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## Charlestown teacher publishes book, "Wealth Beyond Riches"

BY JOE MILLIKEN

The Shopper

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – Local author and teacher Blanch Nutting has published her second book titled "Wealth Beyond Riches." The book was

published in February of 2019 by Xulon Press Christian Publishing based in Maitland, Fla., and is available in paperback and on Kindle.

Nutting's first title was published in 2011, also by Xulon Press, called "Monster In The

Wall," a children's book about an incident at Blanch's home that frightened her two grandsons who were ages 8 and 11 at the time.

Based in the mid-1900s, "Wealth Beyond Riches" is the story of Nutting's own family, Fred and Helen Brockway – Blanch's parents – and their successful raising of 10 children as God-honored citizens. The book is reminiscent of the "Little House" series, but instead is set 100 years later in Maine – where Blanch grew up – instead of the Midwest.

"My parents were rare examples of kind but firm leaders, and found strength to rear us all through their faith," Nutting said. "The book speaks to parents and kids today and encourages the positive traits of obedience

to authority, hard work, and love of family and dedication – even during stressful and harrowing times."

Blanch was the sixth of 10 children, and the recollections of her older siblings are included in the book. Therefore, the first nine chapters of the book are written in the third person, and after she was born, Nutting writes in the first person while still relying on the memories of all eight of her living siblings as well as her own. A younger sister, Ruth Elaine, passed away at a young age. Names of some of her neighbors and friends have been changed in order to protect their identities.

"I wrote my current book



Blanch Nutting's family feeding a deer in 1966.

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Blanch Nutting's childhood home.

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as to honor my great parents who reared us 10 kids with little money but much love and hard labor. Plus, I also wanted to leave a legacy for my own kids and extended family. It took five years to research and write the book, for I spoke with all living siblings to get their memories and views of the different events that I wrote about. "As to whether I will write another book, I have started a se-

quel, but it has yet to consume me like 'Wealth Beyond Riches' did. I am also considering a novel based on my first year of teaching school."

"Wealth Beyond Riches" is available through the publisher's website, other online outlets, and locally at Village Square Books in Bellows Falls and Violet's Book Exchange in Claremont. "Monster In The Wall" is also available online.

## Rockingham directs MSA to take down "Cabaret" set

BY BETSY THURSTON

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Tuesday, July 7, the Rockingham Selectboard discussed tax bills and the Main Street Arts "Cabaret" set and equipment at the Bellows Falls Opera House.

Finance Director Shannon Burbela explained the governor approved municipal budget changes, and she did not recommend waiting to send tax bills. Burbela suggested setting the tax rate and sending the first bill, and then the second bill would

be revised if the budget was changed. Susan Hammond wanted to remind residents that although positions were eliminated, the money was already in the budget. This would not save taxpayer money and would move to the General Fund. The board set the tax rate at \$1.1058.

The Selectboard also addressed whether Main Street Arts' set for their show "Cabaret" should be moved from the Opera House. MSA's production of "Cabaret" was postponed back in early March – two days before their opening

night – due to the COVID-19 orders to limit social gatherings. The set and equipment has remained in the Opera House.

Peter Golec thought that MSA should move their set and said the Opera House "is not a storage facility." Similar opinions were echoed by Stefan Golec and Ben Masure.

Hammond disagreed. "This is a very unusual situation... [and] a lot of time and money went into constructing that set."

Chair Gaetano Putignano said, "It isn't about MSA...it's

about following the rules."

Gavy Kessler, MSA co-chair, said, "The set is a large scale work of art... It will literally have to be sawed apart [to be removed] and cost a large amount of money to rebuild." He continued, "If you say that you support the arts, please right now support the arts by letting us keep our set there."

Director David Stern said, "We have gotten very positive support from not only what we've earned for the Opera House but also local businesses."

Bonnie North added, "I

think you are shooting yourselves in the foot," and "There seems to be no logic."

Putignano explained, "If the show never happens, what will we do in six months? Have folks seemingly getting mad at board members for asking someone to remove their set of a show that we don't know if it's ever going to happen."

Hammond suggested revisiting the issue in January. "I don't see the problem in leaving it...I see a big problem in taking it away."

When asked about current acts, Opera House manager

Rick Angers said, "We could, according to governor's guidelines, put on a performance."

Peter Golec suggested building sets that could be bolted together and dismantled easier.

Ben Masure moved that MSA remove the set within two weeks. Stefan Golec seconded, and the motion passed 4-1 with Hammond against.

The Selectboard's next meeting is Aug. 4. Putignano explained residents are encouraged to attend because VTrans will be discussing construction on Bridge 38 – the steel bridge on Missing Link Road.

## County recovery forums to be held across the state

MONTPELIER, Vt. – On July 9, the Local Support and Community Action Team of the Governor's Economic Recovery Task Force will launch a series of virtual COVID-19 recovery visits to be held in each county across the state over the next several months.

The action team was convened in mid-April as part of the Economic Mitigation and Recovery Task Force and charged by Gov. Scott with identifying and replicating regional and community recovery initiatives and uncovering gaps in recovery efforts to ensure equitable distribution of resources, especially in rural areas and underserved populations.

Virtual forums will bring together community members and business and organizational leaders from across the region to discuss challenges and share ideas for community response and equitable economic recovery, and connect to others working to respond and recover. The forums will encourage and support local and regional efforts, share promising practices and models between counties, pro-

mote equitable access to financial, social, and structural recovery, and aid communities in accessing the tools and resources to support their recovery work.

Participants will join a brief opening session and then breakout into their choice of discussion topics chosen by a steering committee from each region. Topics for discussion could include Telecommunications, Business Support and Recovery, Education and Childcare, Building Community Unity, Addressing Racial Inequities, Developing Buy Local Campaigns, Housing, Food Access, and more. Recovery visiting teams of federal, state, regional, non-profit, and business leaders and experts will attend each forum to share recovery strategies from across the state and ideas for resources and support.

Local forums will be held:

- Windham County – July 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Rutland County – Aug. 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Windsor County – Oct. 8, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Recovery Visit Forums are being coordinated and facilitated

by the Vermont Council on Rural Development, in partnership with local and regional partners.

Paul Costello, executive director of VCRD and action team leader, says, "We all have a part and a responsibility in answering the pandemic and working toward economic recovery, and we know that creative solutions are being developed by local leaders throughout the state. The county forums are a starting point to share best practices, consider further needs, connect to resources, and gather ideas from each region to ensure that we are moving forward together...together we are Vermont strong."

All are welcome and encouraged to join the forums. To learn more and to register in your county, visit www.vtrural.org/recovery or contact info@vtrural.org or 802-223-6091 with questions or for registration assistance. Registration will become available within two weeks of the forum date in each county.

## Child in Chester tests positive for COVID-19

CHESTER, Vt. – The town of Chester has been notified that a young child has tested positive for COVID-19. This young child was present at the Chester Town Pool July 9, 2020 from 6 to 6:45 p.m., and she is not a Chester resident. The testing was performed in support of contact tracing efforts unrelated to the use of the Chester Town Pool or its other facilities. The child has not shown any signs or symptoms of COVID-related illness.

The protocols for the Chester Town Pool that have been in effect since the pool opened include an hourly cleaning and disinfecting. Every 45 minutes the pool and pool house area are emptied of people and all touchable services are disinfected. This happens consistently throughout every day of operation.

