



Fall Home Improvement

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Joint Board discusses demolition of 66 Atkinson Street building

BY BETSY THURSTON

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Bellows Falls Trustees and Rockingham Selectboard in a Joint Board meeting discussed demolition of 66 Atkinson St. Wednesday, Sept. 29.

Built in 1835 as the Methodist Church and locally known as the YMCA, the building was recently pursued by Northern Heritage Mills. At the end of September, Municipal Manager Scott Pickup was told they did not have the funds.

On June 29, the Joint Board had discussed demolition by the fall unless the building was sold. Pickup said they received four bids for demolition, and Hodgkins and Sons of Walpole, N.H., offered the lowest at \$58,693. He said based on previous conversations with the board, the timing was good and encouraged demolition before snowfall.

Rockingham Historic Preservation Commission added a resolution to the meeting

agenda to allow access inside the building for documentation purposes and to “save the stained glass windows, the tower, and century-old beams if practical.” The resolution requested deconstruction rather than demolition for salvageable elements of the building for historic preservation.

Selectboard Chair Peter Golec asked if the town was the owner and liable for the property. Pickup asserted that Chris Glennon had signed the deed over to the town of Rockingham.

Golec was concerned about allowing people inside, referring to the last engineer’s report. Trustee James McAuliffe said if the RHPC signed personal releases, “I would be willing to let them [inside the building] for a limited time, as long as we were not potentially liable.”

Selectboard and RHPC member Elijah Zimmer said, “I think this is a significant loss to the community...[it’s] incredibly unfortunate.”

He suggested documenta-

tion and by saving “whatever elements are deemed practical.” The Preservation Commission was especially interested in the stained glass window on the front facade and the steeple, of which Zimmer said, “[It] has been an important landmark in town.”

He also explained the significance of preserving elements and that “the building is documented properly.”

Golec wondered about project delay and increased costs. Pickup said they would discuss with the contractor, and if the price changed, they would come back to the board.

McAuliffe said, “This proposal of salvaging beams is not conceivable,” and explained that the bid for demolition would be to crush the building.

Zimmer said it would be a matter of working with the contractor to save “what is practical” and encourage keeping the historic material out of the landfill.

Cowan asked if the RHPC had funding; Zimmer said that

had not been discussed.

Selectboard Susan Hammond remarked that the bid only included crushing and disposal costs, but she suggested they add the resolution. “We need to make the best effort to salvage what can be salvaged as a condition of awarding the bid.” She said the manager could work with the contractor based upon recommendations.

Golec determined that two decisions needed to be made: the town accepting the bid and the Village Trustees voting to appropriate up to \$40,000 from the unsafe building fund.

McAuliffe said, “As a Trustee, I am in favor of demolishing the building,” but he did not agree the village should share the costs with the town.

Golec said the action began with the Trustees voting it as an unsafe building and said, “I think it’s fair that the village should contribute.”

Trustee Stefan Golec said, “I see the historical value... I would think the village would like some say.” He asked if the



66 Atkinson Street in Bellows Falls.

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RHPC would be prepared to act immediately.

Village President Deborah Wright said after two years, the village had spent \$20,000 on court fees and fence rentals and now the building was town owned. She made a motion for the village to contribute zero dollars for demolition.

Jeff Dunbar said he wished the bid had included the resolution, noting this was a lesson for the town and village on waiting to act on decaying buildings.

The Trustees voted unanimously to appropriate zero funds.

The Selectboard voted unanimously to approve the bid of

\$58,693 for Hodgkins and Sons to demolish 66 Atkinson Street. The resolution was accepted.

The manager will work with the contractor and RHPC to identify significant historical elements, and RHPC would sign waivers of liability prior to entering the building. Decisions on salvage and any increased costs would be discussed at the next Selectboard meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 19.

The Joint Board generally meets on the fifth Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. in the Lower Theater of the Bellows Falls Opera House. The Saxtons River Trustees expressed interest in joining their Nov. 30 meeting.

Grace Cottage receives VBGS Grant

TOWNSHEND, Vt. – Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital has received an \$18,900 grant from the Vermont Buildings and General Services “Building Communities” grant program to help Grace Cottage upgrade the sidewalk in front of Grace Cottage Family Health Clinic along Route 35.

The grant allows Grace Cottage to replace a narrow asphalt sidewalk that was in need of repair with a safer, long-lasting concrete sidewalk that meets

current ADA handicap-accessibility standards. In addition to being wider, the new sidewalk also has an attractive retaining wall at the right height to provide outdoor seating while patients wait for their rides. Recessed lighting built into this wall will provide a safer walking environment early and late in the day.

Evans Construction and the Grace Cottage Maintenance Department are completing most of the work and expect to finish the project before winter.

Other funding for this project was donated by a private foundation and an individual donor.

Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital serves approximately 7,500 patients annually, mainly from towns throughout Windham County. Among its services, it offers primary care, inpatient hospitalization, physical and occupational rehabilitation, and 24-7-365 emergency medical services.

Flat Iron Cooperative, a shared goal in downtown Bellows Falls

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Flat Iron Cooperative is a new worker-owned venture in downtown Bellows Falls that is hoping to raise money to open their doors – and hoping to enrich the community with art, music, coffee, and more.

The Flat Iron Cooperative is located at 51 The Square, in the historic brick building at the intersection of The Square and Westminster and Mill streets. It was co-founded by three friends: Larisa Demos, a board chair of the Valley Alliance of Worker Co-operatives and a board member of the Spring-

field Co-op; Bri Johnson, the owner of the Flat Iron Cooperative who has a background in art and as a librarian; and Jana Bryan, a landscape architect and former owner of the Flat Iron Exchange Coffee Shop.

With their ample experience, research, and passion, they aim to invigorate and bring together the community of Bellows Falls with a worker-owned coffee-house, market, and community space. At its core, it’s a values-driven business that puts worker and community benefit at the forefront. It aims to be a space filled with poetry, art, music,

coffee, healthy food options, and spirits, with plans for events and workshops aimed at kids, teens, and adults and collaborations with other local organizations. Overall, the Flat Iron Cooperative is for people of all ages of all interests and was created by and with the Bellows Falls community.

Now, as new members of the Valley Alliance of Worker Cooperatives, the Flat Iron Cooperative is moving full-steam ahead toward opening.

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2021 Rockingham Old House awards

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. – The Rockingham Historic Preservation Commission will host a reception for the town’s 2021 Old House Award winners Saturday, Oct. 16 at 11 a.m. at the Rockingham Meeting House, 11 Meeting House Rd., in Rockingham. The public is invited to congratulate the winners and celebrate historic preservation efforts underway throughout the town.

“Restored between 1905 and 1907 the meeting house is the birthplace of historic preservation in Rockingham, setting the pace for our region,” said John Leppman, commission chair. “It is big and bright, and while some may say it is a bit drafty, does allow for plenty of fresh air and social distancing best for this Covid age. A great place for the community to safely meet to applaud historic preservation.”

Awards made annually by the commission are designed to recognize property owners in the town of Rockingham who maintain and restore their historic homes and commercial and industrial buildings. Eligible properties are older homes and businesses that have received exterior restoration and conservation by their owners,



The Philips building.

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typically in the past five years. Brass plaques are awarded the winners, who are encouraged to proudly post them on their entrances to call out their efforts to keep Rockingham historic.

Below are this year’s winners.

Scott Philips, owner of 3 Rockingham St., on the Square, Bellows Falls, which is the oldest building on the Village Square. Originally built in 1820 and known as the Dr. John H. Wells block, it housed the village post office from 1830-1841. After a major rebuild in 1890, it became known simply as the Commercial Block. In a deteriorated state it faced condemnation in 2017. A restoration effort started that year by Philips and the block has been resurrected in 2021 as The Philips Building, shining as a bright jewel on the Square and now home of Rockingham Roasters.

Stephen Corrigan and Doug-

las Jackman, owners of the Jehiel and Mary Webb House, 7 Meeting House Rd., Rockingham Village. Built circa 1775, it served as the village’s tavern and inn, welcoming many early travelers on their journeys northward from the southern Connecticut River valley towns. It is believed to be the second oldest standing house in Rockingham and is but only one of three representing the town on the Library of Congress Historic American Building Survey. Rumor has it that it may be older, built in 1765 as David Pulsipher’s Inn where the earliest town meetings and community worship services were held before the Rockingham Meeting House was built.

Steven Glaser, owner of the Locke-O’Brien Farm, located on the O’Brien Rd., in the Parker Hill district. Resting on a

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Living the Legacy of Howard Thurman series at Springfield Meetinghouse

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – As we look around, we see fear, anger, fighting, factionalism, and even despair. Where can we turn for help? The life and teachings of Howard Thurman are the perfect medicine for these times.

