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Weston presents steely and warm version of "Steel Magnolias"

BY BILL LOCKWOOD
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WESTON, Vt. – On Aug. 20, 2022, Weston Theater Company continued its 86th season with Robert Harling's "Steel Magnolias" in their Playhouse at 703 Main Street in Weston, Vt. It will run through Sept. 4.

Based on his experience with his sister's death, the comedy-drama, set in the 1980s, takes place in fictional Chinquapin Parish in northwestern Louisiana. It is about the unshakable bond between two generations of women who are "as delicate as magnolias but tough as steel." The action centers around a beauty parlor where the women regularly meet, and it covers events over three years as the women change and cope with conflicts, but remain friends. This production fits well into this season's theme of belonging, as the six women find family in friends and their own places in the world. Director Sarah Elizabeth Wamsley says, "It's especially joyful to tell this story as we climb out of the pandemic when we are all seeking these kinds of neighborly spaces."



PHOTO BY ROB AFT

The play first appeared Off-Broadway March 28, 1987. It had a Broadway debut April 4, 2005. A film adaptation was released in 1989 with Julia Roberts winning the Academy Award as Best Supporting Actress for her portrayal of Shelby in the film.

Wamsley is making her Weston directing debut with "Magnolias." She is currently BOLD Associate Artistic Director at Northern Stage in White River Junction. She has delivered quite a show, offering a fresh take on an old gem with a superb and diverse cast that updates the production without losing its

sense of time and place. She has skillfully guided the well-credentialed cast and crew to create the world of Turvy's Beauty Salon in which all the drama and humor takes place. The technical aspects that surround the action are faultless. The set, by scenic designer Regina Garcia, visible upon entrance to the theater, is excellently detailed with such things as the shampoo and hair product bottles, hair dryer, styling chairs, and even framed licenses on the wall. It immediately invites you into the warm world of the salon even before the show begins. At the same time, and at various places

in the play, a cleverly mixed compilation of familiar '80s tunes play to set the tone and add to the nostalgia. The show starts with Nyla Sostreas, as a prospective new employee, accompanying herself on a guitar and singing, "Hit the Road Jack." It transitions us brilliantly into the action of the play.

Three of the six women cast, Amy Van Nostrand, Thursday Farrar, and Dorothy Stanley, have played at Weston before. New to this theater are Sostreas, Almeria Campbell, as the salon owner, and Lexi Lappas. All have impressive prior credits too numerous to list here. They form a perfect ensemble, transitioning as the dialog moves quickly between the reality of sadness and loss to the often snappy and sarcastic humor that keeps them all going even through the tragic ending. Farrar said in an interview that, "Life goes on, that's a beautiful thing."

Kudos to Wamsley and Weston for their commitment to diversity. For tickets or for more information you may call the box office at 802-824-5288 or access the theater at www.westonthetheater.org.



Hot Air Balloon.

PHOTO BY PAULA BENSON

The Best of Vermont Summer Festival 2022

BY PAULA BENSON
The Vermont Journal

LUDLOW, Vt. – On Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20 and 21, 2022, the second annual Best of Vermont Summer Festival took over the Okemo Field in Ludlow, Vt. with an enthusiastic crowd, live music, food booths and trucks, artisan wares, antique cars, and hot air balloon rides, just to list a few highlights. This year's festival saw more participants and guests than last year's inaugural event, hosting close to 100 vendors, and an estimated 6,500 attendees.

Sponsored by the Okemo Valley Chamber of Commerce, the weekend was well organized and executed. Entering and exiting the event was seamless with Ludlow Police Chief Billings directing traffic on busy Route 103, and volunteers led by Holger Stoltze cheerfully parking cars. Stoltze was also responsible for the efficient layout of the parking lot and vendor booths. A \$3 donation was requested at the entrance to help support the creative economy sector in Okemo Valley, and people seemed more than happy to oblige.

George Benson of Benson's Chevrolet in Ludlow sponsored a new, kick-off event for this year, the Friday night Cruise-In, with 90 antique and classic cars on display, Vermont Bliss food truck providing fresh, local cuisine, and a free t-shirt giveaway.

Saturday's festivities started at noon, and soon after AJ's Food Truck serving fried dough, Sunny-Side Taqueria, Mr. Darcy's burgers, and Mount Holly Beer looked to be popular with the crowd. But most booths seemed well attended, and people were taking their time to peruse the many, hand crafted, locally sourced artisan products like pottery, jewelry,

craft beer, and specialty foods. Festival goers sampled fudge, maple syrup, rum cake, salsa, jam, and wine. Springfield Art Gym offered face painting, while Troy Wunderle from Big Top Adventures taught children and some adults how to walk on stilts. Six Loose Ladies demonstrated yarn spinning, and Fred DePaul showed the crowd how to shear sheep.

Musicians Jeb Porter & Friends were the first of three bands to take the stage on Saturday, and Sunday, local favorite fiddler Ida Mae Specker came back for a second year, playing country and bluegrass, and hosting barn dancing lessons.

Raffle tickets were handed out upon entry, and throughout the day, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Carol Light-hall and Member Service Director Diane Stockton Breese announced prize winners. Prizes were generously gifted by many of the vendors, including a special batch of Whistle Pig Rye, donated by Same Sun of Vermont. The Nutty Bavarian's contribution was a choice between a large bag of roasted nuts, or a six-pack of fudge, procured by two very excited ten-year-old boys.

Three awards were handed out to the top finalists in the antique and classic car contest, as judged by participants and attendees who wanted to join in voting. The first place winner took home a cash prize of \$500.

Looking forward to 2023, Lighthall mentions that they will be introducing a new vendor map, to help attendees better navigate the festival. She says the Chamber is currently gathering feedback from vendors and sponsors, which they will "review and discuss while everything is fresh in our minds, then we'll put the folder away for a while."

Discussions on Highway 39 and training for Plymouth Town Constable

BY PAULA BENSON
The Vermont Journal

PLYMOUTH, Vt. – The Plymouth, Vt. Selectboard met on Aug. 15, 2022, and at the top of the agenda were two items which were quickly shelved. The first, pertaining to zoning in regard to Tiki Pauley, was decided to have surpassed a "statute of limitations," after fifteen years. And, regarding an earlier question of payroll automation, it was stated that there was no update at this time, but the topic would warrant a later follow up.

A previous discussion on the Public Information Request form resolved when the revised form, now a one page, more concise document was unanimously adopted by the board. It was further stated that an estimate of cost will now be assessed for any request for public information that involves thirty or more minutes of research. When that change of policy was questioned in the meeting, the board unanimously reiterated that there had been a recent amount of "voluminous" requests for information, so the decision had been made to charge a fee for the additional time.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding the expected duties and training of the Town Constable,

who at times is required to cover 911 emergency calls, at times coming to the office in the middle of the night. Concerns for the Constable's safety were expressed, and questions with regards to his emergency response training and lack of backup in case of an especially unpredictable or volatile situation were also voiced.

Currently, Plymouth does not have a private police force, and a 911 call is typically diverted to the Sheriff's Department in Rutland, which can result in a response time of 30-45 minutes.

A few options were brought up, including approving additional funds to further train the Constable in emergency response procedure, and possible firearms safety training. Another suggestion was to put in place a two-tier call-in system where someone in a non-life-threatening emergency would call the Constable first, before the police were contacted. There were concerns raised regarding liability and workers compensation insurance requirements, based on potential increased risk. Ultimately the board decided to couch the discussion for a later date, to give everyone more time to review.

The selectboard reviewed a request regarding the

maintenance of the town cemetery, proposed to them by Cemetery Commissioner Andrew Crossman. The request included stone repair and replacement, and upon initial review of the lengthy document, Committee Chair Jay Pullman stated he needed to "take some time and go through it," before reporting back.

The board announced that the Local Hazard Mitigation Program had been rejected by the commission, and the proposal would need to be reviewed, "corrected," and reposted online for public review.

Selectman Rick Kamiski announced that Plymouth Highway 39 had been officially designated a "pent" road, meaning "a public road that may be barred or enclosed by gates or bars especially at its terminal points," according to the definition as read by Kamiski.

An information meeting was scheduled ahead of the November ballots, to start before the Oct. 17, 2022 regular selectboard meeting. Kamiski suggested a start time of one hour prior to the normal time of 8 p.m., but Pullman responded, "Why don't we start it at six?" Anticipating there would be "some discussion," on the ballot points, Pullman added, "I don't want to keep people here until midnight."

Regarding delinquent tax payments and the 8% penalty fee charged to the individual when a payment is made past the due date, one of the townspeople in attendance, Bruce Pauley pointed out that the 8% fee was tough for citizens who were already behind on taxes, and the additional penalty could be a "game changer for some people."