Based on information provided by the CDC, there is no evidence that COVID-19 can spread through contact with chlorinated water in swimming pools. However,

to take all precautions and in compliance with CDC guidelines, the Chester Town Pool area was closed July 13. A professional company has been hired to disinfect the pool and pool house thoroughly. The pool reopened Tuesday, July 14 at noon.

If you were at the Chester Town Pool Thursday, July 9, 2020, from 6-6:45 p.m., please contact the Chester Town Hall at 802-875-2173 to confirm

your identity and other contact information. You are also advised to contact your primary care provider for guidance on isolating and whether COVID testing should be obtained.

We are hearing more and more about recent exposures taking place closer to Chester. I encourage all of us to strengthen and use all CDC recommended precautions during this time to help minimize the spread of COVID.



The Chester Town Pool has been sanitized and reopened.

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# New leadership at Community Asylum Seekers Project

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – For Kate Paarlberg-Kvam, staying isolated during the COVID-19 pandemic has not meant stepping back from global issues. Instead, the new executive director of the Bellows Falls-based Community Asylum Seekers Project has doubled down on

her commitment to advocacy and support for people seeking asylum in the United States.

Paarlberg-Kvam, who took over at CASP three weeks ago, said the organization is working to grow its capacity to advocate for asylum seekers who are in detention facilities across the

country, especially as concerns grow about the spread of COVID-19.

“It is definitely, absolutely a life or death situation right now,” said Paarlberg-Kvam, a former academic who holds a Ph.D. in Latin American studies. Last week, a federal judge ordered migrant children re-

leased from detention facilities by mid-July, citing concerns about the coronavirus pandemic. But Paarlberg-Kvam said that order does not do enough to help a vulnerable population. “We don’t hear enough about COVID in prisons, but we hear even less about COVID in detention,” she said. “What we

do hear, they’re horror stories. People being clustered in close proximities. We hear stories about people being transferred unsafely.... People who try to organize for their rights being punished with solitary confinement.”

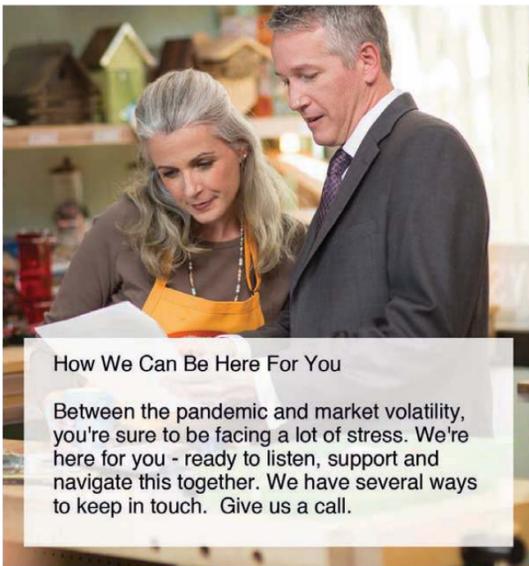
The Community Asylum Seekers Project, which began as a volunteer effort in 2016, works to support asylum seekers and help them transition into local Vermont communities. Over the last four years, the organization has helped 17 asylum seekers find housing, transportation, and jobs in Vermont; providing legal aid and support as their cases make their way through the court system.

An asylum claim can take years to process in the United States, and most often, asylum seekers are kept in privately run detention facilities during that time. But, as Paarlberg-Kvam explained, “Many times they can be released into the care of a friend or family member” instead. CASP fills that role, and is currently working with six individuals who are seeking asylum. According to CASP board member Dempster Leech, it costs the organization about \$15,000 to host one asylum seeker for a year.

Paarlberg-Kvam described

the current caseload of six clients as “a bit of a lull” but that doesn’t mean work has slowed. Like many nonprofits, CASP has had to step back and rethink its operations amid the global pandemic. While volunteers previously stepped up to provide housing and transportation to asylum seekers, Paarlberg-Kvam said the organization is now looking into housing options that don’t involve a host family, which may be safer, but also more expensive.

At the same time, she said, the organization is also considering how to articulate its role within the broader social justice movement sweeping the country. There are plans in the works for new volunteer trainings, which will focus on antiracism and addressing structural racism in Vermont. “Part of settling people into communities is making sure there is someone to drive them to help them find housing and someone to drive them to the grocery store,” said Paarlberg-Kvam, “but another part of settling people into communities is changing those communities.” To learn more about the Community Asylum Seekers Project, or to support the organization’s current Start Some Good campaign, please visit [www.caspt.org](http://www.caspt.org).



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## The Putney Farmers' Market is reopening July 19

PUTNEY, Vt. – The COVID-19 pandemic has pre-

sented many unique new challenges for communities and people across the globe. While Vermonters have done an outstanding job caring for one another and adhering to government pandemic guidelines during this strange and difficult time, we have all faced unexpected roadblocks, large hurdles, and other unpleasant changes to our daily lives and routines. However, as people begin to adjust to this new way of life, the organizations and events we have all come to love and depend on slowly start to return to our community. One such returning event is the Putney Farmers' Market, which will be reopening its in-person summer farmers market starting July 19.

The Putney Farmers' Market will be held every Sunday, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at 17 Carol Brown Way in Putney, across from the Putney Food Co-Op. It will feature local produce, artisan craft goods, prepared food, and more. Ross Orsucci, current manager at the Putney Farmers' Market, says, “Our hope is that the presence of the farmers' market will allow the Putney community to once again come together in enjoying the bountiful harvest provided by our beautiful state of Vermont, and also to re-establish some sense of normalcy and togetherness during this difficult time.”

Ross, working together with the farmers and the Putney Farmers' Market board, plans to make the market a safe, welcoming place for everyone even during the COVID-19 pandemic.

To ensure the safety of the community and to allow even those who are most at-risk to partake in the fun, the Putney Farmers' Market will require adherence to several COVID-19 guidelines, including required masks or face coverings, six-foot social distancing, a one-way direction of foot travel, and a window of time from 11-11:30 a.m. allotted for high-risk individuals. There will be several hand-sanitizing stations placed throughout the market as well as a health and safety officer present at all times. More information can be found at the Putney Farmers' Market website, [www.putneyfarmersmarket.org](http://www.putneyfarmersmarket.org).

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# LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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## 1934 Chester

Below is a story written by L.A. Carpenter from the June 1934 Carpenter's Store News. Lucius Allen Carpenter answered to Carp or Al. After his story, I will identify most of the people he mentions.

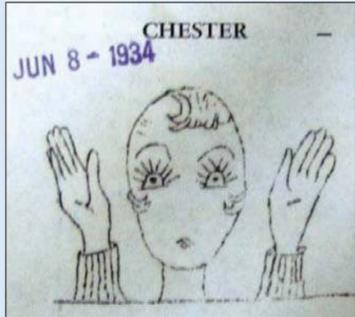
Carp describes a very peaceful downtown Chester. Of course, it's gone now, but I enjoy reliving those days if only in my mind. The photo with this article is a hand-drawn sketch from the same issue.

