followed the state statute on how to “cure” a violation, which included a two-meeting solution that allowed for the public to be made aware of what would be re-ratified in the second meeting. Although his advice was dismissed by the TRSU and LMHUUSD, the GMUSD did adopt the two-meeting strategy as their “cure” for the violation.

With the GMUSD board ultimately paying a portion of the legal tab for TRSU, McBride reiterated that he did not believe the grievance had been cured. “Either find a different way to cure it or be prepared to pay for another attorney to fight it,” said McBride.

Superintendent Meg Powden said that the Board Chair of TRSU and LMHUUSD Paul Orzechowski felt that they had cured the violation.

McBride reiterated his point and then made a motion that the GMUSD representatives on TRSU board make a motion at the TRSU's next meeting to adopt “the cure” that was successfully adopted by GMUSD board. That motion was passed unanimously.

As a note of interest, Board Representatives from GMUSD for the TRSU board included Kate Lamphere, Deb Brown, and Joe Fromberger. Kate Lamphere had resigned as of July from the TRSU board and Deb Brown also requested she be replaced on that board. Wayne Wheelock and Fred Marin were both appointed and approved to fill their place and Jeff Hance became the alternate. The board confirmed that both Lamphere and Brown will remain on the GMUSD board.

GMUSD Training on Vermont Open Meeting Law is scheduled for their Sept. 19 meeting. The next GMUSD meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 15 at CAES at 6 p.m.

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# VTrans announces construction on intersection of routes 5, 11

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – VTrans recently announced a construction project for improvements to the intersection of U.S. Route 5 and Vermont Route 11 near I-91 in Springfield to increase safety by adding a new traffic signal and a left turn lane into the Holiday Inn Express. Engineers Construction Inc. won the contract March 15, 2019 with an estimated cost of \$799,835.33.

This project consists of the installation of a new traffic signal and associated pavement markings and signage at the intersection. The east-bound lane of Vermont Route 11 will also have the shoulder widened in order to provide a



Location of the project site aerial view.

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dedicated left turn lane into the

Holiday Inn Express across from U.S. Route 5.

Due to the minor nature of the project, most of the construction can take place with shoulder closures and minimal disruptions to traffic. During paving operations, traffic may be limited to one-way alternating for short periods of time. The anticipated completion is November 2019.

# Vail Resorts to acquire Peak Resorts, 17 U.S. ski areas

BROOMFIELD, Colo. – Vail Resorts Inc. announced Monday, July 22, that it has entered into a definitive merger agreement to acquire 100% of the outstanding stock of Peak Resorts Inc. at a purchase price of \$11 per share, subject to certain conditions, including regulatory review and Peak Resorts' shareholder approval.

Through the acquisition, Vail Resorts will add 17 U.S. ski areas to its network of world-class resorts. The resorts include: Mount Snow in Vermont; Hunter Mountain in New York; Attitash Mountain Resort, Wildcat Mountain, and Crotched Mountain in New Hampshire; Liberty Mountain Resort, Roundtop Mountain Resort, Whitetail Resort, Jack Frost and Big Boulder in Pennsylvania; Alpine Valley, Boston Mills, Brandywine and Mad River Mountain in Ohio; Hidden Valley and Snow Creek in Missouri; and Paoli Peaks in Indiana.

"We are incredibly excited to have the opportunity to add such a powerful network of ski areas to our company," said Rob Katz, chairman and chief executive officer of Vail Resorts. "Peak Resorts'

ski areas in the Northeast are a perfect complement to our existing resorts and together will provide a very compelling offering to our guests in New York and Boston. With this acquisition, we are also able to make a much stronger connection to guests in critical cities in the Mid-Atlantic and Midwest and build on the success we have already seen with our strategy in Chicago, Minneapolis, and Detroit. The acquisition fully embodies our philosophy of 'Epic for Everyone,' making skiing and riding more accessible to guests across the U.S. and around the world."

"Vail Resorts has a proven track record of celebrating the unique identity of its resorts, while continually investing in the guest and employee experience. For this reason, we are confident that our resorts and employees will continue to thrive within the Vail Resorts network," said Timothy Boyd, president and chief executive officer of Peak Resorts.

When the transaction closes, the 2019-20 Epic Pass, Epic Local Pass, and Military Epic Pass will include unlimited and unrestricted access to the 17 Peak Resorts ski areas. Guests with an Epic Day Pass will also be able to access the new ski ar-

reas as a part of the total number of days purchased. For the 2019-20 season, Vail Resorts will honor and continue to sell all Peak Resorts pass products, and Peak Resorts' pass holders will have the option to upgrade to an Epic Pass or Epic Local Pass, following closing of the transaction.

The aggregate purchase price for all Peak Resorts common stock is estimated to be approximately \$264 million, which Vail Resorts intends to finance through a combination of cash on hand, its existing revolver facility, and an expansion of its existing credit facility. In addition, Vail Resorts will be assuming or refinancing Peak Resorts' outstanding debt. The acquisition is expected to generate incremental annual EBITDA of approximately \$60 million in Vail Resorts' fiscal year ending July 31, 2021, the first fiscal year with the full benefit of the synergies of the acquisition, with additional revenue upside in future years.

The transaction is expected to close this fall. The parties expect operations at all Peak Resorts ski areas to continue in the ordinary course of business. Upon closing, Vail Resorts plans to retain the vast majority of each resort's employees.

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SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Summer is here and the Leadership Southeast Vermont program will soon be starting up sessions for the 2019-20 course. LSEVT serves both Windham and Windsor counties, preparing in-

dividuals to meet the challenges of the future. We are hopeful to get strong participation this year, and while the applications are rolling in, there are still spots available to be filled.

The 2019 graduating class was comprised of participants from Brattleboro, Springfield, and surrounding towns. Two teams collaborated on group projects to serve our immediate communities, and the graduates are now better connected within the region and more informed about ways to have a positive impact in our neighborhoods.

The Leadership Southeast Vermont program is an immensely valuable learning and growth opportunity. The course fosters an increased understanding of the issues facing our neighborhoods and creates awareness of the resources available to meet those challenges. You will gain experiences in this course that you can get no



Participants of the Leadership Southeast Vermont program visiting the Statehouse in Montpelier for the Politics and Government session last December.

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other way. Class participants have a shared commitment to becoming active leaders in their communities and improving the future of southeast Vermont. If you are interested to join us, now is the time to contact us for more information.

Early applicants receive a tuition discount; so don't miss the early bird deadline of Wednesday, July 31. Thank you for helping us to inspire local individuals to become the trustees of our community. Contact the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce at 802-885-2779 or email caitlin@springfieldvt.com for details. More information can also be found on our LSEVT website at www.leadershipsevt.org.

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# Citizens to challenge state on Lowell Lake Development Plans

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - After months of discussion and debate about the future of Lowell Lake, residents of Londonderry and adjoining towns will finally see what the state is planning for the future of this critical ecological resource.

At a public meeting to be held this Thursday, July 25, community members are expected to express strong opposition to the state Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation's proposal for overnight lodging at Lowell Lake State Park.

Thursday's meeting will be the first time for residents to see and discuss the actual designs that the state has planned. The proposal has fueled frustration over what many perceive as the destruction of Lowell Lake's unspoiled, natural setting. Despite detailed plans now available for the renovation of an old camp, or the construction of an entirely new cabin complex, FPR has not yet performed an environmental impact statement.

On May 30, 2019, the town of Londonderry Conservation Commission in cooperation with Lowell Lake Concerned Citizens held a public information meeting to discuss FPR's proposal to develop Lowell Lake State Park. Nearly 100 people attended the meeting from the towns of Londonderry, Windham, Andover, Chester, and Weston.

Attendees expressed nearly



Londonderry Conservation Committee  
Lowell Lake concerned citizens.

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universal opposition to the proposal to develop overnight lodging and associated infrastructure. Concerns voiced at community meetings and presentations to the Selectboard cite already overcrowded conditions at the park and the vulnerability of the small, unique lake and surrounding wetlands, bogs, forests, and wildlife habitat to disruption and environmental damage from 24/7 use.

According to Irwin Kuperberg, chair of the Londonderry Conservation Commission, "Lowell Lake is one of Vermont's most valuable natural resources by virtue of its diverse ecosystem, high level of water quality and peaceful atmosphere, which is integral to its value." Speaking on behalf of the Conservation Commission, Kuperberg adds, "We support the efforts to date by the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation

to manage the lake on behalf of the public. We believe, however, that FPR's proposals to expand parking and introduce overnight lodging, in existing or newly constructed structures, are in direct contradiction to its stated goal of controlling the surge in visitation."

The Lowell Lake State Park Master Planning Project will be presented July 25, 2019, 6-7:30 p.m., at the Londonderry Town Hall, located at 137 Middletown Rd. in South Londonderry. A 60-day public comment period will follow the open house.

FPR will provide a master planning overview, park history, concept design alternatives, and a detailed survey to gather and assess comments. For more information, go to [www.vtstateparks.com/lowell.html](http://www.vtstateparks.com/lowell.html).

# An alternatives presentation meeting for bridge replacement project-

CHESTER, Vt. - An Alternatives Presentation Meeting for the project listed below will be held Thursday, Aug. 29, 2019 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the NewsBank Conference Center, located at 352 Main Street, in Chester, Vt. The meeting will be held by the Vermont Agency of Transportation and the town of Chester.

The Bridge Replacement Project is for Town Highway 18, Bridge 62 over Williams

River. The recommended alternative includes removal of Bridge 62, 72, and 28 and replacement with a new bridge off-alignment.

The intent of the meeting is to provide an overview of the project to town officials, local residents and businesses, emergency services, and other interested parties. There will be a review of the existing site conditions, proposed work, and overall schedule followed by a question and answer period. Representatives

from both VTrans and the town of Chester will be available at the meeting to address public concerns about the project.

A copy of the Scoping Report for this project may be seen at the office of the Town Clerk in Chester, Vt. or at the Structures Section of the Agency of Transportation's office in Montpelier, Vt. Electronic copies are also available online at [www.outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/12J616](http://www.outside.vermont.gov/agency/vtrans/external/Projects/Structures/12J616).

# BRVSC mystery van trip

LUDLOW, Vt. - Black River Valley Senior Center will be taking a surprise lunch and scenic ride van trip Tuesday, July 30, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call the senior center at 802-228-7421 or stop by in person to sign up for the trip.

Our August Birthday Lunch is Thursday, Aug. 15. If your birthday is in August, your lunch is free.

On Aug. 20, at 9 a.m. is our annual Cruise on Lake George, with a two-hour cruise and fabulous buffet. Transportation is free, but space is limited with priority given to residents of Ludlow, Plymouth, and Cavendish.

Bingo and lunch is Aug. 28 at noon with a menu of Marcia's meatloaf, mashed potatoes, vegetables, and peach cobbler. The price of lunch includes

three bingo cards. Bone Builders has been changed to Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. for the rest of the summer.

# Jewelry sale at Thrifty Attic

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - The Thrifty Attic in Londonderry is having another jewelry sale! On Saturday, July 27, from 8 a.m. until noon, hundreds of carefully selected jewelry items will be for sale. Spruce up your collection or get a gift for someone special. Remember, all proceeds go right back into our local community. You get to splurge and give back at the same time.

# WINE

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different cause and supports a nonprofit partner. In this case, his three wines raised support for Autism therapy, literacy and reading programs, and Alzheimer's research and funding. "There's always a story with wine. It's all about connecting you with a wine on a personal level and what better way than connecting people with a cause," he said.

Tickets for the premier tasting at the Peak Lodge were limited to 200 to ensure an exceptional experience for guests according to event organizer Mike Coppinger, executive director of Killington Pico Area Association. This event is in its 18th year and is the largest fundraiser for the KPAA, which is the Chamber of Commerce for Killington. According to Coppinger, the event started out with a few wine dinners and was much smaller but has continued to grow over the years, eventually becoming the weekend-long event it has become. Of more importance than the fundraising to Coppinger is that it is exposing Killington Resort as a summer destination to those who may only know Killington as a ski resort. He is excited that hotels and restaurants are benefiting as well.

Also happening on Friday night, guests could follow the Killington Wine Trail, a self-directed tour of 10 restaurants who have teamed up with a vineyard offering a pairing at

each location.

