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Amtrak returns to Bellows Falls after suspension

BY BILL LOCKWOOD

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – There’s an old Linda Ronstadt song with the line: “The train don’t go by here no more.” Well Linda, our train is back.

After being suspended March 26, 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic, Amtrak’s Vermonter resumed its two daily stops, one southbound at 12:30 p.m. and one northbound at 5:26 p.m. in Bellows Falls Monday, July 19. The train connects Washington, D.C. with Essex Junction, Vt., and many stops in between. When asked about the train’s importance to the town and the region, Rockingham Development Director Gary Fox said, “It’s huge.”

Bellows Falls has a long history with trains. In the golden days of steam engines, three railroads met in Bellows Falls. They connected Montreal and Vermont to New York and Boston. It is said that in the early 1900s, 100 trains a day went through town. From 1922 to 1966, six National Grocery



Rail fans Andrea and Scott MacScott brought their son Alexander all the way from Balentown, N.Y. for the mid-day event. PHOTO BY BILL LOCKWOOD

milk trains daily connected the creamery here to Boston.

From 1964 to 1984, a collection of steam locomotives were gathered as a tourist attraction called Steamtown where the Industrial Park stands today, and the Green Mountain Railroad ran excursion trains to Chester with vintage equip-



Amtrak’s southbound Vermonter arriving in Bellows Falls for the first time since its suspension due to the pandemic in March 2020. PHOTO BY BILL LOCKWOOD

ment for years, even still running on occasion today.

When Amtrak took over national passenger service May 1, 1971, the Montrealer, an overnight train from Washington, D.C. to Montreal, was the only Amtrak train serving the town. A day train, the Vermonter, replaced it in 1995.

Fox says ridership has seen steady growth over the past 10 years. He attributes it to the popularity of “remote work-

ing” with “climate and pandemic immigrants” looking to live in Vermont and still work jobs tied to urban areas. He also sees the train providing “destination tourism.” He sees development of the Island area of Bellows Falls as tied to the trains.

The town, Bellows Falls Downtown Development Association, and the Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce together organized

an event to celebrate the return of the Amtrak train. Directors thanked all their volunteers. Bunting was hung, the Little Big Band played jazz tunes, and Smokin’ Bowls and Jamaica Jewelz provided food for a surprisingly large turnout.

Deborah Collier, director of the Chamber, said,

“This is exciting to have Amtrak coming back opening up the world to us again, and us to the world.”

State Legislators Becca Balint, Mollie Burke, Michelle Bos-Lun, Laura Sibilia, Carolyn Partridge, and Leslie Goldman attended.

Blaint said, “It was a sad time for all of us when the train stopped running.” She told how her father used to sing old railroad songs and how she

once took a train across the country after which, “I understood my nation in a different way.”

Goldman noted, “Trains are vital to reducing carbon emissions.”

Rail fans Andrea and Scott MacScott brought their 5-and-a-half-year-old son Alexander, dressed as an engineer, all the way from Balentown, N.Y. About 50 riders arrived on a shuttle bus from Brattleboro to take the train back to a similar celebration there.

Two southbound passengers boarding, Colin Parrinello and Olivia Wendel, were going to New York City. Wendel said, “We’re very excited.”

Fox notes that the Vermont Legislature has approved a five-year rail plan that will add a second train connecting us again with Montreal and possibly the Valley Flyer will extend from Greenfield, Mass. to White River Junction with a stop here as well.

Also Ludlow is moving its train station to the Okemo Mountain Resort parking lot in anticipation of a rail connection to the trains that stop in Bellows Falls.

Victoria Otis receives 16th Annual Eileen Austin Neal RN Memorial Scholarship

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The 16th annual Eileen Austin Neal RN Memorial Scholarship for Nursing of \$1,000 was awarded to Victoria Otis of Springfield, Vt., to attend the University of Southern Maine. Tori, as she is called by her friends and family, attended Springfield High School and stated in her application that “I want to be a nurse because I want to be able to help people on their worst days and be able to be there for them on their best days.”

Eileen Austin Neal was a registered nurse at Springfield Hospital for 64 years, retiring in 2005. She was the first recipient of the hospital’s George F. Leland Community Health Award in 2003. In 2004, the hospital established the Eileen Austin Neal Spirit of Nursing Award, given to a staff nurse, in recognition of her many years of dedicated service.

Upon her death in February



Victoria Otis; Robert Austin, son of Eileen Austin Neal. PHOTO PROVIDED

2006, at the request of Eileen’s family, Springfield Hospital established the nursing scholarship fund in her name with gifts received in her memory from Eileen’s family as well as from community members.

“For 16 years, the family and friends of Eileen have been very generous in supporting this

scholarship and are proud to keep the memory of Eileen alive in this way. Supporting the education of our young people is essential and Springfield Hospital is honored to be a part of awarding this scholarship,” says Sandy Peplau, marketing and development.

Weston Playhouse reimagines the theater experience with “An Iliad”

BY SHARON HUNTLEY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

WESTON, Vt. – “An Iliad,” starring David Bonanno in what is essentially a one-man show, combines the actor’s gripping intensity, effectively simple lighting and set design, and an open-sided tent locale, for an incredibly unique and intimate theatrical experience to herald Weston Playhouse’s return to live performances at their Walker Farm location.

The story of “An Iliad” is based on Homer’s classic poem, joining the Trojan War nine years into the ongoing battle between the Greeks and the Trojans, highlighting the power struggle between gods, like Achilles, and the mortal rulers of Troy, particularly Hector, the prince of Troy.

In this adaptation, our Poet, played by Bonanno, also weaves in the ongoing struggle between men driven by rage throughout the centuries resulting in an unending list of warfare stretching throughout history. Our Poet himself asking the question, “When do you know when you’ve won?” and the viewer is left acknowledging that mankind really has learned nothing.

Any fear I might have had not knowing Homer’s classic in its original form was dispelled through the detailed telling of the story, characters, and the setting.

With Actor’s Equity not allowing indoor performances, Director Meredith Mc-



David Bonanno stars in “An Iliad” at Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm. PHOTO PROVIDED BY WESTON PLAYHOUSE THEATRE COMPANY

Donough, along with Weston Playhouse’s Executive Artist Director Susanna Gellert, embraced the challenge of how to stage performances while answering to health requirements resulting from the pandemic.

Not only was Bonanno absolutely captivating in the performance, but the theatre itself, a large white tent with sides open to the air, infiltrated by the sounds of the countryside as evening approached, brought lovely layers to the performance that could never be duplicated. Bonanno’s entrance also took advantage of the locale, meandering amongst the greenery outside, stopping to pick up a piece of grass or flower, before wandering in and looking around to see all of us waiting to hear his tale.

A simple stage area reminiscent of a foxhole, with lights strung from above, directed the audiences’ attention. Several “moos” from local cows and the mowing of nearby fields all added, rather than detracted, from the play. Audience mem-

bers were all separated into small pods around the tent, with a total audience size of approximately 75 or so, which added to the intimacy of the evening.

In addition to Bonanno, there were nine Muses who arrived to play piano and sing a few lines here and there, coming in and out, to highlight the story; but it’s really Bonanno’s gift that keeps the audience riveted until the very end.

“An Iliad” performances run from July 14 to Aug. 7.

Two- and three-show subscriptions and single tickets are available online and by calling the Weston Box Office at 802-824-5288. Gift cards can be purchased online at www.weston-playhouse.org.

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

Savings Bank of Walpole, a big fan of Kurn Hattin Homes

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – For the important work of Kurn Hattin Homes for Children, Savings Bank of Walpole presented a check for \$5,000 for general support and Adopt-a-Cottage Program sponsorship.

“We are huge supporters and fans of all that you and the Kurn Hattin team does and this is a small token of our gratitude for what you do for our children,” stated Mark

Bodin, president of Savings Bank of Walpole and Kurn Hattin’s President of the Board of Trustees.

The Adopt-a-Cottage program provides businesses, organizations, and individuals an opportunity to sponsor one of the cottages where the children live on campus. The sponsorship not only provides for basic necessities of cottage life, but also, and more importantly, it

provides time for the sponsors to spend time with and get to know the children – a win-win for both.

Savings Bank of Walpole has been a longtime fan and supporter of Kurn Hattin Homes, making a positive difference in the lives of its children for over three decades. For more information, go to www.kurnhattin.org.