"So far as I know, the day opened peacefully with the sun rising over the eastern hills and the birds chirping merrily in the tree tops as usual, when at approximately 5:30 A.M. Waldo Stevens rolled by on the hard surfaced road with his one wheeled wagon filled with empty milk cans. This followed by a few remarks by the family watch dog announced that another quiet day had begun. Henry Davis, laden with milk pails and bottles, moves majestically up the street, Harry Balch's truck roars by on it's way to Weston to gather the daily cargo for the Bellows Falls Creamery (Harry, we miss those two toots of the horn), Foss Parmenter comes hurrying to open the post office to accommodate early readers of the Rutland Herald, Ralph Britton strolls down to his shop 'under the spreading chestnut tree', the boys speed by to the Springfield plants, Don Eddy throws his dinner pail into the car and away he goes for his day's work, and when Isa Craigue arrives with stately tread we consider the day opened and ready for business.

"Business gets into full swing when 'Bob' Dewey wears the daily inch off his broom on the walk in front of his store, which shines like a mirror. By saving the handles from his worn out brooms, 'Bob' provides all his winter's firewood. The morning tasks are hardly done and the Boston paper read before satisfying odors reach the street informing the passerby that dinner (not lunch) is going on the table right away.

"After dinner dishes are out of the way, work for the womenfolks is practically over for the day, except for what might be termed recreation.

"Tastes vary considerably as to what form this will take - some love to embroider on socks with



Sketch from June Carpenter's Store News. PHOTO PROVIDED BY CHESTER HISTORICAL SOCIETY

big holes in them, some prefer to do out the family wash or get the ironing cleaned up, others are expert with the lawn mower or garden tools, those with a taste for dressmaking find the long afternoons especially delightful for practicing the art - in fact, wide scope is afforded for most any form of useful home sport until supper time, when the 'brutes' have to be fed after a hard day's work. Summer mornings are filled with meetings of the various orders, church suppers, rehearsals, movies, auto trips or just sitting on the front porch and keeping tabs on the neighbors. So the beautiful summer goes and winter is upon us before we know it.

"City dwellers ask, 'what can you find to do to pass the time?' We can only answer, 'Oh, not much. Mostly sit and think, and when we get tired of thinking - we just sit.'"

Waldo Stevens was the son of Merrill Stevens. Merrill built what we know today as the Jeffrey Barn. Waldo lived on School Street in Chester. He was in the lumber business.

Henry Davis ran a livery and feed stable on Main Street. He lived on School Street and was a rural route letter carrier. Many will remember Harry Balch. Harry picked up and delivered farmers' milk to the Bellows Falls Creamery for many years. Harry was a rugged man. He could carry a 40-quart milk can in each hand. While many today could

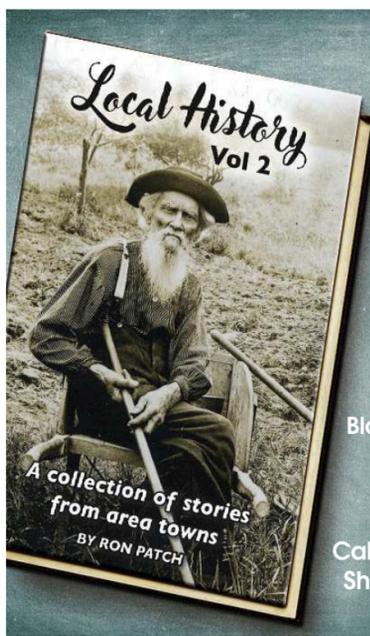
equal this feat, very few - if any - could hoist the cans high enough with either hand and place them in the back of the milk truck. Kathy Goodell is Harry's daughter.

Foster "Foss" Parmenter was postmaster. From Ted Spaulding are several photos of Foss in plays held at Town Hall. Much is known about Foss. Isa Craigue was assistant postmaster and lived on Main Street. Don Eddy was a carpenter living on Main Street.

My parents' generation didn't have lunch; they had dinner. I remember growing up and having Sunday dinner at 1 p.m. Supper was 5 or 6 p.m. Perry Foster was always reminding me that I wasn't going out to dinner, but going out to supper.

Peter Farrar was helpful digging up Carpenter history for me. Carp was born in 1879.

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## Veterans group awards nurses training scholarships

**REGION** - The local chapter of The Forty and Eight, a national veterans organization, has awarded scholarships to two outstanding students in nursing programs in colleges in Vermont.

The recipients and the colleges in which they are enrolled are Jasmine Moody, West Glover, senior at University of Vermont, and Abigale Savoie, South Barre,

junior at Castleton University.

A national program to help alleviate the shortage of skilled nurses in this country has long been a special interest to *La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux*, the veterans' organization founded in 1920 and also known as "The Forty and Eight." Since 1955, La Societe has provided over \$33,400,450 and assisted more than 4,900 nurses in

obtaining nursing degrees.

For more information about The Forty and Eight and the 40&8 Nurses Training Program, please contact Melvin McKnight at 802-454-7746 or [sprucem907@gmail.com](mailto:sprucem907@gmail.com). For more information about the 40&8 Nurses Training Scholarship, please call Karlene Devine at 802-877-6392 or [kdevine@myfairpoint.net](mailto:kdevine@myfairpoint.net).

## Bearing Witness and Endurance of Voice

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - On Wednesday, July 29 at 6 p.m., Springfield Town Library is hosting an online-only presentation, "Bearing Witness and Endurance of Voice: The Legacy of Lucy Terry Prince." Lucy Terry Prince was born in Africa, where she was kidnapped by slave traders and transported to Rhode Island. While still enslaved in 1746, she wrote "Bars Fight." The oldest known poem in the United States was written by an African American. Prince later regained her freedom and moved to Vermont with her husband, Abijah Prince, and fought for her family's land rights all the way to the highest court in Vermont.

In this presentation, Shanta Lee Gander illustrates Prince's importance as a poet and orator, and as one unafraid to fight for her rights within the landscape of early Vermont, New England, and America. Gander will also perform Lucy's only surviving poem, "Bars Fight."

This event will be online using Zoom. It is free and open to the public; however, pre-registration is required. Register at <https://bit.ly/317Q7HY>.

For more information, contact Tracey Craft at [stlvtprograms@gmail.com](mailto:stlvtprograms@gmail.com).

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# obituaries

# OPINION

## Theresa A. Ambrose, 1959-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Theresa A. Ambrose, 61, passed away unexpectedly at her home Thursday evening, July 2, 2020. She was born Feb. 19, 1959 in Springfield, Vt., the daughter of John and Arlene (Lovell) Dzewaltowski. She attended Springfield schools, graduated from Springfield High School, and later graduated from Northeastern University. While in school, Terry was a member of the Springfield swim team for many years. She also enjoyed dance and ballet.



Theresa A. Ambrose, 1959-2020  
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On June 29, 1985, she married David Ambrose at St. Mary's Church in Springfield, Vt. She was employed as a social worker with the state of Vermont and the Parent Child Center. She enjoyed working with and helping children and was a strong advocate for trou-

bled and at-risk children.

She is survived by her husband David Ambrose; daughter Jessica L. York; sisters Margaret DeLacoste and Ann Pushee; brother Peter Dzewaltowski; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was predeceased by her parents John and Arlene Dzewaltowski.