In response, Kamiski mentioned, "Keep in mind that there is a method for coming to the town, for abatements... and getting a reduction in back taxes. That would be the way to do it."

Further discussion on delinquent taxes revisited the subject of the sale of Hawk Resort International, LLC that was initially scheduled to close July 1, 2022. The closing deadline was then extended to July 29, 2022, and Kaminski announced a new date was now set for Sept. 15, 2022.

The town had signed a contract that included payment of all back taxes owed on those lots, an amount of \$292,586. Boardmember Keith Cappellini stated, "The best possible thing to happen from a tax collection stand-point would be for them to close this deal and cut us a check."

Pullman mentioned, "I

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Police-involved shooting in Ludlow updates details—

LUDLOW, Vt. – Detectives with the Vermont State Police continue to investigate the shooting of a man late Monday, Aug. 15, 2022 by a member of the Ludlow Police Department on South Hill Road.

The man who was shot has been identified as Michael Mills, 35, of Cavendish. As of Tuesday, Aug. 16 afternoon, he has been hospitalized at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medi-

cal Center in Lebanon, N.H.

The officer who fired his department-issued handgun has been identified as Zachary Paul, 21, who joined the Ludlow Police Department in July, following his graduation from the Vermont Police Academy. Paul was on field training and was accompanied by his field-training officer, Jeffrey Warfle, 41, who has served with the Ludlow police for two-and-a-half years.

VSP's initial investigation shows that the incident started at about 6:45 p.m. Monday, when Mills began making a series of what would eventually become more than two dozen 911 calls, during which he made various complaints, threats, and suicidal statements. Police in the area sought out Mills, and a brief encounter led to a short pursuit with the Ludlow police, whom Mills was

able to elude.

According to a review of evidence, including video from body-worn cameras, Paul and Warfle attempted to stop Mills at about 9:30 p.m., but he drove off, and the officers followed. During the ensuing chase, Mills at one point reversed his car and rammed the police cruiser before driving away. The pursuit ended at about 9:36 p.m. in the area of 451 South Hill Road when Mills drove off the road and into a tree. Officers attempted to

calm Mills. When he failed to step out of the car, Warfle approached the vehicle and opened the front passenger door, at which point he yelled "Gun!" several times. Paul then fired a single round from his sidearm, striking Mills in the head. Police recovered a semiautomatic handgun from Mills' vehicle. Mills does not appear to have fired a round during the encounter.

Mills received first-aid on the scene and was brought by ambulance to Springfield

Hospital before he was airlifted to Dartmouth-Hitchcock.

Neither Paul nor Warfle were injured during the incident. Per Ludlow Police Department policy, both have been placed on paid administrative leave.

Once the Vermont State Police investigation is complete, the case will be turned over to the Vermont Attorney General's Office and the relevant State's Attorney's Office for independent reviews of the police use of force.

Reinbow Riding Center receives generous donation —

LUDLOW, Vt. – Reinbow Riding Center is excited to announce that it has received its largest donation to date, \$25,200, from Assisting Children Today, co-founded by Troy Caruso, owner of Fox Run Golf Club in Ludlow, Vt., which will be presented

at the Center's fundraising event on Aug. 31, from 6-9 p.m., sponsored and hosted by Belmont residents Tina and Glenn Tatangelo. We invite all to attend, as we'd love to have the your support to share the benefits of therapeutic horsemanship within

our community, as well as to raise needed support for our mission.

In conjunction with our event, we have launched a digital fundraising campaign, in which we aim to raise another \$25,200, for a total of \$50,400. Donations can be made via our Facebook, our website, Venmo @reinbowriding, and at www.fnd.us/reinbowriding?ref=sh_0BYFz8.

We're hosting this event to spread awareness about Reinbow Riding Center, a 501(c)(3) member of the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship (PATH) International, based in Belmont, Vt. Since 2008, we have been dedicated to improving the wellbeing of individuals with unique, special needs through a therapeutic equine experience. We are passionate professionals working together with self-sacrificing volunteers. Reinbow Riding Center, formerly of Shrewsbury, Vt., has run on a tight budget and grassroots fundraising efforts for the last 14 years in support of our local community by offering lessons to those in need regardless of their ability to pay. We thank those of you who have shown your support over the years and invite anyone new to us to find out more! We hope you'll choose to support our efforts and look forward to seeing you on Aug. 31.

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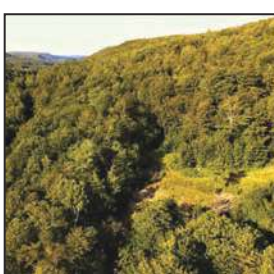
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BRHS Class of 1972 Class reunion —

LUDLOW, Vt. – The Black River High School, Class of '72 will be celebrating their 50th class reunion on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022, at Calcuttas Restaurant at Fox Run Golf Club in Ludlow, Vt. The festivities will start with the class enjoying a dinner buffet followed by cocktails and music on the patio. The Class of '72 would like to invite friends and fellow alumni to join us in the celebration by joining us on the patio at 8 p.m. A number of classmates have committed to attending and they would be delighted to share memories and see old acquaintances.

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know they don't have to share the info, but it would be nice, if we're going to invest, to know what's up."

After a short discussion, the board determined that its only concern should be with the tax revenue, since the deal to buy the lots is a private sale.

Minutes before the meeting adjourned, a final announcement was made that the board had gotten word that the Plymouth store had been purchased, with the closing date to be determined. But, Komisky mentioned, "After nine months to a year of planning, the town is looking forward to a new store." The store will also have a gas station, and the board had a quick discussion about a new campground, about which there was little information known, currently.



LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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

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Bellows Falls banknotes

BY RON PATCH

Last week I bought a few old coins and three old paper banknotes. Two of these banknotes date to the early 1860s; both are from The Bank of Bellows Falls. The third banknote is June 1830 from The Bellows Falls Bank.

The State of Vermont regulated these early banks, not the federal government. The following information is from Lyman Hayes, History of Rockingham, 1907. Hayes' is a comprehensive book of 850 pages. If you don't have a copy you can read more about these banks online, page 439 on.

Hayes mentions a bank in Bellows Falls prior to 1831, but he doesn't mention the bank's name. The third banknote I bought is that earlier bank. It is The Bellows Falls Bank. I don't know when this bank was organized. Those records would exist at UVM Special Collections or the Vermont Historical Society. The Bellows Falls Historical Society may have some of this information. If I wanted to know more, I would start there.

"The Bank of Bellows Falls was incorporated Nov. 9, 1831, by special act of the legislature, with a capital stock of \$100,000. The incorporators were Mark Richards and John Smith of Westminster, William Henry of Chester, and Daniel Kellogg, Henry F. Green, S.W. Goodridge, James I. Cutler, and Alexander S. Campbell of the town of Rockingham. The first meeting of the incorporators was held Feb. 2, 1832, at the old Mansion House, which stood on the Square south of the present bank building.

The following board of directors were elected: Daniel Kellogg as first president, Nathaniel Fullerton, James I. Cutler, Nathan Wheeler, Samuel Porter, John Smith, and Otis Adams. These organized by electing Daniel Kellogg as the first president, and William Henry, cashier.

These two officers were authorized at the same meeting to purchase the lot upon the west side of the Square, now covered by the south end of the opera house building. Upon this lot, within a few months, was erected the small, plain, one-story brick building which served as the only banking house of Bellows Falls until 1875. The business was commenced in a small room in the second story of the Mammoth Block, immediately over what is now the store of the Howard Hardware company, and was continued there for a few months until the new building was ready



Nathaniel Fullerton at age 92. He is buried in Brookside Cemetery on Main Street in Chester.



Bellows Falls Bank \$5 note signed by William Henry and Daniel Kellogg, June 11, 1830



Bank of Bellows Falls \$1 note, 1862.

PHOTOS BY RON PATCH

for occupancy. This small building was occupied by the Bank of Bellows Falls during the remainder of the existence of that institution. In 1841, the discounts of the bank amounted to \$130,134.50, only four banks in Vermont at that time doing a larger business.

Daniel Kellogg remained president until January 1837, when he was succeeded by Nathaniel Fullerton of Chester. William Henry, the first cashier, occupied the position until March 9, 1847, his resignation being occasioned by his election to Congress. He was succeeded by James H. Williams (1st). Mr. Fullerton was president and Mr. Williams cashier until the institution was merged into the National Bank of Bellows Falls, June 12, 1865.

By the terms of the new national banking act, the National Bank of Bellows, described above, was organized from the old Bank of Bellows Falls, described above, on June 12, 1865.

In accordance with the statutes providing for the retirement of the circulation of the bills of old state banks, the directors of the National Bank, on Jan. 8, 1867, had a memorable bonfire in which they de-

stroyed \$144,000 of the bills of the former institution..."