On Saturday, the signature event, the Grand Tasting includes sampling over 100 wines and features Vermont specialty food and restaurant vendors. Because of ongoing construction at the K1 Lodge, this event was moved inside the air-conditioned Grand Ballroom of the Killington Grand Hotel this year, fortuitous considering the record high heat index expected on Saturday. Sales for this event were also limited to 400, again

to ensure a positive experience. "With only a finite amount of space, we want everybody to have a good experience and don't want everyone standing in long lines to try to get a sample," Coppinger said. Also on Saturday, several area restaurants were offering wine dinners. Despite limiting ticket sales, the chamber reached their fundraising goals for the event.

On Sunday, the festival weekend wrapped up with Wine & Nine, a special golf outing at

Green Mountain National Golf Course. The event includes nine holes of golf, tasting nine wines along the way, ending with a dinner and prizes in the clubhouse.

This was Coppinger's second year organizing the event. He and co-director Sarah Newell will begin planning for next year's event almost immediately after this weekend, learning from any challenges this year with the goal to continuously improve the experience.

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# Little Free Libraries coming to local area

WINDSOR, Vt. – Little Free Libraries are a global phenomenon. The small, front-yard book exchanges number 36,000 around the world in 70 countries – from Iceland to Tasmania to Pakistan. Each year, nearly 10 million books are shared in Little Free Libraries.

Now, a new Little Free Library in front of the Stoughton House on Main Street in Windsor will join the movement to share books, bring people together, and create communities of readers.

This will be the first of four boxes in the area. The other three boxes will soon go up in Hartland, Weathersfield, and West Windsor. These boxes

were made possible by the Ascutney Mountain Promise Community. The Ascutney Mountain Promise Community is a group made up of residents and community organizations from the four towns who came together to build a partnership. The group was grant-funded to focus on kindergarten readiness and promotes learning, playing, and growing. In addition to the Little Free Libraries, there are mobile book boxes inside area businesses throughout Windsor, West Windsor, Hartland, and Weathersfield.

“These Little Free Libraries were truly a community effort,” says library director

Christine Porter. “In addition to the AMPC’s role in making this project a reality, the boxes themselves were constructed by teen Elijah Collier, who built them as part of the requirements for his Eagle Scout badge. Finishing touches were put on by Windsor resident Paul Doiron, who also built the posts and helped us install the Windsor box. We are so grateful for all of their efforts.”

To find out more about AMPC, visit, [www.facebook.com/AMPromiseCommunity](http://www.facebook.com/AMPromiseCommunity). To learn more about Little Free Libraries, please visit [www.littlefreelibrary.org](http://www.littlefreelibrary.org).

# Don't miss the annual FOSTL book sale

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The famous annual book sale, brought to you by the Friends of the Springfield Town Library, is coming once again to the former National Guard Armory. This sale is famous not only for its size but for its organization. If you love mysteries, you can go straight to the vast mysteries and thrillers section and find your favorite authors in alphabetical order.

This year, you can get a signed copy by a favorite author for the normal hardback price. Other fiction categories include fantasy and science fiction, westerns, classics, and a special room just for romance novels, where you

can fill a plastic shopping bag. Drama and poetry also have a dedicated space. For history buffs, if your main interest is the Civil War, you don't need to search through every book on the history tables but can go directly to the Civil War section. There are also tables dedicated to Vermont and New England, biography, science and nature, cooking, crafts – with a large quilt selection this year, gardening, travel, planes and boats, religion, philosophy, home improvements, humor, sports, and more. Rare books are featured on the special table. There is also an excellent selection of children's books.



Don't miss the book sale. PHOTO PROVIDED

The sale takes place at the former Armory on Fairground Road in Springfield, past the recycling center and just beyond the town garage. For those who remember some rather dark rooms last year, we are happy to report that the friends have purchased a generator and lights that make the smaller rooms as bright as day. On Friday, July 26, the sale will run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, July 27, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, at 2 p.m., the bag sale will be held.

The book sale is the main fundraiser of the Friends of the Springfield Town Library and all profits will go to support library programs and other needs, from furniture to new technology. Please come support the library and stock up on beach reads and books to get you through those long winter evenings.

# Author, naturalist Lynn Levine presents her new book

CHESTER, Vt. – On Sunday, July 28 at 4 p.m. Phoenix Books Misty Valley will host forester, naturalist, and author Lynn Levine for a talk on her new book, “Identifying Ferns the Easy Way: A Pocket Guide to Common Ferns of the Northeast.”

Exquisitely drawn by New York Times best-selling illustrator Briony Morrow-Cribbs, this user-friendly guide includes detailed descriptions of 28 common types of ferns in the northeast. Learn which habitats different species grow in, expert tips for identification, look-alike species, and notes of interest.

Tom Wessels, ecologist and author of “Reading the Forested Landscape,” says of Levine’s new book, “Identifying Ferns the Easy Way” of-



Lynn Levine. PHOTO PROVIDED

Roger B. Swain, host of PBS-TV’s “The Victory Garden” says, “Gardeners, hikers, and naturalists all need this elegantly simple guide to the common fern species of the Northeast. The lineage of these plants is ancient, their charms immutable. These pages bring their identities into the light, a gift indeed.”

Lynn Levine moved to Vermont in 1974 and upon receiving her master’s degree in forestry, she became the first female consulting forester in New England. Lynn has taken thousands of people into the forest to share her love of nature and to inspire them to feel the same connection with our northern woods. Lynn Levine is the author of “Mammal Tracks and Scat” and the children’s book “Snow Secrets.”

fers a wonderful way for people to become acquainted with our common regional ferns. A simple, yet effective key and great illustrations make this a very user-friendly field guide.”

# The Dance Factory is kicking off its 35th anniversary season

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Dance Factory is a vibrant, inclusive dance studio conveniently located in downtown Springfield next to the town library. Celebrating its 35th anniversary season this coming year, the studio boasts five experienced teachers and offers classes in ballet, pointe, modern, jazz, hip hop, tap, and creative movement for preschoolers through adults. They emphasize quality technical training while encouraging a love and passion for movement and cultivating community.

Founded in 1984 by Susan Hagan and now owned by Kate Frizzell-DeRosia, the Dance Factory performances include an annual spring recital in May for all students and “The Nutcracker” each December features ballet students. Over the years, ticket proceeds from these performances have been donated to community organizations. The studio has raised over \$30,000 in the past 35 years

to support the arts and drama programs at our local schools and Habitat for Humanity.

The annual Nutcracker performance has evolved in the studio’s 35-year history. Its inaugural season in 1990 took on Act II only. Clara opened the show as part of the tableau and sat in a wicker chair with her Nutcracker. The following year, the studio performed a full-length version of the production, and has continued to do so annually for most of the last 28 years. Founding Director Hagan recalls, “The expansion of the show over the years has been astounding. We began with virtually nothing and today we have a fully built set and costumes for the entire show.”

The performance is fully cast with students and community members; no professionals or outside dancers are cast in the main roles, as many other performances do, with lead roles featuring the most advanced dance students.

Teachers Kate Frizzell-DeRosia, Gretchen Abendschein, Ashley Hensel-Browning, Dana Blake, and Jessie DeRosia thoroughly enjoy dancing with you and your little ones during the school year and summer sessions. All together, they have logged 102 years of experience

teaching dance. They believe strongly in creating a welcoming space that is truly inclusive of all who want to participate. Their focus on the student as a whole person helps to create a feeling of acceptance, warmth, and connection while also challenging students to grow.

Over such a span of time, there are many former and current students and families that have been touched by the Dance Factory. One mother shares, “The Dance Factory has had such an amazing impact on our family’s life. My daughter has developed a passion for dance, fueled by the fun and encouraging environment. It’s so welcoming.” Another mother shares, “I watched my kids having such fun, that last year at age 45 I decided to start ballet! I’ve got to tell you – these teachers at the Dance Factory have improved my life. I realize now that self-care for me includes dancing.”

Registration for this coming year is open now. Contact Kate at 802-875-2561 or [derosia85@vermont.net](mailto:derosia85@vermont.net) to sign up to participate in the 35th anniversary season of the Dance Factory. Visit the website at [www.dancefactoryvt.com](http://www.dancefactoryvt.com) to learn more and see photos of past productions.

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# A river erodes its banks

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Black River Action Team wraps up a six-week-long exhibit of art and citizen science in The Great Hall at 100 River St. in Springfield, Vt. with a bang! On Friday, Aug. 2 at 5:30 p.m., everyone is invited to a Grand Closing event for a final opportunity to see the displays before they are taken down in time for the next installation in the gallery.

Featured Aug. 2 will be The Flume – a dynamic opportunity to watch a stream table as a



Check out the stream table. PHOTO PROVIDED

stream of water moves through a miniature landscape, demonstrating erosion and the many phases of a river's lifecycle.

Displays will still be up for visitors to browse and appreciate, focused on the connection we all have with the Black River. From citizen science to photography, several local artists have items on display alongside exhibits from students of Springfield's schools.

Visitors will also have a chance to enter a raffle for various prizes; winners will be drawn during the Black River Action Team's annual RiverSweep cleanup Saturday, Sept. 7. The prize list grows weekly, and thus far includes a handmade bat house, a gift basket of Mary Kay skin care and makeup items, wall art by Hawks Mountain Ironworks and Springfield Fence Co., an eco-friendly car wash kit, and a one-year membership to the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum in Brattleboro. Tickets will also be available during the BRAT's BioBlitz event the weekend of July 27 and 28, and by contacting BRAT Director Kelly Stettner at [blackrivercleanup@gmail.com](mailto:blackrivercleanup@gmail.com) or 802-738-0456.

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# LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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

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## What's in a diary?

Keeping a diary in the 1800s into the 1900s was a common practice. Most every farmer kept a diary in those days. Many of these diaries record such things as: daily temperature, cut firewood today, boiled today, planted corn, went to church, or other daily activities. While interesting, they offer little of historical interest.

Some diary keepers recorded more useful and detailed information. Freak weather, a devastating fire, the circus coming to town, a political event, or family gathering. Sometimes we find an entry that fills in the blanks to information we already have.

John Leon "Gramp" Spaulding arranged for the Chester Historical Society to be gifted his collection of family diaries. I have yet to count these diaries but estimate they will number close to a hundred.

I picked them up last Friday, July 19, and took them to the historical society. It was a hot, muggy day so I didn't spend much time looking them over. Actually, I only examined eight or ten of the diaries. What I found were diaries kept by Albert Marshall, W.R. Spaulding (Gramp's grandfather) diaries from when he was in Weston, John Marshall, Ben Marshall, and Ed Spaulding (Gramp's father).

To give you an idea of the years covered, I saw one dated 1872, and another as late as 1928, with every year between. Albert Marshall was born in 1857 and lived until 1929. John Lysander Marshall was born 1863 and died in 1933. William Ryland (W.R.) Spaulding was born in 1853 and died in 1928. The Marshalls lived in Popple Dungeon.

W.R. Spaulding lived in Weston until 1894 and then moved to Proctorsville briefly



Diary donation from John Leon Spaulding. PHOTO BY RON PATCH

before moving to Springfield, working as a carpenter building houses. He then moved to Chester where he leased the Henry Farm on the Green Mountain Turnpike. Here he ran a dairy, delivering milk on his milk route. W.R.'s diaries are sure to provide us with useful information.

Gramp's brother, Ted, has already given us hundreds of photos and documents. These diaries will add a wealth of information I'm sure. I will keep you posted through this column.

The first thing we will do is to sort the diaries by name. Albert Marshall's diaries will go in one pile and then do the same with the other diary keepers. This won't take very long.

Next, each diary keeper needs to be put in chronological order. Let's say Albert Marshall's earliest diary is 1872. We would then have the next earliest diary (1873 if we have it) of his and so on. Once the diaries are sorted and arranged chronologically, the real work begins.

Danny Clemons, Peter Farrar, and I will then take a diary and beginning with Jan. 1, read each page through Dec. 31. As we read each page, anything of interest will be recorded in a word document on the computer. Let's use Albert Marshall as an example. We might find an entry where he mentions Louis Marshall running away with the circus. This we would record by

diary year, month, and day and where it could be found.

Albert's son, Louis, went west and joined Buffalo Bill's Wild West Show and later Miller Brothers 101 Ranch. In the early 1900s, Louis returned to Vermont, living on the family farm in Bartonsville and working as a painter and steeplejack. I'm hopeful that we will discover information about Louis that has been lost or forgotten. There is also a possibility of finding a Civil War diary as some of these families had men who served in the war.

If there are a hundred diaries, you are talking about 36,500 pages we need to read. A big job but we can't wait to get started. Other entries we might find might include an entry for a major fire in town. Perhaps Presidents Benjamin Harrison or Teddy Roosevelt's visit to Chester was recorded.