A funeral mass was celebrated July 9, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Springfield, Vt. Reverend Peter Williams officiated. Burial followed in St. Mary's Cemetery in Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made in her memory to the American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, MD 20852 or at contributions@kidneyfund.org.

## Moira A. Fratini, 1940-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Moira Ann Ray Fratini, 80, passed away at her home Sunday, July 5, 2020 in the company of John Fratini, her husband of 60 years. Moira was born Feb. 13, 1940 in Springfield, Mass., the daughter of Edward J. Sr. and Harriet R. (Rich) Ray. She graduated from Cathedral High School in Springfield in 1957, from Mercy School of Nursing in 1961, and later received a Master of Science Nurse Anesthesia degree from the University of New England.

Moira worked as a certified registered nurse anesthetist for 40 years at several area hospitals. Throughout that time, she was deeply involved with the state, regional, and national anesthesia associations, serving as a board member for many years. She also served in the United States Army Reserves, Army Medical Department from March 1990 to March 2000, retiring as a major.

Moira and her husband belonged to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Springfield, where she was an active member and former regent at the Catholic Daughters of America, Court St. Anne 1069. She spent many happy hours with a local quilting group and won several prizes for her quilts at local fairs.

Moira is survived by her husband John, daughter Moira Santos and husband Andre



Moira A. Fratini, 1940-2020.  
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Santos, son Philip Fratini and wife Susan, son Thomas Fratini, daughter Colleen Stearns and husband Patrick, son Kevin Fratini and wife Meghan, and daughter Mary Fratini and husband Andrew Hudson. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, one great-grandson, sister-in-law Rosemary Ray, and by many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A funeral mass was celebrated Monday, July 13, 2020 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Springfield. Burial will be at a later date in St. Michael's Cemetery in Springfield, Mass. Memorial contributions may be made to the CDA Court St. Anne 1069 College Scholarship Fund, c/o Mary Clancy, 6 Overlook Drive, Springfield, VT 05156.

## Elaine Folsom, 1937-2020

ASCUTNEY, Vt. – Elaine Folsom, 83, passed away Friday, July 3, 2020 at the Springfield Health & Rehab Center in Springfield, Vt. She was born March 7, 1937 in Townshend, Vt., the daughter of James and Nathalie (Hackett) Cole. She graduated from Leland and Grey High School in Townshend, Vt.

In 1977, she married Richard "Dick" E. Folsom. He predeceased her in 2008. She was employed as an executive secretary with Cone Blanchard in Windsor, Vt. for many years. She also owned Sally's Consignments in Windsor, Vt.

Elaine was an artist and painter. She loved traveling with her husband, was an avid reader, and loved animals, especially her dogs.

She is survived by her sons Bob Regan and Todd Regan; two grandsons Rob and Josh; three great-grandchildren James, Arlon, and Azlan. She was predeceased by her parents and a brother Theodore "Ted" Cole.

A graveside service will be held at the convenience of the family in the Ascutneyville Cemetery in Ascutney, Vt. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

## Dona M. Farrar, 1948-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Dona M. Farrar, 72, passed away June 17, 2020 at the McClure Miller Respite House in Burlington, Vt. She was born March 25, 1948 in Bellows Falls, Vt., the daughter of Clayton and Patricia (Haskins) Roy. She attended the Vilas School in Alstead, N.H. and later received her GED.

She was a mother and homemaker. She enjoyed doing crafts and writing stories and poems.

Dona is survived by her children Tyce Kingsbury, Michael Kingsbury, Travis Farrar, Michele Kingsbury, and stepdaughter Dawn Loura; 16 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and her brother Ralph Roy. She was predeceased by her parents and longtime companion Charles Loura.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

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Dear Editor,

This year has brought some very unexpected changes to our daily lives. All of us have felt the impact of COVID-19. Here in Vermont, we are fortunate that the virus has not affected us as gravely as our neighboring states, but we must take precautions nonetheless.

I am sorry to report that the Fire Company has voted to cancel our annual auction, bar-

becue, and pie auction. This is by far our biggest fundraising event of the year, but we felt that we must err on the side of caution in deference to people's safety and in the interest of public health.

I want to reassure you that we are still here and responding to emergency calls. This has not changed, and our volunteers are as committed as ever.

We would appreciate any donations you are able to give to support the Fire Company. We plan on continuing with the 50/50 raffle; we normally sell between 500-700 of these every year. You may contact

Jan Wyman at 802-875-3373 or Marcia Clinton at 802-875-3531 to acquire the raffle tickets. The raffle will take place on Facebook Aug. 8, the day we normally would have had the auction.

Thank you for your continued support. I believe that the Fire Company is an integral part of our community, and we wouldn't be able to survive if it weren't for the generosity of our friends and neighbors.

Stay safe.  
Cordially,  
Mike McLaine, president  
Windham Volunteer Fire Co.

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by Linda Thistle

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- Mentor
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- Crucial time
- Blond shade

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# obituaries

## Marilynn L. Chlebak, 1936-2020

WINDSOR, Vt. – Marilynn Louise (Kempsell) Chlebak, having outfoxed dementia for several years, died in her sleep June 2, 2020 at Cedar Hill Memory Care Center in Windsor, Vt. Born to Marion L. Kempzell and George J. Kempzell, she began life Aug. 25, 1936 in Syracuse, N.Y. She and her older brother George Jr. moved with their father to Chicago where she attended Lake Forest College. In French class, she met George F. Chlebak. A few years later, he proposed. Family lore recounts that future mother-in-law Elizabeth Chlebak had two stipulations for Marilynn: that she converts from Christian Science to Catholicism and that she learns to cook Slovak food. Marilynn

and George married June 21, 1958.

They traveled to Las Vegas for George's graduate studies. After a brief return to Chicago and the birth James S., the young family settled in Salina, Kan., where Marilynn gave birth John V. She worked as a homemaker and part-time teacher until the boys were in school.

As an English teacher in junior high and at Salina Central High School, she advocated for equity by supporting young people to pursue their own educational goals. She pursued graduate studies in creative writing at Wichita State University and master's degree in English from the University of Kansas.

She and George moved to

Batesville, Ariz., in the '80s. Marilynn continued in public education as gifted and talented coordinator in Newport, Ariz. She became the director of Apple Project, the Upward Bound program at Lyon College. A talented organizer and gifted grant writer, she supported generations of students.

Marilynn volunteered at the Old Independence Regional Museum; served on the board of the Independence County Historical Society; was on the editorial committee for the Independence County Chronicle; and was the treasurer of the Batesville Symphony League. In 2004, Lyon College honored her with their Friends of Education award.

Marilynn is preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, parents, a brother, stepmother Jeanette Kempzell, and nephew George J. Kempzell. She is survived by her two sons; six grandchildren Collin, Chase, Lise, Nicolas, Caleb, and Erin; six great-grandchildren Harvey, Sullivan, Miller, Hayes, Camden, and Monroe; nieces Carolyn Borta and Pattie Kay Andrews; and three nephews Scott, Greg, and Christopher Jungles.

A memorial dinner is planned for Aug. 22, 2020 at the Capital Hotel in Little Rock. For more information, please contact John V. Chlebak at 972-333-8576.