Above you read the names of presidents and cashiers. These banknotes were signed by both the president and cashier. The signatures on my notes are Kellogg, Williams, and Henry, as they should be.

My banknotes escaped the \$144,000 bonfire. How many others exist, I do not know. These notes are well circulated and quite soiled from almost 200 years of handling. I am happy to have them.

The paper is a very thin, flimsy, tissue type paper. Of interest, as I have seen many times before, notes of this period are only printed on one side, the reverse is blank.

Banks received these notes directly from the State in denominations of: \$1, \$2, \$3, and \$5. Other denominations exist. I know of an uncut sheet of notes from the Jamaica Bank. Nathaniel Fullerton built the house Jerry Stewart lives in today.

This weeks old saying: A reader's father used to say this after he'd been in the presence of an overly talkative woman; "That woman has her tongue hung in the middle and it wags at both ends."

Springfield Library talks "Crop Circles" —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. — On Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 7 p.m., join John Root at the Springfield Town Library for his presentation of "Majesty and Mystery of Crop Circles," featuring designs that have been appearing with increasing sophistication during the past three decades in farmers' fields and other locations all over the world.

Layered weaving of plants in the fields, as well as anatomical changes observed in these plants, are presented as evidence of powerful and mysterious energies at work. Effects on electronic equipment, soils, animals, and human visitors are also described. Interpretations of these intricate and exquisite formations, many of which

occur near sacred sites and refer to mystical traditions, are discussed as well.

This program is free, accessible, and open to the public. The Springfield Town Library is located at 43 Main Street, Springfield. For more information, please contact 802-885-3108. You may also join in from home over Zoom. Sign-up required.

Vermont Old Cemetery Association fall meeting—

TOWNSHEND, Vt. — The oldest cemetery preservation organization in the U.S. will hold its fall meeting at the Townshend Town Hall on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022. The day will begin at 9 a.m. with snacks and visiting, followed by the organization's annual business meeting at 10 a.m. The meeting will be followed by a catered

lunch at 12 p.m. and a program at 1 p.m.

The program is entitled "Townshend's Connection to Juneteenth — the Civil War Record of Private Commodore Bush of Company F of the U.S. Colored Troops." The program will be presented by Charles E. Marchant, President of the Townshend Historical Soci-

ety and longtime Townshend Cemetery Commissioner.

The meeting and program are open to the public. Luncheon is by reservation. Reservations must be made by Sept. 17. Call Mr. Marchant at 802-365-7937 or write him at P.O. Box 132, Townshend, VT 05353. Memberships in VOCA are available for those who wish.

Springfield OLLI announces fall programs

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. — Os her Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) has announced its fall 2022 Programs. Sponsored by the University of Vermont, OLLI is run by local volunteer members and is geared mainly towards seniors who are 50 years of age and over. Anyone who would be interested in this type of program, regardless of their age, is welcome.

Programs are held Tuesdays at 2 p.m. and typically last an hour-and-a-half. The meeting location is the Nolin Murray Center on Pleasant Street, next to St. Mary's Catholic Church in Springfield, Vt.

There is a Membership Series Special Fee for the complete semester. Non-members are welcome to attend individual programs for a single program fee.

Pre-registration is highly recommended. We can no longer take any payments at the door, onsite. Registration can easily be done online by going to the OLLI website. You may also register by calling 1-802-656-5817.

The following programs will be available through fall 2022:

Sept. 20 — Luigi Lucioni: Modern Light — Katie Wood Kirchoff, Curator, Shelburne Museum. Dubbed Vermont's "Painter Laureate" by Life magazine in 1937, Luigi Lucioni was a twentieth-century realist painter best known for his scenes of Vermont. Join Katie Wood Kirchoff for a conversation

about the artist, his work, and a new publication and exhibition on display at Shelburne Museum.

Oct. 4 — Mary Lou Williams: Composer, Pianist, Pioneer — Erik Nielsen, Composer, Music Historian. Mary Lou Williams was one of the foremost jazz musicians of the 20th century. Not only was she a great arranger, composer, and pianist, and highly respected among her peers in a jazz world dominated by men, but she created choral and large ensemble works. Learn how her influence continues today through some of the contemporary Black women composers who are her heirs.

Oct. 18 — Another Election? Already? — Jon Margolis, Author, Free-Lance Journalist. Yes, it does seem as though political campaigns never cease, or at least blend into one another. Some folks are still fighting over 2020 as the 2022 election approaches, with 2024 seeming to loom right around the corner. Can this hodgepodge mean anything, in Vermont or around the country? Let's try to find out.

Nov. 1 — Yankee Spy! New Hampshire's Jonathan Hale in the Civil War — Alan Rumrill, Director, Cheshire County Historical Society, Keene, N.H. Cheshire County native Jonathan Davis Hale left N.H. to seek his fortune in the mid-1800s. He gained wealth, only to lose it all when the

Civil War began, because of his support for the Union. Consequently, he served as a spy for the Union throughout the war. His life story is a tale of wealth, happiness, patriotism, danger, loss, and, finally, heartbreak and poverty.

Nov. 15 — Traditional Hand Tool Crafts, Wood Types and Local Forest History — Wade Smith, Mill Hollow Craft School, Keene, N.H. To many people today, traditional hand tools are objects in a museum. But these tools were at the technologically-advanced end of thousands of years of development. We'll discuss the woods used, with history about forests in our region. We'll observe demonstrations of these original tools, and attendees will even have the chance to try them.

Nov. 29 — The Beauty and Poetry of the Heavens: The Ancient Teachings of Aratus — Mark Breen, Planetarium Director and Senior Meteorologist, Fairbanks Museum. Astronomy has inspired almost every type of expression, from visual arts, music, and the written word, to sciences and mathematics. Each appreciates the universe from a different viewpoint. An example of this is found in "Phaenomena," by the Greek poet Aratus. Breen will use excerpts from the ancient text to guide you through the heavens in the very same way Aratus did over two millennia ago.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

GMUHS, CAES, CTES bus routes

REGION – The following bus routes will take effect for the Green Mountain Union High School, Chester Andover Elementary School, and Cavendish Town Elementary School 2022-23 school year.

Route One: Cavendish Town Elementary. Driver: Bob.

AM: 7:05 East Rd.
7:10 Knapp Pond Rd.
7:25 Pick up along Route 131 to Cavendish Gulf Rd.
7:28 Cavendish Gulf Rd.
7:35 Back out to Route 131 and pick up along Route 131 to CTES.

PM: Bob will bring home the GM students who live in Cavendish. First he will drop off the students of CAES and GM who live past the Stone

Village/Trebo road on his way to CTES. From CTES, he will run Route 131 to Route 103, as necessary to Stepping Stones, and Greven Ext. and along Depot Street. Twenty Mile Stream, Johnson Rd., Carleton Rd., Heald Rd., Reading Rd., Brook Rd., Center Rd., Hoey Rd., Corner of Old County Rd., Chambers Rd., lower Tarbell Rd., Route 131, Cavendish Gulf Rd., Brood Rd. and Route 131, Tarbell Hill, Knapp Pond, Tarbell Hill, and East Rd.,

Route Two: Cavendish. Driver: Jerry.

AM: 6:10 Start at Knapp Pond Rd., drive down to pick up at LaPlante Rd.

6:13 Right on Tarbell Hill Rd. and pick up to Greenbush

Rd.
6:15 Greenbush Rd. to Stevens Rd. to East Rd. Pick ups along the way.

6:25 Pick up along Brook Rd.
6:30 Back down to Center Rd.

6:38 Pick up at the corner of Davis Rd.

6:45 Right at Williams Store to pick up along Route 131 to CTES.

7:00 Down Depot St. to Greven Rd.

7:03 Up Greven Rd. to Route 103.

7:05 – 7:20 One of two buses that will pick up along Route 103 on the way to GM.

PM: Will bring home students who rode Sue's bus (Route 5) in the a.m.

Route 4 & 6: Andover and Chester. Driver: Etta.

AM: 6:10 Bottom of Andover Rd. Pick up along Andover Rd. up to Middletown Rd.

6:15 Middletown Rd. and Andover Rd. Turn left and go to the bottom of Middletown Rd.

6:17 Pick up at the bottom of Middletown Rd./Intersection with Route 11. Anyone who lives beyond Middletown Rd. will need to go to Middletown Rd. to get on the bus.

6:20 Howards Hill and Route 11. Pick up along the way to Church St.

6:35 Go up Church St. and pick up at intersection with Meadow Rd.

6:37 Pick up at intersection of Church St. and Marcs Rd.

6:40 Chester Hardware.

6:48 Pleasant Brook Apartments. Pick up along Route 11 on the way to Logan Dr.