These diaries were written with a soft, dull pencil and can be tedious to read. It all depends on their penmanship. Some diary keepers had poor penmanship, making them slow to read.

Based on the fact that these men were running a livery stable, delivering milk, teamsters, taxi services, or other business, I'm sure we'll find some interesting history.

While it will take months to record this donation, we hope to discover some of Chester's lost history. I know of no other Chester family who collected so many artifacts, spanning so many years.

*This week's new saying I heard watching a Red Sox game. Jerry Remy referred to this hot muggy weather we're currently having as "humugedy."*

## Next Start Your Own Business workshop to be held Aug. 9

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Vermont Small Business Development Center would like to announce an upcoming "Starting Your Own Business" workshop that is aimed at helping future entrepreneurs turn their passions into a full-fledged business venture. The workshop will be held Friday, Aug. 9 at Springfield Regional Development Corporation office on Clinton Street in Springfield from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Starting a business can be challenging. The workshop, conducted by an experienced business advisor, is designed as a guide for the first-time business owner. Participants receive a comprehensive start-up workbook, handouts, and resources in marketing, financing, management, and operations. By the end the workshop, they will be well-informed about the tools and resources available to them and the next steps involved in launching a successful business. There is a price to attend, and you can register online at [www.vtsbdc.org](http://www.vtsbdc.org) under the training

tab. **A few workshop highlights include how to:**

- Use the "Business Model Canvas" to evaluate whether there is a viable business in their good idea
- Identify target customers and "unique selling proposition(s)"
- Register their business and

apply for tax numbers

- Consider start-up costs, sales, expenses, and financing options
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For more information, visit [www.vtsbdc.org](http://www.vtsbdc.org) or contact Debra Boudrieau at 802-885-2071 or [dboudrieau@vtsbdc.org](mailto:dboudrieau@vtsbdc.org).



## Remember when...

CHESTER, Vt. – Remember when the intersection of Route 103 and Trebo Road wasn't paved? Kendall's barn is in the left background. Photo circa 1910.

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## Campfire potluck at Tree Farm Campground



Gather around the campfire. PHOTO PROVIDED

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Our second annual campfire potluck at Tree Farm Campground as part of the Vermont Reads program will be Sunday, Aug. 4, from 5-9 p.m. A potluck meal, a play, and a campfire with marshmallow toasting and s'mores will be included. This event is free, accessible, and open to the public.

Folks have the option of tent-camping overnight for a special rate. Please contact Deb Diegoli at [www.uuspringfieldvt.org](http://www.uuspringfieldvt.org) if you wish to camp so she can reserve your spot. This event is co-sponsored by the campground, the Springfield Food Co-op, the Springfield Town Library, and the Springfield UU as well as Vermont Reads.

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mances feature dialogues about various stages of women's lives and the clothes they wore at the time. The show is directed by Stephanie Rowe of Springfield. Tickets may be purchased at the door or by calling the museum at 802-228-5050.

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the board, staff, and clients of Health Care and Rehabilitation Services, I would like to express our sincere appreciation to the residents of Windsor and Windham counties who voted to support HCERS' town-funding request at their Town Meeting this spring.

As a nonprofit agency serving more than 4,000 individuals annually across southeastern Vermont, we rely on this funding to support our walk-in services. Individuals and families

dealing with the challenges of mental illness, substance abuse, or developmental disabilities are the ones who benefit from this town funding, allowing them to connect with someone quickly and when needed. We recognize the importance of getting help when you need it. That is why our comprehensive programs are set up for people to access the support they require – 365 days a year, 7 days a week, 24 hours every day.

Our thanks go out to the

following Vermont towns for voting in support of HCERS' programs and services: Andover, Athens, Barnard, Bethel, Brattleboro, Cavendish, Chester, Dover, Dummerston, Grafton, Guilford, Halifax, Hartford, Hartland, Jamaica, Landgrove, Londonderry, Ludlow, Marlboro, Newfane, Plymouth, Pomfret, Putney, Reading, Rockingham, Royalton, Sharon, Springfield, Stratton, Townshend, Vernon, Wardsboro, Weathersfield, Westmin-

ster, Weston, West Windsor, Whitingham, Wilmington, Windham, Windsor, and Woodstock.

With your help, HCERS is able to make a substantial and positive impact on the quality of life that the residents of our region experience throughout the year.

Sincerely,  
George Karabakakis, Ph.D.  
HCERS  
Springfield, Vt.

Dear Editor,

Several weeks ago, I watched on television as the first patient was wheeled into the new building at the University of Vermont Hospital in Burlington. As the camera scanned the spacious room complete with luxurious accommodations for the family, I thought back some 35 years to the long days and even longer nights that I spent in a remarkably uncomfortable chair at the bedside of my dying husband in the ICU of the Old Mary Hitchcock Hospital and thought how nice this new

arrangement would have been.

My thoughts then wandered to my own recent and very brief hospitalization at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center in Lebanon, N.H. I would gladly have been cared for in an open ward with 20 beds to a side in order to avoid a bill, which after Medicare payments is greater than my monthly income.

Sincerely,  
Kathleen R. Fellows, R.N.  
Perkinsville, Vt.

## Weighing the choice between taxable and tax-free bonds

**REGION** – If you're considering the purchase of an individual bond or even a bond mutual fund, one of your first concerns will be its yield. However, when comparing various yields, you need to make sure you're not comparing apples to oranges. The yield on a tax-free bond may be lower than that paid by a taxable bond, but you'll need to look at its tax-equivalent yield to compare them accurately.

### What's taxable? What's not?

The interest on corporate bonds is taxable by local, state, and federal governments. However, interest on bonds issued by state and local governments – generically called municipal bonds, or munis – generally are exempt from federal income tax. If you live in the state in which a specific muni is issued, it may be tax-free at the state or local level as well.

Unlike munis, the income from Treasury securities, which are issued by the U.S. government, is exempt from state and local taxes but not

from federal taxes. The general principle is that federal and state or local governments can impose taxes on their own level, but not at the other level; for example, states can tax securities of other states but not those of the federal government, and vice versa.

### The impact of freedom from taxes

In order to attract investors, taxable bonds typically pay a higher interest rate than tax-exempt bonds. Why? Because of governmental bodies' taxing authority, investors often consider munis safer than corporate bonds and are more likely to accept a lower yield. Even more important is the associated tax exemption, which can account for a difference of several percentage points between a corporate bond's coupon rate – the annual percentage rate it pays bondholders – and that of a muni with an identical maturity period.

Still, depending on your tax bracket, a tax-free bond could actually provide a better net after-tax return. Generally, the

higher your tax bracket, the higher the tax-equivalent yield of a muni bond will be.

### It's not what you get; it's what you keep

To accurately evaluate how a tax-free bond compares to a taxable bond, you'll need to look at its tax-equivalent yield. To do that, you apply a simple formula that involves your federal marginal tax rate – the income tax rate you pay on the last dollar of your yearly income. The formula depends on whether you want to know the taxable equivalent of a tax-free bond, or the tax-free equivalent of a taxable bond. To calculate the taxable equivalent of a tax-free yield, subtract your marginal tax rate from 1, then divide the tax-free yield by the result.

If a taxable bond also is subject to state and local taxes and the tax-exempt one isn't, the tax-exempt bond's coupon rate could be even lower and still provide a higher tax-equivalent yield.

### Munis are tax-free, except when they're not

As is true of almost anything that's related to taxes, munis can get complicated. A bond's tax-exempt status applies only

to the interest paid on the bond; any increases in the bond's value are taxable if and when the bond is sold. You also may owe taxes when you sell shares of a muni bond mutual fund.

Also, specific munis may be subject to federal income tax, depending on how the issuer will use the proceeds. If a bond finances a project that offers a substantial benefit to private interests, it is taxable at the federal level unless specifically exempted. For example, a new football stadium may serve a public purpose locally but provide little benefit to federal taxpayers. As a result, a muni bond that finances it is considered a so-called private-purpose bond. Other public projects whose bonds may be federally taxable include housing, student loans, industrial development, and airports.

Even though such bonds are subject to federal tax, they still can have some advantages. For example, they may be exempt from state or local taxes. And you may find that yields on such taxable municipal bonds are closer to those of corporate bonds than they are to tax-free bonds.

Agencies and GSEs vary in

their tax status. Interest paid by Ginnie Mae, Fannie Mae, and Freddie Mac is taxable at federal, state, and local levels. The bonds of other GSEs, such as the Federal Farm Credit Banks, Federal Home Loan Banks, and the Resolution Funding Corp., are subject to federal tax but exempt from state and local taxes. Before buying an agency bond, verify the issuer's tax status.

### Don't forget the AMT

To even further complicate matters, the interest from private-purpose bonds may be specifically exempted from regular federal income tax, but still may be considered when calculating whether the alternative minimum tax applies to you. A tax professional can determine the likelihood that a bond will affect your AMT liability.

**Tip:** The equivalent tax-free yield can be even lower if you are subject to an additional 3.8% Medicare contribution tax that applies to net investment income for individuals with an adjusted gross income of more than \$200,000.

### Pay attention to muni bond funds

Just because you've invest-

ed in a municipal bond fund doesn't mean the income you receive is automatically tax-free. Some muni funds invest in both public-purpose and private-purpose munis. Those that do must disclose on their yearly 1099 forms how much of the tax-free interest they pay is subject to AMT.

Before investing in a mutual fund, carefully consider its investment objectives, risks, fees, and expenses, which are in the prospectus available from the fund; read it carefully before investing.

### Use your tax advantage where it counts

Be careful not to make a mistake that is common among people who invest through a tax-deferred account, such as an IRA. Because those accounts automatically provide a tax advantage, you receive no additional benefit by investing in tax-free bonds within them. By doing so, you may be needlessly forgoing a higher yield from a taxable bond. Tax-free munis are best held in taxable accounts.

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### King Crossword

**ACROSS**

- 1 Taxi
- 4 A-E connection
- 7 Showroom sample
- 8 Sag
- 10 Sound portion
- 11 Peter of Peter, Paul and Mary
- 13 Fairy tale footwear
- 16 "— the ramparts..."
- 17 Frogs' kin
- 18 Also
- 19 Flowerless plant
- 20 Perches
- 21 Worship
- 23 Nothing
- 25 Elbow counterpart
- 26 Hardly brawny
- 27 And so on (Abbr.)
- 28 Liniment targets
- 30 Second person
- 33 Lawn-trimming tools
- 36 Blazing
- 37 Cheer up

**DOWN**

- 1 Fragrant wood
- 2 Writer
- 3 Rocket stage
- 4 Make pigtailed
- 5 Military group
- 6 Dutch village
- 7 "Psych" actor
- 8 "The Times They Are A-Changin'" singer
- 9 Beautifully imaginative
- 10 Way back when
- 12 Very angry
- 14 Peeved
- 15 "Help!"
- 19 Adversary
- 20 Crafty
- 21 Bone cavities
- 22 Coffee shop
- 23 New Mexico tribe
- 24 Scrutinize
- 25 Small barrel
- 26 Heaps
- 28 Song of David
- 29 Pinnacles
- 30 Leavening agent
- 31 Table scraps
- 32 Employ
- 34 — gin fizz
- 35 Entreaty

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# CHURCH SERVICES

## ALSTEAD, N.H.

### Third Congregational Church UCC, River St.

Sunday service begins at 10:30 a.m. For more information, contact [alsteadthirdchurch@gmail.com](mailto:alsteadthirdchurch@gmail.com) or 603-835-6358.

## ASCUTNEY, VT.

### Open Bible Baptist Church, 168 Cemetery Rd.

Neighborhood Bible Time, Sunday, Aug. 4 to Friday, Aug. 9, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., is a program for youth grades 4-6 regardless of denomination. Dramatic stories, Bible drills, daily gifts, contests, and competitions, and refreshments. Free transportation can be provided by texting 802-230-5307 to schedule a ride. Bring a Bible and a friend. For more information, call 802-230-5307 or 802-674-2266.

### Brownsville Community United Methodist Church, 66 Brownsville-Hartland Rd.

Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. followed by fellowship and refreshments. Nursery care provided during service for children 5 years and younger. ADA accessible. Call 802-484-5944, email [bcchurchvt@gmail.com](mailto:bcchurchvt@gmail.com), or go to [www.brownsvilleumc-vt.org](http://www.brownsvilleumc-vt.org).

## BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

### Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St.

Holy Eucharist Services are offered at 8 a.m. (quiet service) and 10 a.m. (with music) every Sunday. Handicap accessible. For more information, call 802-463-3100.

### 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. All welcome.

## CAVENDISH-PROCTORSVILLE, VT.

### Cavendish Baptist Church, 2258 Main St.

Sundays at 10 a.m. More at [www.CavendishBaptist.com](http://www.CavendishBaptist.com) or call 802-226-7131.

### Gethsemane Episcopal Church, 89 Depot St. Proctorsville

Join us for worship Sundays at 11 a.m. followed by a coffee hour. For more information, call 802-226-7967 or go to Facebook @GethsemaneVT.

## 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@regubovstudios.com](mailto:frandrew@regubovstudios.com); [hroc.org](http://hroc.org).

## CHESTER, VT.

### Chester Congregational Church, 469 Main St., Rt. 11 West

Sunday Service at 10 a.m. All are welcome. For more information, call 802-875-3382 or go to [www.chestercongregational.org](http://www.chestercongregational.org).

### First Universalist Parish of Chester, Rt. 103. 211 North St.

Sunday service 9:30 a.m. between September and June, followed by light refreshments and conversation. Free childcare available for children under 5. The building is handicap accessible with an elevator. More at [www.chestertvuu.org](http://www.chestertvuu.org) or 802-875-3257.

## Russell E. Southwick, 1949-2019

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Russell E. Southwick, 70, of Bellows Falls, Vt., passed away July 8, 2019 surrounded by friends and family. Russell was born in Poultney, Vt., May 20, 1949 to the parents Verlie Stone and Fred Damon.

Russell had many jobs over the years, but his favorite was farming. Oh, how he loved his cows. Russell married the love of his life, Jeanette Southwick, Jan. 1, 2009. They resided at the Canal House with their kitty, Loser.

Russell enjoyed being in the woods and cutting and splitting logs. He also enjoyed fishing, spending time with his family, and going to the dump. He also loved watching his western movies.

Russell is survived by his loving wife Jeanette Southwick; a loving daughter Darlene Vorada, son-in-law Shiewon Vorada, and a precious granddaughter Cheyenne Southwick all of Rutland; a son Russell Southwick Jr.; his sisters Linda Landry, Brenda Shepherd, and Lori Damon all



Russell E. Southwick, 1949-2019. PHOTO PROVIDED

of Claremont, N.H.; a brother Ray Damon of Saxtons River, Vt.; and also by many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by many good friends from the Canal House – Sonya, Betty, Sandy, Curtis – whom Russell took under his wings as his own. He was preceded in his death by his parents and many brothers and sisters.

Russell is no longer in pain and has spread his wings to fly free.

### 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 Thursdays at 6 p.m. and prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m. Park on the street or behind the building. Wheelchair accessible. Call 802-875-2638, email [churchoffice@chesterbaptist.org](mailto:churchoffice@chesterbaptist.org), or visit [www.chesterbaptist.org](http://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](http://www.vbch.weebly.com).

### First Baptist Church, 62 Crescent St., S. Londonderry, Vt.

Worship services are at 10 a.m. on Sunday mornings. For more information, visit [www.firstbaptistlondonderryvt.org](http://www.firstbaptistlondonderryvt.org) or call 802-856-7266.

### Landgrove Meetinghouse, Landgrove Rd.

Cantor Scott Buckner, spiritual leader of the Israel Congregation of Manchester, will lead the weekly service at the Landgrove Meeting House Sunday, July 28 at 9:30 a.m. Buckner, now in his third year in Manchester, will bring his particular style of upbeat, creative and deeply spiritual music to engage the congregation and the community at large.

## LUDLOW, VT.

### Tyson Community Church, Corner of Rt. 100 and Dublin Rd.

Service is at 10:30 a.m., followed by fellowship. Variety of ministers providing sermons and special music by Erik. Communion offered the first Sunday of each month. Wheelchair accessible. For more information, call 802-522-8249 or email [cindysummer55@gmail.com](mailto:cindysummer55@gmail.com).

## SPRINGFIELD, VT.

### Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 90 Park St.

Vespers on Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Liturgy on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call 802-885-2615 or go to [www.htocvt.org](http://www.htocvt.org).

### North Springfield Baptist Church, 69 Main St.

Sunday service at 9:30 a.m. All are welcome to join us in worship for a Bible based sermon and a variety of music from gospel and traditional hymns to more modern Christian praise songs. Bible study are Friday at the Whitcomb building at 9:30 a.m. Call 802-886-1050, email [nbsbc@vermontel.net](mailto:nbsbc@vermontel.net), or go to [www.nbsbcvt.org](http://www.nbsbcvt.org) for additional information.

### Precision Valley Baptist Church, 69 Rt. 106

Adult Bible Study on Sundays from 9-9:45 a.m. Services start at 10 a.m. Located right next to Cota & Cota.

### Springfield Assembly of God, 269 River St.

Sunday school at 10 a.m. Sunday service begins at 11 a.m. Sunday evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday Bible study for all ages at 6 p.m. Call anytime during the week to schedule a pick up for children for Sunday school. 802-885-4261.

### St. Mary's Catholic Church, 10 Pleasant St.

Sunday Masses at 9 a.m. and 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.

### Unitarian Universalist Church, 21 Fairground Rd.

On Sunday, July 28 at 10 a.m. Toni Streeter will present "The Creative Process" as the second service in the summer series, "Art Will Save Us." For more information, call 802-885-3327 or go to [www.uspringfieldvt.org](http://www.uspringfieldvt.org). All are welcome.

## Michael J. Shaughnessy, 1967-2019

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Michael J. Shaughnessy, 51, of Atkinson Street passed away Thursday, July 11, 2019. Michael was born in Bellows Falls Dec. 19, 1967, the son of Frederick and Beverly (Fontaine) Shaughnessy. He was a 1986 graduate of Bellows Falls Union High School and 1988 graduate of Champlain College and worked as the finance manager for Windham Regional Planning Commission for more than 30 years. Michael served as adjutant and Finance Committee chairman for the American Legion Post 37. He served as president of the BFDA for 10 years, was on the Diversion Board for 10 years, was on the finance board and cemetery board for St. Charles Church, and was at the St. Charles Adoration Chapel every Wednesday morning for

many years. He was also chairman of the Make-A-Wish Golf Tournament for 20 years helping raise over \$325,000. He also coached Little League, Walpole softball, and CYO basketball.

On March 18, 2005, he married Tracie Chickering who survives. Also surviving are his children Ryan and Jordan; his sister Judi Cray and husband Kevin; and his nephews Michael Cray and wife Rachel, and Jason Cray. He is predeceased by his parents.

A funeral mass was celebrated Saturday, July 20 at St. Charles Church in Bellows Falls. Burial followed in the St. Charles Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Make-A-Wish LMP Classic, c/o Tracie Shaughnessy, P.O. Box 834, Bellows Falls, VT 05101.

# obituaries

## WALPOLE, N.H.

### St. John's Church, corner of Westminster and Elm St.

Sunday school at 9:45 a.m. Services begin at 10 a.m., followed by coffee hour. For more information about Art After School program, our outreach efforts, call 603-756-4533.

### First Congregational Church of Walpole / United Church of Christ, 15 Washington Sq.

Sunday service is at 10 a.m. Sunday school at 10 a.m. with coffee hour at 11 a.m. Wheelchair accessible with ramps and elevator. Call 603-756-4075 or email [walpolechurch@yahoo.com](mailto:walpolechurch@yahoo.com).

## WESTMINSTER, VT.

### Christian Family Circle Chapel, 1512 Back Westminster Rd.

Sunday song service begins at 10 a.m., Sunday school at 10:30 a.m. Fellowship lunch on first Sunday of each month. Non-denominational. Visit [www.christianfamilycirclechurch.com](http://www.christianfamilycirclechurch.com) and like us on Facebook.

## WESTON, VT.

### Weston Community Church on the Hill, 37 Lawrence Hill Rd.

On Aug. 3 at 4 p.m., there will be an evening prayer led by Rev. Jon Bliss. For more information, go to [www.vtchurchonthehill.org](http://www.vtchurchonthehill.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](mailto:oldsouthchurchwindsor@gmail.com).

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## Helen P. Adams, 1943-2019

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Helen P. Adams, 76, of Atkinson Street passed away Sunday, July 14, 2019. Helen was born in Brattleboro, Vt., Feb. 26, 1943, the daughter of Howard and Lillian (Hall) Adams. She attended grade school in Chester and had fond memories of being a little girl there. Her family moved to Bellows Falls when she was still very young and has lived there ever since. Helen resided for many years at Country Village Community Care and most recently at Sterling House

in Bellows Falls. She worked at Basketville in Putney, Vt. and Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, Vt. Helen enjoyed her daily walks around the village of Bellows Falls and daily visits to the Dari Joy for ice cream.

Helen is predeceased by her parents and her brother Howard.

There will be a memorial service Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2019 at 11 a.m. at Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home with burial to follow in the North Street Cemetery, Chester, Vt.

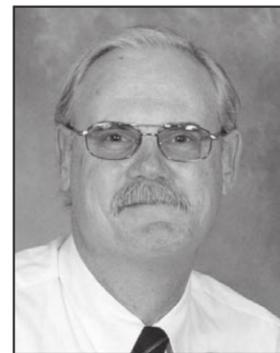
## Brian W. Halsted, 1952-2019

**SAXTONS RIVER, Vt.** – Brian W. Halsted of Sunapee, N.H. and Saxtons River, Vt., passed away unexpectedly July 8, 2019, after a hospital stay. He was 67. Brian was born June 29, 1952, in Newport, N.H., to his parents Betty Nilsen Halsted and John B. Halsted. He attended schools in Amherst, Mass., the Eaglebrook School in Deerfield, Mass., Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, Vt., and Cornell College in Iowa.

Brian worked in the construction industry in Florida and then spent 10 years in retail management. After another stint in construction in New Hampshire, and a year with the Springfield School District, he moved to Saxtons River, Vt. and became the company manager, house manager, and technical director for the Saxtons River Playhouse.

Brian is survived by his brother Mark Halsted, sister-in-law Arlene Halsted, his sister Lorna Schilling, and brother-in-law Falko Schilling; nieces and nephews John and Katharine Halsted, and Falko, Elizabeth, Nilsen, and Brian Schilling; and one great-niece Rayna Cosgrave.

Known affectionately as "Unc Bri" to many, Brian was a humble man of integrity, wit, and empathy whose thoughtfulness,



Brian W. Halsted, 1952-2019. PHOTO PROVIDED

humor, and counsel helped all with whom he associated.

A celebration of Brian's life will take place Aug. 3 at 2 p.m. at the Chivers Center at Vermont Academy in Saxtons River, Vt. In lieu of flowers, please donate to The Lake Sunapee Protective Association, 63 Main St., Sunapee, N.H. 03782 or at [www.lakesunapee.org](http://www.lakesunapee.org). Or to the Lake Sunapee Historical Society, 74 Main St., P.O. Box 501, Sunapee, NH 03782 or at [www.sunapee-historicalsociety.org](http://www.sunapee-historicalsociety.org).



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# golf & sports

## Sugarbush to host charity golf tournament for injured individuals, veterans



Sugarbush charity golf tournament for injured individuals and veterans.

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WARREN, Vt. – The High Fives nonprofit foundation will host the 7th annual charity golf tournament in Vermont Friday, Aug. 9, 2019. The event, sponsored by GoPro, Vermont North Ski Shop, and Kingsbury Companies, will return to Sugarbush Resort Golf Club, which has been very supportive to the organization in the past.

“Our community in Vermont continues to spread with the opportunity to have the 7th annual High Fives Golf Tournament at Sugarbush this year,” says Vermont native and High Fives CEO Roy Tuscany. “This is so exciting to have this venue hosting this fundraiser for the foundation. Thank you, Sugarbush.”

Following the 9 a.m. registration, the day’s events will kick off a “Break the Glass” competition sponsored by Elevation Physical Therapy where golfers

will attempt to shatter a pane of glass by hitting golf balls at it from a challenging distance.

At 11 a.m., the 32 teams will load their carts, make their way to the course, and compete for prizes. Along with best team prizes, throughout the day there are an array of on-course challenges like the Ski Boot Longest Drive, Baseball Bat Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, and the Air Cannon drive. Everyone has a chance to win.