## David J. Fazzina, 1948-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – David J. Fazzina, 71, passed away unexpectedly June 28, 2020 at the Springfield Hospital in Springfield, Vt. He was born Sept. 11, 1948 in Connecticut, son of Sebastian and Theresa (Rioux) Fazzina. He attended school and graduated high school in Connecticut. He was married to Marlene Skidgel. She predeceased him.

David was a self-employed contractor in Durham, Conn., for 40 years. After his retirement, he moved to Vermont and lived in Springfield for the past seven years. He loved fishing and hunting and building his model B hotrod.

He is survived by his children Jodi L. Fazzina, Tracy Dickens, and David J. Fazzina; five grandchildren Arielle, Ethan, Decland, Shian, and David; and



David J. Fazzina, 1948-2020. PHOTO PROVIDED

one brother Richard Fazzina. He was predeceased by his wife Marlene and one son Marc Fazzina.

A celebration of life service will be held at a later date. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

## Dorothy H. Perry, 1921-2020

N. WALPOLE, N.H. – Dorothy H. Perry, 99, of Church Street, passed away Thursday, June 25, 2020. Dorothy was born Jan. 14, 1921 in Westminster, first of eight children of Paul and Sarah (Wright) Harlow. She was a 1938 graduate of Bellows Falls High School and remained very active with the Alumni Association, attending all of their meetings. Dorothy attended hairdressing school in Springfield, Mass., and was self-employed for most of her 43-year career in the Bellows Falls area.



Dorothy H. Perry, 1921-2020. PHOTO PROVIDED

She and her survivors are members of the Mayflower Society. Dorothy was a charter member of the Loyal Order of the Moose, July 10, 1949, where she awarded Star Recorder, Collegian, and the Academy of Friendship degree. She was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Bellows Falls Women's Club, the American Legion Auxiliary, and last year was honored by Westminster Cares as the oldest member. She was generous with her time and resources to many local and national organizations.

She enjoyed many different Bingo venues and loved her annual trip to Maine with her children and grandchildren. She dearly enjoyed her last years as a cribbage team member at the Moose Family Center and her weekly cribbage games with family. Dorothy enjoyed traveling to many states in the U.S., and also a trip to Ireland

where she kissed the Blarney Stone at 85 years old.

Surviving is her son Richard Doyle and wife Holly; grandson Sean Doyle and wife Sarah; granddaughter Kelly Dibernardo and husband Joe; son Robert Doyle and his children Brendan Doyle, Katey Doyle, and Jada Spaulding-Doyle; her daughter Sally Remillard and partner Bryan; granddaughter Jessica Kemp and husband Jeremy; grandsons Christopher and Mathew Doyle; and great-grandchildren Julia, Brooke, Taylor, Vaughn, Isaac, and Zaylee; and great-great-grandchild Ryan Anuhet; her daughter-in-law Nan Doyle; and many nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her son James Doyle.

A graveside service was held Thursday, July 9 in the Westminster Cemetery in Westminster, Vt. Arrangements are in the care of Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home.

## June McCormack, 1931-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – June McCormack, 89, passed away peacefully at her home Friday, July 3, 2020. She was born April 8, 1931 in Springfield, Vt., the daughter of George F. and Doris (Barr) Thompson. June attended Springfield schools and graduated from Springfield High School, Class of 1949.

On Oct. 29, 1951, she married Russell H. McCormack in Keene, N.H. He predeceased her May 21, 2012.

June was a mother and homemaker. She enjoyed quilting and cake making. She loved to be outdoors, camping, walking, and birding. She enjoyed traveling with Russell for many years and enjoyed spending time with her family and family gatherings. She was a member of the Chester Congregational Church in Chester, Vt.

June is survived by her four children Lawrence McCormack of Springfield, Laura Barrows of Hampstead, N.C., Betty Losavio of North Springfield, and Arlene Bailey of Rustburg, Va.; nine grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; seven step-great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. She was



June McCormack, 1931-2020. PHOTO PROVIDED

predeceased by her parents, husband Russell, and by her sister Nancy Thompson Smith.

A graveside service was held Saturday, July 11, 2020 at the Pine Grove Cemetery in North Springfield, Vt. Reverend Susan Moody, pastor of the Chester Congregational Church, officiated. A celebration of life gathering followed the graveside service at the McCormack family lot on Damon Road in Springfield.

Memorial contributions may be made to Visiting Nurse and Hospice for Vermont and New Hampshire, P.O. Box 881, Brattleboro, VT 05302.

Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

## Melvina P. Marcotte, 1936-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Melvina Pauline Woodard Marcotte passed away peacefully April 25, 2020 at the age of 84. She was born in Ludlow, Vt., March 28, 1936 to Delmer Carl Woodard and Clara Genevieve Pelkey Woodard. She was married to Victor Burton Marcotte Jr. for 55 years. He passed away in 2009. She was preceded in death by her sister Janice Marie Woodard Austin of Goffstown N.H. and sister-in-law Barbara Ann Marcotte Harris de Sousa of Brentwood, N.H.

She graduated from Springfield High School in Vermont, Class of 1953. She spent many years in New York state, first Ballston Spa, then St. Remy, and then Kingston, N.Y. She moved back to Vermont in 2015 to be closer to family.

Known to everyone as Polly, she loved cooking, gardening, painting, crocheting and knitting, photography, hosting family get-togethers, supplying food for community activities, as well as sharing her computer skills for whatever was needed for newsletters, flyers, and posters.

She is survived by her son Larry Marcotte and his wife Su-



Melvina P. Marcotte, 1936-2020. PHOTO PROVIDED

san Long of Claremont, N.H.; brother Kenny Rock and his wife Drucilla of North Springfield, Vt.; sister Caroline Woodard Clairmont of Gilmanton, N.H.; brother-in-law Dan Marcotte and wife Sharon of Wolfboro, N.H.; sister-in-law Marylou Purpura and husband Carl of Pooler, Ga.; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial and celebration of life will be held at Davis Memorial Chapel July 18 at 2 p.m., and at the St. Remy Reformed Church in St. Remy, N.Y. at a future time. Interment will be in St. Remy next to husband Burt.

## Cheryl Soudy, 1978-2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Cheryl Soudy passed away May 31, 2020, at the age of 41 years. She was born in Scarborough, Ontario, Canada Aug. 12, 1978 to Dennis Soudy and Mary Billingham Schaefer. She graduated from Springfield High School, Class of 1996.

Cheryl was a member of the Community Band and was an active member of the Order of the Easter Star, Mizpah Chapter 40 in Chester. She enjoyed

being in plays, drawing, and poetry.

She is survived by her mother Mary Schaefer, her father Dennis Soudy; her sister Caroline Leisure and brother-in-law Sean Leisure of Michigan; nephews Alistair, Harlow, and Coyote; and her uncle Wayne Billingham.

Donations in Cheryl's honor may be made to the animal charity of choice. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

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## Remembering Coach Richie Wyman

BY BILL MURPHY

The Vermont Journal & Shopper

Thanks to my family, I have always loved sports. Whenever it has been possible, my schedule has as much sporting activity in it as is logically feasible.

My mother was my biggest guiding light through my formative years, but she was by no means alone in my upbringing direction. She was not a dedicated sports fan. Her fabric made sure to keep me balanced because my father and his brother and one of his sisters made sure I developed a big sized interest in the sporting world.