6:55 Logan Dr.
7:00 Roach Rd.

7:05 Green Mountain Turnpike.

7:08 Back out to Route 103. Pick up along Route 103 on the way to CAES.

7:15 Drop off at CAES.

7:20 GMUHS.

PM: Same as a.m. route, but in reverse order.

Route 5: Ludlow and Mount Holly. Driver: Sue.

AM: 6:10 MHES.

6:15 Markwell Ln.
6:22 Pond and Andover St.
6:25 Gazebo and Route 103.
6:30 LES.

6:43 South Hill and Route 103. Pick up along Route 103 on the way to Cavendish Gulf Rd.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Most Vermonters tell me they vote for the person, not a political party. I am asking each of you to put your ideological persuasion aside, don't rush to

judgment, and don't assume you know where I stand because I am a Republican. "Get to Know Bill" and my ideas, then vote for the person that you feel brings the most to the table on behalf of all Vermonters, left, right, and middle.

State Pension Plan Participants, including State employees, teachers, and municipal employees, were all asked to work more, for less [benefit] this last legislative session as the unfunded pension liability worsened with recent market declines. It was last calculated at \$5.5 billion. I am the only candidate to author a plan to keep Plan Participants' benefits intact, lower the unfunded liability by a billion or two within a couple of years, and stabilize plan funding for taxpayers.

Vermonters are feeling less safe than ever before. Drug overdoses have soared and Burlington is beginning to look like the

"wild wild west" with weekly reported shootings. Recent criminal justice reform has missed the mark of equality and left us all less safe and more vulnerable to crime. I have a plan to help keep our schools safe and guns out of the hands of the mentally ill while ensuring our rights as Vermont and U.S. citizens.

I also have written plans that include solutions for Lake Champlain's poor water quality, alternative energy production and climate change, and more, all on my website, www.HuffForVTStateRep.com. Let's have a civil discussion about how we move forward with less divisiveness, fix our issues at hand, and create policy that benefits generational Vermonters and newcomers alike. Please consider casting your vote to allow me to serve you in the coming years.

Sincerely,
Bill Huff, Candidate for Windsor County Senate Thetford, Vt.

Dear Editor,

This letter is addressed to my constituents of the WDR-WDH district, citizens of Athens, Chester, Grafton, and Windham, for showing up and voting in our Aug. 9 primary, one of American's most sacred duties to perform. I encourage all citizens of our district to exercise their right to vote on Nov. 8 and support others to do so, if needed. It is very important to have all your voices heard.

With my name on November's ballot, you

Dear Editor,

To the casual observer, a stonewall may appear to be just another ubiquitous New England element. In its practical application, the wall's fieldstone of granite, schist, and gneiss had to be dealt with if pasture or cereal crops were to prosper. What better way to make use of this abundant resource than to assemble into a wall.

A well maintained stonewall is value added

should know that my position is to protect the constitutional rights of the People within the WDR-WDH District. I have taken on this position of candidacy because of you all within my community. This district of ours is experiencing challenging times and I want to make sure no more unnecessary burdens are placed upon us.

I hearten you to feel comfortable to openly criticize and/or question my stance on particular issues. My intention is to offer mediums where we may participate in healthy discourse that enhances

and enhances curb appeal. Perhaps more aligned with farmhouses, contemporary homes fair just as well. It's just a matter of constructing a wall suitable to the landscape and the homeowner's personal flavor.

To truly appreciate a wall of rock though, the fruit of one's own labor in erecting it is absolute. The pride in accomplishing such an arduous task is not at all unlike the euphoria one experiences when earning that very first paycheck (at least when actual paychecks

understanding and hopefully cultivating new ideas.

In addition, I expect our district to hold me accountable. Also know, I am not running to promote my own views. I am running to support the backbone of our great state of Vermont, our families, and small businesses. I am proud to be on the ballot, for the People. You can contact me and review both my Facebook page, (evaryanvt), and/or my website, (www.evaryanvt.com).

Sincerely,
Eva Ryan
Chester, Vt.

we are humans and we create. Anything less is to disregard our very identities.

I admire the craftsmanship of the local baker, the finish carpenter, the quilter, and yes, the stone mason. I salute all craftsmanship. We are in a better place because of these men and women. So let us not lose that collective knowledge. Keep the basics alive and we will thrive.

Sincerely,
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CHURCH SERVICES

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ALSTEAD, N.H.

Third Congregational Church UCC, River St.
Sunday worship begins at 11 a.m., led by Pastor Maureen Adams. Communion is the first Sunday of each month. For more information, email alsteadthirdchurch@gmail.com, call 603-835-6358, or go to www.facebook.com/Third-Congregational-UCC-Church-of-Alstead-NH-120645387960916.

ASCUTNEY, VT.

Vision of Light Church of Spiritualism and Healing, P.O. Box 133, Windsor
The Sunday service is at 10 a.m. with Lay Pastor Dawn Nancy via Zoom. Sign up for the Vision of Light newsletter and Zoom links on Facebook @VOLChurch.

Bow Baptist Church, 1102 Route 5, Weathersfield Bow

Sunday services are 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesday Bible Study and prayer at 7 p.m. For more information, call 802-546-4902.

BELLOWS FALLS, VT.

Living Hope Assembly of God, 582 Rockingham Rd.
Pastor Matt and Brenda Farkas welcomes all to Sunday worship at 10 a.m., the message at 10:30 a.m. with Children's Church for ages 3-7, and fellowship. Live streaming available at 10:30 a.m. at Living Hope Facebook page and YouTube. Services can also be found at www.sapatv.org and www.fact8tv.com.

CAVENDISH, VT.

Cavendish Baptist Church, 2258 Main St.
Sunday services are 10 a.m. online or in person. If you attend in-person, please wear a mask and practice physical distancing. Online services are on Facebook at 10 a.m. Go to www.facebook.com/Cavendish-Baptist-Church-258814894244302. More at www.CavendishBaptist.com or call 802-226-7131.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H.

North Charlestown United Methodist Church, 471 River Rd.
Worship is Sundays at 9 a.m. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m. Please wear a mask, observe social distancing, and keep your hands clean. Go to www.facebook.com/UMCOofNorthCharlestown for more information.

Charlestown Seventh-day Adventist Church, 242 Main St., Charlestown, N.H.
Saturday Services include Bible Study at 9:30 a.m. and Worship Service at 11:15 a.m. and a healthy lunch for all after the service. Masks are optional. All are welcome, call 603-276-2383 for more information.

CHESTER, VT.

First Universalist Parish of Chester, Route 103 North
Services are Sundays at 10 a.m. in person or on Zoom. To request a Zoom link, email chestervtuu@gmail.com. Sunday services run from September to early June.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 313 Main St.
Join us for our Sunday worship at 10 a.m. in person or on Zoom. For more information, visit www.stlukesepiscopalvt.org.

GRAFTON, VT.

Grafton Community Church, 55 Main St.
Worship begins Sunday at 10 a.m. Masks are requested if unvaccinated and suggested for all singing and response. View sermons on Zoom. For more information, go to www.graftoncommunitychurch.org or call 802-843-2346.

LUDLOW, VT.

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.

Tyson Community Church, Corner of Rt. 100 and Dublin Rd., opposite Echo Lake Inn.
Services are Sundays at 10:30 a.m. No service last Sunday of the month. In-person and via Zoom. Email terry.bascom@pm.me or call 802-228-2480.

MOUNT HOLLY, VT.

Village Baptist Church, 32 Church St.
Masks recommended, but we welcome all to come and worship with us Sunday at 9:30 a.m. For more information, call 802-259-2440.

SPRINGFIELD, VT.

Calvary Baptist Church, 156 Main St.
Sunday services are 9:30 a.m. in person. Please wear a mask, socially distance, and stay home if you're unwell. Services are still streamed at www.facebook.com/

Bernadette Curtin McNeill, 1925-2022

LUDLOW, Vt. – Bernadette C. McNeill passed away peacefully in her 98th year on the morning of Aug. 17, 2022 with the love of her family around her. The third of six children, she was born on March 22, 1925 in New York City to Cornelius D. Curtin and Edna (Riester) Curtin. Raised on Long Island, she graduated from the Dominican Academy in Manhattan, and soon started to work as a secretary for various companies in New York. She met Donald W. McNeill on a blind date, and they married a few years later in 1950, in Yonkers, N.Y.

Moving up to New England in the late '50s, she raised her family, living in Danvers, Mass., Somers, Conn., and Billerica, Mass. She retired after working many years for BASF, Inc. and Dennison/Kybe in Marketing and Office Administration.