Howard Thurman (1899-1981) rises as one of the most influential African Americans of the last century. He was called “the saint of the Civil Rights Movement” by Rep. John Lewis. Thurman was one of the greatest preachers of his day, a scholar and a professor at Howard and Boston Universities. He served as copastor of the Church for the Fellowship of All People in San Francisco. He had a profound impact on Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and he found a way to face directly and open-heartedly the challenges of his time and offer us an invitation to walk in his footsteps to cultivate connection, courage, and hope.

You are invited to join us

in this eight-month journey of transformation as we learn from Thurman’s insights, challenges, and paradoxes. On the third Sundays from October through May, we will co-host a series of powerful interfaith worship services based on Thurman’s life and teachings. This series is co-sponsored by the Empowerment Center in the Cheverly, Md. and the Springfield UU Meetinghouse. We will welcome to the service participants from the Meetinghouse, the Empowerment Center, and other individuals and congregations who are also interested in learning about Thurman and his legacy. Our choir director, Julane Deener, and the virtual choir are preparing some great music for our enrichment.

The series will launch Sunday, Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. To join the Zoom meeting, go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6130779853>.

For further information, watch this seven-minute video about this series at www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wz2DsSKqraU. Read “For the Inward Journey: The Writings of Howard Thurman” published posthumously in 1984 or watch the two-part YouTube video “Conversations with Howard Thurman,” interviewed by Landrum Bolling.

Rev. Dr. Mellen Kennedy is a Universalist and Sufi minister who has the honor of serving as settled minister for the Springfield Meetinghouse. Rev. Dr. Kristal Owens founded Empowerment Center to help communities to empower themselves and discover personal, familial, and communal resources to live, learn, and grow. Go to www.empowerment-center.org/programs for more information.

Kurn Hattin children enjoy a proper English meal

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – The Kurn Hattin Homes provides children with many opportunities they wouldn’t have had otherwise and lunch Oct. 7 was one of those opportunities.

A special English lunch was planned and served by the Dean of Students, Mr. Will Gardner. Mr. Gardner grew up in the city of Liverpool – the home of the Fab Four (The Beatles) and the famous soccer team.

The menu was from a few of his mum’s favorite recipes – Bangers (proper English sausages) and Mash with onion gravy. For dessert, the kitchen crew made Trifle (sponge cake

and fruit covered with layers of custard, jelly, and whipped cream), a special treat Mr. Gardner usually ate once a year at Christmastime. It was perfect. The children loved the meal and even asked for seconds. “Your mom must be famous if she has her own recipes,” stated one child.

Have you ever wondered how

bangers got their name? During World War I, there was a meat shortage in Europe. Food had to be rationed. Less meat was used in sausages and more water was added. This caused the sausages to explode and “bang” while cooking – hence, the name “bangers!”

For more information, go to www.kurnhattin.org.



Kurn Hattin Homes’ Dean of Students Will Gardner serves up Bangers and Mash as Melanie Atkin looks on.

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However, in order to do so, they need support from the community that in turn they hope to support. The Flat Iron Cooperative is running a Kickstarter to fund elements of their opening,

including equipment, furnishings, utility bills, etc. With a goal of \$45,000, the project can only be funded if they reach their goal by Thursday, Oct. 21, 2021 at 9 p.m. But, just like their business model, community members who donate to the Cooperative’s fundraiser benefit in return.

Pledges receive rewards such as personalized poems, limited edition prints, fabric collages, and much more.

As Bri Johnson expressed, “With your help, we can turn our vision for this space into something really special for Bellows Falls.”

After nearly two years of quarantine and isolation, there is no better time to come together with your fellow neighbor to laugh, converse, and drink a nice cup of coffee. With the Flat Iron Cooperative and the help of the community, all of that is possible – and more.

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mortared fieldstone foundation, this clapboarded classic cottage was built circa 1850. It is believed to have replaced an earlier

cape-style farmhouse originally built in 1816. The farmstead was a dairy farm continuously until 1970. Barn and outbuilding foundations are still noted along the surrounding meadow.

Virginia B. Fernetto, owner of the vernacular Greek Revival Cottage, located at 86 Canal St., built circa 1840. Located along the banks of the canal, it is thought to have been the home of employees of the Bellows Falls Canal Company, perhaps by a superintendent of the canal or nearby sawmill. Along with its sister building next door, no doubt built by the same country carpenters, it serves as a colorful and elegant gateway to to-

day’s Canal Street neighborhood walking down the terrace from Rockingham Street.

Angus and Christa Macbeth, owners of the Thayer-Albee Farm along Lower Parker Hill Road in the Parker Hill District. The vernacular Federal-style house is believed to date from 1795, built by William and Susannah Thayer, who moved to Rockingham from Taunton, Mass., in 1788. A modest cottage and a banked barn flank the main farmhouse. Thayer was a farmer and one of several tanners in Parker Hill Village who supplied leather to the village’s shoemakers.

Myles F. Heffernan, owner of

463 Missing Link Rd., on the edge of the City Dale District. The vernacular Georgian farmhouse was built in 1785 and includes an attached country-style carriage house. Once the heart of a dairy farm along the rich Connecticut River bottom soil of the Upper Meadows, a large red barn stands well preserved across the road.

The Old House Award program is made possible in part through the generosity of the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation and the National Park Service. For more information about the event or the Old House Awards, contact clg@rockbf.org.

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Belmont Cider Days

Many of my White family ancestors are buried in Belmont. In the 1920s, my father Arnold spent his summers in Belmont with his grandfather Frank Patch. Frank lived in a small log cabin he built on Tifany Road.

My father told me countless stories about his days in Belmont.

Frank kept a rowboat at Star Lake. My father told about catching pickerel from this rowboat. Frank and my father made many hiking, fishing, or hunting trips together throughout the area. Along the way Frank told my father many stories about the past. Frank was born in 1859 and died in the 1940s, so I never knew him.

When I was a boy, my father took me to many of these same places to hunt or fish. It was important to my father that these stories be passed down. Sixty years ago, he took me to the Yale Forest. Ask Dennis Devereux about upcoming hikes to the Yale Forest.

Cider Days

This past weekend was Cider Days in Belmont. I decided to go alone.

Belmont is a beautiful little village. At Cider Days, there were vendors set up selling their wares. The Mount Holly Fire Department was open with their firetrucks, all spiffy, sitting outside.

The library was open. What a beautiful interior. I walked about the village thinking. I was struck by a group of musicians – sorry I didn't catch their name, but there were three fiddlers, a banjo, mandolin, and guitar. These musicians had to have cold fingers. They played lively old-time tunes perfect for the day. I went back several times to listen.

The Mount Holly Historical Society was open so I went in. I was greeted by knowledgeable docents. They have a nice collection including a huge woolly mammoth tusk. From here I walked down to Will White's blacksmith shop. Will is kin of mine so I had an interest.

There's a wonderful little book, "Mount Holly, Its Early Days" by James Holden. It's full of anecdotal stories. As I walked



Frank Patch on left with white hat. His son Donald front row next to last on right.

PHOTO PROVIDED BY RON PATCH

around I kept this book and its characters in mind. I managed to transport myself back to these days and my ancestors, several of who are mentioned in this book.

Being alone I was able to stop and think about what I was seeing, my family history along with a deep understanding I have of what life was like long ago. As I looked out on Star Lake, I saw my father as a boy in his rowboat almost 100 years ago.

From "Mount Holly, Its Early Days:"

Will White's blacksmith shop was a meeting place.

"One frequent visitor was Frank Parmenter, a local Justice of the Peace. Frank was a large man who liked to lean back in a chair and with hands clasped over his ample belly, he would spout forth gems of philosophy. Once he said, 'I have made up my mind that there is a little something to almost everything – generally speaking.'"

Another short story involving



Some vendors at Belmont Cider Days.

PHOTO BY RON PATCH

Frank Parmenter and my great-grandfather Frank Patch:

"For a time Frank Patch boarded with Frank Parmenter and his wife Polly. A village band was organized and, after the first night's practice, Frank Patch passed through the dining room on his way to bed, carrying a large horn. Excepting the usual 'good nights' nothing was said. The next morning at breakfast Mr. Parmenter spoke up:

'Well, Patch, joined the band I see.'

'Yes, Mr. Parmenter.'

'Well, understand, not a d---ed toot in here!'"

Another story

"One day Mr. Parmenter sat alone at the edge of the pond fishing. He was a stout man, so crouching down was not easy for him. In some way he lost his balance and fell in. A lady member of the Baptist Church witnessed this and promptly reported it around the village. Later in the day Will saw him sitting on the piazza of the village store.

'Went fishing this morning, Mr. Parmenter?'

'Yes.'

'Fell in, I hear.'

'Yes I did and it ain't anyone's business if I did. If it hadn't been for those d---ed Baptists no one would have known about it either.'"

I recommend you read this little book, maybe over and over as I have. You'll get to know the characters and who did what.