When I grew up, the world was very different than today. Television sporting events were few and far between. In fact, television didn't even come to Bellows Falls until the late '50s. There may have been a few television sets in town before then, but they could only receive one or two channels. If you watched regularly, you would have sworn it snowed all year. Before TV was perfected, interference – often referred to as snow – appeared on a certain percentage of your picture, making it often difficult to really see what you may have been watching.

A man named George Story brought cable television to Bellows Falls, and you initially purchased five stations. The most important thing was you

were able to see the three major networks. Sports on TV as the calendar turned to the 1960s included 50 Red Sox games a season, an NFL and an AFL game of the week, a college football game of the week, an NBA game of the week, an NHL game of the week, and one college basketball game of the week. Weekends may have had three or four games a week, but there was only a half-dozen weekday games televised during the entire year.

Thus, local sports were king. Back then, local high school sports were often the center of community life. Between sports fans' interest and community pride, high school contests were well attended throughout the school year. Crowds were regularly four or five times what they are today, and in some communities fans looked at the athletes as people do professional athletes and teams today. I believe it was more probable than not that many sports enthusiasts saw their local heroes as the role models and leaders who filled up their cheering interests.

As a little boy growing up in Bellows Falls, I couldn't wait to go to the next game. Back then, every game was within walking distance. I felt fortunate to know the Terrier coaches because I had met them all in school. Most of them were gym

teachers. I looked up to them all. I wanted to be a teacher someday. I even took special interest in the opposing coaches. And then one day, I felt like I was on top of the world when I was lucky enough to meet one of them. I can still see that moment clearly from 60 years ago.

On a March Friday night, following the completion of the high school basketball season, Bellows Falls was playing arch-rival Springfield in a faculty basketball game in the old high school gym on School Street. I kept the same seat for every game all winter. My aunt brought me, and I sat in the front row straight across from the visitors' bench. We always arrived 20 minutes early to watch warm-ups. On this night, the Cosmo contingent was warming up right in front of me. I was just trying to figure out if their varsity basketball coach was playing, as a stray warm-up ball came in my direction. I made a play on the ball and handed the ball back to a gentleman, blurting out, "Which one is Richie Wyman?"

Things still sometimes happen to me quickly in life today, but this was one of the first times this type of experience hit me. In the quick five seconds when I caught the ball and handed it over, I was quite sure the man headed towards me was Richie Wyman, but I still popped the question. The man answered, "I am." And I think I smiled.

Over the next 60 years, I was lucky enough to not only meet the man again and again, but I was also able to talk basketball with him for hours and hours, debate the merits of the fabric of the game, and relive

the moments we both experienced within the sport. We became close enough to even exchange health tips later in life, which hopefully gave him some comfort as it did me. Just like my exchange of the basketball moment, I remember where I was standing when he relieved many of my fears about gall bladder surgery in a phone call just before Thanksgiving in 2013.

On Saturday evening, June 27, I received a phone call which hit me in the gut hard. I found myself feeling like I had lost a part of my family. Wyman had passed away after a hard fight against cancer. This moment is nowhere near as clear as the moment I met Richie Wyman. I'm not sure what I said on the phone, but I know what I heard and it led to a very long night.

Greg Birsky was one of the best players Wyman ever coached. Birsky came from a legendary Springfield family himself. His dad Bo had coached Wyman in both basketball and baseball with Richie then taking his talents on the diamond to Springfield College to further his playing days. I spoke to Greg Birsky a few days after Wyman's death and he told me, "I was in tears all morning after I heard about it. He was the best coach I ever played for. He dedicated his life to one town with such incredible enthusiasm. He is, was, and forever will be a legend in Springfield."

Birsky remembers how Wyman treated him while growing up and will never forget it. "I used to enjoy talking with him. He followed all the sports at Springfield, not just the ones he coached," Birsky said. "He

somehow figured out the difference between being friendly to his students and knowing exactly when and where to draw the line. I remember losing a one-sided game in football at Brattleboro and him speaking to me after, pointing out that I played well. That compliment was timed and delivered just right."

Wyman was a three-sport athlete for the Cosmos, graduating in 1952. He came back to coach in Springfield in 1960. During Wyman's Cosmo days, his coach for basketball and baseball was another Cosmo hometown legend, Bo Birsky. Both of those special leaders were inducted together into the first-ever class of the Springfield High School Hall of Fame last fall. The two longtime coaches also share their names together on the school's baseball field, dedicated to their coaching exploits over the years.

Bob Hingston, longtime Windsor athletic director, who stood out as an athlete at Fall Mountain in the late '60s, also remembers Wyman from way back. He said, "Richie was a genuine quality guy. His former players always said when things went well, Richie would deflect any credit from himself. To me, it seemed he was a renaissance man. So many coaches of that era would say 'you do it my way or hit the highway.' His former players have said Richie accepted who you were, including your quirks, and worked with you to bring out your best."

Greg Birsky expounded on this theme in an open letter to the community about his beloved coach printed in this paper a week ago, offering, "He did that for every athlete that played for him. The coaching style of the times was to treat everyone the same with no favorites, to be tough on the kids, etc. Instead, Richie treated everyone the way they needed to be treated. He adapted his style to fit the kid's needs. He had rules and demanded adherence but without intimidation or humiliation. He was a modern coach before it was cool to be a modern coach. I loved him for it."

Mount Anthony's Dave Fredrickson was the most successful boys' basketball coach sur-

rounding the era when Wyman coached. They squared off numerous times. Fredrickson didn't hesitate a second when asked what he remembered about the legendary Springfield coach. He said, "You knew when you met Springfield you would play a team that was well prepared and well behaved. The players on his team were always gentlemen."

Richie was a gentleman himself through and through. In fact, in recent years he was a gentleman about town. He loved the people in his community and could regularly be found about town having conversations with people of all walks of life. Springfield Rec Director Andy Bladyka tells me Richie's tributes have come from everywhere, saying, "It isn't just sports fans who miss Richie being out and about. Everyone knew he loved Springfield, and Springfield loved him back. I used to joke Richie patrolled Riverside Park. He would drive through, sometimes even twice a day, speaking with friends. It was his home away from home or maybe his home was his home away from home and Riverside was his home."

The last time I saw Richie was at a Springfield football game last fall at Brown Field, part of Riverside Park. He was surrounded by several friends. Unfortunately, that final face-to-face conversation was rushed because work called. We did, however, have many phone conversations over the next eight months. We covered a lot of ground during that time.

Five days before he left us all, I had called, asking him about some trivial information I needed. The phone call was well timed because he had just received some good news about his recent blood work. He was feeling a little upbeat and hopeful. That's why when I received the call a few days later it was so difficult to take.

You have heard people say, "You don't know what you had, until it is taken away from you," right?

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Dated this 10th day of July, 2020.

BY *Stephanie Gile*  
Stephanie Gile, District Coordinator  
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Hydrangea Medley, watercolor. PHOTO PROVIDED

On Thursday, July 30 at 10:30 a.m., Kim will host a watercolor class for those wanting to refine

their skills. This class will be limited to four attendees, so please call 802-824-3371 or email southlondonderryfreelibrary@yahoo.com to sign up. We ask that you wear a face covering and keep your distance from others in the library.

Library hours are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., and Saturday, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. All are invited to stop in and view this very special exhibit.