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American Legion Post 37 installs new officers

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Monday, July 12, 2021, the American Legion Post 37 held their new officers installation. The leadership of the Post is looking forward to working together on various community and charity programs alongside other Legionaries, the wonderful Ladies Auxiliary, and the Sons of the Legion.

As a reminder, dues are now being processed for all groups. Come on in for a visit, get out of the heat, and share some sto-



Commander Don Stocker, First Vice Pete Squires, Second Vice Mike Viveros, Chaplain Carole Spaulding, Finance Chairman Gerry Baraby, and Service Officer Smokey Aumand. PHOTO PROVIDED



ries, and start making plans for the remainder of the year.

CORRECTION

In the “Blue Sky Days in downtown Bellows Falls” article in the July 14, 2021 edition of The Shopper the book title for the Blue Sky Days Storywalk in Bellows Falls July 23-Aug. 4 is “I Am the Storm” by Jane Yolen and Heidi E. Y. Stemple. It is a nominee for Vermont’s Red Clover Award. A winner has not yet been announced.

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Brownsville Independence Day coming together again

BROWNSVILLE, Vt. – The Brownsville Independence Day Committee, vendors, and all of the amazing volunteers pulled off a magnificent celebration in spite of a rainy day and evening. None of it would have been possible without the generous donations from the town of West Windsor, many individuals, business sponsors, and organizations who believed in the reason for the celebration.

During the day amid light showers, hundreds of people from near and far enjoyed a pancake breakfast and bouncy house provided by Brownsville Community Church, craft and food vendors, music provided by Dixie Land, and a grand parade. The parade was preceded by a trumpeted rendition of

the Star Spangled Banner and church bells followed by the twirling blue light of the Windsor Police Chief’s cruiser in the lead. To everyone’s delight, there were floats of all kinds, donkeys in costume, proud marchers, lots of fire trucks from all over the region, and the famous Shriners clowns on their “trikes.”

In the afternoon, after months and months of planning and preparation, a very difficult call had to be made by the IDC Committee: Do the fireworks go off tonight, or wait until a planned rain date of Monday?

Multiple weather forecasts were monitored with no consistency in predictions. The IDC Committee consulted with the vendors, musicians, firemen, and supervisors of the various volunteers. And, although aware of the planned rain date,

as it turned out essential players were not going to be available Monday evening. So late in the afternoon, the food vendors, musicians, pyro people, and incredible volunteers moved on up to the mountain and they pulled it off.

A large crowd came up the mountain, set up tents and chairs, ate Moonlighter’s hot dogs, hamburgers, and fries, American Pie’s pizza, and Lazy Cow’s ice cream while listening to the Dixie Land’s lively music as they awaited for the show to begin. The fireworks were spectacular!

Thank you, amazing people, for making it possible to be “Together once again!”

For more about the Independence Day Celebrations, go to www.facebook.com/IndependenceDayBrownsville.

Springfield author publishes two books in 2020

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Local author Linda Blum celebrated the release of two books during 2020: “One God, In One Book, For One People,” June 17, and “Garden Isle Twins: Mountains and Valleys and High Tides, Low Tides,” Dec. 22. Both books were published by ReadersMagnet LLC and were included in

the London Book Fair International in 2021.

In “One God, In One Book, For One People,” Blum writes about promoting peace and unity. Each chapter ends with a self-help component.

Blum’s other book, “Garden Isle Twins,” is the story of fraternal twin teenage girls. When

their father relocates the family from a city church in Columbus, Ohio to an island in Maine only accessible by a ferry, the sisters have to learn how to overcome their anxieties and the feelings of isolation in a new home.

Linda L. Blum graduated from Faith School of Theology, and from International Seminary with a bachelor’s degree in religious education. She is an ordained minister. Presently, Blum directs the Living Stone School of Ministry in her local area and lives with her husband, Peter Blum, in the beautiful state of Vermont.

For more information, go to Linda Blum’s Beautiful Books on Facebook.

Holiday bazaar seeking crafters

ALSTEAD, N.H. – After having to cancel last year’s Holiday Bazaar, the Third Congregational Church’s Guild in Alstead, N.H., is planning to have one this year, Saturday, Nov. 13. Anyone who is interested in participating may contact either Dot Brehio at 603-445-5552 or philndot@outlook.com, or Cindy Heath at 603-835-6366 or cheath310@comcast.net.

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LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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Allie Hawkes

Allie Hawkes was born in Chester in 1884, living 'til 1970. Allie had been Chester town manager. Thankfully, he recorded some of his early Chester memories.

In 1987 Martha Bessey made notes in the margins of Allie's typewritten histories. Martha's notes made it possible for me to identify many of the places Allie writes of.

North Main Street

"Beginning at the north end of Main St., in front of the Zela Edson place they had Country Fairs and horse racing." Today, Roseann Sexton lives here.

"Coming down to where Mr. Gardener's people now live was the so called No. 6 school district where we all went to school from Church St." Today, this location is two places beyond Baba Louis.

"Allen's garage looks about the same and at that time was a paint shop run by Mr. Bowles." This today is Knockout Carpet.

Main Street

"Years ago there were just two or three telephones in Chester. The central phone was located at Pierce's drug store where Pember Hazen is now located." This was Chester Drug Store next to the Masonic Lodge.

"Coming back on Main St. in back of the Baptist Church was another blacksmith shop run by Ethan Hall. The H.F. Crocker house has been built," now Sarah Vail's, "also the Pollard place in which Miss Pollard still lives." This is the Charthouse next to the library. Both places were built in 1900. "The Whiting Library is kept by our librarian Miss Pollard."

"A large hotel and boarding house stood where the First National Store now is," today Bargain Corner. "The Hugh Henry Law Office has been used a good many years, by the late Hugh H. Henry. It was through him that in 1897 President William McKinley and Mrs. McKinley visited our town."

"Dr. Griffith's place has always been occupied by a doctor, first by Dr. Emerson and then Dr. Ray." This is the



Chester Boot Shop showing the intersection of Main, Depot, and Grafton streets.

PHOTO PROVIDED

brick house next to the entrance to the elementary school.

Grafton Street

"Coming to Grafton St. there has not been many changes. The Bargfrede and Underhill houses are new. There is an old landmark which was one of the busiest places in Chester, the Old Cider and Grist Mill. People came from far and near to get their corn and oats ground. This was run by water power and later by steam. W.L. Ware owned and operated this mill." It burned in the 1920s. It was located in the triangular corner at the intersection of Waldo and River streets.

"Back to the corner of Grafton and Main Streets is the old brick building," across Grafton Street from Chester Hardware, "used for a Baptist Parsonage for a great many years. About 1900 the house below that was built which was used as a parsonage until recently."

"Across the street where the Cray garage is located stood a building used as a shoe shop," this was the Chester Boot Company. "They employed quite a number of men and women. Later the building was bought by Deacon Guild and was made into a grocery store and residence." Today, this is the site of the old Jiffy Mart. Next spring Smitty's will open their ice cream place here.

Cobleigh Street

"On Cobleigh St. where Warren Heald now lives was the old family doctor, Dr. Gibson whom everyone admired." This is where Rick Bates lived. "At the end of Cobleigh was a mill pond and wood working shop owned by Mr. Cobleigh. There was another blacksmith shop at the end of the street owned

by Mr. Ed Batchelder."

School Street

"In the brick building on the corner of School St., now Vintage Vermont, "was a tin shop and stoves were bought and sold. Mr. Hadley owned this. Where the Goldthwaite home now stands was a saw mill run by Lovejoy & Sons." The Goldthwaite place is at the corner of School and Canal streets and was a tearoom in recent years. Canal Street used to be Lovejoy Avenue.

"When I was a boy there was of course no sidewalks, electric lights, or any city water. The sidewalks were put in about 47 years ago most which are still in use today. About 1899 the water was put in. The street lights were put in by a Stock Co. of which E.J. Davis the lead. The power was first developed at the old power mill at Factoryville of which part is still standing." Factoryville is where our new emergency services building is being built.

This week's old saying: "He's always trying to convince people he's as important as he thinks he is."

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Mount Holly Community Historical Museum opens

MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. – The museum is open every weekend from 2-4 p.m. throughout July and August. Come view the mammoth tusk and other exhibits of historical interest in both the Perkins House and the Blacksmith Shop, which are in the Village of Belmont. Check out upcoming museum events.