“We’re excited to have this event return to Sugarbush,” said John Bleh, public relations manager at Sugarbush Resort. “The High Fives Fat Ski-a-Thon in the winter is not only one of our most fun events, but it’s for a great cause. It’s great to carry that energy over into the summer.”

After the golf tournament, heavy apps, drinks, and awards will be hosted with dancing to

music from DJ Professor.

To register a team, visit [www.vtgolf.highfivesfoundation.org](http://www.vtgolf.highfivesfoundation.org). All proceeds will go to the High Fives Foundation, which focuses on preventing life-changing injuries and provides resources and hope if they happen.

To add to the fun-filled weekend, Saturday, Aug. 10 the High Fives Foundation will work with Vermont Adaptive to host an adaptive mountain bike group ride. This event will encourage those in the adaptive community to get outside, try something new, and take advantage of the beautiful Vermont backdrop.

Sugarbush Resort Golf Club is located at 1091 Golf Course Rd. in Warren, Vt. For more information about the Charity Golf Tournament, email [Steve@highfivesfoundation.com](mailto:Steve@highfivesfoundation.com).

## Okemo Valley Golf Club Men’s League results, July 16

LUDLOW, Vt. – Okemo Valley Golf Club’s Men’s League has a new leader after play Tuesday, June 16. Built Rite MFG. took down Stryhas Builders in the alternate-shot format. Built Rite players Josh Rourke, Rick Doyle, John Smith, and Tim Faulkner combined to win 13.5 out of a possible 18 holes, which earned them the top spot for the night and in the season standings. Sotheby’s Realty moved up the board a bit as Pat McLaughlin, Larry Plumb, Charlie Howard, and Fra Devine combined to win 10.5 holes. Rounding out the top three, and remaining in third place overall, was Knight Tubs. Lou Falango, Bob Fortuna, Ken Guy, and Terry Thayne

combined to win 9.5 holes. Closest to the pin winners were Peter Modisette and John Pick.

### Weekly results:

- First - Built rite MFG. score 13.5 holes won, 15 points
- Second - Sotheby’s Realty score 10.5 holes won, 13 points
- Third - Knight Tubs score 9.5 holes won, 11 points
- Fourth - HWC Financial score 9.5 holes won, 10 points
- Fifth - Huntley’s Wealth Management score 8.5 holes won, 9 points
- Sixth - Diamond Realty score 8.5 holes won, 8 points
- Seventh - Green Mountain Appraisals score 7.5 holes won, 7 points
- Eighth - Stryhas Builders score 4.5 holes won, 6 points

### Season standings:

- First - Built Rite MFG. 98 points
- Second - Stryhas Builders 90 points
- Third - Knight Tubs 84 points
- Fourth - Diamond Realty 77 points
- Fifth - Sotheby’s Realty 75 points
- Sixth - HWC Financial 75 points
- Seventh - Huntley’s Wealth Management 74 points
- Eighth - Green Mountain Appraisals 60 points

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

## Legion baseball slate washed out

REGION – Monday, July 22’s evening American Legion baseball game in Bennington between Lakes Region and Bennington Post 13 was rained out and rescheduled for Thursday, July 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Another game scheduled for Monday between Brattle-

boro Post 5 and Bellows Falls Post 37 was also a casualty of the weather. That game will now be played in Brattleboro on Wednesday, July 24, but Bellows Falls will be the home team.

This is the final week of regular season play with the eight-

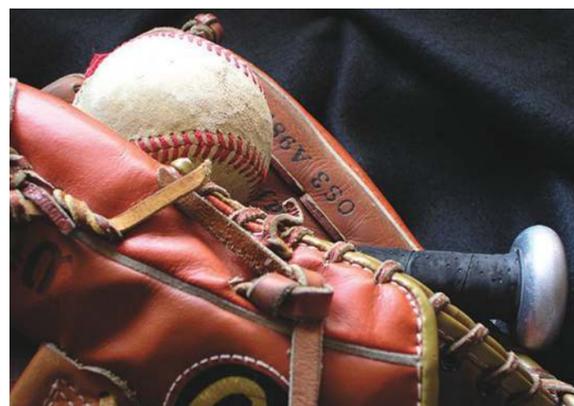
team, double-elimination state tournament beginning Saturday, July 27 at Colchester’s Saddlemere Field. The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Southern Division’s No. 3 seed clashing with the No. 2 seed from the North. That will be the first of four games that day at Saddlemere.

The tournament continues through Wednesday, July 31.

### The Standings:

**Southern Division** – Lakes Region 19-4, Rutland 17-5, Brattleboro 16-6, Bennington 10-11, White River Junction 10-12, Bellows Falls 3-19, Randolph 2-20.

**Northern Division** – Colchester 22-2, SD Ireland 14-8, Post 91 14-8, South Burlington 12-10, Franklin County 12-10, Montpelier 9-14, OEC Kings 7-13, Addison County 8-16, Barre 3-20.



Recent Legion baseball games were rained out.

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Article courtesy of the Rutland Herald.

## Bellows Falls Country Club Men’s Member Guest Tournament

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Bellows Falls Country Club hosted its annual Men’s Member Guest Tournament on the weekend of July 13 and 14. The Men’s Member Guest Tournament is a two-man, four-ball event played over two days with an optional practice round played on Friday of the same week. The 2019 tournament had 39 teams with four flights of players with some phenomenal golf being played. BFCC member Todd Templeton got a hole-in-one on the 13th hole and there was a five-hole playoff in the first flight.

BFCC extends a huge thank you to the tournament hole sponsors, the numerous local businesses for raffle gift donations, 9 and Dine, and Brattleboro Auto Mall for sponsoring the hole-in-one program. Although there was no winner for the 2019 GMC Sierra 1500, Todd Templeton did win a \$500 online Travis Matthew shopping spree!

### Tournament results:

• **First Flight:** first gross – Nick and TJ Matulonis; first net – Todd Templeton and

Ryan Seaver; second gross – John Grant and Jacob Vire; second net – Dave Bashaw and Scott Keniston; third gross – Nate Keefe and Paul LaRoche; third net – Kevin Curtis and Noel Cassidy.

### • Second Flight:

first gross – Nick Albon Zio and Steve Hart; first net – John James and Justin Kingsbury; second gross – Dwayne Clayton and Andy Fowler; second net – John Gregory Sr. and Scott Mohlenhoff; third gross – Pat Gordon and Steve Harrington; third net – Frank Harrington and Mark Picking.

### • Third Flight:

first gross – Allan and Wade Thomas; first net – Dave Tallman and Tracy Johnson; second gross – Dan Brophy and Mark Shepard; second net – Don Garrow and Shane Mas; third gross – Al Barber and Ryan Keefe; third net – Greg Bath and Rich Bowen.

### • Fourth Flight:

first gross –



Todd Templeton got a hole-in-one on the 13th hole.

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Dave and Nick Washburn; first net – Zach Hiscox and Rob Theall; second gross – Steve Machado and Tom Fowler; second net – Jon Babcock and Herb Eddy; third gross – John Williams II and Wayne Parker; third net – John Gabert and Keith Prouty.

The Bellows Falls Country Club is a nine-hole golf course that dates back to 1922. For more information about the Bellows Falls Country Club, please call the clubhouse at 802-463-9809 or visit [www.bellowsfallscountryclub.com](http://www.bellowsfallscountryclub.com).

## Springfield Chamber’s 49th annual Hackers Tournament

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –

What a fantastic day on the fairway for the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce’s 49th annual Hackers Golf Tournament held Thursday, July 11 at Crown Point Country Club! With our largest turnout in nearly two decades, we hit the course with 24 teams for a total of 96 players this year. The field was split into two divisions allowing for four first place winning teams:

• **Flight A:** Gross – Jay Clapperton, Travis White, Jordan Clapperton, Dean Bactad; Net – Cas Krupinsky, Jake Loiko, Tom Tourville, Scott Pinkham

• **Flight B:** Gross – Justin Lewis, Matt Elssesser, Scott Peterson, Daniel Tricarico; Net – Tony Morigioni, Bay Wheeler, Craig Fairbank, Shane Mas

A big thank you to Kelley Sales & Service, our hole-in-one sponsor – alas, nobody sank a hole-in-one on the 18th hole to win a car this year, but everyone had a lot of fun trying. Thanks to Richard and Carolyn Lane for sponsoring the putting contest – Kelen Beardsley came within mere inches of winning the big bucks. Thanks also to our banquet sponsor, Mascoma Bank; our scorecard sponsor, Re-wind 106.5 WCFR; our cart sponsor, Springfield Housing Authority; and our sponsor at the turn, H&R Block. And much appreciation to our player gift sponsors, Claremont Savings Bank and Trout River Brewery.

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As always, Crown Point Country Club was a gorgeous setting for the tournament, with some delicious food afterwards. Many thanks to Rich Vacca, Kristin Cook, and the staff at Crown Point Country Club for helping us to put on another great event. Last, but not least, a big thank you to our volunteers, and to the planning committee that organized our fun-filled Hacker’s Day tournament: Kelen Beardsley, chairperson; Julie Corliss, Lindsey Dauphin, Amy Duffy, Jerry Farnum, Ben Hills, Meredith Kelley, and Jeff Perkins, committee; Dan Harrington, Lyndsie Perkins, Julie Martin, Alice Page, and Sue Dana, volunteers.



The Pink Ladies.

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# arts & entertainment

## Weston Playhouse Theatre cast for “Oklahoma!”

WESTON, Vt. – Weston Playhouse Theatre Company announces the cast for its fresh take on the inimitable masterpiece, Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “Oklahoma!” playing through Aug. 10 at the Weston Playhouse, Tuesday through Saturday 7:30 p.m.; Wednesday and Saturday 2 p.m.; and Sunday 3 p.m.

On a beautiful morning in 1906, a group of intrepid pioneers are setting out to forge a new community and young women and men are setting out to chart their futures. When “Oklahoma!” opened on Broadway, it promptly revolutionized the American musical. Its stunning music, heartfelt storytelling, and richly poetic lyrics awakened audiences to a revelatory vision of America. This production celebrates Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “Oklahoma!” – a musical written for

America today.

Director Reginald L. Douglas says, “Oklahoma! celebrates the thrill of pursuing dreams, love, and legacy that uniquely unites us all as Americans. Featuring a wonderfully diverse cast of actors and musicians, our production of the classic musical reimagines what the fabric of a community can look, sound, and feel like with vigor, ingenuity, and an abundance of joy! Get ready for the best block party ever!”

The show brings many new faces to the Weston stage. Community pillar Aunt Eller is played by Inga Ballard; peddler Ali Hakim is played by Billy Cohen; Dream Laurey is brought to life by dancer Sarah Fischer; Cord Elam is played by Peter Hughes; sweet but simple Will is played by Dan Lusardi; the independent Laurey is played by Mia Pinero; flirtatious and

gullible Ado Annie is played by CoCo Smith; mysterious Jud is played by Philip Stoddard; Dream Curly is danced by Sir Brock Warren; and the confident cowboy Curly is played by Davon Williams.

Weston audiences will recognize Munson Hicks as Carnes, a rancher from countless other productions at Weston and on Broadway; as well as the Weston Playhouse Young Company members from “The Phantom Tollbooth” and the Cabaret.

Rodgers and Hammerstein’s “Oklahoma!” plays at Weston Playhouse, 12 Park St. in Weston. Subscriptions and single tickets are available online and by calling the Weston Box Office at 802-824-5288. Gift certificates can be purchased online at [www.westonplayhouse.org](http://www.westonplayhouse.org).

## Ekata! A cultural feast for the senses

PUTNEY, Vt. – Join us at the Putney Community Center Saturday, July 27, from 2-4:30 p.m., when Marygold Village, a locally-run initiative working with women and families internationally, is hosting a cultural feast for the senses. This not-to-be missed event will be a rich and unique summer outing for everyone.

“Ekata” means unity in the Telugu language of southern India. Marygold Village is located in the small village of Hemachandrapurem, home to families who, three generations prior, were affected with leprosy, and who now are interacting into the wider community in spite of continued social stigma. Locals Elia Gilbert and Teresa Savel continue the work of Marygold Village in Vermont when not in India sup-

porting MG’s work on the ground. This partnership began in 1995 when Teresa lived in India and worked with the Monastics teaching kindergarten and training teachers. A cultural friendship continues to grow and now is reaching out to invite and inspire our local communities to be part of this global village and join in working for the good.