I lack the words to describe how I feel when I walk through this village. It's almost a magnetic feeling. It's a sense of belonging or being home. I hope these anecdotes will help you understand how everyone knew everyone and in some way depended on each other. It was a great way to live.

Edgar May, Soldiers' Angels to collect treats for troops

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Every year, millions of pounds of candy end up in the trash after Halloween. From overbuying to kids collecting more than they can eat while Trick-or-Treating, candy is wasted across the country. This year, Edgar May Health and Recreation Center is participating in a program that will help our community produce less waste after Halloween while also showing our support for our service members and veterans.

Soldiers' Angels, a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit, hosts an annual collection drive for excess Halloween candy. The organization ships the candy to deployed service members around the world for a sweet

treat from home. They also utilize their "Angel" volunteers to distribute candy to veterans of all eras in VA Hospitals across the country.

The Edgar May Health and Recreation Center is proud to team up with the national organization to get our local community involved with giving back to the brave men and women who have sacrificed so much for our country. Our organization has registered with Soldiers' Angels to be an official drop-off site for Halloween candy. Once our collection drive is over, the Edgar May will donate all collected candy to Soldiers' Angels where it will be packaged and shipped to deployed or distributed in VA

Hospitals.

The vision of Soldiers' Angels is "May No Soldier Go Unloved." Although the gesture of handing out miniature candy bars may seem small, the impact that small gesture can have on troops and veterans is huge.

Our collection drive will run until Nov. 11, 2021. Stop by our location at 140 Clinton St. in Springfield, Vt., to drop off your candy donation.

For more information on the program, or if you are interested in registering your business as a drop-off site, visit www.SoldiersAngels.org/TreatsForTroops. For more information on the Edgar May, email Valley@memberservices@edgar-may.org or call 802-885-2568.

Springfield Garden Club awards scholarship

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Garden Club Scholarship committee is very pleased to announce that Rosalee Saccardo from Green Mountain Union High School has been awarded a Garden Club Scholarship for 2021-22.

Rosalee will be attending Roger Williams University in Rhode Island this fall. Her intended major is environmental science. She has been an active member of the Environmental Club at Green Mountain for the past four years of high school. She spearheaded a school-wide composting program for the school, organized a weekly recycling and composting signage by digital arts students, and also created a website to educate students and staff about environmental issues. In addition, she was very active in other school



Springfield Garden Club members congratulate Rosalee. From left Deanna Dexter, Rosalee Saccardo, Margery Collins, and Jocelyn Zezza.

PHOTO PROVIDED

activities such as the school newspaper, several theater programs, and musical performances. She was a member of the National Honor Society and was the recipient of many academic awards throughout her high school career.

The committee felt that Rosalee was a very deserving candidate and the club is delighted

to be able to support her with her future education goals. As she was the only applicant who fully met the requirements, the committee unanimously decided to award her the entire \$2,000, which was budgeted for the coming year. The Springfield Garden Club is pleased to help Rosalee move forward to achieve her dreams.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Dear Editor,

The Weathersfield Summer Music Series has come to an end, and we had a blast organizing and running this event for the town of Weathersfield at Hoisington Field in Perkinsville with one event hosted by the Crown Point Country Club in Springfield. This being the first music series, we didn't know what to expect, but it was very successful with many people attending and enjoying all the amazing musicians who took their time and brought their talent to come entertain us all.

Throughout the series, we received a lot of positive feedback from the community and the hope is to do this again next year.

I would like to thank Christopher Fauver, Chroma Technology, HB Fuels, and everyone who donated. Without their generosity, this 12-event series would not have been possible. Also a big thank you to Stages in the Sun for a sponsorship and for allowing us to be a part of their Summer Outdoor Arts Performance schedule.

Thank you to the town of Weathersfield and Weathersfield Park and Rec for their support. Thank you to the Weathersfield Town Manager Brandon Gulnick, Olivia Savage, and Suzanne Terrill in the Town Office for all their help.

Thank you to the following musicians: Bill Brink, Josh Hall, Jesse Peters, Jordan Oaks, The Milkhouse Heaters, Ella Atkinson and Ethan Shipulski, AliT, Rik Palieri, Dan and Faith Senie, Matt Meserve, and Jake McLaughlin.

A special thank you to the following: John Arrison for lending us his generator to use for powering the sound systems; Nichole Gagnon from Park and Rec for her support and showing us all her amazing hula hoop skills; Crown Point Country Club for hosting one of our events; Domino's Pizza in Springfield for donating 20 pizzas; Dunkin Donuts on River Street in Springfield for donating coffee and hot chocolate for an event; JC's Market in North Springfield for supplying muffins for an event; MaryMac's Amazing Alterations for sending in our very first donation; Rob Cosgrove, who went above and beyond as a community member to help us at every event; Jamaican Jewelz food truck; and Patrick Adrian for doing a front page story that appeared in the Eagle Times.

If you attended the music series and would like to give feedback to the town of Weathersfield, please give them a call or send in a note – they would love to hear from you. The town of Weathersfield, 5259 US Route 5, P.O. BOX 550, Ascutney, VT 05030 or call 802-674-2626.

Please visit www.bill-brinkmusic.com or follow the music series Facebook page at www.facebook.com/WeathersfieldSummerMusicSeries to be informed of upcoming music events.

Sincerely,
June and Bill Brink
Springfield, Vt.

Dear Editor,

Thank you again for your generous support of my participation in the 2021 Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk: Your Way presented by Hyundai.

Although we were not able to walk the traditional course, the Jimmy Fund Walk community stepped up and showed the world that we are together, wherever, against cancer. My Jimmy Fund Walk day was incredible and I enjoyed walking our amazingly beautiful, but hilly back roads of Weston. I climbed the equivalent of 26 flights of

stairs, 48,916 steps for 19 miles – the rain shortened my walk a little bit.

I was inspired by the patients, family members, doctors, caregivers, and supporters who all came together to demonstrate our combined commitment to conquering cancer.

I truly appreciate your support – you helped me raise a total of \$3,845 so far, which will be applied to groundbreaking cancer research and innovative patient care at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. My goal is still \$5,500. For more information, you can go to www.danafarberjimmyfund.org/goto/carolmaclaury.

I plan to walk again next year, and I hope I can count on your continued support – or better yet, I hope you can join me for this inspiring day!

Thank you for helping me show cancer patients at Dana-Farber and all around the world that when you have cancer, you don't walk alone. Together we are taking steps to defy cancer.

Stay safe and well.

Warmly,
Carol MacLaury
Team #**grahamstrong**
Weston, Vt.

Drug Take-Back Day slated for Oct. 23

WINDSOR COUNTY, Vt. – On Saturday, Oct. 23, the Windsor County Sheriff's Office, local and state law enforcement agencies,

and the Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public another opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous, expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. The Take-Back Day event is free and anonymous, no questions asked, with drop-off sites located throughout Windsor County.

"Rates of prescription drug abuse in this country are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs," said Sheriff Mike Chamberlain of Windsor County. "We look forward to participating in Take-Back Day again this fall as part of our continuing effort to protect the health and safety of Windsor County residents."

Supported by public health coalitions, Take-Back Day aims to prevent prescription drug abuse, a growing problem in the U.S. that claims lives through overdoses and accidental poisonings. A majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends.

Since inception of the Take-Back Days, towns across Windsor County and the state have worked diligently to expand access to permanent drug collection units. Windsor County's efforts align with those of the state in encouraging Vermonters to drop off unused or expired medications. Green Peak Alliance coordinator, Courtney Hillhouse states, "To prevent

misuse, we want everyone to know how to safely use and store medications and dispose of unused or expired medicine."

Residents participating in Drug Take-Back Oct. 23 have the opportunity to learn more about permanent collection such as locations of drop boxes, hours of operation, and what medication types are accepted.

The following locations in Windsor County will serve as drop-off sites on Take-Back Day, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23: Chester Police Department; Windsor Police Department; Weathersfield Transfer Station (operated by the Weathersfield Police Department); Springfield Police Department; Ludlow Police Department; Hartford Police Department; Woodstock Police Department; Royalton Police Department; and Norwich Police Department.

The Take-Back Day and Permanent Collection services are free. Powders and patches are accepted in addition to pills and capsules. Medication return venues are supported in part by the Green Peak Alliance, a regional network that promotes healthy communities in east central Vermont.

At any time throughout the year, households in Windsor County may take advantage of the permanent drop-boxes in the lobbies of the following Police Departments: Chester, Hartford, Ludlow, Royalton, Springfield, Windsor, and Woodstock. For a complete listing of locations and hours of operation, visit: www.twinstatesafemeds.org.

For more information about Take-Back Day, visit www.dea.gov or call the Windsor County Sheriff's Department at 802-457-5211.