Annual Membership Meeting and Potluck Dinner

The annual membership meeting and potluck dinner will be Tuesday, Aug. 3 at The Odd Fellows Hall starting at 6 p.m. with the potluck dinner followed by a brief membership meeting.

At 7 p.m., the public is invited to hear Dr. Nathaniel Kitchel's presentation about the Mount Holly mammoth. He will give us an update on his research

about the mammoth.

For those who are not familiar with the existence of the mammoths in Mount Holly, come listen and learn about how these mammoths came to be here 12,000 to 13,000 years ago when the ice sheet was melting. While the land was being prepared for the railroad in the summer of 1848, the crew discovered fossilized bones of a woolly mammoth, which later was named the Vermont State Terrestrial Fossil.

Belmont Village Tours

Dennis Devereux, museum historian, will lead tours around Belmont Village Saturday, July 24 and Saturday, Aug. 14 starting at 2 p.m. Meet at the Perkins House. In the case of rain, there will be a museum collection tour.

History of the Grange in Mount Holly

On Sunday, Aug. 15 at 2 p.m., Sue Dawley Leblanc will give a presentation on the History of the Grange at the Perkins House. As a long-time member, Sue will talk about the grange's founding and memories of her family's involvement over the years in the state and local granges.

Baked Ham Dinner

On Saturday, Sept. 4, there will be a baked ham dinner at The Odd Fellows Hall to benefit the museum. The first seating is at 5 p.m. The meal is all you can eat and is served home style. Take out is available.

Mark your calendars for these events and visit our Facebook page and website, www.mounthollyvtmuseum.org, for details.

Dine-around-a-Barbecue at the Custer Sharp House

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Londonderry Arts and Historical Society is hosting a "Dine-around-a-Barbecue" for the community by the community at the Custer Sharp House, 2461 Middletown Rd., Friday, Aug. 13, from 5-7:30 p.m.

Local chefs Annie Campbell and Sharon Crossman are preparing assorted creative burgers. Guests can choose from the "Bernadine," the "Custer Sharp," the "Route 11," and the "Middletown Veggie" or even a hot dog. Rotary volunteers will grill them up to perfection. The Londonderry Village Market, Vermont Butcher, and HoneyPie are kindly providing the burgers and hot dogs. Assorted salads prepared by board members and dessert from Grandma Miller's will round out the menu. And guests can whet their pallets with craft beers, sangria, or the signature LAHS non-alcoholic "Pink Sifter." Green Mountain Gardeners are creating festive bouquets for the tables.

There will be music by Andy Avery. Try your luck with the 50/50 raffle. Or bid on one of the terrific auction items including a painting by Bernadine Custer; a handmade, hand-painted Vermont cornhole game; or a kayak

or canoe trip and gourmet picnic on one of the Lowell Lake islands.

Bring the family – and chairs or a blanket – for an evening of fun. Kids under 6 are free. RSVP by Aug. 6 to www.LAHSvt.org.

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Vermont Everyone Eats funding extended

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – Vermont Everyone Eats, the innovative Covid-19 response program that provides meal assistance to Vermonters in need while supporting local restaurants, farmers, and food producers, has received an extension to continue programming. Program managers had previously anticipated that the program would end June 30, but the state has extended the program contract recognizing that many Vermonters continue to face exacerbated food insecurity due to the Covid-19 economic crisis. The program is now expected to continue through September, contingent on the need and available funding.

Even as Vermont celebrates

its high vaccination rate and the lifting of state pandemic restrictions, residents and local businesses continue to face pandemic-related crises. Many Vermonters are navigating the confusing maze of shifting conditions and resources like the ending of the eviction moratorium, changing housing assistance, reduced unemployment benefits, SNAP eligibility, and school meals programs. To help families, restaurants, and farmers continue to cope with the lingering impacts of Covid-19, Everyone Eats has been extended to keep providing its meals to everyone experiencing food insecurity and income for struggling restaurants and farmers due to still-turbulent economic conditions.

Steve Geller, executive director of SEVCA, VEE's administering agency, spoke for everyone who made the pro-

gram possible, when he said, "SEVCA, the VEE staff, the statewide Task Force, and the regional 'community hubs' that have delivered the meals, are all relieved and delighted that we now have three more months to provide this incredible benefit to so many Vermonters. Despite the positive news about the reduced Covid risk and our growing economy, the negative effects of this crisis are still impacting many individuals and businesses in our state, and this will give them the additional resources and time they need to recover."

The program is anticipated to ramp down, with the volume of meals decreasing over the next few months as, hopefully, community food security stabilizes. Meals are still available in all 14 Vermont counties through a variety of distribution channels. For more information about the program or how to receive a meal, please visit www.vteveryoneeats.org.

Celebration and service for Delores Barbeau

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – We are deeply saddened by the recent passing of our beloved friend, Dr. Delores Barbeau. Delores, along with Gloria Dawson, Carol Olstad, and Carol Robbshaw, founded Neighborhood Connections in 2009 to provide social services to the residents of the mountain towns of southern Vermont.

Services and a community-wide celebration of Delores' life will take place on the grounds of The Weston Priory

located at 58 Priory Hill Rd., in Weston Aug. 13 and 14. Anyone and everyone whose lives have been touched by Delores are welcome to attend. Throughout both days, Neighborhood Connections will host a celebration of her life through photos and video in the Priory Visitor Center.

The schedule of events is as follows. On Friday, Aug. 13 at 5:15 p.m., there will be Eucharist at the Weston Priory Barn Chapel. On Saturday, Aug. 14 at 10:30 a.m., there will be a pro-

cession from the Weston Barn Chapel to the Priory Cemetery for interment. A Testimonial Service immediately follows interment in the Barn Chapel. All are then invited to a shared meal.

Committees are being formed to assist in planning the event. Please sign up for one of the committees: food coordination, drinks and ice, tables and chairs, tablecloths and silverware, musicians, cleanup, or housing for out-of-town friends. Email your choice to heidroot51@gmail.com.

Author offers hope and action for wellbeing

REGION – "It is the rare person who has never dealt with physical or mental illness," says Betsy Thomason, retired respiratory therapist and author of "Just Breathe Out – Using Your Breath to Create a New, Healthier You." "This applies to me, too. I've been bitten at least twice in the last 30 years by ticks car-

rying the Lyme bacteria. Consequently, I have no cartilage in my left hip, one of the late-stage results of a tick bite," she says.

Thomason credits the BreatheOutDynamic system – the topic of the how to breathe guidebook – with her ability to cross-country ski, snowshoe, hike, and paddle with little or no pain. "Each morning I wake committed to stretching and caring for my body. BODs supports this dedication. It's the drug-free way to remain functional."

In addition, Thomason says she consults a holistic nutritionist who is guiding her in the process of eliminating the Lyme bug altogether – a long-term project.

Currently, Thomason is sharing her outreach knowledge with people who have been diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis – ALS or Lou

Gehrig's disease. As a member of Healing ALS, www.healingals.org, she coaches folks from all over the world to focus on their own outreach to provide strength and relaxation as well as help to manage anxiety, fear, pain, and stress. For over a decade, Thomason was the staff respiratory therapist at the ALS Association's New York City clinic. Every patient had the opportunity to learn the BODs basics.

Now retired and living in Vermont, Thomason continues to share this powerful outreach knowledge. In addition, she engages people of all ages at schools and libraries.

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- Muscat resident
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- Tiny bit
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Mary Fraser

CHESTER, Vt. – A Celebration of Life service for Mary Fraser, who passed away Dec. 31, 2019, will be held Saturday, July 31, 2021 at 1 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Meetinghouse, 21 Fairground Rd., Springfield, Vt. Please join her family in a brief service and sharing of memories with a reception to follow at the Meetinghouse.

Maude Gabert

ANDOVER, Vt. – A Celebration of Life for Maude Gabert of Weston, who passed away Feb. 19, 2021, will be held Saturday, July 24 at 1 p.m. at the Andover Town Hall for family and friends.

Dexter B. Lockwood Jr.

PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. – A graveside service for Dexter Lockwood, who passed away Jan. 29, 2021, will be held in the Pine Grove Cemetery in North Springfield, Vt., Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 1 p.m. Following the service, a reception will be held at the Fire Station in Proctorsville, Vt.

Juanita Pollard

CHESTER, Vt. – Funeral services for Juanita Pollard of Chester, who passed away Nov. 22, 2020, will be held at Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vt., Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 3 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society of Vermont or the Springfield Humane Society.