After the passing of her husband, she moved up to Ludlow, Vt. where she spent ten years. She loved living in the community of Ludlow, looking out over the mountains. She volunteered at the Ludlow Elementary School Library and the Fletcher Memorial Library, loving the children, the teachers, and always learning. She was presented with a Volunteer Award by Vermont Senior Solutions and the entire Elementary School turned out to celebrate her 90th birthday! She always looked "sharp" wearing one of her many scarves and always with lipstick and her hair "done."

Bernadette was prede-



Bernadette McNeill, 1925-2022.

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ceased by husband, Donald W. McNeill; her siblings, Patricia Bowden, Edward Curtin, Gerald Curtin, Nathalie (Lee) Forster, and John Curtin. She is survived by her children, Donna McNeill-Hudkins (Peter) of Chester, Vt.; Kathy McNeill and Bernadette McNeill of Somerville, Mass.; Michael A. McNeill of Hollywood, Fla., and Maureen Murray (Michael) of Scituate, Mass. She is also survived by her grandchildren, her pride and joys – Lauren Quinn of Dorchester, Mass.; Peyton McNeill of Ft. Collins, Colo., and Maggie Murray of Scituate, Mass., as well as many nieces and nephews whom she loved as if they were her own.

A memorial Mass and gathering will be held in Ludlow at the Church of the Annunciation, on Saturday, Sept. 17, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, Bernadette wanted donations to go to the Ludlow Elementary School Library Fund, c/o TRSU, 609 VT Route 103, Ludlow, VT 05143.

Wear a colorful scarf in her honor!

Elizabeth Campbell Chromec, 1947-2022

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. – Liz passed away at her home in August of 2022. Born in 1947 in New York City, her family moved to Saxtons River in 1949. She attended Saxtons River Elementary School and Bellows Falls High School. She graduated in 1965 from The American School of Paris and attended Middlebury College. Liz then lived in New York City, Burlington, Vt., and Honolulu, Hawaii, before returning to Saxtons River to raise her daughter.

After attending Norwich University's accelerated program for teaching, she became a long-term substitute teacher in Cornish, N.H. schools and worked in special education at Bellows Falls Union High School.

Liz was entranced by nature and loved living where she could experience it daily. She enjoyed hikes through the forest and taught her daughter how to track the many animals that lived in the snowy hills and fields of the family farm. In the 1990s, she volunteered at a wild bird sanctuary, nursing injured birds back to health. She had a knack for soothing the injured birds and lived for the day when they were released back to the wild.

She was a gifted artist and writer. In the 1970s, she created the most extraordinary embroidered clothing as gifts for her loved ones. She embraced spirituality and studied religions of the world, most formatively the teachings of the Dalai Lama and traveled to India to study Buddhism.

Many of her strongest friendships were forged in her youth, with those she was friends with from grade school through high school. She became like a



Elizabeth Chromec, 1947-2022.

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second mother to several of her daughter's high school friends, extending great kindness and support to them in times of need.

Liz struggled with mental illness for the last third of her life. This eventually affected her relationships and ability to connect with society. While she did withdraw from many loved ones in the last years of her life, she was never forgotten and was very much loved.

Liz is survived by her daughter, Rachael Campbell Chromec of Yellow Springs, Ohio; her siblings, Robert Campbell Jr. of Saxtons River, Averill Larsen of Saxtons River, Michael Campbell of East Boston (Erin O'Hearn), Sean Campbell (Joan) of Saxtons River, Peter Campbell of Greenfield, Mass., Margaret Lacoste (Don) of Wolfboro, N.H., Charles Campbell (Julie) of Fairfield, Va., William Campbell (Gina) of Greenfield, Mass., Sarah Campbell of Saxtons River, and Matthew Campbell of Greenfield, Mass., as well as many nieces and nephews. Liz is predeceased by her parents, Bob and Beth Campbell of Saxtons River. Services will be private.

Donations to honor Liz may be made to National Alliance for Mental Health (NAMI) Vermont.

Roxanne Rita Nelson, 1957-2022

CLAREMONT, N.H. – Roxanne R. Nelson, 65, died unexpectedly on July 23, 2022 at her home in Claremont. She was born Jan. 30, 1957 in Bristol, Conn., the daughter of Edward and Juliette LeMay.

Roxanne graduated from Tomaston High School. Following her graduation, Roxanne went into the U.S. Air Force in 1977 and was honorably discharged in 1979.

Roxanne met Bryan Nelson of Springfield, Vt. at Platsburg Air Force base. They later married in Springfield, Vt. On Feb. 3, 1979, Roxanne had two children with Bryan; January and Julie Jeanne Nelson of Springfield. They later divorced in 1995.

Roxanne's favorite job was working at Bond Auto. Her favorite time of

year was Christmas. She also enjoyed crafting and writing letters.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two siblings, Bruce and Curtis. She leaves behind three siblings, Jeffrey, Karen, and Ann Marie. Roxanne was born into a big family; she had three brothers and two sisters. It goes in order of Bruce (deceased), Curtis (deceased), Jeffrey, Karen, Roxanne (deceased), and Ann Marie. Surviving in addition are her grandchildren, Amelia, Katelynn, and Jaxon, as well as many nieces and nephews.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Moody Park Pavilion on Sept. 8, 2022 at 4 p.m. Donations to the cost of cremation can be made to Stringers Funeral Home in Claremont.

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LEGAL NOTICES

AUG. 28 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Lenny Solomon will perform at on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022 at 4 p.m. at Stage 33 in Bellows Falls, Vt. A singer, songwriter, and guitarist, Lenny Solomon's style has been compared to early Bob Dylan, Guy Clark, and Jerry Jeff Walker.

AUG. 31 – LUDLOW, Vt. – There will be a fundraiser to benefit Rainbow Riding Center on Wednesday, Aug. 31, from

6–9 p.m. at the Fox Run Golf Club in Ludlow, Vt. Music by Krishna Guthrie and food by Celebrity Chef Andrew Mollen will be at the event, along with drinks by Mount Holly Beer. Tickets can be purchased at www.reinbowridingcenter.org/donations.

SEPT. 10 – ALSTEAD, N.H. – Charles Andros, former NH/VT Apiary Inspector, will hold a beekeeping workshop on Saturday, Sept. 10 from 1-4

p.m. Topics of discussion will include treatment of noseema and mites (including using oxalic acid), winter preparations, winter protein and carbohydrate supplements, and making beeswax hand creams. Look for the "BEE" sign on the south side of Walpole Valley Road, 18 MacLean Road, first on right, Alstead, N.H. Bring a veil, if you have one, as we shall be opening some colonies. Water and sunscreen are also a plus. Register at lindenamel@gmail.com or call 603-756-9056. This is the fourth of four workshops.

WINDHAM, Vt. – Steven Fellows will lead a "Bio-reactor" Workshop on Sept. 10, 2022 at 2 p.m. Attendees will build a high temperature composting machine that can handle clean-up of large quantities of organic matter. Please RSVP or direct inquiries to Steven at gardenmaster58@gmail.com or 802-875-2194. This event will take place at the Fourth Corner Foundation at 578 Hitchcock Hill Rd., Windham, Vt.

This is a free event, small donations are accepted by the foundation to further environmental missions.

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – Westminster West Library Annual Book Sale Sept. 10, 2022 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. There will be books of all genres to choose from; books for both kids and adults, fiction and non-fiction. Come stock up on books at 3409 Westminster West Road.

SUNDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets Sundays, from 3:30-5:30 p.m., at Hartness Airport in Springfield. The Civil Air Patrol is the auxiliary unit of the U.S. Air Force tasked with the mission of supporting America's communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development, and promotion of air, space, and cyber power. Cadets as young as 12 and senior members of any age make up this diverse group of volunteers.

MONDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Overeaters Anonymous 12-Step Recovery Program is Mondays, from 7-8 p.m., at the old St. Charles Catholic School building, 25 Cherry Street in Bellows Falls. The program is free. Call Celeste with any questions at 802-376-3507.

WESTON, Vt. – Bingo is Monday nights at 7 p.m. at the Weston Rod & Gun Club, 982 Route 100, 1.5 miles north of Weston Village. All are welcome.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Starting on Monday, Aug. 22, pickleball will be played at Dorsey Park, 41 Andover Street in Ludlow, Vt., every Monday from 8–11 a.m., into October. There are no registration fees.

TUESDAYS – LUDLOW, Vt. – Zumba classes Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. All fitness levels welcome. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

WEDNESDAYS – LUDLOW, Vt. – Tracy Blanchard from The National Council on Aging will be at the Black River Valley Senior Center on the first and third Wednesday of the month, from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m., to help Medicare recipients find and apply for eligible assistance programs, services and support. Located at 10 High Street in Ludlow. For details, call 802-773-7917.