## Calling all local artists for VAULT 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 your work in a non-juried show. There is no fee.

The theme for our next show is “The Sky is the Limit.” We may be limited right now, but your creativity is not. 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. You can bring in two works if they are 18-by-20 inches or smaller or one if it is larger. Sculpture, jewelry, pottery, and

fiber art are welcome along with the paintings and photos. The time to bring them in is Wednesday, July 22 or Saturday, July 25, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. The show will run from July 29 through Oct. 14.

Gallery at the VAULT is located at 68 Main Street in Springfield. Open Wednesday and Saturday, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call 802-885-7111, galleryvault@vermontel.net, or visit www.galleryvault.org, Facebook, and Instagram.

## Deb Brisson and the Hay Burners in Cavendish

CAVENDISH, Vt. – The town of Cavendish will continue its summer music series with a concert by Deb Brisson and the Hay Burners on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville, Wednesday, July 22 at 6 p.m.

Deb and her band hail from Addison County and will make their first appearance in Proctorsville. Led by Brisson’s powerful, expressive vocals, the band plays a mix of its own work and favorite covers by a variety of artists. “I think if I had to pick a genre for our music, it would be Americana,” Brisson said, “but it really is

a little bit of everything.” They play alt country songs that are real and heartfelt, rootsy, soulful, and bluesy.

Wearing masks at the concert will be mandatory as will be physical distancing. The green is large and the bands will be loud enough to be heard throughout, so please spread out and maintain distancing. Please don’t jeopardize these concerts – follow the rules!

The Cavendish Community and Conservation Association will again coordinate the series. All concerts are free and open to the public, so please join your friends and neighbors to enjoy plenty of good music from the

gazebo.

Murdock’s Restaurant and Outer Limits Brewery will each be serving food but under the new rules you have to call ahead and make a reservation. Please support your local businesses.

The summer concert series has a long history in Proctorsville and many area residents reserve Wednesday evenings to listen to the live music. As always, the concerts will be held unless severe weather threatens. In case of rain, alternative plans will be announced on the Cavendish Facebook page. For more information on the concerts, please call Robin at 802-226-7736.

## From the pasture to your living room

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Last year, Pasture Pals showcased a cow’s birthday party, a pumpkin carving contest, and one very curious alpaca. Participants and their parents visited VINE Sanctuary in Springfield and learned about the animals’ unique lives, all while getting to meet them up close and personal. Bucky the goat stole snacks and tried to eat pens, Shadow the sheep demanded ear scratches, and everyone went home with dirt smudges and smiles on their faces. While VINE can’t welcome children and their families onsite this year, we can still bring all the fun of Pasture Pals to your living room.

VINE is a farmed animal

sanctuary that offers refuge to approximately 700 animals. Home to cows, chickens, goats, sheep, turkeys, and many more, VINE also hosts potlucks in the community, sponsors a seed library at the Springfield Town Library, and welcomes the public at quarterly volunteer days. Pasture Pals is one of the free, humane education programs the sanctuary offers to the public.

Typically, Pasture Pals sessions are held in and around the front barn at VINE, allowing children to interact and observe the unique community in action. Due to COVID-19, the sanctuary cannot yet open its gates to the public, but youngsters can still meet the VINE crew.

Utilizing live video, each ses-

sion of Pasture Pals will focus on a topic related to empathy and equality, taught in the barn and pasture. Sanctuary residents are a curious bunch, and many don’t shy away from the camera. Even though the experience is digital, you never know when a chicken will decide it’s time for the close up, Domino the alpaca will want to kiss the camera, or if Revere the muscovy duck will try to untie the camera operator’s shoes!

Even though it’s moved online, the goal of Pasture Pals is the same – to introduce children to the animals as a way of learning important life lessons about friendship, compassion, and respect for differences.

“One of my favorite parts of Pasture Pals is watching a kiddo realize they share something with an animal,” Anna Boarini, humane education coordinator, said. “Last year, a little girl was intimidated by some of the larger mammals, but she connected with Syrah, an elder sheep. When she realized that Syrah needs her apples sliced because her teeth aren’t as strong – just as she needed her own apples sliced since she was missing teeth – it all clicked. It was a fast friendship.”

Pasture Pals welcomes children of all ages, and accommodations are available for different ages and learning levels. All that is needed is a Zoom account, some paper, writing utensils, and a willingness to learn.

Pasture Pals sessions are July 20, July 27, and Aug. 3. Advance registration is required. Participants can register at www.tinyurl.com/zoompasturepals or by emailing Anna Boarini at anna@bravebirds.org.

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**JULY 18 – CHARLESTOWN, N.H.** – Charlestown Garden Club yard sale, from 9 a.m. – 12 p.m., at 76 Main Street, rain or shine.

**JULY 20 – LUDLOW, Vt.** – Give blood Monday, July 20, from 12-5 p.m., at the Ludlow American Legion, 133 W. Main St. Please call 1-800-733-2767 or visit [www.RedCrossBlood.org](http://www.RedCrossBlood.org) to schedule an appointment.

**JULY 24-25 – LONDONDERRY, Vt.** – The Whale of a Sale is Friday and Saturday, July 24-25, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m., at the Second Congregational Church, 2051 Route 11, in Londonderry. Masks are required, and there will be temperature checks at

the door. A lottery system will be used to determine who gets in first on Friday morning. In addition, there will be a limited number of people in the building at one time. However, as many items as possible will be for sale outside under tents in the church parking lot. Please call the church office for directions or if you have questions at 802-824-6453.

**JULY 25 – WALPOLE, N.H.** – The First Congregational Church of Walpole is having a curbside pick up barbecue chicken event Saturday, July 25, from

4-5:30 p.m. Tickets for a half of a chicken can be purchased at Galloway Real Estate in Walpole or by calling Betty Prentiss at 603-313-4801.

**JULY 21 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** – On Tuesday, July 21 at 6 p.m., Springfield Town Library will be presenting a webinar program on affordable resources for people interested in changing careers. Kathy Stoughton, an independent educator, will share her experiences about using several of the new free and more affordable education options. Registration is

required at <https://bit.ly/2YWK9Xr>. For more information, contact either Tracey Craft at the Springfield Town Library at 802-885-3108 or Kathy Stoughton at [ksoaching@empoweringlearners.com](mailto:ksoaching@empoweringlearners.com).

**JULY 27 – TOWNSHEND, Vt.** – Grace Cottage's 70th annual Hospital Fair Day will be a virtual event this year. Bid in the online auction, buy a t-shirt or hat, try favorite Fair Day recipes, and help

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Sunday services are being held in the church, with people sitting every other pew. Morning service at 11 a.m. Sunday evening service at 6 p.m. and Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Services are also available on Facebook and YouTube. For more information, call the church at 802-674-2266 or visit [www.obbcvt.org](http://www.obbcvt.org).

## BELLOWS FALLS

### Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St.

Until further notice, the Diocese of Vermont has made online services available with Bishop Shannon. Go to [www.diovermont.org](http://www.diovermont.org). For more information, go to [www.immanuelepiscopal.org](http://www.immanuelepiscopal.org).