Donald B. Richardson

MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. – The memorial service for Donald B. Richardson, 81, of Mount Holly, Vt., who died May 9, 2021, will be held Saturday, Aug. 7, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. in Grace Congregational United Church of Christ, 8 Court St., Rutland, Vt. Rev. Dr. Alberta Wallace, intentional interim, will officiate. Arrangements are by Tossing Funeral Home.

David E. Files, 1944-2021

HARTLAND, Vt. – The ever-busy hands of David Earl Files, 76, of Hartland, Vt., were suddenly stilled July 14, 2021. David was born Sept. 10, 1944, and grew up in Windsor, Vt. He graduated from Windsor High School in 1962, and joined the U.S. Navy. After service, he returned to Windsor where he married Sheila Callahan, June 12, 1966.



David E. Files, 1944-2021.
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Dave had a varied career, working at Cone Automatic Machine Company, and then for himself as a contractor, real estate agent, and as a landlord. He maintained all his properties and had experience as a builder, a licensed electrician, and a plumber. He worked for many years as an insurance salesman for Bankers' Life and was once recognized as the top salesperson in the U.S. for that quarter. Dave was an avid collector of real estate, constantly improving properties he owned in Hartland, Windsor, Brownsville, Newark, and Morgan, Vt. and in Chiefland, Fla.

Dave had the gift of gab and could talk knowledgeably about many subjects. He loved fishing, nature, and the outdoors. Dave loved to go to auctions and to dicker over prices. He will be remembered for his sense of humor and the twinkle of fun in his blue eyes, but more importantly than what he did, he will be remembered for the people that he helped along the way. Dave made it a point to help others in the community who were less fortunate. As a mentor to many,

he passed on a strong work ethic, valuable DIY skills, and drive to everyone he met, and he took pride in teaching each of us how to "do the job right."

Survivors include his wife Sheila, his daughters Tammie (Bruce) Putnam of Walpole, N.H., and Chris Files (Andy Saur) and Deb Sleeper (Nate Lindberg) of Hartland, Vt.; and granddaughters Rachel and Sarah Putnam and Lily Sleeper. Also surviving are siblings Oren Files Jr., Luella Poindexter, and Dawson Fifield. Dave was predeceased by his parents Oren and Jean Files, and by siblings Gordon Fifield, Dolton Fifield, Nellie Banker, and Evelyn LaMontagne.

Services will be held Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 2 p.m. at Knight Funeral Home in Windsor, Vt. A celebration of life will follow at North Hartland Dam on Clay Hill Road and will be held rain or shine.

Michael E. Mack, 1952-2021

WALPOLE, N.H. – Michael E. Mack, 68, of Walpole, N.H., passed away unexpectedly June 30, 2021 at Keene Medical Center.

Michael, who was also known as Mike, Uncle Buck, and "Mad Mike" by his co-workers, was born Aug. 7, 1952 in Bellows Falls, Vt., the son of Donald and Verna Mack Sr.

Michael attended schools in Walpole and Fall Mountain Regional in Langdon, N.H. After high school, he joined the U.S. Navy and served during the Vietnam War. He resided in the south for several years before returning to New Hampshire in 1991.

By trade, Michael was an excellent machinist and worked for many years at Hicks Machine. He liked to hunt and fish. He had a passion for music, and sang and played the guitar. He enjoyed the music of many artists and especially loved the music of Neil Young.

Michael is survived by his sisters Brenda Pierce of Spring-



Michael E. Mack, 1952-2021.
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field, Vt. and Cindy Wendel and husband Scott of Chester, Vt.; brothers Donald "Hooligan" Mack and Christopher Mack and wife Ruth of Walpole, N.H. He also has several nieces and nephews. He will be dearly missed by those who knew and loved him.

A celebration of life will be held at the American Legion Post 67 in Chester, Vt., Aug. 7, 2021 at 1 p.m.

Rosemary E. Beauchain, 1935-2021

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – Rosemary "Dolly" Eleanor Beauchain, 85, formerly of Charlestown, N.H., died July 2, 2021, in New York. She was born Dec. 31, 1935, in Langdon, N.H., the daughter of Joseph and Eleanor (Vezina) Guinard. She attended schools in Langdon, N.H., was a member of the Charlestown Senior Center, the Langdon Community Club, and a former member of the Legion Auxiliary. She worked for many years at J.J. Newberry Co in Bellows Falls.

On July 16, 1953, in Putney, Vt., she married Louis Beauchain, who predeceased her in 1996. She is survived by her daughter Michelle Robison and her husband Glen; two grand-

daughters Megan Thomas, Nicole Gomez and her husband, Jose; one grandson Richard Robison; and one great-granddaughter Gia Gomez. She is also survived by extended family members Anne Pratt, Nellie and Clifton Govey, Margaret and Allyn Johnson; three very special nieces Deborah, Brenda, and Lorraine P.; three very special nephews Charles, Louis, and Everett. She was predeceased by her brother Edmond Guinard; four sisters Alice Annis, Marie Clark, Rita Boileau, and Bernadette Beauchain.

There was a graveside service in the Lower Langdon Cemetery in Langdon, N.H., July 6, 2021. Donations can be made in her memory to the Charlestown Senior Center.

Cheryl H. Cook, 1936-2021

CHESTER, Vt. – Cheryl H. Cook, 84, passed away Saturday morning, July 17, 2021 at Springfield Rivers. She was born Nov. 4, 1936 in Rutland Town, Vt., the daughter of Edward H. and Hazel (Young) Hemenway.

She attended Rutland Town Schools, graduated from Rutland High School and received her bachelor's degree from the University of Vermont.

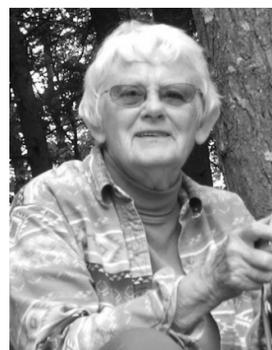
On July 12, 1959, she married George Cook in Rutland, Vt.

Cheryl taught school for a short time after graduating from UVM, was a mother and homemaker, caring for her three children. She later returned to the Chester, Vt. School System working for many years as a special education assistant.

Cheryl had three loves in her life, God, family, and community. She was an active member of the United Church of Bellows Falls. She was an original coordinator of the Christmas dinners for seniors in Chester and coordinated and volunteered for many years facilitating the dinners.

She enjoyed reading, Sudoku, the outdoors, canoeing, kayaking, camping, and traveling with her family. She loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She was a very caring wife and mother and will be remembered as a very kind-hearted and generous person.

She is survived by her husband



Cheryl H. Cook, 1936-2021.
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George; one son Daniel Cook; two daughters Melissa Cook and Joanna Cook; one brother Charles Hemenway (Melody); one sister Helen Willis; grandson Ryan Bashore (Michael); granddaughter Christine Baseel (Brian); one great-grandson Evaniel; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was predeceased by her parents and her daughter-in-law Candace Cook.

A graveside service will be held Saturday, July 24, 2021 at 11 a.m. at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Chester, Vt. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Activities Fund at Springfield Rivers, 105 Chester Rd, Springfield, VT 05156.

Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield, Vt. is assisting with arrangements.

David M. Koske, 1963-2021 & Rosemarie A. Koske, 1965-2021

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Together for 32 years, David Michael Koske and Rosemarie Ann Koske (LeHenry), of Bellows Falls, departed this world together Saturday, July 3, 2021. Rose and Dave shared a love of music. David was always entertaining with his guitar and singing the likes of Neil Young with his heartfelt voice and his Rosie by his side.

If you were lucky enough to join them around the kitchen table to the melodies of "Shanty," "Southern Man," or "Motorcycle Mama," you were one of the lucky ones. They were always opening their home and providing a seat at the kitchen table.

As much as they loved music, their greatest love was reserved for their children, Brian LeHenry, Kyla Koske, Stephanie Koske, and Tyler Koske, all residing in Vermont. They also leave behind their cherished grandchildren, Bodhi Koske and Jasper DeCell.

David was born March 4, 1963 and grew up in South Hadley, Mass., graduating from South Hadley High School in 1981. David was predeceased by his mother Janet "Penny" Selkirk Koske. He is survived by his father Michael R. Koske of South Hadley, Mass., and his sisters Deborah Baldini, Jeri Lynn Koske, and Sandra LaCa-



David M. Koske, 1963-2021 & Rosemarie A. Koske, 1965-2021.
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resse. His memory will also be cherished by nieces and a nephew.