Marygold Village is an inclusive nonprofit initiative, honoring the rich and diverse cultures of southern India, and takes action in partnership with the local community of Carmelite Monastics in the states of Andhra Pradesh and

Telangana. Since 1995, this collaboration has focused on the needs of families in the region, supporting physical health and well-being through organic and biodynamic food production, clean water, play-based education for young children, educational sponsorship for school-aged children, family support services, vocational training, and care of the elderly through multigenerational community life.

There is a suggested donation for this event. Putney Community Center is located at 10 Christian Square in Putney. For more information, email [marygoldvillage@gmail.com](mailto:marygoldvillage@gmail.com).

## Calling all local artists to Open Wall Show

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Local artists are invited to show their

work at Gallery at the VAULT in our Open Wall Show. This

is a chance to display work in a non-juried show. There is no fee. The theme for our next show is “Flights of Fancy.” This is a great opportunity for artists who would like to get their work out there for the first time as well as for seasoned artists.

Please bring work that is framed and wired for hanging and acceptable for viewing by all ages. Artists may bring in two works if they are 18 by 20 inches or smaller – or one piece if it is larger. Sculpture, jewelry, pottery, wood creations, and fiber art are wel-

come along with the paintings and photos.

Bring your work in Thursday, July 25, from 5 to 6:30 p.m.; Friday, July 26, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; or Saturday, July 27, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The show will run from July 31 to Oct. 18.

Gallery at the VAULT is located at 68 Main Street in Springfield. We are open Monday 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and Wednesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 802-885-7111, email [galleryvault@vermontel.net](mailto:galleryvault@vermontel.net), or visit [www.galleryvault.org](http://www.galleryvault.org).

### The Stone Cold Roosters to play July 25

CHESTER, Vt. – The 2019 Chester Summer Music Series is delighted to present The Stone Cold Roosters, Thursday, July 25, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. on the Academy Lawn across from the green in Chester. The Stone Cold Roosters are a band that can strut, swing, and rock across decades of American music with style. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets. In the event of rain, the concerts will be held at American Legion Post 67, 637 Route 103 S. in Chester. For further information, contact Chris Kleeman at 802-875-4393.

## The Brass Connection swings into Weston

WESTON, Vt. – The Sundays On The Hill Concert Series is excited to have The Brass Connection return to Weston’s historic and acoustically perfect Church on the Hill Sunday, July 28, 2019 at 4 p.m. The church is located on Lawrence Hill Road and is just a few steps up the hill from the Weston Village Green, off Route 100. Parking is available at the church and along the road and village green. This concert is sure to delight audiences young and old.

The musicians of The Brass Connection include Richard Given and Erich Ledebuhr on trumpets, Hillary Ledebuhr on French horn, Chris Baird on trombone, and Chip Halt

on tuba. This group, formed in 2000, will “take your audience on a musical odyssey.” They perform many styles of music including classical, ragtime, Dixieland, blues, patriotic swing, Broadway show selections, and Tijuana brass. The program July 28 will be a pops style eclectic program drawing from some of these genres.

All Sundays On The Hill concerts are Sundays at 4 p.m. Children 12 and under are free. This is the same admission cost as when the concert series started 23 years ago. A handicap ramp will be available for those needing it. For additional information about the 2019 summer concert series, see [www.sundaysonthehill.org](http://www.sundaysonthehill.org).

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# arts & entertainment

## Big Band Brunch, dancing returns to Bellows Falls

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – The second Big Band Brunch will be held Sunday, July 28 at the Moose Lodge, 59 Westminster St. in Bellows Falls. Enjoy a full course brunch from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. and then dance to the classic big band sounds of the '40s and '50s made popular by Frank Sinatra, Rosemary Clooney, Ella Fitzgerald, and Doris Day.

The June event was such a success that the Moose Lodge decided to offer it again. The event begins with brunch served in the hall followed by live onstage performances with regional vocalists Zac Binney and Allie McGahie and dancing from 1-3 p.m. Sound and lighting provided by Aime Theroux and Erik Dustin of Night Flight Productions.

The function hall at the lodge has been newly renovated, is

air-conditioned, and features the original tongue and groove oak dance hall flooring, which dates back to the early '50s. A bar has been installed in the room so that the space is entirely private. An elevator provides accessibility and parking is readily available on the street. People of all ages who attend can enjoy music from the golden age of the '40s and '50s.

Both singers have considerable live performance experience and earned a reputation for their vocal prowess and song interpretation. McGahie was the grand prize winner of Southern Vermont Idol in 2017 while Binney placed second, and they were Top Ten finalists in the 2019 Keene Idol. They have performed in a variety of events over the last 15 years, first as vocalists and more recently as musical the-

atre performers with Main Street Arts in both Saxtons River and the Opera House in Bellows Falls; the annual Lion's Club musical at the Colonial Theatre in Keene; and Springfield Community Players in Springfield, Vt.

The full-course brunch menu includes quiche, fruit and cheese board, bacon, baked ham, home fries, pastries, and croissants. The cash bar will feature beer, wine, mimosas, margaritas, and kicked-up Bloody Marys.

Tickets can be purchased in advance with credit card by leaving your name and number at 802-463-4054. Your call will be returned. If available, tickets can be purchased at the door with cash or credit card. Advance reservations recommended.

## Band to make more noise about Vermont libraries

**WESTON, Vt.** – The alternative folk-rock band David Rosane & the Zookeepers featuring Don Sinclair on bass and guitar and Jennifer Grossi on vocals, synthesizer, and percussion, is touring in support of rural libraries for the second summer in a row. This year, their "Across the ZOO-niverse" tour will appear Saturday, July 27, from 5-7 p.m., at the Weston Community Church on the Hill.

"What started out last year as a grassroots effort led by a trio of crazed book worms has blossomed into a bit of a statewide fixture. We now have the full-fledged support of the Vermont Department of Libraries, lots of media attention, a recent appearance at the Vermont State Legislature, a bunch of local business sponsors, and towns inviting us to play for

them!" gushed frontman David Rosane.

"All donations raised at the door of each show go to the town library and their programs and needs," said Rosane. "We are a volunteer band, and plan to turn it into an official 501(c)(3) by year's end. Underwriting, donations, and merch sales help cover our costs. Of course we're in it for the music, too! Our latest album 'Book of ZOO' just picked up a 2019 Tammie Award for best Vermont rock album.

"In addition to fundraising, we really want to draw the media's and people's attention to the often-overlooked role our libraries play in our towns. Libraries aren't just a place for books, they're community centers, an open space for public events and lifelong learning, where people can also just hang and socialize, a cool place for the lonely, the elderly, and spe-

cial populations."

"The collective awareness on how vital libraries are to our lives and liberty is growing," added vocalist Jennifer Grossi, "and we want to build on that momentum. In many communities in Vermont, libraries are the only places some people can access the internet – imagine how crucial that factor can be in making voting decisions, for example, or even getting inspired to vote. And we're lucky in Vermont – there are more libraries here per capita than in any other state!"

This year's official summer reading program is "A Universe of Stories." Unsurprisingly, the Zookeepers, a self-described "fringe" band, known for delivering humor, intellectualism, and drama in equal doses, has named the tour "Across the ZOO-niverse: a 2019 Library Space Odyssey and Benefit Tour."

## Davis Brothers Garage Band to play in Proctorsville

**CAVENDISH, Vt.** – The Cavendish Community and Conservation Association and the town of Cavendish invite everyone to spend an evening having fun on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville Wednesday, July 31, starting at 6 p.m. when the annual summer music series continues with the Davis Brothers Garage Band.

The band has been a staple of the Vermont ski scene, and before that in Colorado, since the 1970s. Brothers Rick and Jeff Davis of Brownsville formed the

band with cousin Lane Gibson. The latest addition to the band is no stranger to Proctorsville – Mark Huntley will be on drums. The band is famous for covers of Stevie Wonder, Steely Dan, and the Doobie Brothers, among others.

Concerts in Proctorsville are held on consecutive Wednesday nights in July and August. This concert is sponsored by DG Bodyworks of Proctorsville.

The town of Cavendish encourages all area residents and visitors to join their friends

and neighbors in front of the gazebo on the green. Bring a blanket or a comfortable chair, have a picnic, or just lie back and relax on the grass. It's a fun way to enjoy the summer weather and either reconnect with old friends or make new ones.

As always, the concerts are free and open to the public. In case of inclement weather, please check the Cavendish Facebook page. For more information, please call Robin at 802-226-7736.

## Rock of Ages at COH

**CLAREMONT, N.H.** – The Repertory Theatre at COH presents "Rock of Ages," with musical hits from the '80s, Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. at the Claremont Opera House in Claremont, N.H.

It's the tail end of the big, bad 1980s in Hollywood, and the party has been raging hard. Aqua Net, Lycra, lace, and liquor flow freely at one of the Sunset Strips last legendary venues, a place where sex machine Stacey Jaxx

takes the stage and scantily clad groupies line up to turn their fantasies into reality. Amidst the madness, aspiring rock star, and resident toilet cleaner, Drew longs to take the stage as the next big thing – and longs for small-town girl Sherri, fresh off the bus from Kansas with stars in her eyes. But the rock and roll fairytale is about to end when German developers sweep into town with plans to turn the fabled Strip into just another capitalist strip mall. Can Drew,

Sherri, and the gang save the strip – and themselves – before it's too late? Only the music of hit bands Styx, Journey, Bon Jovi, Whitesnake, and more hold the answer.

Tickets can be purchased by phone at 603-542-0064, in person at the Opera House Box office in City Hall Complex at 58 Opera House Square, Claremont, N.H. or the night of the show. Check out the complete cast list at [www.claremontoperahouse.org](http://www.claremontoperahouse.org).

## Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival's eighth season

**REGION** – Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival will celebrate its eighth season with the music of Caroline Shaw, Joan Tower, Robert Schumann, Johannes Brahms, and more. The Grammy nominated and awarded musicians of Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival, along with the Pikes Falls Baroque Ensemble and Naked-Eye Ensemble, will perform concerts in southern Vermont beginning Wednesday, July 31, 2019 and concluding Saturday, Aug. 10, 2019.

During the second week of the festival, composer-in-resi-

dence Nathan Lincoln-Decusatis's world premiere will feature New York photographs by Vermont photographer Rebecca Lepkoff.

PCFM will tour southern Vermont with performances at the Jamaica State Park, the Jamaica Town Hall, the Jamaica Community Church, Valley Cares Assisted Living, the Brattleboro Music Center, and the Grafton Community Church. All concerts are free to the public; donations to help the festival run are accepted and appreciated.

Pikes Falls Chamber Mu-

sic Festival will celebrate the southern Vermont community Sunday, Aug. 4. The community day will kick off with an instrument making workshop for kids and young adults at 10:30 a.m. From 2-4 p.m. at the Jamaica Community Church, join the Pikes Falls Chamber Ensemble in their open rehearsal. Closing the celebrations, there will be an open mic and potluck at the Jamaica Town Hall, from 6-9 p.m. The open mic will be led by the Jesse Loewy Band. Community members are encouraged to bring their favorite dish and

perform.

Natasha Loewy will once again lead the Pikes Falls Visual Art Residency that runs alongside the music festival. The residency will be from Monday, Aug. 5 through Sunday, Aug. 11. The artists will give a public talk about their art practices Saturday, Aug. 10, from 3-4 p.m. For more information, visit [www.pikesfallsvisualartresidency.com](http://www.pikesfallsvisualartresidency.com).

For more information on Pikes Falls Chamber Music Festival, visit us online at [www.pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com](http://www.pikesfallschambermusicfestival.com).

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# outdoor news

## Springfield Race Series eyes third race with the Booster Dash

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – After two races in the Springfield Race Series, the competition is heating up! After the Dam Run and the Lace Up for Laura events, over 500 people have participated in a road race this year in the Springfield. The two races have created some heated contests among division winners vying for the title of fastest in town.

Here is a brief recap of how the Springfield Race Series works: participants will earn five points for completing each race as well as points for placing in the top-10 within their five-year age group. For example, if you participated in both the Dam Run and the Lace up for Laura events and placed first in your age group, you would have 30 points; if you placed fifth in your age group you would have 20 points.

After the two races, here are the top point earners and their age groups. The 14-and-under group has two cousins vying for first in the men's category with Zed and Isaac McNaughton at the top with 29 and 25 points respectively. In the women 14-and-under category it's a tight race between Myra McNaughton, 30 points; Bizzy Tindall, 24; and Amelia Murchie, 23.

Only two participants have completed both events and placed first in their age group

earning a perfect 30 points, Myra McNaughton and Kyle Weeks, who has led the male 20-24 age group both races.