REGION – On Wednesdays at 5 p.m., join Lori Wright for Yoga Flow with Meditation, live or watch the video during your perfect time. A 45-minute gentle flow class with meditation to strengthen, improve flexibility, bring balance, relieve stress, and improve the immune system. Calm the "monkey mind" and help bring peace to your life, whether it is on or off your yoga mat. Contact Lori Wright at 603-401-8123 or email at loriwright163@gmail.com to register.

THURSDAYS – 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.

N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Support group for parents of pregnancy and infant loss on the first Thursday of the month, from 6-7 p.m., at Springfield Area Parent Child Center, 6 Main Street in North Springfield. For details or to register, email dominiquer@sapcc-vt.org or call 802-886-5242 ext. 258.

FRIDAYS – CHESTER, Vt. – Bone Builders Class in Chester every Friday, from 10-11 a.m. Classes will be held in the First Universalist Parish of Chester community room. Classes are free and open to all. Drop-in class, no registration needed. For details, contact Barbara at bwquilter1778@gmail.com.

SATURDAYS – CHESTER, Vt. – Gassetts Grange will host a Round and Square Dance on the first Saturday of every month, from 7–10 p.m. Refreshments are on sale in the kitchen. Donation at door. Gassetts Grange can be found on Route 103 in Chester, Vt.

CHESTER, Vt. – Gassetts Grange will be hosting a Buffet Breakfast on the second Saturday of every month, from 8–9:30 a.m. There will be a fee at the door. The meal will consist of sausage, home fries, pancakes, eggs, and more. Gassetts Grange can be found on Route 103 in Chester, Vt.

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS LUDLOW, Vt. – Yoga classes at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. Yoga Stretch with Kathy Saturdays at 10 a.m. and Slow Flow Yoga with Lisa Sundays at 10:15 a.m. Drop in rates apply. Open to all. For details, call the Spring House at 802-228-1419 or visit www.okemo.com.

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.

Plymouth VT – Request Roofing Bids

The Town of Plymouth is soliciting roofing bids for the Annex Building. The Project will include removing the existing shingles and felt paper, with all waste being removed from site. Purchase and install Grace Ice and Water shield, IKO Dynasty Lifetime Shingles, ventilated ridge cap, castle grey color with a new aluminum drip edge. There are approximately 10 sq. Insurance certificate required. The project should be completed in 2022.

Deliver all bids to the Town Clerk's office by 3PM on September 19th, 2022. Bids will be opened by the Selectmen at the 6PM regular meeting that same day.

TWO RIVERS SUPERVISORY UNION 2022-2023 Child Find Notice

The Two Rivers Supervisory Union (TRSU) is required by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act to locate, evaluate, and identify persons with disabilities from birth through age 21, who may be in need of special education, related services or accommodations in order to access a free appropriate public education and provide such needed services for those ages 3 through 21.

Services for eligible children ages' birth through 3 years are provided through the Children's Integrated Services-Early Intervention program. Services for eligible children ages 3 to 21 are provided by your local supervisory union.

Two Rivers Supervisory Union serves the towns of Mount Holly, Ludlow, Cavendish, Baltimore, Andover and Chester.

If you know a child residing in the towns within the TRSU that you believe may have such needs and are not currently receiving services, please contact the Director of Student Support Services at Two Rivers Supervisory Union, 609 VT Route 103 South, Ludlow, VT 05149 or call the Special Education Office at 802-875-3365.

The Two Rivers Supervisory Union does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, place of birth, disability, age, marital status, and gender identity. Information obtained during Child Find remains confidential as required by Vermont Special Education Regulations and the Family Educational Rights to Privacy Act.

Students with a disability who live in one of the towns listed above and who attend an approved private school or attend an approved private school in one of the towns listed above may be eligible for limited special education services. Contact Mary Barton, Director of Student Support Services for TRSU at 802-875-3365 for more information.

Notice of Public Hearing

The Mount Ascutney Regional Commission (MARC) Board of Commissioners will vote to adopt the updated 2022 Regional Plan on Friday, October 14th 2022. Prior to voting, MARC will host two public hearings at 38 Ascutney Park Road in Ascutney, VT:

- 1st Public Hearing: Monday, September 19th at noon – MARC Conference Room/Hybrid
Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83101623073>
- 2nd Public Hearing: Friday, October 14th at noon – MARC Conference Room/Hybrid
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- Vote to Adopt: Regular MARC Meeting, October 14th immediately following the hearing

All sections in Volumes 1 and 2 of the Plan include proposed changes intended to update data and information, and clarify vague policy language. Substantial changes are proposed to land use and housing chapters, and a new health chapter is proposed. The MARC is authorized by Chapter 117 of the Vermont Municipal Planning and Development Act (24 V.S.A. §4348) to develop, adopt, and amend a Regional Plan. The purpose of the Regional Plan is to create a vision for coordinated growth and development in the southern Windsor County region in accordance with existing and future needs and resources. The Region serves a ten-town area including Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester, Ludlow, Reading, Springfield, Weathersfield, West Windsor, and Windsor.

For more information, please contact the MARC at (802) 674-9201. The draft chapters are available on the MARC's website: <https://marcvt.org/2021-2022-regional-plan-update/>.

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From: Two Rivers Supervisory Union (LEA/Supervisory Union)
Todd Parah (Designated Person)
716 VT Route 103S (Address)
Chester VT 05143 (City, Zip)
802-875-2146 (Phone)

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3. Cavendish Town Elementary School	Cavendish, VT	802-226-7758
4. Ludlow Elementary School	Ludlow, VT	802-875-5151
5. Mount Holly School	Mount Holly, VT	802-259-2692

Signature of the Designated Person

Notice of Exhumation

The surviving children of Albin Zak Jr, who is currently buried in the Houghtonville Cemetery in Grafton, Vermont, have requested the exhumation of his remains for the purpose of cremation and burial of his urn in the same location. Descendants of Albin, the Grafton Cemetery Commissioner or other municipal authority responsible for the cemetery may object to the proposed exhumation by filing a complaint with the Windham County Probate Division.

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH Administrative Assistant

The Town of Plymouth, VT seeks Administrative Assistant whose duties will be to take notes and type up minutes for the Select Board meetings which are held twice a month on Mondays at 6:00 PM. The qualified candidate would also maintain and update the Town Web Site. Interested candidates should submit a letter of interest and resume to Town of Plymouth, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, VT 05056. Letters of interest will be accepted until the position is filled. The Town of Plymouth is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Plymouth Town Clerk 802-672-3655

Green Mountain Union High School has openings for the following coach positions:

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To see the entire job description, please visit www.chestervt.gov/employment-opportunities. Interested parties should submit a resume by September 9, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. to Town of Chester, P.O. Box 370, Chester, VT 05143 or julie.hance@chestervt.gov.

BOOKKEEPER Payroll and Accounts Receivable

Two Rivers Supervisory Union in Ludlow, VT has an immediate opening for a full time Bookkeeper whose primary focus will be payroll and accounts receivable. The ideal candidate for this year round position should have 3 years of experience working in payroll, accounts payable, and accounts receivable. Thorough comprehension of the general ledger and account reconciliation is essential. Prior work experience in a school environment is helpful but not required. The candidate should be able to work independently as well as with a team and be detail oriented. Experience required for payroll software, Microsoft Excel and online reporting for payroll taxes and benefits.

Send resume and cover letter to:
Cheryl Hammond, Business Manager
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609 VT Route 103 South
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TOWN OF CHESTER FULL TIME POLICE OFFICER POSITION

The Town of Chester Police Department is currently accepting applications for the position of Full-Time Police Officer. The department is seeking an enthusiastic professional individual who possesses a strong desire to provide the highest quality police services to the community. The Chester Police Department serves a community of approximately 3,144 residents and covers an area of approximately 56 square miles.

Chester offers a competitive starting wage for full-time officers with shift differential, as well as an excellent benefit's package including participation in VMERS Group C retirement, MVP health insurance, paid sick time, vacation time, and personal time. Uniforms and police equipment are provided.

The successful candidate will possess the following minimum requirements:

- Be a U.S. Citizen at least 18 years of age.
- Have a high school diploma.
- Be certified or certifiable as a police officer by the VT Criminal Justice Training Council (VCJTC).
- Possess a valid VT driver's license.
- Must be able to perform all essential functions of the job.

Preference will be given to those applicants who are currently certified through the VCJTC. However, those without certification are also encouraged to apply. Police testing, including a physical fitness examination, polygraph, oral board, medical exam, fingerprint check and extensive background check will be required of applicants selected for hire. Preference shall be given to VT-certified officers.

Those wishing to apply should send a letter of interest and resume to:

Chester Police Department
ATTN: Chief Richard Cloud
P.O. Box 370
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Interested applicants can also contact the Chester Police Department at (802) 875-2035 for more information.