Rose was born April 1, 1965 and grew up in Chicopee, Mass., graduating from Chicopee High School in 1983. Rose was predeceased by her father Ernest LeHenry, her brother Kenneth LeHenry, and her sister Debra Potter. She is survived by her mother Mary-Ann LeHenry of Chicopee, Mass., as well as a niece and nephews.

The couple also leaves behind many friends and friends-turned-family in Massachusetts and Vermont.

Their memories will live on forever in our hearts.

Delores A. Barbeau, 1943-2021

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Justice will go before you; light will be behind and all through.

After a lifetime of service, Delores Anne Barbeau entered her rest Friday, July 9, 2021 at the age of 78. Born April 18, 1943 in Lynn, Mass., to Hazel Delia Lloyd (1917-1970) and Raymond Arthur Barbeau (1914-1990), Delores grew up in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., along with her two brothers.

From an early age, Delores knew she would devote herself to helping others. Immediately after high school, she joined the Maryknoll Sisters in Ossining, N.Y. After receiving her B.A. from the University of New York at Maryknoll, she briefly taught in the Lower East Side before moving to Bolivia, where she studied and received her medical degree at Universidad de San Simon and surgical residency at Elizabeth Seton Hospital in Cochabamba.

For 25 years, Delores practiced medicine in Bolivia and Nicaragua, building community and friendships wherever she went. These years, in her own words, "changed my life forever": she saw the world through new eyes and walked in different shoes. She learned to dance, to love, and live the gospel in solidarity with others. It was in Bolivia, too, that Delores met her life partner, Carol M. Olstad (1942-2011), a registered nurse from Alberta, Canada.

Delores completed additional studies in medicine at Wayne State University Family Practice Residency Program and the University of Massachusetts, Fitchburg Family Practice Residency Program. She also served as a clinical faculty member at Harvard Medical College in Boston and the University of Massachusetts Family Practice Residency in Fitchburg, Mass.

In Vermont, where she made her home in the final decades of her life, Delores continued to advocate for the vulnerable and treated patients in the Springfield Health Center and Rutland Free Clinic. In 2009, along with Gloria Dawson, she cofounded Neighborhood Connections, a community-based health and human services organization in



Delores A. Barbeau, 1943-2021.
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Londonderry. In 2014, the Vermont Chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians distinguished her as Physician of the Year. Her close association with Weston Priory, a Benedictine religious community, gave her strength and opportunities for contemplation amidst so many rigorous professional commitments.

The impact of Delores Barbeau's life is incalculable. All who knew her were struck by her depth of insight, love for community, and dedication to the most vulnerable. She is survived by a brother David L. Barbeau with his wife Rita in North Carolina, as well as a large extended family. Delores's 12 cousins in the Kennett family related to her as a much-loved sibling, and her two nephews and their children admired her passion for life. Delores' many friends in New England and around the world, including the Maryknoll sisters in New York, are too numerous to count. All our lives are forever imprinted with her memory.

All are invited to a Eucharistic celebration Friday, Aug. 13 at 5:15 p.m., as well as a graveside service and celebration of her life Saturday, Aug. 14 at 10:30 a.m., at the Priory in Weston. Pictures and slides, organized by Neighborhood Connections in Londonderry, will also be shared at the Visitor Center at that time. She would have welcomed any contributions made in thankfulness for her life to "The Delores Fund" at Neighborhood Connections, P.O. Box 207, Londonderry, VT 05148.

Eiberta E. Corsale, 1936-2021

KEENE, N.H. – Eiberta "Sis" E. Corsale, of Water Street, passed away Sunday, July 18, 2021 at the American House. She was born Dec. 29, 1936 in Bellows Falls, Vt., the daughter of James and Doris Huntoon Shaughnessy. She attended school in North Walpole and was a 1954 graduate of Bellows Falls High School. She worked for New England Telephone for many years.

On Dec. 18, 1974 in Keene, N.H., she married Joseph Corsale, who died April 2, 2004. Sis is survived by Gerald Shaugh-

nessy of Alfred, Fla., and a sister Margaret Omholt of Little Rock, Ark., and many nieces and nephews.

She was a long-time resident of Claremont, N.H. and a communicant at St. Mary's Church in Claremont. Sis was an avid sports fan.

There will be a funeral mass at St. Peter's Church in North Walpole, N.H., Friday, July 23 at 11 a.m. Calling hours will be 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, July 22, 2021 at the Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vt.

Thomas R. Ruby, 1970-2021

LUDLOW, Vt. – Thomas R. Ruby, 51, passed away at his home Wednesday, July 14, 2021, surrounded by his loving family. He was born March 16, 1970, son of Francis and Donna (Barlow) Ruby in Rutland, Vt. and attended Rutland schools.

Tom was a self-employed carpenter in Ludlow and the surrounding areas for many years. He was well known for the quality of his work, but also the hard work and love he put into it.

Those who know Tom can agree that despite his usual gruff demeanor, he was the most hardworking, selfless, and caring man.

In his spare time he enjoyed metal detecting, gardening, and watching sports. He was an avid NY Yankees and Dallas Cowboys fan. Tom enjoyed spending time at home with his family, including his three dogs – Olive, Cooper, and Jett.

He is survived by his partner Donna Wentworth, his son Tyler Ruby and his wife Alanna; granddaughters Ashley, and Adrienne due this



Thomas R. Ruby, 1970-2021.
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fall; three stepdaughters Ashley, Tessa, and Reagan Bushey; two brothers Lee and Chris McIntyre; and one sister Beth LaPierre. He is also survived by several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was predeceased by his parents and his three brothers Jerry, Bob, and Tim.

Services will be at the convenience of the family. Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield is assisting with arrangements.

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CVPWFL Jim Tully Youth Football Camp

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Aug. 9-13, the Connecticut Valley Pee Wee Football League will be hosting a four-day Jim Tully Football & Cheerleader Camp from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Hadley Field Complex at Bellows Falls Union High School in Westminster, Vt. All four nights, there will be a guest speaker to talk about peewee, high school, college, and NFL football

experiences. Coaches who have coached at different levels of football and cheerleading, from peewee to college, will lead instruction at the camp. Expect great instruction and fun for all.

The football camp is open to kids entering grades 3 to 8, and the cheerleader camp is for ages 4 to 14. Children from anywhere may attend this camp and are encour-

aged to do so as the upcoming football season is close.

Football players attending must wear shorts, t-shirts, and sneakers, and cheerleaders must wear shorts or sweatpants, t-shirts, and sneakers.

Camp registration will



Register for youth football camp. STOCK PHOTO

be Monday, Aug. 9 starting at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, Aug. 12, there will be signups for CVPWFL season at BFUHS at 5:30 p.m. with no camp that day. All campers will receive a camp t-shirt, and Friday night there will be pizza provided by Athens Pizza.

For any questions or concerns, please contact Casey Cota at 802-463-9850 or Ed Vancor at 802-376-5902.

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The Fourth Corner Foundation, 578 Hitchcock Hill Road, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit founded to support sustainable and environmentally integrated



Fourth Corner Foundation gardens are open to visitors. PHOTO PROVIDED

design. Donations are welcome but not required.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife to discuss moose

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Nick Fortin, a wildlife biologist with the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department, will be at Neighborhood Connections Tuesday, July 27 at 4 p.m. to discuss the history and current status of moose in Vermont.

In recent years, moose numbers have declined across the Northeast as herds are increasingly under stress from climate change. Wildlife biologists are concerned that the shorter winters are allow-

ing winter tick numbers to increase – causing higher mortality rates. Nick will address these concerns and discuss other challenges moose are facing.

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Eligible projects include shooting range redevelopment, noise abatement structures, safety berms, shooting pads and stations, and the construction or improvement of access roads and parking lots. Grant money may also be used for lead mitigation, such as recycling, reducing range floor surface drainage, or liming range property.

This year, \$80,000 in grant funds will be available. These funds are derived through the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Wildlife Restoration Program, which is based on federal excise taxes on hunting and shooting equipment.

Ranges that receive these grants must provide at least 20 hours of public use per month when in operation and be open at reasonable times for hunter education courses.

For further information or to download an application packet, visit the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department website at www.vtfishandwildlife.com. Click on "Hunting and Trapping," and then on "Shooting Ranges in Vermont." Or, contact Nicole Meier at nicole.meier@vermont.gov or by calling 802-318-1347.