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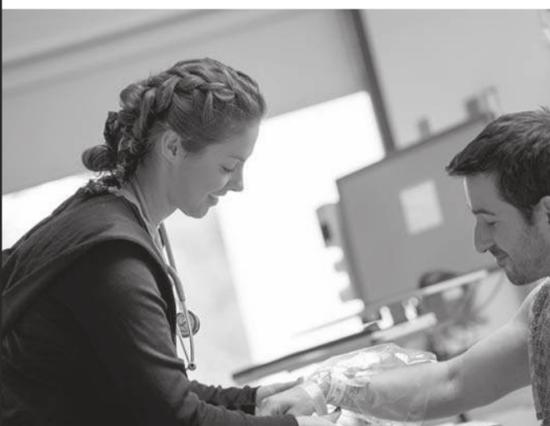


by Dave T. Phipps

Dartmouth-Hitchcock

Virtual Career Event

Wednesday, October 20th 2:00pm - 4:00pm



This virtual event will provide an overview of the following opportunities available at Dartmouth-Hitchcock:

- Inpatient LNAs (Licensed Nursing Assistants)
- Unit Patient Care Assistants*
- Unit Support Assistants

Attend the virtual event to meet with recruiters and hiring managers and to get an overview of LNA, Unit Patient Care Assistant and Unit Support Assistant careers in the inpatient setting. We'll be ready to answer all your questions about a career with Dartmouth-Hitchcock which includes:

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- Access to continuing education opportunities.

* For those candidates interested in a clinical career, these entry-level roles have the opportunity to eventually transition into a Licensed Nursing Assistant Training program through the Dartmouth-Hitchcock Workforce Readiness Institute.

Please register for our Career Event at: dhcareers.org/LNA

Dartmouth-Hitchcock is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, gender identity, national origin, disability status, veteran status, or any other characteristic protected by law.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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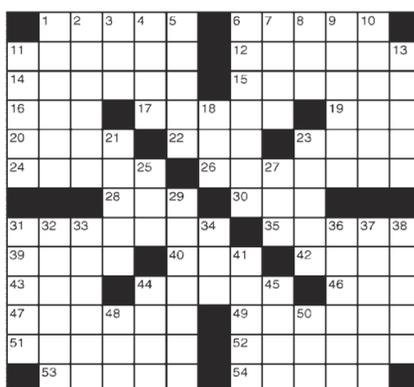
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ACROSS

- Russian range
- First lady before Michelle
- Salem's state
- Cancels
- Mexican revolutionary
- "Are you happy I'm back?"
- Low digit
- Omits
- Soak (up)
- 1492 vessel
- Rock's Brian
- Spanish ayes
- Devour
- Religious doctrines
- Moines
- Actress Long
- Fairly shared
- Snares
- Smile
- Be Your Umbrella"
- Director Howard
- Half a sextet
- Egg (Pref.)
- Pale purple
- Club —
- "New World Symphony" composer
- Recital piece
- Bagel choice



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- Muse of astronomy
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- Used-car sites
- Plumber's tool
- Spooft
- Black birds
- Young — (tots)
- Putin's land
- Nearly
- Ultraviolet filter
- Old photo tint
- Ky. neighbor
- Actress
- McDonald of "Private Practice"
- Brainy
- Pod dweller
- "Shoot!"
- Picket-line
- participant
- Trudges
- Gunned, as an engine
- Idle
- "You've got mail" co.
- Designer Giorgio
- Bakery pan
- Fizzy drinks
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- Hobbling
- Musical finale
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- "Kidding!"

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Phyllis Anderson

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – A Celebration of Life memorial service for Phyllis Anderson will be held Saturday, Oct. 16 at 2 p.m. at the First Congregational Church of Westminister. Phyllis passed away Nov. 5, 2020 at the wonderful age of 97. We'll be indoors for the service (masks required) followed by music and light refreshments outside.

Phyllis A. Bont

CAVENDISH, Vt. – A Celebration of Life for Phyllis Anne Bont, who joined her husband Gene Bont, M.D., June 6, 2020, will be held at Grace Congregational Church Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021 at 2 p.m. Masks are required. Please honor her by giving a child in need your voice.

George E. Pebbles Jr., 1946-2021

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – George Eugene Pebbles Jr., 75, died peacefully after a long illness Oct. 8, 2021 at Springfield Health and Rehabilitation Center.



George E. Pebbles Jr., 1946-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

Born Aug. 27, 1946, he was the son of George Sr. and Marjorie Smith. A lifelong resident of Charlestown, N.H., George graduated from Charlestown High School in 1964. He served in the National Guard and married Debbie French. They had one son Mark Duane Pebbles Aug. 18, 1971.

George was a member of the Elks Lodge 1619 and past member of the American Legion Post 37. He worked at J&L for 28 years and also for various machine shops around the area.

George loved his family, enjoyed hunting, and was an avid Red Sox fan. One of his fondest memories was being on the Charlestown High School basketball "dream team" of 1963.

He is survived by son Mark, stepsons Mike Davis of Keene and Chris Davis, wife Kristen and daughter Lexi of Tempe, Ariz., sister Dottie Cusanelli of Newport, many nieces and nephews, and longtime friends.

George was predeceased by first wife Debbie French, second wife Roberta "Bobbie" Martineau, sister Charlotte Short, and close friends.

BELLOWS FALLS

Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St.

Please join us Sundays at 10 a.m. via Zoom. Go to Facebook @ ImmanuelEpiscopalChurch. For more information, go to www.immanuelepiscopal.org.

CHESTER

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 313 Main St.

Sunday, Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. is Rite II Eucharist lead by Rev. Sanford Johnson, former Priest Associate. Masks and social distancing are required. Join us in person or on Zoom. For information, visit www.silukesepiscopalvt.org.

LONDONDERRY

Second Congregational Church of Londonderry,

2051 N. Main St.

Worship service is at 9:30 a.m. in person or online. Fill out a form at www.2ndcongregationalchurchvt.org to be sent a link to the live stream.

LUDLOW

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

Sunday services are held in person and streamed online at 10 a.m. Please be safe and care for each other. Email unitedchurch@tds.net for more information. Visit www.unitedchurch.us to receive Covid-19 updates on services and meetings.

SPRINGFIELD

Precision Valley Baptist Church, 69 Rt. 106

In-person Sunday services start at 10 a.m. Please wear a mask and observe social distancing. Live streaming is also available. For more information, check out Facebook @ PrecisionValleyBaptistChurch.

Carolyn Blake-Bashaw, 1939-2021

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Carolyn Blake-Bashaw, 81, of Springfield, Vt., died peacefully Thursday, Oct. 7, 2021 at the Springfield Hospital. She was born Oct. 31, 1939 in Bellows Falls, Vt., the daughter of Carol and Marion Fair Blake.

Carolyn attended school at Kurn Hattin and was a graduate of Walpole, N.H. High School. Following high school, she served in the U.S. Air Force, later did some secretarial work and home health care. Carolyn was very proud of her work on public television. She was very spiritual and enjoyed music and cooking, especially her prize-winning apple pies.

Survivors include three sons Marshal Diakon of Texas, Randy Bennett of California, Samuel Colby of Springfield, Vt.; one daughter Susannah Gravel of Randolph, Vt.; two brothers Clifford and Gerry Blake; and one sister Linda Kenniston. Grandchildren Ryan and Aspen Gravel, Joshua Bennett, Noah and Raelynn Colby, great-granddaughter Kianna Bennett.



Carolyn Blake-Bashaw, 1939-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

She was predeceased by her parents, her husband Carol Bashaw, several brothers and sisters, and her son Wade Bennett.

There will be a calling hour Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021 at 10 a.m. at the Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home, Westminister Street, Bellows Falls, Vt. Burial service will follow at 11 a.m. at the Immanuel Churchyard Cemetery in Bellows Falls, Vt. A reception will follow after the burial service.

Linda M. Pelkey, 1927-2021

CHESTER, Vt. – Our loving and caring mother, Linda Mae Pelkey, passed away at her home in Chester with her children at her side Sept. 30, 2021 at the age of 94.

Linda was born April 7, 1927 to Henry M. Pollard Sr. and Lillie Bell Hume Pollard at the family farm on North Hill in Ludlow. She was the third of five siblings and three cousins – Michael, Mary Lou and Florence – who grew up as brothers and sisters on the farm.

Mom attended Ludlow schools and worked at Jewell Brook Woolen Mills. She met the man who would become her husband at a local dance.

Linda married Edward G. Pelkey, and they moved to Proctorsville to begin their family. Over the years, they welcomed four children together and opened their home to many of their nephews. One nephew, Charles Pollard, was more like another son to her. Mom was a dedicated wife and a wonderful mother. She attended and was involved with the Methodist Church and the school functions of her children.

The family moved to Smokeshire Road in Chester in 1978, and this is where Mom and Dad lived the remainder of their lives. Throughout those years, Mom helped to raise her grandchildren – loving school vacations when the oldest two would come from Maine and join in the antics with the younger two. Her grandson Seth was born in '08 and brought so much joy into his Gramma's last years.