We have a few runners earning 29-points: Jim Fog, 40-44 age group; Jillian Trip, 35-39 age group; Paige Condon, 15-19 age group; John Blais, 50-54 age group; and Scott Peterson, 55-59. It seems the most competitive group is the age bracket is the men's 55-59 with Peterson at 29 points, Joe Cerniglia with 27 points, and Joe Coutermarsh with 25 points.

The women's 50-54 age group is also tight with Sarah Moulton at the top with 28 points and Sharon Snide with 24. There is another interesting race brewing in the women's 25-29 age group with Sarah Flore leading Kristen Brusio 28-26 in points. A few other impressive performances include Nancy Bladyka with 24 points in the Women's 65 and up bracket and Erica Blais with 27 points in the women's 45-49 bracket.

There are still two opportunities to add to your points total or take over the lead.

**The Booster Dash 5K** is Saturday, Aug. 3 at 9 a.m. This is a fun, flat course race that is designed to bring community



Kyle Weeks in green is one of only two participants to earn a perfect 30 points for winning his division in both races.

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members together while recognizing the importance of healthy living and exercise. The Dash is an event sponsored by the Springfield Booster Club and embodies the cornerstones of their work: collaboration, revitalization, and community spirit. The course begins at the Jones Center parking area and travels the Toonerville Trail out and back along the beautiful Black River.

These funds are going to be used specifically to increase the equipment available in the Cosmos Closet. The Cosmos Closet is a place where Springfield's student athletes can obtain the necessary equipment to participate in sports safely. The Booster Club has gently used equipment but also retains funding for items that need to be purchased new or specific for a student. The Booster Club takes pride in making sure that

any barriers that might eliminate a student from being part of Cosmos athletics are torn down.

**The EdgarMay Thanksgiving Day 5k** is held annually prior to the meal Americans consume the most amount of food. This race is the perfect way to start your Turkey Day morning by burning off a few calories with friends and family. The 3.1-mile course starts at Springfield Hospital and travels to Springfield High School and back for flat, fast course. Come dressed in a costume or with a large group of family and friends and you might receive one of the many fun prizes given away each year. This event is held on Thanksgiving morning at 9 a.m. so you are home in plenty of time for your meal. Proceeds for this event benefit the Edgar May Health and Recreation Center's Annual Fund. For more information, go to [www.myreccenter.org/thanksgiving-day-5k](http://www.myreccenter.org/thanksgiving-day-5k).

To register for the final two events, stop by the Edgar May Health and Recreation Center, Springfield Parks and Recreation, or check with a member of the Springfield Booster Club. If you have additional questions, please contact Christian Craig at 802-885-2568 or [craig@myreccenter.org](mailto:craig@myreccenter.org). See you out on the road!

## Vermont's migratory bird hunting seasons

MONTPELIER, Vt. – The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department has announced the 2019-20 migratory bird hunting season dates and bag limits.

A printable copy of the Migratory Bird Syllabus can be downloaded from the Vermont Fish & Wildlife website, [www.vtfishandwildlife.com](http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com), under "Hunt" – "Hunting Regulations and Seasons." A printed version also will be available from license agents and post offices by late August.

A statewide Vermont open hunting season for resident Canada geese will occur Sept. 1-25. The daily bag limit is five Canada geese in the Connecticut River Zone and eight in the rest of the state during this September season. The purpose of the September season is to help control Vermont's resident Canada goose population prior to the arrival of Canada geese migrating south from Canada.

A second Canada goose hunting season for resident and migrant geese will be held Oct. 10-Nov. 8 in the Lake Champlain and interior zones with a daily bag limit of two Canada geese.

In the Connecticut River Zone, the second Canada goose season will be Oct. 2-Nov. 3, and Nov. 20-Dec. 16 with a daily bag limit of two Canada geese.

Duck season this fall opens Oct. 10 in the Lake Champlain and Interior Vermont Zones and Oct. 2 in the Connecticut River Zone. The Lake Champlain Zone has a split season: Oct. 10-Nov. 1 and Nov. 23-Dec. 29. The Interior Vermont Zone has a straight season of Oct. 10-Dec. 8. The Connecticut River Zone has a split season: Oct. 2-Nov. 3 and Nov. 20-Dec. 16.

Vermont's youth waterfowl hunting weekend will be Sept. 28 and 29. Resident and non-resident hunters 17 years of age or younger on those dates may hunt ducks and geese within the Lake Champlain and Interior Vermont Zones during this weekend while accompanied by an adult 18 or older. In the Connecticut River Zone, youth must be 15 years of age or younger



Vermont 2019 migratory bird hunting information can be downloaded from the Vermont Fish & Wildlife website.

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on those dates. Both adult and youth must have Vermont hunting licenses. The adult may not hunt or carry a firearm. Youth ages 16 and 17 must have a Vermont Migratory Waterfowl tag and federal duck stamp.

Woodcock hunting season is Oct. 1- Nov. 14 statewide with a three-bird bag limit.

In addition to a hunting license, a waterfowl hunter 16 or older must carry a current federal duck stamp and Vermont Migratory Waterfowl tag in order to hunt waterfowl in Vermont. Federal stamps are sold at post offices, federal refuges, or online at [www.fws.gov/birds/get-involved/duck-stamp/buy-duck-stamp.php](http://www.fws.gov/birds/get-involved/duck-stamp/buy-duck-stamp.php). State Migratory Waterfowl tags are available on Vermont Fish & Wildlife's website, [www.vtfishandwildlife.com](http://www.vtfishandwildlife.com), and from license agents. The hunter must sign the federal duck stamp.

All migratory game bird hunters must also be registered with the Harvest Information Program in each state they hunt. You can register on Vermont Fish & Wildlife's website or call toll-free 1-877-306-7091. After providing some basic information, you will receive your annual HIP registration number, which you then need to record on your hunting license.

The hunting season dates, bag limits and related regulations for all migratory birds are set annually within a framework established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and in coordination with New York and New Hampshire.

Waterfowl season dates and bag limits are set in three zones: Lake Champlain, Interior Vermont, and Connecticut River. The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department sets the season dates and bag limits for the Connecticut River Zone.

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SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - Available 2 & 4 bedroom apartments, heat/hw included, W/D hook up in unit, Rent is 30% of income, application required, Equal Housing Opportunity, Contact Kathy 802-463-9863 for more information. (08/27)

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## HELP WANTED

ATHENS, Vt. - The Town of Athens is accepting applications for an experienced fulltime road crew laborer / equipment operator. Job responsibilities include plowing, grading, ditching, and other road maintenance and repairs. Requirements include a clean driving record, a CDL license, and the ability to pass drug and alcohol tests. The town offers health benefits; retirement; vacation, holiday and sick pay. The town is an equal opportunity employer. Applications may be picked up at the town office at 25 Brookline Rd., Athens, VT 05143 on Mondays from 9:00am - 1:00pm. Applications are due by August 14th, 2019 and may be mailed to Town of Athens, c/o 56 Brookline Rd. Athens, VT 05143. To request an application via email or for any other questions, contact the

town clerk at 802-869-3370 or 802-869-2553. (07/30)

LUDLOW, Vt. - Mary W. Davis Realtor & Associates in Ludlow is looking for an Administrative Assistant. Candidate will possess excellent computer skills and be proficient in Microsoft Access, Word and Excel, as well as Adobe InDesign, Illustrator and Photoshop. Must have experience with database management and possess good language skills. Knowledge of computer networking is desired. Ability to work well in a team environment is a must. Send resume and cover letter to: reagentvt@gmail.com. (TFN)

LUDLOW, Vt. - TPW Management is looking for a Customer Service Representative to join

our growing team. Must be personable and thrive in a fast-paced environment. We offer a competitive salary, excellent benefits, paid time off, sick time, 401(k) and so much more! EEO employer. Email resume to jobs@tpw.com. (08/20)

MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. - The Mount Holly Town Library Board of Trustees seeks a well-organized, creative self-starter for the position of Library Director. The director will oversee all aspects of library functions including, but not limited to, supervision of volunteers, interaction with Vermont Department of Libraries, programming, purchasing, cataloging, and completion of necessary reports. Position requires organization, strong computer skills, including

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Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. (07/30)

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## YARD SALE

PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. - Large papercraft and scrapbook supplies for sale, fabric and odds and ends. 841 Main St. Saturday, July 27, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. (07/30)



## pet of the week



Hi! I'm Indy and I'm a 10-year-old neutered male. My last home didn't quite work out for me so I went looking for my fortune and glory here at Lucy Mackenzie. You wouldn't believe the adventures I get in to while I'm here! I'm so happy-go-lucky around all the other cats, and just love to be pet by all the humans that come in. I'm not a fan of being held, but there's no doubting the affection I like to give. I can't wait to move into a proper home with my own family so my adventures can continue. Kind, caring children would be a plus, but dogs not so much. Dogs are a bit like snakes for me - not exactly my favorite. So, why not grab your fedora and swing by the shelter today? Maybe, just maybe, we can get this ball rolling.

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# calendar

## LEGAL NOTICES/HELP WANTED

### CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**JULY 27 – CHESTER, Vt.** – Qigong Summer Workshop Saturday, July 27 from 9 a.m. -12:30 p.m. at Fullerton Inn in Chester. Discover the Qi with flowing movement! Email laurenpottervt@gmail.com and register online at www.laurenpotterreikihealing.com.

**CHESTER, Vt.** – Spiritual Guidance Workshop on Saturday, July 27 from 1:30 - 5 p.m. at the Fullerton Inn in Chester. Email laurenpottervt@gmail.com and register online at www.laurenpotterreikihealing.com.

**JULY 29 – AUG. 2 – WINDSOR, Vt.** – Young Hacks Academy Team Elektra girls-only Tech Leadership Camp is for girls in grades 6 and 7 at the American Precision Museum in Windsor, July 29 to Aug. 2, from

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The program blends computer science, problem solving, and teamwork using a learning-by-designing approach. Girls work with cloud-based software to create websites with informational graphics and videos. There will be time outside each day for unplugged games. No prior programming experience is required. Scholarships available. For more information, visit www.young hacks.com.

**AUG. 1 – CLAREMONT, N.H.** – Part 2 of Photoshop 101 class on Thursday, Aug. 1 from 6 – 9 p.m. at Claremont Makerspace. The class is a basic introduction to the tools and uses of Adobe Photoshop Software for photography and photo manipulation. Subjects covered include file types, resizing images, canvas size and zooming, using toolbars, layers, and making color adjustments as well as various other tips, tricks and hints. Participants must have

basic computer skills and a laptop with Adobe Photoshop 6 or higher.

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

### CLUBS

**JULY 27 – TOWNSHEND, Vt.** – Hike Bald Mountain in Townshend with the Green Mountain Club Manchester Section on Saturday, July 27. Meet at Clark’s IGA in Londonderry at 9 a.m. to carpool to Townshend State Park. Hike the trail to the summit through interesting forest. There are nice but limited views from this summit but it is an enjoyable climb, 3.4 miles round trip, 1,100 feet elevation gain, moderate hike. We will be going at a moderately slow pace. Bring fluids, snacks, lunch, extra clothing, rain coat. Poles are always helpful. RSVP required to Marge Fish 802-384-3654 or marge.fish@gmail.com.

### COMMUNITY MEALS

**JULY 25 – PERU, Vt.** – Londonderry Community Picnic Lunch will be on Thursday, July 25 at noon at Hapgood Pond for residents of the mountain towns. The meal will be under the pavilion at the park. The meals are free; donations are welcomed. The park is located on Hapgood Pond Road in Peru. Hosted by Second Congregational Church, UCC, of Londonderry. Residents of all ages are welcome. Any questions, please call the church at 802-824-6453.

**AUG. 2 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – First Friday supper on Friday, Aug. 2 from 5 – 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 9 Church St., in Bellows Falls. Menu includes BBQ hamburgers, hot dogs, veggie burgers, corn on the cob, salads, dessert, and beverage. Gluten-free and vegan available. Suggested donation. Net proceeds to benefit the Evans family.

**AUG. 3 – CHESTER, Vt.** – The 81st annual August Supper at St. Luke’s Episcopal Church is on Saturday, Aug. 3 from 5 – 7 p.m. on the church lawn at 313 Main Street in Chester.

Menu includes three meats, cold soups, a big variety of salads, and delicious desserts. Rain location will be in Willard Hall. Children under 6 eat for free. Plan to come with friends. Call 802-875-2114 if you wish to reserve seats at a special time. Details can be found at the church website at www.stlukeseiscopalvt.org/specialevents.