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— King Crossword —

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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- Local music: AllT concert & SammyB in-studio (Community ch.)
- Exit 7A: a short film written & produced by Ludlow native, writer, & educator Asher Ellis (Community ch.)

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arts & entertainment

Rick Davis continues Cavendish concert series

CAVENDISH, Vt. – The town of Cavendish will continue its summer music series with a concert by Rick Davis and Friends on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville, Wednesday, July 28 at 6 p.m.

Rick Davis has been a staple of the Vermont ski scene on his own and with the Davis Brothers Garage Band, since the 1970s. The band is famous for covers of Stevie Wonder, Steely Dan, and the Doobie Brothers, among others.

The Cavendish Community and Conservation Association will again coordinate the series. All concerts are free and open to the public, so grab your lawn chair, a picnic and a cold drink,

and join your friends and neighbors to enjoy plenty of rollicking good music from the gazebo. Murdock's Restaurant and Outer Limits Brewery will each be serving food and drink, either eat in or take out. Please support your local businesses.

Wearing masks at the concert and physical distancing are only required for those who are not vaccinated. The green is large and the band will be loud enough to be heard throughout, so please spread out and maintain distancing.

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. If you would like to help, we would like to hear from you. Call Robin at 802-226-7736 to volunteer or for more information on the concerts.

Wellness and Psychic Fair in Saxtons River

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. – On Saturday, July 31, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., come to the Wellness and Psychic Fair at 20 Rand Rd. in Saxtons River with classes, workshops, and demonstrations scheduled throughout the day.

Some offerings include: Eben Dodds Massage, Shamanism with Marianna Jacobs, Adhi 2 Owls: The Shaman at Large, Bronwyn Sims presents yoga and theater, food provided by Smokin' Bowls, Charlotte McFarlin Magic Mama Medicine, Rachel Navy "Villagio Strega":

traditional healer and Tarot, Kailama Morris: Somatic Breathwork, Gershom Moore: Reki master and rogue healer, Lucy Zahng with traditional Chinese medicine and acupuncture, and more.

For more information, contact Rachel Navy at rnavy@outlook.com.

Woodworking classes at HatchSpace

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. – HatchSpace is offering several woodworking classes for both beginners and experienced woodworkers.

Mastering the Card Scraper with Tom Bodett: In this 2.5-hour workshop, Tom Bodett shares his passion for woodworking and especially the card scraper – a simple and effective tool for creating a beautiful finish on wood. Tom will cover how to use the card scraper and how to keep it sharp. Each participant will receive a card scraper and the tools to keep it sharp – a diamond stone and burnisher. This class is offered Aug. 14.

Intermediate Lathe Techniques is an introduction to face-turning techniques on the lathe with master wood turner

Jeff Bower. This 3-hour direct learning experience focuses on tools and techniques to create a wide variety of simple forms. Includes safety, setup, design, and tool selection to take the mystery out of turning and inspire your creativity. Previous lathe experience is required. This class is offered July 25 and Aug. 1.

Introduction to Segmented Turning: Learn to transform small scraps of hardwood into stunning bracelets, napkin rings, sculptures, and other forms on a lathe. Boston-based artist, designer, and builder Dyllan Nguyen teaches this weekend class Aug. 7 and 8. All levels welcome, from beginner to advanced woodworkers.

Beginning Woodworking for

Women is designed for anyone who has not had much – or any at all – experience working with wood or tools, or wants a refresher. Participants will have a chance to explore their creative and practical problem-solving sides, and learn about safety, design, wood, power tools, and

some hand tools in a supportive learning environment. Gail Grycel teaches this class Sept. 13 through Oct. 6.

Visit www.Hatchspace.org for more classes, information, and registration. HatchSpace is located at 22 High Street in Brattleboro, Vt.

Jeff Dunham coming to Vermont State Fair

RUTLAND, Vt. – The Paramount Theatre presents comedian, ventriloquist, and actor Jeff Dunham at the Vermont State Fair Grandstands Wednesday, Aug. 18 at 8 p.m. The show is being co-produced with the support of Catamount Radio. Tickets are on sale at www.ParamountVT.org.

Hailed as "America's favorite comedian" by Slate Magazine, for over two decades, Jeff Dunham has sold out arenas around the globe. He begins his new arena and theater tour in 2021 with "Jeff Dunham: Seriously!?"

Dunham released his second Netflix stand-up special, "Jeff Dunham: Beside Himself," filmed at the American Airlines

Center in his hometown of Dallas. "Beside Himself" marked Jeff's ninth special, an unprecedented number in the comedy community. Dunham also holds the record for the first, second, and fourth most watched specials ever on Comedy Central.

His autobiography, "All By My Selves: Walter, Peanut, Achmed and Me," was on the New York Times Best Seller list three weeks in a row.

More information on the historic Paramount Theatre, including details on their two drive-in movie theaters and "Outside The Box" Summer Concert Series, can be found on their website, www.Paramount-VT.org.



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A discussion of the novel, "Ecological Memory"

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Join the Springfield Town Library and author Caroline Ailanthus online Tuesday, Aug. 3 at 6 p.m. for a discussion of the novel, "Ecological Memory," a tale about what happens after you lose everything.

In the summer of 2019, Ailanthus published a novel about a scientist in the aftermath of a catastrophic pandemic. Less than six months later, life began to imitate art. Join us for an online reading from the novel, "Ecological Memory." We'll discuss the fictional pandemic and

explore the potential of ecology as a source of perspective and hope in the face of loss.

"Ecological Memory" is set 20 years after a catastrophic global pandemic. The story explores how the characters, society, and the planet find ways to heal. It's a book about what happens after you lose everything.

Caroline Ailanthus is primarily a science writer; even her fiction blends science and story, and she is also the author of the Climate in an Emergency blog. "Ecological Memory" is her second published novel. She grew

up in Delaware and attended various small, odd schools, mostly in New England, earning a B.A. in Environmental Leadership and an M.S. in Environmental Studies. She lives in Maryland with her husband and assorted animals.

This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Tracey at 802-885-3108 or stlvtprogrms@gmail.com. To register, go to www.eventbrite.com/e/a-discussion-of-the-novel-ecological-memory-tickets-156536594167.

Local artists exhibit at the Custer Sharp House

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – The Londonderry Arts and Historical Society's annual Local Artists Exhibit runs from Aug. 7 to Sept. 4 at LAHS headquarters, The Custer Sharp House, 2461 Middletown Rd.,

in Londonderry. Exhibit hours are Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., opening Saturday, Aug. 7 at 10 a.m.

If you would like to exhibit, please contact Garrison Buxton at 917-602-2153 or gbu-

tonaha@gmail.com, or Val Johnson at 802-875-3865 or valjean43@vermont.net.

Receiving dates are Wednesdays, July 21 and 28, and Saturdays, July 24 and 31, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Exhibit runs

Dave Keller and band return to Chester Music Series

CHESTER, Vt. – On Thursday, July 22, 2021, from 6:30-8 p.m., Chester's Summer Music Series welcomes back Dave Keller and his band.

Dave Keller is an award-winning, triple-threat: an outstanding singer, an intense guitarist, and a talented songwriter. Fueled by his love of deep Southern soul and blues music, his performances ring out with passion, integrity, and an ability to break down the barriers between performer and audience.

Based in Montpelier, Vt., Dave Keller's reputation for

dynamic, soul-stirring performances extends throughout New England. With over 1,000 shows to his credit, Dave Keller is a singer and guitarist who has forged a style uniquely his own – intense and soulful, gritty and sweet. Like the best blues and soul men before him, Keller learned his art firsthand from the masters: Mighty Sam McClain, Paul Rishell, Fontella Bass, and the late, great Robert Ward. Most recently, Keller was featured as singer and co-writer on "Living in the Light," the new CD by legendary guitarist Ronnie Earl. He has earned glowing reviews in

Blues Review, Vintage Guitar, Big City Rhythm & Blues and many other print and online publications. It's clear that Dave Keller is indeed a leading voice in carrying soul music forward, helping to create the next generation of fans.

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs and be prepared to sit back and listen to some great music on a summer night right in downtown Chester.

In case of rain, the concert venue is the Chester American Legion Hall, Route 11, Chester. All concerts are free and for all ages. For more information, call Bill Dakin at 802-875-4000.