Mom enjoyed taking bus trips to the casinos with our longtime family friends Kamelia and Wanda Wierzbicki. In later years, Alan would take them. Mom liked being able to get outside and go for walks.

Mom had the ability to live in the comfort of her own home thanks to the dedication, care, and love of her sons Jim and Alan. They looked after her



Linda M. Pelkey, 1927-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

and tried to keep her out of mischief.

Linda is survived by her children James of Chester; Cindy Butler and her daughter Jessica Talbot of Standish, Maine; Brian of Cavendish and his children Robert and Krystal; Alan and his son Seth of Chester; great-grandchildren Cody, Aaron, and Natalie Talbot and Carley and Emma Pelkey. She leaves behind many cousins, nieces, and nephews who loved her dearly. Mom also leaves a very special friend Kamelia Wierzbicki of Proctorsville.

Linda was predeceased by her husband Ed in 2008, her parents and brothers Henry Jr., James, David, and Michael and her sister Barbara, her grandson Duane Butler in 2001, a great-granddaughter Paisley Pelkey in 2008, and a very dear and special friend Wanda Wierzbicki.

As per Mom's wishes, following her cremation there will be a graveside service and burial at Hillcrest Cemetery in Proctorsville Oct. 23 at 1 p.m. Family and friends are invited.

Jim, Cindy, Brian, and Alan would like to thank Jackie Roy, the staff at Springfield Hospital, the Visiting Nurses, and most recently Bayada Hospice for the love, care, and dignity given to our mom and shown to our family.

Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with the arrangements.

Rachel C. Kilburn, 1942-2021

ALSTEAD, N.H. – Rachel Clark Kilburn, 79, of Alstead, N.H., passed away Friday, Oct. 8, 2021, at the Cheshire Medical Center in Keene, N.H., surrounded by her family. She was born April 10, 1942, in Walpole, N.H., the daughter of Hugh and Anna (Callowhill) Clark. She attended schools in Alstead, N.H., and the Keene Nursing School. She worked as a librarian at the Walpole Middle School. Rachel enjoyed spending time with her family, coffee time with her sisters, sporting events, and was an avid Red Sox and Patriots fan.

On Oct. 28, 1961, in Alstead, N.H., she married John M. Kilburn Sr., who predeceased her. She is survived by her three sons John of Westminister, Vt., James of Westminister, Vt., and Barry from Alstead, N.H.; one

daughter Lynne Kilburn of Bortrim, Minn.; three sisters Mable Rhoads of Surry, N.H., Ethel Gendron of Alstead, N.H., and Gail Miller of Alstead, N.H.; nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. Rachel was predeceased by her parents, her husband John, her brother Rosco Clark, sisters Beatrice Rhoads, Pearl Merrill, Hazel St. Cyr, and Mae St. Cyr.

There will be a graveside service, Friday, Oct. 15, 2021 at 11 a.m., at the Pine Grove Cemetery in Alstead, N.H., with Rev. Harold Noyes officiating.

Following the service, a reception will be held at the Langdon Town Hall.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations be made to the Alstead Ambulance, P.O. Box 60, Alstead, N.H. 03602.

W. Warren Peschl, 1927-2021

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – W. Warren Peschl of Bellows Falls, Vt., passed away Sept. 20, 2021 at the age of 94. After several months of declining health, Warren died peacefully with his beloved wife of 68 years, Mary, and many of his family members by his side.

Warren was born in the Bronx, N.Y., Aug. 28, 1927. He was the only child to William Peschl and Helen (Brennan) Peschl.

In the summer of 1942, as a 15-year-old patriotic teenager, he came to Vermont to seek work on a farm. He was hired shortly after his arrival and continued to return to Vermont in the summer months to work as a farm hand until he was drafted.

During those summers, he fell in love with Vermont and

promised himself that he would live there some day.

After the war, Warren moved back to the Bronx and attended school. On Sept. 19, 1952, he met the love of his life, Mary Murphy, at the Irish Center also in the Bronx. They married July 18, 1953. Then in the winter of 1971, he moved his entire family to a large house on Webb Terrace overlooking the Connecticut River Valley. A dream come true!

Warren is survived by his wife Mary, their six children Maureen, Helen, Colleen, Matthew, Kathleen, and Frances. Additionally, he has 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral mass will be at St. Charles Church in Bellows Falls, Oct. 20, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

In memory of Brenda Lee Hill (Luther)

Thirty-nine years as of Oct. 16, 1982 since she has been gone. I miss her so much. Every day I think of all the good times that we had. A day doesn't go by that I don't think of her. I miss her so much. She was only 17. Her life was cut too short. One day we will meet again.

Love you and miss you, Arlene (Sam)

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OCT. 14 –
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Join SAPA TV for their annual meeting Thursday, Oct. 14 at 5:30 p.m. at 335 River St., Suite 1 in Springfield. Masks will be required, and there will be social distancing measures in place. If you would like to attend, please RSVP by emailing info@sapatv.org.

Springfield Town Library presents The Paranormal Couple, Cody Ray DesBiens and Satori Hawes, from the Travel Channel's "Ghost Nation" series, at 100 River St. in Springfield, Thursday, Oct. 14 at 6 p.m. for their presentation of "When Objects Talk Back: A look into Haunted Objects and Paranormal Research." During this presentation, you will explore the origins of

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. –

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: Michael Ripley at michael.ripley@trsu.org

Food Service Worker

The Ludlow Mount Holly School District is looking for a school Food Service Worker. This position requires transport of food from Ludlow to Mount Holly daily. Some food preparation at the Ludlow site is also required.

Responsibilities for Food Service Worker

- Create simple food items such as salad and sandwiches.
- Help out in the kitchen as needed
- Cooks and prepares hot and cold meals
- Deliver food orders
- Keep the kitchen clean and orderly
- Follow food safety regulations at all times
- Other duties as assigned

Hours are 7 am until 1 pm

Background check is required.

Please send resume or application to foodservice@trsu.org

Superintendent Screening Committee

The school board is beginning the process of the finding the next superintendent of the Springfield School District. The first step in this process is to form a Superintendent Screening Committee.

The composition of the committee will consist of the following:

- One (1) building administrator from each school, four (4) in total
- One (1) Springfield Central Office Employee
- One (1) Springfield Teacher's Union representative
- One (1) Springfield Support Staff Union representative
- Two (2) parents of current Springfield students
- Two (2) Springfield Community members
- Two (2) current Springfield students

The board is asking all interested parties to contact Colleen Amaya, camaya@ssdvt.org and complete a brief questionnaire. All interested parties should submit a questionnaire by no later than October 17th.

Troy Palmer
Springfield School Board Chair

ACT 250 NOTICE MINOR APPLICATION #2S1374 10 V.S.A. §§ 6001 – 6093

On September 21, 2021, S+K Odyssey, LLC, 237 Randall Hill Rd, Springfield, VT 05156 filed application 2S1374 for a project generally described as the construction of three canvas tents on platforms supported by wooden posts cemented into the ground. The project is located 237 Randall Hill in Springfield, Vermont. No hearing will be held and a permit will be issued unless, on or before Tuesday, November 02, 2021, a party notifies the District 2 Commission in writing at the address below of an issue requiring a hearing, or the Commission sets the matter for a hearing on its own motion. Any person as defined in 10 V.S.A. § 6085(c)(1) may request a hearing. Any hearing request must be in writing to the address below, must state the criteria or sub-criteria at issue, why a hearing is required and what additional evidence will be presented at the hearing. Any hearing request by an adjoining property owner or other person eligible for party status under 10 V.S.A. § 6085(c)(1)(E) must include a petition for party status under the Act 250 Rules. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law may not be prepared unless the Commission holds a public hearing. The application and proposed permit may also be viewed on the Natural Resources Board's web site (<http://nr.vermont.gov>) by clicking "Act 250 Database" and entering project number 2S1374. If you have a disability for which you need accommodation in order to participate in this process (including participating in a public hearing, if one is held), please notify us as soon as possible, in order to allow us as much time as possible to accommodate your needs. For more information contact Stephanie Gile at the address or telephone number below.

Dated this 8th day of October, 2021.

BY Stephanie Gile
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Springfield, VT 05156-3168
802-289-0597, stephanie.gile@vermont.gov

haunted artifacts and hear the creepy yet intriguing stories that accompany each item.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – A Spiritual Makerspace online workshop, "Same but Different," will be held Thursday, Oct. 14, from 7-7:30 p.m., courtesy of the Springfield Meetinghouse. "Same but Different" is a collaboration between Christal Brown and Lida Winfield, exploring their similarities and differences in a cultural commentary on race, age, and gender. You must register for this free event at www.eventbrite.com/e/same-but-different-tickets-179065137647.