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TOWN OF GRAFTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT OPERATOR/TRUCK DRIVER

The Town of Grafton Vermont is seeking a qualified individual to fill the position of Highway Equipment Operator/Truck Driver.

This position is full time and a CDL License is required.

Duties include but not limited to snowplowing, with plow and wing, routine maintenance of highways and roads, minor bridge and equipment repairs and general labor. Previous experience with heavy equipment and road maintenance preferred. Additional requirements are a good work ethic, positive attitude, hard worker, and a team player.

Starting wage for the position is based on experience and includes an excellent benefit package.

For complete job description and application form see Grafton website, Announcements page at https://graftonvt.org/?page_id=164

Applicants may seek further details or submit a resume/application by contacting Grafton Town Clerk, 802-843-2419 or by email krecord@graftonvt.org or Grafton Administrator, 802-843-2552 townadmin@graftonvt.org or in person at 117 Main Street Grafton or by mail at PO Box 180, Grafton, VT 05146

Deadline for applications is 4:00 P.M., Thursday, August 25, 2022

The Town of Grafton is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

TOWN OF GRAFTON TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

The Town of Grafton is seeking a qualified person to serve as Town Administrator. The Town Administrator (TA) is an employee of the Town of Grafton (Town) and serves at the will and discretion of the Selectboard performing administrative duties and, when requested and as provided in job description, serving as its representative. The TA shall implement the policies decided upon by the Selectboard and facilitate communication among members of the Selectboard and other employees, government entities and citizens. The TA performs complex clerical duties requiring considerable decision making, a knowledge of VT State Laws governing municipalities and officers and a thorough knowledge of the needs and responsibilities of the Town and its departments. The TA is expected to work a thirty-four (34) hour work week and attend night meetings as necessary.

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Deadline for applications is 4:00 P.M., Thursday, September 15, 2022

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arts & entertainment



Composite of "Peonies in a Blue Vase," and "White Birches, Red Mill, Black River," by Robert Carsten.

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“Echoes of Light and Beauty” at the VAULT —

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. — Gallery at the VAULT is excited to present “Echoes of Light and Beauty,” a show of works by Robert Carsten, PSA-Master, IAPS-Master Circle, on view until Sept. 14. It is a must see, with numerous new paintings in several styles and sizes that come together splendidly. Robert captures the essence of the natural world around us in all its beauty and light.

Creative from early childhood on, Robert pursued studies at the Art Students League of N.Y.; Rhode Island School of Design; and Accademia di Belle Arti in Italy. A longtime instructor of art, he has taught classes and

workshops locally, nationally, and internationally in Europe and China.

He writes on art and artists for several national art magazines. A sought-after juror for art exhibitions, he was recently on the panel of jurors for the Pastel World International Exhibition of IAPS in Albuquerque, N.M.

“I’ve always had wide-ranging interests in the visual arts,” says Robert. “I work in different media and use various approaches and techniques. Realism, impressionism, post-impressionism, and abstraction all interest me as modes of expression that I use to interpret different subject matter. Most

of the art in this exhibition was created during the pandemic, some of which were demonstrations for Zoom classes that I continue to teach.”

Robert is a long-time resident of Springfield and lives with his artist wife Lynette and their beloved cats.

For more information please call Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main St., Springfield, Vt. We are open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Fridays from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Contact at 802-885-7111, galleryvault@vermontel.net, or visit our web page at www.galleryvault.org or on Facebook.

SOTH adds flutist and harpist to concert series

WESTON, Vt. — The Sundays On The Hill Concert Series will host flutist Anne Janson and harpist Rebecca Kauffman on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022 at 4 p.m. at the Church on the Hill, or, Community Church, in Weston, Vt.

Children 12 and under may attend at no charge. Please be aware that doors open at 3:30 p.m. and there are no reserved seats or advance tickets and admission is paid at the door. The concert series requires proof of vaccination or a negative Covid test within 72 hours, and masks are required inside. For more information,



Flutist Anne Janson and harpist Rebecca Kauffman. PHOTO PROVIDED

visit www.sundaysonthehill.org.

Vermont Symphony Orchestra flutist Anne Janson, a teacher at the University of Vermont and Middlebury College, and Rebecca Kauffman, a Burlington-based harpist who is the principal

harpist of Pennsylvania’s Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra, are pairing up for this one-hour program. The program will include Francois-Joseph Gossec’s “Tambourin,” and Marice Ravel’s “Piece en forme de habanera.”

Lenny Solomon at Stage 33 Live

BELLOWSFALLS, Vt. — Lenny Solomon will perform on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022 at 4 p.m. at Stage 33 in Bellows Falls, Vt. A singer, songwriter, and guitarist, Lenny Solomon’s style has been compared to early Bob Dylan, Guy Clark, and Jerry Jeff Walker. In the late ‘60s he was a fixture at the fabled

Idler Coffeehouse in Harvard Square, Cambridge, Mass., a training ground for songwriters like Geoff Bartley, Paul Rishell, Spider John Koerner, Bob McCarthy, and Ric Ocasek. During these years he shared bills with many touring performers including Chris Smither, Carolyn Hester, Bonnie Raitt, and

Spider John. He stepped off the circuit for a couple decades to raise a family and work in environmental research, but kept honing his songwriting chops. He re-entered the performance arena in the late ‘90s, and has since released five albums and won a dozen songwriting awards.

“Vermont Salon” calling all artists

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. — Canal Street Art Gallery presents, “The Vermont Salon,” a new open call exhibition hung in the floor-to-ceiling Salon style. The Canal Street Art Gallery’s Vermont Salon brings this classical way of showing art into the con-

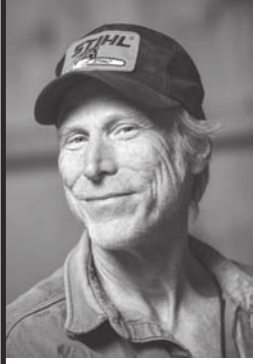
temporary. The art show is inclusive of all art. The opportunity to exhibit is open to the public. The Vermont Salon celebrates the abundance and diversity of art created by artists everyday. Artists of all career levels, experience, and with or without formal train-

ing, exhibit their artwork. Artists may submit up to three artworks to exhibit in the Vermont Salon. Submissions are due on Aug. 29, and submitting is free. There is an exhibition fee. This fee goes toward artwork cataloging, installation, and the

Gallery’s extensive promotion and advertising package. For this show, artists may submit one artwork with a maximum dimension in any direction of 36 inches, and two artworks with a maximum dimension in any direction of 12 inches.

All measurements are for artwork only, not including framing. Visit www.canalstreetartgallery.com/call-for-entry-vermont-salon.html for all details on submission requirements and to complete artist registration, artwork submission, and

email artwork images. The Salon is opening Sept. 16, and will be on view to the public through Nov. 12. Join the Gallery on Third Friday Gallery Night in Historic Downtown Bellows Falls from 5-7 p.m., Sept. 16, to celebrate and meet the artists. All Gallery events are free and open to the public.

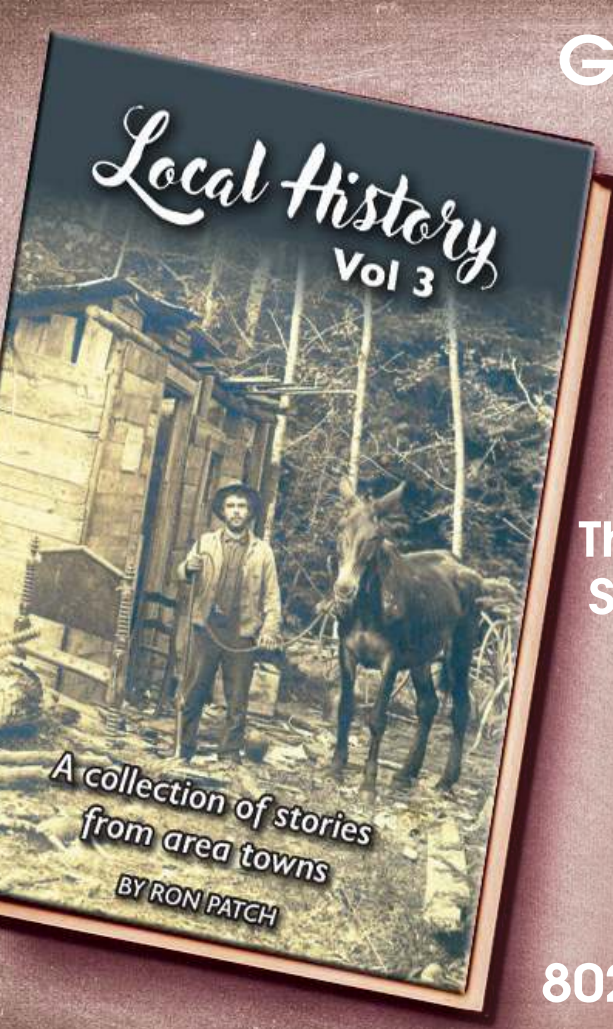


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Canal Street Art Gallery is located at 23 Canal Street, in Historic Downtown Bellows Falls, Vt., and is open Wednesday to Saturday from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. For more information about the Vermont Salon, or Canal Street Art Gallery, go to www.canalstreetartgallery.com, call Mike by phone at 802-289-0104, or send emails to artinfo@canalstreetartgallery.com.