Ice cream social and concert at the Athens Brick Meetinghouse

ATHENS, Vt. – The Athens Brick Meetinghouse Committee in conjunction with the Athens Historic Preservation Society is hosting an ice cream social and a concert featuring Bard Owl Sunday, Aug. 8 at the 1817 Brick Meetinghouse in Athens, Vt.

Doors will open at 4:30 p.m. with an ice cream sundae "buffet bar" set up on the lawn. Concertgoers are invited to bring a picnic dinner to enjoy on the Meetinghouse Common prior to the concert.

Bard Owl is a lively Williamsville-based music duo, comprised of T. Breeze Verdant on guitar, vocals, and stomp box and Annie Landenberger on vocals and percussion. Bard Owl has been playing the region since 2016 offering warm harmonies, driving rhythms, and an eclectic mix of old tunes, new and original. They've spent the past year plus building their repertoire in the direction of blues-jazz types of tunes and finessing their sound, while working on recordings and a web presence. Eric Cantos will join them on harmonica for this concert.

The concert will start at 5 p.m. in the Meetinghouse. There is a suggested donation. Additionally, raffle tickets will be on sale for a cord-plus of hard maple firewood. You will also find information and can submit a bid for our silent auction on a great load of local rough-cut hemlock donated by a friend of the Meetinghouse.

All proceeds go to support ongoing efforts to preserve this historic gem. Tax-deductible donations can be made to the Athens Historic Preservation

Society to further our efforts to preserve Meetinghouse.

The Athens Brick Meetinghouse is historically significant to the Windham County region of Vermont, and particularly the 12 surrounding towns, which comprised the "Old Athens Circuit" – Grafton, Rockingham, Townshend, Londonderry, Weston, Chester, Acton, Springfield, Landgrove, Windham, Putney, and Mount Holly.

Circuit preachers from Athens traveled out to these towns to perform religious services. Quarterly camp meetings with congregants from these towns often lasted two days at this "Mother Church."

For more information, contact Sherry Maher at 802-869-2141 or email athensmeetinghouse1817@gmail.com, or follow Athens Meetinghouse on Facebook.

through Sept. 4. Pickup date is Sept. 4, from 2-6 p.m.

Artists must provide paperwork with artist's name, email, phone number, address, and complete list of works, prepared as noted. All art must contain information on the back including artist's name, phone number, title, medium, description of that work, and price.

Art must be hangable and ready to install and sell; please do not submit otherwise. No

pieces larger than 36 inches in any direction and artists may submit 2-3 pieces.

Artists are welcomed and encouraged to volunteer for any of the days we are open. It is a great value added to, as well as appreciated by, the community and all those who visit.

The Custer Sharp House is

the headquarters of the Londonderry Arts and Historical Society. It is the former home of artists Bernadine Custer and Jimmy Sharp. The exhibit space has been improved with new lighting and a display system.

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BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Village Square Booksellers are hosting three New England novelists, Reverend Jane Willan, Eileen O’Finlan, and Eileen Charbonneau,

Thursday, July 22 at 5 p.m. to talk about their books and writing process. Located at 32 the Square in Bellows Falls. Call 802-463-9404 for reservations for their first post-pandemic in-person event. Masks required.

JULY 23 – CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – Firehouse 6 Dixieland Band will perform a free concert Friday, July 23, from 6:30-8 p.m., at the Charlestown Senior Center, 223 Old Springfield Rd., in Charlestown. Refreshments on sale will include burgers, hot dogs, chips, cold beverages, and a sweet. Please bring a lawn chair.

JULY 24 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – VINE Sanctuary is hosting Pasture Pals, a humane

education program open to all children ages 6 and up beginning Saturday, July 24, from 12-2 p.m. Each session introduces a humane education lesson, like teaching boundaries and consent, while also including time with the non-human animals, art lessons, and volunteering time. This program is free and open to the public. Registration is required and can be found online at www.tinyurl.com/VINE-sanctuary. For more information, contact Anna Boarini at anna@bravebirds.org.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Surprise Sale with all kinds of things at the Methodist Church in Springfield Saturday, July 24, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Come see what we have that you need!

JULY 25 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Pat Daddona will be at the Springfield UU Meetinghouse at 21 Fairground Rd., Sunday, July 25, from 3-5 p.m., playing original and cover songs. Concert will be outdoors, weather permitting, on the front lawn and lower parking lot. Rain or shine. If concert is moved indoors, masks and social distancing will be required. Follow

our Facebook page for updates. Free admission. Donations accepted for the musicians. Contact uuspringfieldvt@gmail.com for information.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Ludlow Summer Bandstand series presents Michelle Fay Band Sunday, July 25, from 7-8 p.m., at the former Black River High School front lawn. Rain venue is at the Ludlow Community Center. Visit www.ludlowtparksandrec.com for details.

JULY 27 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Community Band, under the direction of Nick Pelton, will present a free concert Tuesday, July 27, at 7:30 p.m., at the outdoor bandstand at Riverside Middle School in Springfield. In addition to lively selections by the full band, the saxophone quartet and the jazz ensemble will perform that evening.

JULY 28 – PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. – The town of Cavendish continues their Summer Concert Series Wednesday, July 28 at 6 p.m. with Rick Davis and Friends performing on the Svec Memorial Green in Proctorsville, weather permitting. Masks and physical distancing are

only required for those who are not vaccinated. Bring chairs or blankets. For more information, please call Robin at 802-226-7736. In case of rain, please check the Cavendish Facebook page for further information.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Weston Playhouse presents “Seussical” Wednesday, July 28 at 5 p.m. on Brown Field at Riverside Middle School in Springfield. Follow Horton the Elephant, the Cat in the Hat, and more of your favorite characters into the colorful, zany world of Dr. Seuss. Bring your blankets and chairs for great seats on the lawn. Hosted by Springfield Town Library and Springfield Park and Recreation. This event is free and open to the public. If you would like more information, call the library at 802-885-3108 or email stlys@vermontel.net.

JULY 30 & 31 – LONDONDERRY, Vt. – The Whale of a Sale is happening Friday and Saturday, July 30 and 31, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Second Congregational Church, 2051 Route 11, in Londonderry. We follow Vermont state Covid guidelines: masks are not required for fully vaccinated people and are suggested for unvaccinated folks. For details, call 802-824-6453.

JULY 31 – TOWNSHEND, Vt. – Gerda’s Equine Rescue, a nonprofit organization

located in Townshend, will be holding a tack and yard sale Saturday, July 31, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., at 5825 Route 30 in West Townshend to raise money for helping their rescue horses. Lots of used English and Western tack along with furniture, canoe, bicycles, antiques, and more. Rain date is Aug. 1.

JULY 31 & AUG. 1 – SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. – Wellness and Psychic Fair Saturday, July 31, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 1, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at 20 Rand Rd. in Saxtons River. Classes, workshops, and demonstrations throughout the day. For details, contact Rachel Navy at rnavy@outlook.com.

TUESDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Meals on Wheels serves a senior community lunch every Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the meal site, which is located on the corner of Union and Southridge streets in Springfield. All-you-can-eat buffet includes milk, coffee, or tea and dessert. Suggested donation. For more information, call 802-885-5879.

WEDNESDAYS – BRATTLEBORO, Vt. – Advanced directives: Where do I find the forms? Who should be named as my healthcare agent? Who do I give the completed form to? How do I talk with my family about my healthcare wishes if I’m unable to speak for myself? Every Wednesday at 10 a.m.

or 6 p.m., Taking Steps Brattleboro is offering Advanced Care Planning informational meetings via Zoom. To receive the Zoom invitation, call Dan Freeman at 802-257-0775 ext. 101 or email don.freeman@brattleborohospice.org.

CHESTER, Vt. – Knitting with Friends at Six Loose Ladies on the Chester Common, Wednesdays, from 10 a.m. to noon.

THURSDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Meals on Wheels serves a senior community lunch every Thursday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the meal site, which is located on the corner of Union and Southridge streets in Springfield. All-you-can-eat buffet includes milk, coffee, or tea and dessert. Suggested donation. For more information, call 802-885-5879.

CHESTER, Vt. – Knit Knite at Six Loose Ladies on the Chester Common Thursdays, from 5-8 p.m. and via Zoom from 7-8 p.m.

FRIDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Greater Falls Farmers Market is every Friday from 4-7 p.m. through September at the Waypoint Center, 17 Depot St., in Bellows Falls.