## LUDLOW

### Annunciation Catholic Church, Corner of Depot and High St.

Church has reopened for Sunday and weekday masses: Saturday at 4:30 p.m. Sundays at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. For more information, go to [www.okemovalleycatholicparishes.com](http://www.okemovalleycatholicparishes.com) or call 802-228-3451.

### The United Church of Ludlow (UCC and Methodist), 48 Pleasant St.

Sunday services are held online. Email [unitedchurch@tds.net](mailto:unitedchurch@tds.net) for more information. Visit [www.unitedchurch.us](http://www.unitedchurch.us) to receive COVID-19 updates on services and meetings.

## SPRINGFIELD

### Church of Christ, Rt. 11, 972 Chester Rd.

Due to the circumstances around COVID-19, we have decided to cancel all church activities for an indefinite period of time. For those who follow the Springfield Vermont Church of Christ Facebook, you can check for updates posted on that page. We will continue to post devotional materials on Facebook so people can stay connected. We will inform our communities when we resume our regular activities.

### United Methodist Church, 10 Valley St.

Sunday worship is 9:30 a.m. Everyone should wear masks and physically distance themselves from others. For more information, call 802-885-1916. Everyone is welcome.



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## Town of Westminister – Fuel Bid (20-21)

The Town of Westminister is seeking a qualified "Heating, Off-Road, and Propane Supplier" for the Westminister Town Hall, Town Garage, Fire Station, and Westminister Institute. The proposals must be guaranteed pricing.

The work will include but is not limited to:

- **Off-Road Diesel (25,000 gallons)**  
Town Garage – 8,000 gal tank;
- **#2 Heating Fuel (9,500 gallons)**  
Town Hall – two 330 gal. tanks  
Town Garage – 500 gal tank  
*Usage for the two locations is approximately 2,000 gallons*  
Westminister Institute – 1,000 gal tank  
*Usage – approximately 5,000 gallons*  
Westminister Fire Station – two 330 gal. tanks  
*Usage – approximately 2,300 gallons*
- **Propane (1,500 gallons)**  
Town Hall – Only

Proposals are due by noon on August 7, 2020 at the Town Hall or by mail (PO Box 147 Westminister, Vt. 05158) or email at [Manager@westminstervt.org](mailto:Manager@westminstervt.org). Proposals are to include a complete and guaranteed price for each product. The Supplier is to be a State recognized business.

TERMS: Payment will be made 15 days after delivery and receipt of hard copy invoice. Separate billing will be needed for the Institute & Fire Station. No penalty will be added if all gallons cannot be delivered.

Your proposal should be sealed and marked "Fuel Bid -2021-03". The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals.

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It's all in the details. This 10,000+/- square foot office building is accessibly located on Route 106 in Springfield. Includes move-in ready office space with elevator. Multiple heat sources and a/c units for comfort, low pile and flat surface floors for ease of mobility, multiple bathrooms, large break room/kitchen, standing seam roof, paved parking lot with 73+/- parking spaces. **REDUCED TO \$249,900**

Location, Location. This 4.76+/- acre parcel is located on the back side of a well regarded neighborhood offering sunny exposure, partially cleared land, proximity to VAST trail system and designed septic system. Well worth looking into for those looking to be a step above. **REDUCED AGAIN TO \$39,900**



Commercial opportunity on Route 106 in North Springfield offers a highly visible/accessible location. Building offers close to 9000 square feet of office/storage space with ample parking on close to 1 acre of land. Currently used as a medical office with storage. **\$365,000**



A fantastic business location on a well traveled road, easily located with ample parking. These 5 condos are currently occupied by one business. Space currently includes retail space on the first floor and office space upstairs. Put it back into the 5 condos with common space/stairs with two potential retail spaces on the first floor and three condos/potential office space on the second floor. Definitely worth consideration **\$169,900**



This ranch style home is anything but ordinary with multiple upgrades throughout. Bright living/dining room combination, efficient kitchen, utility room with laundry hook-up, bright/functional full bath and two bedrooms to the back of the house for peace & quiet. Situated on a level lot with attached garage and a shed for storage. Private courtyard area would be ideal for gardens or creating outdoor living space. A must see! **\$109,900**

# community

# AUTOMOTIVE/LEGAL NOTICE

## CSB appointment of Brandy Blackinton

CLAREMONT, N.H. – Claremont Savings Bank is proud to announce the appointment of Brandy Blackinton to senior vice president. “Brandy joined the bank in 2013 as vice president retail lending manager,” said Reggie Greene, Claremont Savings Bank president and CEO. “In February, she was promoted and now manages our entire retail lending department including originations, loans purchased and sold, and the credit administration

function, which includes underwriting and processing. She does a great job for the bank in her area of responsibility and will be a key member of the senior management team.” “I am thrilled to join the senior management team at Claremont Savings Bank,” said Blackinton. “I look forward to the engagement with the team as we move the bank towards continued growth and outstanding customer service.”

## Ford of Claremont welcomes Kevin Tallman



Kevin “Coach” Tallman. PHOTO PROVIDED

CLAREMONT, N.H. – Ford of Claremont, located in Claremont, N.H., welcomes Kevin “Coach” Tallman to the sales team. Coach is eager to share his knowledge and enthusiasm with you. He encourages you to browse our online inventory, schedule a test drive, and investigate financing options. You can also request more information about a vehicle using our online form or by contacting Coach at 603-542-9800 x227 or coach@fordofclaremont.com.

Coach welcomes family, friends, former students, athletes, and former clients that he has served over the years selling the complete Chrysler, Dodge, RAM, and Jeep product line. For those that don't know Coach, he is a long-time resident, educator, and coach in the Connecticut Valley region. He has years of experience as a sales consultant with the goal and passion to find you the right vehicle to fit your lifestyle and budget!

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#### Town of Londonderry, Vermont Notice of Ordinance Adoption

The Town of Londonderry Selectboard hereby gives notice pursuant to 24 V.S.A. 1972(a)(1) that on July 6, 2020 the Board voted to adopt an Ordinance Regulating the Disposal of Solid Waste through Open Burning.

In summary, the Ordinance Regulating the Disposal of Solid Waste through Open Burning was enacted to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Londonderry and to prohibit solid waste disposal practices that pose a danger to the public health and welfare and the environment or constitute a public nuisance. It prohibits the open burning or incineration of solid waste throughout the community, but allows for open burning of certain types of natural wood or non-woody vegetation in limited situations with proper permits. The Ordinance also provides for penalties and fines for violation of its provisions, and explicitly states the right of voters to petition for a referendum on its adoption.

The complete text of the Ordinance Regulating the Disposal of Solid Waste through Open Burning can be examined on the Town's web site ([www.londonderryvt.org](http://www.londonderryvt.org)) or at the Londonderry Town Clerk's office, 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155. Questions or comments regarding this proposed ordinance can be directed to Town Administrator Shane O'Keefe by phone at 802-824-3356, by email at [townadmin@londonderryvt.org](mailto:townadmin@londonderryvt.org), or by US Mail at 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155.

Notice is hereby given of the right to petition for a permissive referendum vote on this ordinance at an annual or special meeting as provided for in 24 V.S.A 1973. Such petition for a permissive referendum must be signed by not less than five (5) percent of the qualified voters of the Town of Londonderry and shall be presented to the Selectboard or the Town Clerk within forty-four (44) days following the date of adoption.

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