### EVENTS

**JULY 26 – TOWNSHEND, Vt.** – The Townshend Public Library invites you come enjoy “Wildlife Tales” at the Townshend Town Hall on Friday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m. Storytelling naturalist Michael Clough from the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum will introduce wild animals found around New England. This free program is for all ages to enjoy. It offers a unique opportunity to view wildlife up close and personal. It is sponsored by the Townshend Public Library & the Vermont Department of Libraries.

**JULY 26 & 27 – LONDON DERRY, Vt.** – Don’t miss the annual Whale of a Sale on Friday and Saturday, July 26 and 27, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Second Congregational Church, 2051 Vermont Route 11, in Londonderry. As usual there is lots of furniture, kitchen items, home décor, prints and frames, small electronics, gardening items, sports equipment, and toys. Also includes our bake sale with delicious homemade items. For details, call 802-824-6453.

**JULY 27 – CAVENDISH, Vt.** – The 9th annual Cavendish Town Wide Tag sale will be held on Saturday, July 27 from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Organizations, businesses and residents

line the streets, village greens, off roads and by ways to help you find a treasure you can’t live without. A BBQ is located on the Proctorsville Green and a store owner has their close outs on the Cavendish Green, along with other vendors. Check out what some vendors have for sale at the Cavendish Facebook page at www.facebook.com/cavendishvt.

**ACWORTH, N.H.** – The second annual Acworth Community Project Car Show is happening on Saturday, July 27, from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Acworth Village Store. Bring your antique or classic car or motorcycle to show off to attendees who will then vote for their favorite. Entrance is free. There will be food and drinks available at the car show followed by Acworth Village Store’s famous Pizza Night from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. If you are interested in showing off your awesome set of wheels, please contact Wes Cubberley at cubdebbie@aol.com or call 603-863-4802.

**CHESTER, Vt.** – Join us for the Mountain Valley Climate Action 350VT Electric Vehicle Cruise In on Saturday, July 27, from 4 – 7 p.m. starting at the First Universalist Parish of Chester. Starting at 4:15 p.m., the group will cruise the three-mile loop through Chester and back to the site. Following the cruise through town, the EVs return to the site for a show and tell and vegan/vegetarian BBQ. SunCommon, 350VT, and MVCA will have information tables at the event. For more information or questions, you can contact Melody Reed at melodious54@gmail.com.

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – Wundergroove dance party on Saturday, July 27 from 9:30 p.m. – 1

a.m. at Wunderbar, 22 Rockingham St. in the square in Bellows Falls. Resident DJ Jade will be spinning a diverse mix of dance tunes through the ages. Nightclub dance party atmosphere, great bespoke cocktails all made in-house, inclusive vibe, all welcome. Come dance with us.

**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.

**WEEKLY – WEATHERSFIELD, Vt.** – The Rev. Dan Foster House, the museum of the Weathersfield Historical Society, is open for July and August on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 5 p.m., and Friday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. Admission is free and donations are welcome.

### LIBRARIES

**JULY 25 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** – The Rockingham Free Public Library’s summer reading program continues Thursday, July 25, at 5 p.m. with Making Space for Pollinators with The Butterfly Guy. In this free, all-ages program, learn about butterflies, bees, bats, and how to build and maintain habitats that help our pollinator populations. Bring a t-shirt, or money to buy a shirt, to make a pollinator t-shirt with a combination of dye sprays, plants, and butterfly, bat, and dragon cut outs. For more information, contact the Library 802-463-4270, youthservices@rockinghamlibrary.org, or rockinghamlibrary.org.

**JULY 26 – LONDON DERRY, Vt.** – Visit us at the South Londonderry Free Library Friday, July 26 at 1 p.m. for their Wild & Crazy Hair story time program. Includes stories, songs, finger plays, games, and a related craft. For details, call 802-824-3371.

**JULY 27 – WESTON, Vt.** – David Rosane & the Zookeepers

### INVITATION TO BID WINTER SAND

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

All bids must be received at the Chester Town Office no later than 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 25, 2019.

### Green Mountain Unified School District

#### Middle School Boys & Girls Soccer Coaches Needed for upcoming 2019 Fall Season at Green Mountain Union High School

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:  
- Management and Coaching of the Soccer Teams  
- Program development  
- Experience is preferred but not required.

Background Checks Required

Please forward a letter of interest and references to:  
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Athletic Director  
Green Mountain Union High School  
716 VT Route 103 South  
Chester, VT 05143  
802-875-2146

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Candidates must be highly qualified with an Associates degree or by successful completion of the ParaPro Assessment (see online). The candidates must also enjoy being active, working collaboratively with a team, and possess the qualities of patience, creativity, flexibility, dependability, consistency, commitment, and a desire to learn new skills. Candidate will need to have the ability to follow a detailed educational and behavioral plan. Experience working with Special Needs Students a plus.

Background Check required.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, a resume and 3 letters of references to:

Karen Trimboli  
Principal  
Black River High School  
43 Main Street  
Ludlow, VT 05149  
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### The Town of Rockingham has Request for Proposals (RFP’s) out for the following work, materials or equipment

#### Town Garage Generator RFP

The Town of Rockingham is requesting proposals for a 27KW generator at the Town Garage located on Rte #103 (Toolshed). Interested bidders are asked to submit sealed proposals, clearly marked “TOOLSHEED GENERATOR RFP”, no later than 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 1, 2019.

#### Road Line Striping RFP

The Town of Rockingham is requesting proposals for 140,000 feet of white line striping. Interested bidders are asked to submit sealed proposals, clearly marked “LINE STRIPING RFP”, no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 31, 2019.

Contact Everett Hammond, Public Works Director, Town of Rockingham for a copy of the RFP at 802-463-3964 ext 1116 or it can be obtained on line at dpw@rockbf.org.

### TOWN OF LUDLOW NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing before the Development Review Board for the Village of Ludlow, Vermont, will be held on August 12, 2019 at 6:00 P.M., in the Ludlow Town Hall conference room, to consider a Conditional Use Permit located in the Village Residential Commercial District:

APPLICANT: Troy Caruso  
Hemingway Hill Properties LLC  
10 Colonial Drive  
Smithtown, New York 11787

PROPERTY LOCATION: 12 Meadow Street  
Ludlow, Vermont 05149  
Parcel No. 230519.000

REASON FOR HEARING: Application to consider a Conditional Use Permit to change the use of an existing funeral home & apartment to a two-family home. The project is in the Village Residential Commercial District.

APPLICATION NUMBER: 476-20-CU

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

Rosemary Goings  
Board Clerk

### ANSWERS TO TAKE A BREAK!

#### Weekly SUDOKU

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#### King Crossword

Answers  
Solution time: 25 mins.

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### Advanced Manufacturing Opportunity

G.S. Precision Inc. and Vermont Technical College are seeking candidates to participate in the GSP School of Manufacturing Technology, beginning this Fall 2019.

This program includes formal classroom instruction and hands on machining and engineering experience. Credits earned in this program can be used towards VTC’s Associates Degree in General Engineering Technology. The cost of the program is fully funded by GSP.

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will tour to support Vermont libraries and to shine a light on a library's pivotal role in our communities Saturday, July 27 at 5 p.m. at the Church on the Hill. Opening act is Jake Geppert. All ages welcome.

**JULY 29 - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. -** Poetry Open Mic night on Monday, July 29 at 7 p.m. at the Rockingham Library in Bellows Falls. Dig out some poems you've penned over the years. Or sharpen your pencils to write some original poetry. Readers should come prepared to read up to five poems. For more information, go to [www.rockinghamlibrary.org](http://www.rockinghamlibrary.org), call 802-463-4270, email [programming@rockinghamlibrary.org](mailto:programming@rockinghamlibrary.org) or stop by the library at 65 Westminster St.

**AUG. 3 - ROCKINGHAM, Vt. -** Rockingham Library is hosting the second of a three-part workshop series on The Art of Spiritual Dreaming Saturday, Aug. 3 from 11 a.m. - noon. Learn techniques to improve dream recall, interpret dream experiences for yourself, and work with the divine guidance dreams offer. Led by Eckankar, a spiritual teaching that offers simple exercises for people of all faiths, traditions, and walks of life to develop and deepen a conscious and practical relationship with spirit.

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

Old Springfield Rd. Refreshments will be on sale - burgers, hot dogs, chips, cold beverages, and a sweet. Please bring a lawn chair and enjoy our entertainment.

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt. -** Open Mic Night with Johnny O at Trout River Brewing Company in Springfield on Friday, July 26 from 4 - 8 p.m. Come on down to watch or perform at Trout River Brewing Company's Open Mic Night. Taste of Brazil VT will be serving dinner and dessert!

**JULY 26 & 27 - LUDLOW, Vt. -** Enjoy the play "Love, Loss, and What I Wore" on Friday and Saturday, July 26 & 27 at 7:30 p.m. at the Black River Academy Museum in Ludlow. Refreshments during intermission. To reserve a ticket, call 802-228-5050.

**JULY 27 - WEATHERSFIELD, Vt. -** The 9th annual Summer Evening with Friends and Neighbors will be held Saturday, July 27 at 6 p.m. at the Weathersfield Center Meeting House on Weathersfield Center Road. Popular trio Woods Tea Company will perform Celtic, Blue Grass, and Americana tunes. There will be a silent auction, and abundant appetizers and beverages will be available. Decadent desserts will be served during the concert break. Suggested donation. Proceeds will benefit the Weathersfield Proctor Library Capital Campaign. Call the library at 802-674-2863 for further information.

**JULY 28 - CLAREMONT, N.H. -** The River Valley Animal Protection League is hosting a benefit concert on Sunday, July 28, from 2 to 4 p.m. It will be held next to Frank's Bargain Center in the event hall on

Rt. 12 in South Claremont across from the hang gliding field. The concert will feature Nashville, Tenn. award-winners, Lawless and Mae. Light refreshments will be provided and a raffle will be held. Please plan on arriving early for a good seat. Admission will be by donation.

**PUTNEY, Vt. -** Twilight Music presents the Julian Gerstin Sextet performing original jazz at the 17th annual Twilight on the Tavern Lawn series on Sunday, July 28 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 concert is free to the public (donations are accepted) and food will be

available. For information, visit [www.twilightmusic.org](http://www.twilightmusic.org) or call 802-387-5772.

**JULY 30 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. -** The Springfield Community Band, under the direction of Asst. Conductor Fritz Wendlandt, will present a free "March Night" concert on Tuesday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Hartness House Inn in Springfield. The plans for the evening include a mix of well-known, well-loved marches together with several more obscure marches that are new this year to the band's repertoire.

**JULY 31 - CAVENDISH, Vt. -** The Cavendish Summer Music Series continues on Wednesday, July 31

at 6 p.m. with the Davis Brothers Garage Band on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville. Brothers Rick and Jeff Davis of Brownsville formed the band with cousin Lane Gibson. The latest addition to the band is no stranger to Proctorsville - Mark Huntley will be on drums. This concert is sponsored by DG Bodyworks of Proctorsville. Bring a blanket or a comfortable chair, have a picnic, or just lie back and relax on the grass. In case of inclement weather, please check the Cavendish Facebook page. For more information, please call

Robin at 802-226-7736.

**AUG. 7 - CAVENDISH, Vt. -** The Cavendish Summer Music Series continues on Wednesday, Aug. 7 at 6 p.m. with Chris Kleeman on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville. This concert is sponsored by Good Earth Landscape Company. Relax in the grass on your blanket or favorite lawn chair - have a picnic or just listen to the music. Help keep the tradition alive and come to Proctorsville to enjoy a warm summer evening with your neighbors and friends in front of

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**JULY 26 - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. -** Summer Encore Theatre, the traveling student drama troupe, will present "The Sun, the Moon and the Stars" at the Riverside Middle School Auditorium on Friday, July 26 at 10 a.m. Local students from the Summer Daze program will participate in the performance with the Rutland High School students. Summer Encore, which is in its 22nd year, is a troupe of students in grades 7-12 who develop a play each year and travel throughout Vermont performing! This show is brought to Springfield by the Springfield Town Library. Free and open to the public.

**CHARLESTOWN, N.H. -** Gerry Grimo & The East Bay Ensemble will perform a free concert, rain or shine on Friday, July 26 from 6:30 - 8 p.m. at the Charlestown Senior Center, 223



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