DAILY – REGION – If you want to drink that’s your business, but if you want to stop, that’s ours. Contact Alcoholics Anonymous at www.aavt.org or call your local hotline at 802-885-8281 and join a meeting. You are not alone.

WEEKLY – REGION – Flow and Restore Yoga weekly live stream classes with Soulfire Yoga with Joy, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays, through Saturday, Sept. 4, from 11 a.m. to noon. This class is a gentle to moderate hatha practice that fosters a deep inner connection and restores balance to the mind and body. Beginners to seasoned practitioners are welcome. Contact Joy Nagle for more information and to register for classes at Joyousom@gmail.com or 802-855-3003.

Highway Department Position Available

The Town of Plymouth has an opening for a Town employee in our Highway Department. A CDL is required.

Please contact Larry at 802-672-3535.

Town & Village of Ludlow Development Review Board Notice of Public Hearing

A meeting will be held on August 09, 2021 at 6:00 P.M., in the Howard Barton Jr. Conference Room, located in the Ludlow Town Hall, to hear the following application:

APPLICATION NUMBER: 153-00-CU; Amendment No. 4
 APPLICANT: Jennifer Esposito, Jasper Forest, LLC
 PROPERTY LOCATION: 110 Main Street
 PARCEL NUMBER: 230434.000

REASON FOR HEARING: Conditional Use Permit Amendment to add retail to the yoga studio.

Additional information may be obtained in the Planning & Zoning Office in the Town Hall

Rosemary Goings, Board Clerk

TOWN OF LUDLOW, VERMONT POSITION AVAILABLE HIGHWAY TRUCK DRIVER/LABORER

The Town of Ludlow Highway Department invites applications for the position of Truck Driver/Laborer. This is an entry level full-time, year-round position. Principal duties include plowing snow from roads and sidewalks, sanding and salting roads, road construction and maintenance and other related duties. Must possess a valid Vermont CDL license or the ability to acquire one within six months. Experience operating a dump truck with plow, dump body and sander, loader, backhoe, mower and trimmer. General knowledge of vehicle maintenance, fundamental construction and maintenance procedures, equipment operation and mechanics is a plus.

Municipal benefit package includes health, retirement plan, generous sign on bonus and more. Employment applications are available at www.ludlow.vt.us and may be emailed to tmanager@tds.net. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The Town of Ludlow is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

VILLAGE OF LUDLOW, VERMONT POSITION AVAILABLE WATER & WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT ASSISTANT OPERATOR

The Village of Ludlow invites applications for the position of Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Assistant Operator. This is a full-time, year-round position working under the direction of the Municipal Manager and the Water & Wastewater Treatment Plant Chief Operator.

An Associate’s Degree with study in water and/or wastewater treatment with experience in secondary water and wastewater operations and supervisory experience is preferred, but not required. Applicant must possess Grade 3DM Wastewater Certification and Grade 3 Water Certification within two years from the date of hire. Must be available some weekends, holidays and on-call and hold a valid driver’s license. Applicant must be able to perform other municipal duties as directed.

Operation of the Water & Wastewater Treatment Facility includes, but is not limited to plant operations and maintenance, preventative maintenance, laboratory testing, record keeping, budget and cost control and sampling and testing as required by the State of VT Water Supply Division and VT Department of Environmental Conservation.

Competitive wage with municipal benefit package and training opportunities. Return a completed job application, available at the Ludlow Municipal Office or at www.ludlow.vt.us with references, to the Municipal Manager at PO Box 359, Ludlow, VT 05149 or email them to tmanager@tds.net. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The Village of Ludlow is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

School Bus Driver

Green Mountain Unified School District has a position open for a Full Time Bus Driver starting immediately. Driving will be approximately 4 - 6 hours a day split between the morning and afternoon. This is a School Year Position. Requirements: CDL Class B with school bus and passenger endorsement, as well as current DOT Medical Card. Background Checks and a pre-employment drug test are required as well as being in a pool for random drug testing.

Job Type: Full-time Pay: \$22.87 per hour

Send Resumes to: Todd Parah at todd.parah@trsu.org

GREEN MOUNTAIN UNION HIGH SCHOOL Chester, VT Full Time Custodian Position – Immediate Opening

Green Mountain Union High School has an immediate opening for a 2:30 PM to 10:30 PM Custodian Position. Custodial tasks as assigned - cleaning and maintaining facilities, seasonal outdoor grounds maintenance. Must be self-motivated and able to work independently. Must be able to abide by safety regulations and medical precautions. Some tasks will be performed outdoors in extreme cold or heat. Position involves bending, reaching, pulling, walking up and down stairs, lifting (50 lbs) and stepping up and down. Criminal Background Record Check will be required.

Benefits include Health Insurance, State Retirement, sick days, paid holidays and vacation days

Send resume or complete a Two Rivers Supervisory Union Job Application to:
 Todd Parah
 Director of Facilities
 Green Mountain Union High School
 716 VT Route 103 South
 Chester, VT 05143 EOE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Two Rivers Supervisory Union Ludlow, VT Destruction of Information Process

The Two Rivers Supervisory Union (formerly Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union and Rutland Windsor Supervisory Union), encompassing the Vermont towns of: Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester, Landgrove, Londonderry, Ludlow, Mt. Holly, Peru, Plymouth and Weston, will be conducting a Destruction of Information process commencing August 25, 2020. Educational Records and personally identifiable information used under the Individual with Disabilities Educational Act, but no longer needed to provide educational services to students will be destroyed. Only records for students with a Date of Birth year of 1993 will be destroyed. Any person desiring their records must put that request in writing so that the Director of Student Services receives your letter no later than August 13, 2021. Please send your request to:
 Mary Barton
 Director of Student Services
 TRSU
 609 VT Route 103
 Ludlow, VT 05149

Please include the following information in that request:
 Student Name (if there has been a change of name, include all names)
 Student Date of Birth
 Town of Residency when enrolled in school

This process does not apply to records of currently enrolled students. Please feel free to call this office with any questions at 802-875-6425.

TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD TAXPAYER NOTICE SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT

The first installment of the 2021-2022 Town & Town School District Taxes is due and payable

August 15, 2021

Payments can be made as follows:

- In person or through the mail.
- Dropped into our mail slot located in the white door that faces Main Street.
- Dropped into our mail slot located in the brown door on the second floor at the top of the outside stairs.
- Electronically on the town’s website at <https://springfield.vt.govoffice2.com>. A fee is charged for this method of payment.

Payment receipts available in person or by including a stamped self-addressed return envelope or an email address. Town Hall is open M-F 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Barbara A. Courchesne, Treasurer

TOWN OF POWNAL
Traffic Ordinance Amendment

Town of Pownal Website: <https://www.townofpownal.org>

On July 8th the Selectboard of the Town of Pownal, Vermont, adopted amendments to the existing “Traffic Ordinance” dated February 25th, 2019. This notice is published pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1972 to inform the public of these amendments and of the citizens’ right to petition for a vote to disapprove these amendments.

The following sections of the Town of Pownal, VT Traffic Ordinance were amended:

24. A person violating any of the preceding ordinances related to litter and/or debris shall be fined not less than \$ 250.00 or more than \$ 500.00 for each offense. A person shall be fined \$500.00 for each offense thereafter.

25. A Motor Vehicle transporting garbage, rubbish, brush, sand-gravel-stone or any loose debris over a public highway within the Town of Pownal shall be secured and/or covered at all times

The full text of the Ordinance may be examined at the Pownal Town office at 467 Center Street Pownal, VT during regular office hours and the Town website.

Title 24 V.S.A. § 1973 grants citizens the right to petition for a vote at a special or annual Town Meeting to disapprove ordinance amendments adopted by the Selectboard. To exercise this right, citizens must present to the Selectboard or the Town Clerk a petition for a vote on the question of disapproving the amendments signed by not less than five percent (5%) of the Town’s qualified voters. The petition must be presented within forty-four (44) days following the date of the adoption of the amendments. Unless a petition requesting a vote is filed pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1973, the amended “Traffic Ordinance” shall become effective sixty (60) days from the date of said adoption.

TOWN OF POWNAL SELECTBOARD
 Adopted this 8th day of July, 2021
 Last day for any citizen to file petition: August 26th, 2021
 Ordinance becomes effective: September 2nd, 2021

For additional information pertaining to the ordinance:
 Megan Albert, Administrative Assistant
 Town of Pownal, 467 Center Street Pownal, VT
 802.823.0116 x102
admin.assistant@townofpownal.org