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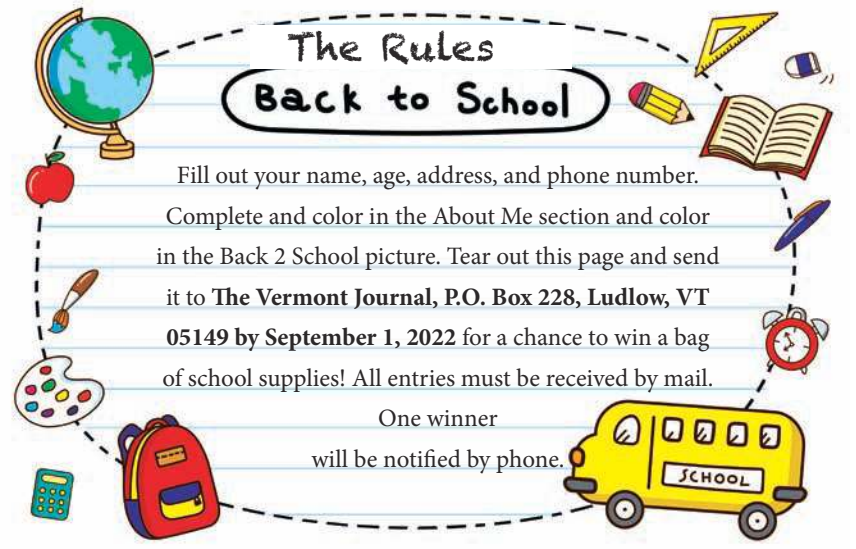


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One winner will be notified by phone.

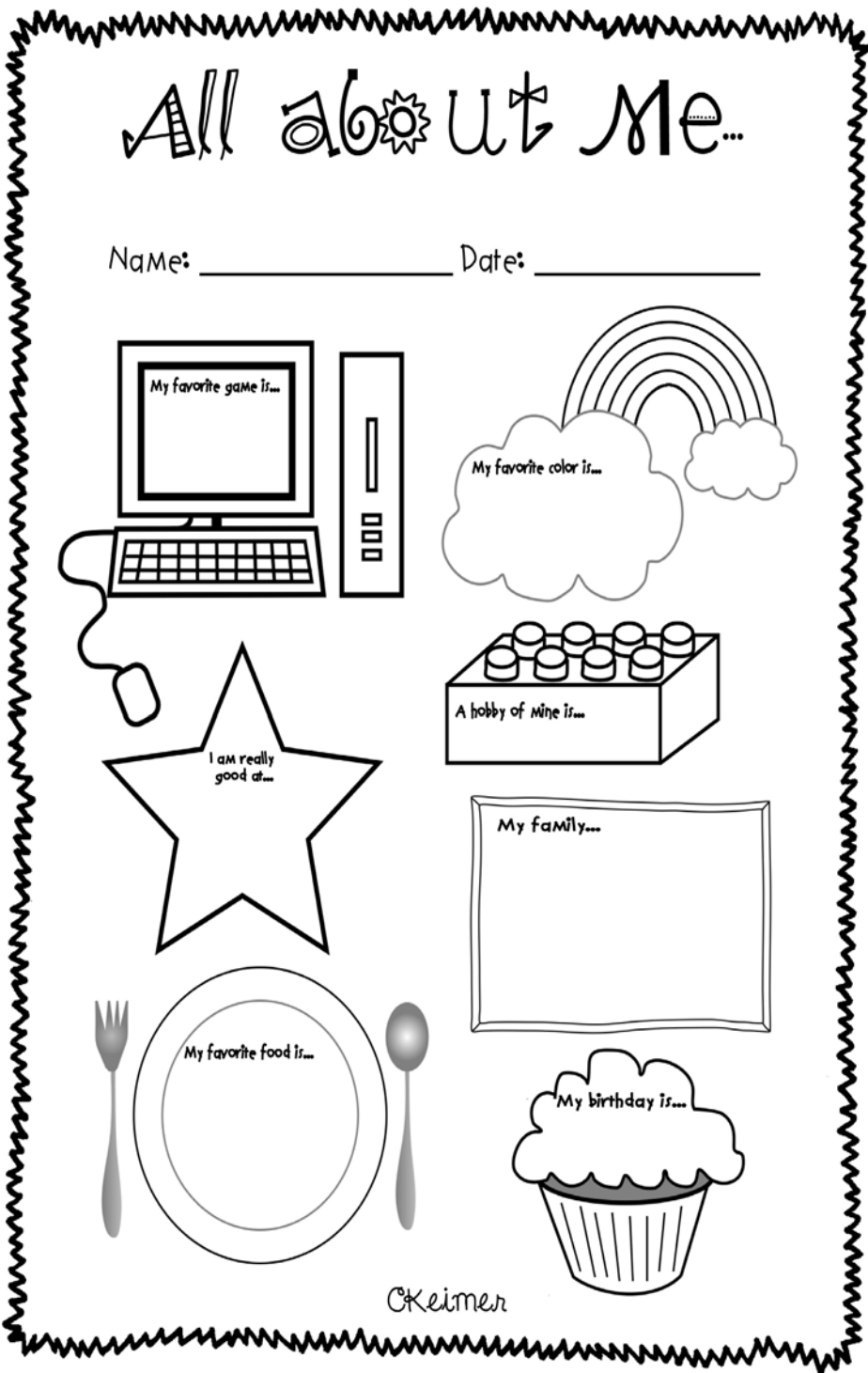
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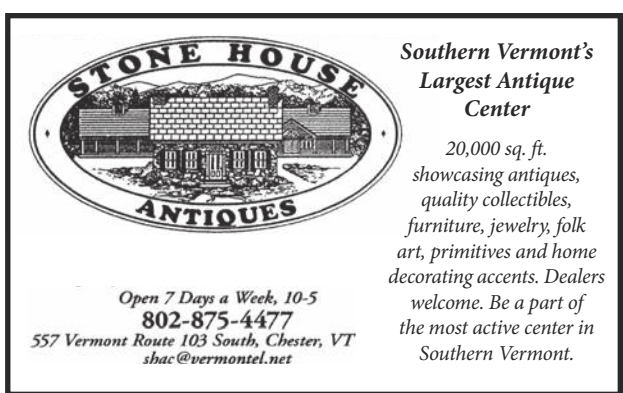
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Magic hosts "Magic Mile for Cancer"

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – The Dana Farber Cancer Institute will present a "Magic Mile for Cancer" on Saturday, Sept. 17, 2022, at 10:30 a.m., at Magic Mountain in Londonderry, Vt. The

"Magic Mile" will be broken down into three categories: A run, for those who would like to run for a competitive time; a walk, for those who would like to hike at a casual pace and enjoy the scenery;

and a "Kid's Mile," for those age 12 and under. The registration deadline to participate is Friday, Sept. 16, 2022 at 4 p.m., online at www.runreg.com/magic-mile-for-cancer.

The "Magic Mile for Cancer" is a one mile race or hike, directly up Magic Mountain's iconic Red Line ski trail, scrambling in places up steeps and through cliff bands. 100% of entry

fees will be donated to Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Following the race, there will be live music, food, and drinks at the Black Line tavern at the base of the mountain, as well as raffles

and giveaways. Any in attendance are invited to stay at Magic Mountain into the afternoon for the "Halfway to St. Patrick's Day" celebration. This event will be held rain or shine.

Vermont's Watershed Wildlife at Rockingham Library

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. – On Tuesday, Aug. 16, at 5 p.m., meet some of Vermont's Watershed Wildlife with the Southern Vermont

Natural History Museum at the Rockingham Library. All life on Earth depends on water. Attendees will meet some of the animals found

in their local watershed and get to know them and their connections to water a little better. There will be live animals at this event.

This program will also be the final event for the Rockingham Library's 2022 summer reading program, Oceans of Possibili-

ties. This program is free and open to all ages. For more information contact the Library at 802-463-4270, [youthservices@rock-](mailto:youthservices@rockinghamlibrary.org)

www.rockinghamlibrary.org, or stop by the Library at 65 Westminster St in Bellows Falls.

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