OCT. 15 –
BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Village Square Booksellers welcomes our favorite author, Archer Mayor for his yearly appearance, Friday, Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. as part of Bellows Falls Third Friday. Call 802-463-9404 to reserve a signed copy of "Marked Man." Masks are required. For a Zoom link, go to www.villagesquarebooks.com/event/archer-mayor-marked-man-bf3f-oct-15-7pm.

LUDLOW, Vt. – On Friday, Oct. 15, John Murphy and friends present a BBQ Chicken Dinner To-Go at the Black River Valley Senior Center, 10 High St., Ludlow, Vt. Meals will be available starting at 11 a.m. until all sold out. All are welcome. For pricing and more information, please call 802-228-7421.

OCT. 16 –
ALSTEAD, N.H. – Children ages 5 to 18 can learn about horses and rabbits in a safe, fun hands-on environment at Sweet Briar North Farm Open House, Saturday, Oct. 16, from 2-3:30 p.m., at 277 North Rd., in East Alstead. Rain date is Sunday, Oct. 17. Please wear closed-toe shoes and dress for the outdoors. For details, email coltsandfillies_4h@yahoo.com or call 603-756-3082.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Immanuel Episcopal Church and Community Closet are hosting a "Take As You Need" free tag sale Saturday, Oct. 16, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., at 20 Church St. in Bellows Falls.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Sale to benefit the River Artisans Cooperative in downtown Bellows Falls, Oct. 16, 2021,

from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Rain date is Oct. 17. Come find a treasure for yourself while supporting a cooperative of local artisans.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – David Rogers, a prominent guitarist, will perform at an intimate listening event at Stage 33 Live in Bellows Falls Saturday, Oct. 16 at 3 p.m. Limited seating, tickets in advance and at the door. For more information, visit www.stage33live.com.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – Boy Scout Troop 31's Spaghetti Dinner Takeout is Saturday, Oct. 16, from 4-7 p.m., at the VFW Hall in Charlestown. Menu is our trademark homemade meat sauce over spaghetti, homemade rolls, homemade buttermilk dressing and garden salad, and a selection of homemade desserts. Proceeds help send the Scouts to summer camp.

N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The North School Preservation Society is holding its last sale of the season at the North School Saturday, Oct. 16, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Please wear a mask when shopping inside.

PERKINSVILLE, Vt. – The

Weathersfield Historical Society will sponsor a walk to the Panther Cave in Perkinsville Saturday, Oct. 16 at 2 p.m., led by Amanda Gustin, public program manager of the Vermont Historical Society. Park at Villagers at the intersection of Routes 131 and 106, and carpool to the parking for the walk to the Panther Cave.

OCT. 17 –
CAVENDISH, Vt. – Author talk by Archer Mayor at the Cavendish Fletcher Community Library, Sunday, Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. Archer Mayor will talk about his new book and answer questions. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, please call Kata at 802-226-7503.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – The Charlestown Historical Society will present a program titled "Unusual House Histories & Happenings" Sunday, Oct. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Old Town Hall in Charlestown.

OCT. 20 –
REGION – Come to a free virtual sing-along Wednesday, Oct. 20 at 8:30 p.m. This sing-along, led by Nancy Salwen of the Fear of Singing Breakthrough Program, is open to "non-singers," beginners, and anyone who wants to sing their hearts out in a judgment-free zone. Participants will be

muted so they can hear the songs better. Registration is required at www.fearofsing.com/free-online-sing-alongs.

OCT. 22 & 23 –
CHESTER, Vt. – The 14th Annual Warm Hands Warm Hearts clothing, coat, and blanket drive will take place Friday and Saturday, Oct. 22 and 23 at the Chester Baptist Church. Shopping hours are from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. Come choose free winter coats, boots, sweaters, blankets etc. for yourself or someone you know who is in need of warm clothing this winter. There are no qualifications to shop. Everyone is welcome to come and take what they need. Let's make sure our community stays warm this winter. Please wear a mask.

OCT. 23 –
WEATHERSFIELD, Vt. – On Saturday, Oct. 23 at 10 a.m., at the Weathersfield Center Meetinghouse, Alyssa Bennett, small mammals biologist of the Agency of Natural Resources, will present an illustrated talk on bats in Vermont. All ages welcome. There will be door prizes of bat house kits for five lucky attendees. This event is free and is sponsored by the Weathersfield Conservation Commission. Park in the field across the road from the meetinghouse, which is located at 2579 Weathersfield Center Rd.

WATER FLUSHING NOTICE VILLAGE OF LUDLOW



On Wednesday, October 20, 2021 and Thursday, October 21, 2021, the Village of Ludlow Water Department will be flushing the water system and testing the fire hydrant system. The flushing will take place each day from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Please note: The entire water system will be affected. Residents may experience discolored water during this time. When the flushing is complete, please be sure to let your cold water run until your water runs clear. We appreciate your patience and understanding while we perform our annual distribution system maintenance.

If you have any questions please call the Water Department at 228-8431 or the Municipal Office at 228-2841.

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Derek Williams, Assistant Director
River Valley Technical Center
307 South Street
Springfield, VT 05156
802-885-8302

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Part-time (~ 2 hours per week) assistant to the Londonderry Conservation Commission, to provide notices, attend and take minutes of meetings, often held on evenings, and provide administrative services as necessary.

Applicants must complete and submit a required Employment Application, which can be found in the Town Forms section of the Town web site: www.londonderryvt.org. Submit via email to townadmin@londonderryvt.org or mail to: Town of Londonderry, 100 Old School Street, South Londonderry, VT 05155. Other supporting information from applicants is welcome. Positions opened until filled. The Town of Londonderry is an equal opportunity employer.

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

A public hearing before the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Plymouth will be held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the town auditorium, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, VT. to consider an application for a Conditional Use Permit for:

Applicant: Joseph Trainor

Location: 85 Kingdom Road

Proposal: Construct a pervious deck (36'x10') adjacent to the existing 3 season porch

Application # 2021-44

Dated: October 13, 2021

Michael Coleman, Chair

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Applicant: Rafal Wrotniak

Location: 1275 Route 100

Proposal: Replace the existing deck and enlarge with a covered storage area. Construct a garage and storage loft.

Application # 2021-41

Dated: October 13, 2021

Michael Coleman, Chair

WARNING

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF LUDLOW, VERMONT

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING – NOVEMBER 1, 2021 SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021

The legal voters of the Town of Ludlow, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Head Auditorium in the Ludlow Town Hall at 37 Depot Street, Ludlow, VT on Monday evening, the 1st of November, 2021 at 6:00 PM for a Public Information Meeting and on Tuesday, the second day of November, 2021 between the hours of ten o'clock AM, (10:00 AM) in the forenoon and seven o'clock, PM, (7:00 PM) in the afternoon to vote by Australian Ballot on the following article:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2021: Australian Ballot - 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

ARTICLE 1

Shall the Town of Ludlow authorize cannabis retailers and retail portions of integrated licensee establishments in town pursuant to 7 V.S.A. § 863?

The legal voters of the Town of Ludlow are further notified that voter qualifications and registration for the Special Town Meeting shall be as provided in Chapters 43, 51 and 55 of Title 17, Vermont Statutes Annotated. You must be registered to vote in the Town of Ludlow in order to vote at this Special Town Meeting. Voters may request an early/absentee ballot from the Town Clerk's Office by calling (802) 228-3232 or email to treasure@ludlow.vt.us.

Dated at Ludlow, Vermont on this 23rd day of September, 2021.

TOWN OF LUDLOW, VT SELECT BOARD

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King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

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LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK

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- GM girls' soccer game- Senior Night!
- 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony in Ludlow
- Welcome to the Ludlow Dog Park
- Senior Solutions in the studio

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New deer hunters encouraged to participate in Novice Weekend

MONTPELIER, Vt. – Hunters embarking on their first deer season are encouraged to take advantage of Vermont's second annual Novice Weekend. Novice Weekend this year is Saturday, Oct. 23 and Sunday, Oct. 24. To

be eligible for this opportunity, new hunters must:

- Be 16 years of age or older,
- Have successfully com-

pleted a hunter education course,

- Have purchased their first hunting license or hunting and fishing combination license within one year of the first day of Novice Weekend,
- Possess a free novice weekend tag in addition to their hunting license,
- Be accompanied by an

unarmed adult, 18 years or older, who holds a Vermont resident hunting license or hunting and fishing combination license.

Details on each of these requirements, and additional guidance, can be found on the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department's Novice Weekend webpage.

Novice Weekend is designed to give teenagers and adults who are new to hunting a chance at the same mentored experience that many younger hunters receive during Vermont's concurrent Youth Deer Hunting Weekend. It is also a chance for seasoned hunters to share their knowledge of deer behavior and hunting, woodcraft, and to pass on safe hunting practices and responsible behavior. During the 2020 Novice Weekend, 1,062 new hunters harvested 126 deer with support from their experienced

hunter mentors. "We know that new hunters, especially new adult hunters, are more successful when they have strong social support like a reliable hunting mentor," says Hunter Education Program Coordinator Nicole Meier. "The importance of mentorship to the future of hunting cannot be overstated." New hunters who are interested in Novice Weekend can contact Hunter Education Program staff with questions by phone at 802-828-1193 or by email at HunterEducation@vermont.gov.

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Colts and Fillies 4-H Club annual horse show



The costume class at the Colts and Fillies 4-H Club horse show. PHOTO BY SANDY RATHKE

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The beginner division. PHOTO BY SANDY RATHKE

ALSTEAD, N.H. – The Colts and Fillies 4-H Club held our annual horse show Oct. 3, 2021, and what a great show it was! A super big thank you to all our competitors who came out and showed off their skills and creativity.

We could not have done this without a fabulous group of volunteers. Thanks go out to Kim Jenkins Dennewitz, Jamie Dennewitz, Sarah Dennewitz, and Evan Dennewitz for running a great food booth. Evan also did extra duty as gatekeeper and ring crew. We had a wonderful show secretary in Rebecca Lynn Kennedy and a great announcer, Jessica Putnam. We appreciate the time and efforts of Jesse Fisk for being our ringmaster, cleanup, and ring crew. Danny Farnham was a great help in show prep, ring crew, and cleanup. Thanks to Todd Rathke for all the prep, jump builds, and setup and cleanup. Thanks to all those family members and other helpers that did whatever needed to be done at the show. Another huge thank you to our judge Pinnie Sears.

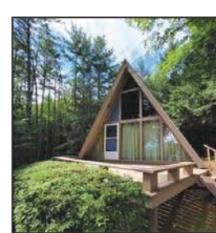
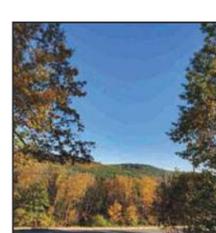
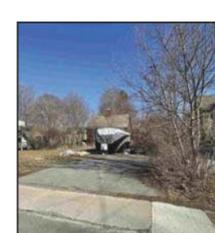
We also want to recognize all the businesses who donated prizes, money, and items for our raffle: C&S Wholesale Grocers, Shaw's Walpole, Soaring Horse Holistic Equine, Pete's Stand, the Ideal Board, Tractor Supply Walpole, Mascoma Savings Bank, Douglas Cuddle Toys, Jacques Locks, Tralfalgar Square Books, Achille Agway, Walpole Creamery, Horse & Buggy Feeds, Poulin Grain, Mr. G's Liquidation Center, and Straight Arrow.

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golf news

Bear cubs crash a successful golf tournament

KILLINGTON, Vt. – On Sunday, Sept. 12, 2021, the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 36 in Ludlow held their 17th annual golf tournament at Killington Golf Course in Killington, Vt. Thanks to Chris Kenison and his staff at the Killington Golf Course. They are a top-notch team.

One team was lucky to see a mother bear with her three cubs strolling across the course. One of the cubs decided to steal one of the tee markers. We guess he was taking it back to the den to play with his siblings.

The overall winners shooting a 60, or 12 under par, consisted of the team of Seth Mailhiot, Cody Surething, Torey Surething, and John Taylor Jr. Other tournament winners included Bruce Ingerson for closest to the pin for men and Suzanne Auger for closest to the pin for women. The closest to the line winner was Tom Hyjek.

This tournament is a fundraiser to support our veterans and children. With the support of the players who participated in this year's tournament as well as our local sponsors, we are able to donate to these worthy causes.

The Sons would like to thank



John Taylor Jr., Cody Surething, Seth Mailhiot, and Torey Surething, overall winners.

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The 12th annual Okemo Valley Golf Tournament

LUDLOW, Vt. – The 12th Annual Okemo Valley Golf Tournament was a wonderful afternoon during the glorious foliage season and a fun evening of camaraderie with fellow chamber members. Thank you to the team at Fox Run Golf Club in Ludlow for hosting us and to the wonderful folks at Calcutta's Restaurant & Sports Bar for a delicious dinner.

Congratulations to the winning teams:

- First place: Art Randolph and Rich Cahill of People's United Bank, Kevin Theissen of HWC Financial, and Mark Senegal of Fox Run Golf Club;
- Second place (tied): Mark Huntley and Derek Karner of Huntley Financial, and Scott Olmstead of the Insurance Center;
- Second place (tied): Pam and Pat McLaughlin of Four Season's Sotheby's International Realty, and Mitchell Weissberg of Constellation Brands.

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The first place team: Art Randolph, Kevin Theissen, Rich Cahill, and Mark Senegal.

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Archer Mayor is back at Village Square Booksellers

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Village Square Booksellers welcomes our favorite author, Archer Mayor, from Newfane, Vt., back to Bellows Falls for his yearly appearance, Friday, Oct. 15 at 7 p.m., as part of Bellows Falls Third Friday.

Call 802-463-9404 to reserve a signed copy of “Marked Man.” Masks are always required at Village Square Booksellers to ensure everyone’s safety. A Zoom link for this event is on our website at www.village-squarebooks.com/event/archer-mayor-marked-man-bf3f-

oct-15-7pm.

In Archer Mayor’s “Marked Man,” the death of a local millionaire becomes suspicious when Joe Gunther learns that he was not who he claimed. A year ago, local philanthropist and millionaire Nathan Lyon died a natural death in his sprawling mansion, a 150,000-square-foot converted mill, surrounded by his loving, attentive family. Or so it seemed at the time. Now Joe Gunther and his Vermont Bureau of Investigation team has discovered that almost nothing about that story was

true. Nathan Lyon was actually Nick Bianchi from Providence, R.I. His money came from Mafia-tainted sources. And his family now seems to be dying themselves, and their deaths are now revealed to be murders.

Archer Mayor, in addition to writing the New York Times bestselling Joe Gunther series, is a death investigator for the state medical examiner and has 25 years of experience as a firefighter and EMT. He lives near Brattleboro, Vt.

Circus in Place with Nimble Arts, Circus Minimus

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. – On Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 16 and 17, join the international award-winning contemporary circus Nimble Arts in collaboration with Circus Minimus as they host the second annual Circus in Place.

This all-ages event brings together community, artists, and the land that sustains us in a unique festival of variety performances from circus, dance,

puppetry, storytelling, music, and theatre. The lands are set up with multiple stages for audiences to enjoy the woods and nature alongside performances from entertainers given the space and time to share their art and perspective.

Be welcomed by an Abenaki singer-songwriter sharing his story of Ndaakinn place, marvel at an aerialist dancing in the trees, be riveted by a story-

teller bringing 10,000 years of geology to life, and laugh as jugglers share awesome dexterity while tickling our funny bones.

There are three daily shows at 12 p.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. both days. Bring your own blankets for socially distanced seating and walking shoes for the woods path between stages. The event will happen rain or shine and the event is out of doors so dress accordingly. For ticket information, go to www.nimblearts.org.

We will follow all Vermont Covid protocols for outdoor events. Please maintain social distance, and do not attend if you are feeling unwell in any way.

OLLI program: “Why Women Marched: Then and Now”

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Cyndy Bittinger will present the next Osher Lifelong Learning Institute program, “Why Women Marched: Then and Now,” Tuesday, Oct. 19 at 2 p.m. at the Nolin Murray Center next to St. Mary’s Church on Pleasant Street in Springfield.

When women worked to free the enslaved in America, they came to the reality that one reason they lacked power to do that was because they lacked the right to vote. Learn about the long march to obtain the vote, which is a chapter of American history with many twists and turns. Of course, men are part of that history!

Cyndy Bittinger, historian, author, and faculty of the

Community College of Vermont, will tell the story through the Vermont lens and then bring us up to date with what women may want today: the ERA, childcare support, protection from sexual harassment, freedom of choice in reproductive rights, and equal pay.

This program was originally scheduled for last fall to celebrate the 100th anniversary of women’s right to vote. So, we will still celebrate it a year later.

The next program Nov. 2 is also a continued celebration of women’s rights with Linda Radtke telling stories and singing songs from the Suffragists. She’ll be dressed in period garb, wearing a “Votes for Women” sash.

OLLI Springfield is pleased to be able to again host in-person

programs. Due to the changing current situation of Covid-19, the University of Vermont is now requiring that for their indoor sponsored events, all attendees are required to wear masks, regardless of their vaccination status.

There is a Membership Series special fee for this fall 2021. Non-members are welcome and encouraged to attend individual programs for a single program fee. There is a new registration process. We can no longer take any payments at the door or onsite. All attendees and members must pre-register prior to the start of the program. Registration can be done online at www.learn.uvm.edu/olli/springfield. For registration assistance, please call 802-656-5817.

Ninja Monkey, loud funky blues and rootsy rock

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Ninja Monkey is the long-standing southern Vermont champ of original roots rock and funky blues, and they’re bringing it back to Stage 33 Live Oct. 23. Door opens at 6:30 p.m. and the show starts at 7 p.m. There is a suggested donation at the door for the band. They’ll play until they’re done.

Ninja Monkey has been blending quality musicianship and high-spirited fun in a balancing act of tight and loose for more than a decade.

This will be a loud all-ages good-time southern Vermont rock and roll for dancing – and sometimes swaying – show rather than a listening room event. The floor will be open with edge seating. Covid-19 protocol in effect, which may change without notice. There’s likely to be a sloppy after-party at PK’s Pub in Bellows Falls.

Capacity is limited. Performances are recorded and filmed. No bar or kitchen, the stage is the mission; snacks by donation. Stage 33 Live is an industrial-rustic room in a former factory hosting local, regional, and national performers in a casual, intimate setting. For more information, go to www.stage33live.com.

Canal Street Art Gallery features Melissa Rubin

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Canal Street Art Gallery presents Melissa Rubin’s solo art show “Transitions,” on display from Oct. 13 through Nov. 13. Join us Friday, Oct. 15, from 5-7 p.m., for Gallery Night in our outdoor art tent and in the gallery.

“Transitions” showcases Rubin’s newest works. Rubin creates “Essential Fabrics” through the process of weaving together shredded encaustic monotype

prints. “As I shredded the prints I had created, I was rethinking my creative process,” says Rubin. “I was able to use the act of weaving [the shredded prints] as meditation and contemplation; a way to calm my mind and transcend, although briefly, the chaos that was unfolding in the world around me.”

A monotype is a one-of-a-kind

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Fletcher Farm School classes —

LUDLOW, Vt. — The Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts is pleased to announce our October classes.

Oct. 16-17: “Printmaking Workshop” with Roger Hyndman. This workshop will explore several different forms of printmaking, including solarplate, relief, found object, and monotype printmaking.

Oct. 16, morning only: “Book Ornaments” with Jean Reed. In a few short hours you will complete a precious miniature book, measuring 2 inches square. Your

book will be made with holiday-themed paper and embellished with ribbon and a bead. When you open your book, it turns into a glorious star-shaped ornament.

Oct. 30-31: “Introduction to Silver Fabrication” with Hal Bosco. This course is designed to teach basic methods of handcrafting jewelry from sterling silver.

Oct. 30: “Feather Wool Trees” with Jean Reed. These unique and whimsical trees are made from felted wool, wrapped over wire stems, and are enhanced

with winterberries. You will be using 100% felted wool and have a choice of colors.

For more information about these classes, to register, become a member, buy raffle tickets, or to donate, please visit our website at www.fletcherfarm.org or call us at 802-228-8770. We are still in need of volunteers and board members. If you would like to know more, please contact us. Our office schedule is Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Make a pendant with cabochon and pine needle coiling

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. — Make beautiful, unique jewelry at Gallery at the VAULT. Join Lyn Parker Haas Saturday, Oct. 23, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., to create pendants with pine needle coiling and lovely cabochons.

As a beginner or experienced pine needle coiler, you can make one or more pendants. If you are new to pine needle coiling, this is a fabulous first project because you can create a

beautiful product in a one-day class. If you are an experienced coiler, you may add embellishments by learning to make spaces, wrapping rows, and adding beads. You also may successfully complete more than one pendant.

There are registration and material fees to participate. The only thing you need to bring is a pair of scissors. Please register by Wednesday, Oct. 20. Covid

protocols are observed and masks are required.

Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main Street in Springfield, is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. For more information, call 802-885-7111, email galleryvault@vermontel.net, or go to Facebook or www.galleryvault.org. Handicap accessible.

Southern Vermont Flannel Festival in Rockingham

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. — Celebrate fall the southern Vermont way! On Oct. 16, from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., and Oct. 17, from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., at Rockingham Hill Farm, the Great Falls Regional Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Southern Vermont Flannel Festival. Tap your toes or dance a jig with live music by The Breakmaids, Debbie & The Downers, Springfield Stringers, Low Lily, and The Stockwell Brothers. On Saturday you can enter a corn hole tournament or the pie bake-off. Surround yourself with pies, cider, craft beer, pumpkins, food and craft vendors, and beautiful Vermont foliage as we celebrate community and welcome autumn.

This event wouldn't be possible without the support from Rockingham Hill Farm,



Don't miss the Flannel Festival.

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Gifts, Massucco & Stern, Bellows Falls Moose Lodge, Best Septic, Peoples Bank, Pete's Stand, Silver Forest, Temple Chiropractic, Whitney Blake, Sterling House, Bellows Falls Opera House, Cabot Cheese, Front Porch Forum, and Walpole Creamery.

Road signs will direct you to 34 Meeting House Rd., in Rockingham, Vt., for a fun festival for all ages. Receive an admission discount if you're rocking flannel! Kids 12 and under are free. For more information, email info@gfrcc.org, visit www.gfrcc.org, or call 802-463-4280.

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print. Rubin paints on a printing plate and transfers it to paper with a press. Encaustic is a technique of painting with pigmented wax, often on wood panels, with many layers being separately fused or burned on. To create an encaustic monotype, she uses pigmented wax, applied directly to a temperature-controlled metal plate. Paper or fabric is then laid onto the

hot wax, so that the image transfers and absorbs into it.

“During the height of the pandemic, I had limited access to my studio. Faced with a limitation of materials, I had to create using whatever I had on hand,” Rubin adds. “I began making encaustic monotypes using beeswax, resin, and pigments, and a variety of papers I had with me. The monotypes started accumulating and the constraints of time and materials forced my work to transition to a new direction.”

Rubin's art is in the permanent collection of the Museum of Encaustic Art in Santa Fe, N.M., and has been featured in ARTnews Magazine, Encaustic Arts Magazine, Art New England, and on CBS This Morning.

Canal Street Art Gallery, 23 Canal St. in Bellows Falls, Vt., is open Wednesday to Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, go to www.canalstreetartgallery.com, call Mike or Emmett at 802-289-0104, or email artinfo@canalstreetartgallery.com.

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Fall Home Improvement

Weatherization campaign kicks off, motivating Vermonters to outsmart winter

REGION – Leaves are changing and temperatures are dropping. Winter is coming, and now is the time to think about how to save energy, money, and the planet during the heating season.

The annual Button Up Vermont campaign, supported by a partnership of energy services providers and clean energy champions, works each fall to raise awareness of the need to weatherize and helps connect Vermonters with tools and resources to save.

Ways to save

There are several offers available to customers to help

them outsmart winter and reduce their carbon footprint:

- Get \$100 back for completing three qualifying DIY weatherization projects,
- Up to \$3,000 off comprehensive weatherization projects from Efficiency Vermont, and up to \$3,500 from VGS,
- Up to \$650 off ductless heat pumps,
- Financing options starting at 0% interest.

Local utilities also offer incentives that can help customers reduce the amount of fossil fuel they need to keep



Heat pumps can save heating costs in the winter. PHOTO PROVIDED BY EFFICIENCYVERMONT.COM



Participate in a Weatherization Wednesday event. PHOTO PROVIDED BY EFFICIENCYVERMONT.COM

their homes warm. Contact your local utility to find out how they can help you save.

Income-eligible families may also qualify for free whole-home weatherization service, through the state's Weatherization Assistance Program.

Ways to learn

In addition to tips and tools available at www.buttonupvermont.org, Vermonters can also participate in educational weatherization events online

and in person.

Weatherization Wednesday is where you can get all the tips and energy expertise you need to weatherize your home. Each Wednesday in October, Button Up Vermont will host a live Q&A session on Facebook and Zoom.

Local in-person events in participating Button Up partner communities cover a range of topics, from heat pumps to whole home insulation. A full

schedule of events is available online.

According to a report by Energy Action Network, thermal energy – energy used to heat buildings – accounts for more than one-third of Vermont's greenhouse gas emissions. Weatherization will play a key role in reducing overall greenhouse gas emissions from the thermal sector, combined with switching heating sources from fossil fuels to cleaner technologies like advanced wood heat and high efficiency cold climate heat pumps.

"We're excited to spread the word about weatherization, and work with local communities to help people take steps toward making their homes more affordable and comfortable, while helping reduce Vermont's greenhouse gas emissions," said Becca White, Button Up Vermont coordinator for Efficiency Vermont.

"Whether it's making DIY improvements, signing up for a free energy savings kit, taking advantage of the many incentives offered for cold climate heat pumps, or participating in an event to learn more about weatherization, we urge Vermonters to take at least one step to save heat, save money, and reduce carbon emissions this fall."

Button Up Vermont is a statewide effort to cut energy use and keep families warm and healthy. Partner organizations include utilities, regional planning commissions, nonprofits, and weatherization agencies. Visit www.buttonupvermont.org/partners for a complete list of partners and more information about the effort.

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