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No empty seats at Empty Bowl fundraiser for CAFC

BY PAULA BENSON
The Vermont Journal

CHESTER, Vt. – Volunteers carried stacks of chairs through the crowded American Legion Hall in Chester in an attempt to accommodate the large number of people who had come out to support the annual Empty Bowl fundraiser for the Chester-Andover Family Center (CAFC) on Saturday, Nov. 12. Friends and neighbors gathered, chatting and catching up. Entertainment was provided by folk singer Vinnie DiBernardo, who sang and played guitar.

A non-profit, charitable organization dependent on donations, thrift store sales, and fundraising events like the Empty Bowl Dinner, CAFC provides Chester and Andover residents with three vital services: the Thrift Shop, Food Shelf, and Financial Assistance. The organization's mission is to "make a difference in our community by providing resources for financial



A selection of ceramic bowls at the Empty Bowl supper fundraiser. PHOTO BY PAULA BENSON

assistance, supplemental, nutritional food, affordable clothing, and household goods."

A long table was set up at the entrance to the Legion Hall covered with colorful, hand-painted, ceramic bowls. Each guest was instructed to choose a bowl, then head into the Hall where they were served salad, desserts, and a variety of signature, homemade soups from local restaurants and chefs. Choices included area favorites like New England Clam Chowder

in Ludlow, C o c k - A - Leekie soup from Macclomann's Scottish Pub, and African Peanut Soup created by Smokin' Bowls chef Sarah DiBernardo.

Highlights of the event were a silent auction and raffle. Additionally, this was the first year that CAFC presented a fashion show, featuring several mother-

daughter teams, teens in prom gowns, and other residents, including board member and Thrift Shop Manager Nancy Dourney, modeling rain jackets, robes, coats, dresses, and more. Food Shelf Manager and board member David Carey made for a cheerful emcee. All clothing and accessories were either second hand pieces from the Thrift Shop, or new items graciously donated by The Vermont Country Store.

Saturday's event had the highest attendance of any year, and raised over \$5,000 to support the CAFC Financial Assistance and Food Shelf Programs. Board member Nena Nanfeldt said, "\$5,000 provides about 60 households with two months of supplemental food." Planning for next year's event will begin in the spring of 2023.



A raffle prize at the Empty Bowl fundraiser. PHOTO BY PAULA BENSON

Crown Point Realtors donate to food shelves

REGION – The Crown Point Board of Realtors gave \$5,000 to local food shelves and the Vermont Foodbank recently. At their last meeting, the board voted unanimously to help the local food shelves with a \$1,000 check to each establishment. The Springfield Family Center, Black River Good Neighbors, the Chester Family Center, and Our Place in Bellows Falls, all received the funds prior to the holiday season.

"There is a lot of need in the community and we as realtors want to help those organizations who are helping families to provide assistance during the holiday season," said Crown Point Board of Realtors President Lisa Kelley.



Crown Point Realtors donate to local food shelves. PHOTO PROVIDED

The Crown Point Board of Realtors held its community fundraiser "Golf for a Cause" in June of 2022. The fundraiser is their largest event of the year. "The money we raise at this event stays local," says coordinator and Vermont

State Good Neighbor of the Year Frank Provance. "This fund was created to be able to help those in need." He further states, "The need is always there and we are happy to be able to give money to these organizations."

Local election results

Plymouth Articles

Article 2 – Shall the Town of Plymouth adopt the Declaration of Inclusion signed by Vermont Gov. Phil Scott in 2021 to condemn racism and welcome all persons to live freely and express their opinions as stated in the proposed language for a Plymouth Declaration of Inclusion?
YES – 254, NO – 47

Article 3 – Shall the Town of Plymouth, Vt. declare itself a Second Amendment Sanctuary Town?
YES – 122, NO – 177

Article 4 – Shall the Town of Plymouth permit the operation of licensed cannabis retailers?
YES – 161, NO – 129

Justice of the Peace results: Karen Evans – 191, Shawn H. Bemis – 181, Richard G. Olmstead III – 171, Chase Morsey – 161, Steven J. Radonis – 161.

Chester Bond Vote
The Green Mountain Unified School District Bond Vote did not pass.
YES – 808, NO – 855

Windham and Windsor District Politicians

The following election results apply to the Windham and Windsor Districts as of Election Day, Nov. 8, 2022:

Windham District Vermont Senate: Wendy Harrison and Nader Hashim.

Vermont House of Representatives: Windham-1 Sara Coffey; Windham-2 Laura Sibilia and George Wilson; Windham-3 Michelle Bos-Lun and Leslie Goldman; Windham-4 Mike Mrowicki; Windham-5 Emily Long; Windham-6 Tristan Roberts; Windham-7 Emilie Kornheiser; Windham-8 Mollie Burke; Windham-9 Tristan Toleno.

Windsor-Windham District

Vermont House of Representatives: Heather Chase

Windsor District Vermont Senate: Alison Clarkson, Richard McCormack, and Rebecca White.

Vermont House of Representatives: Windsor-1 John Bartholomew and Elizabeth Burrows; Windsor-2 John Arrison; Windsor-3 Alice Emmons

and Kristi Morris; Windsor-4 Heather Surprenant; Windsor-5 Tesha Buss; Windsor-6 Kevin Christie and Esme Cole.

Vermont passes Article 22, reproductive liberty

As of Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2022, the State of Vermont has enshrined rights to reproductive liberties within its borders; that is, voters in Vermont elected to pass Article 22, also known as Proposition 5.

The Article passed into Vermont Constitution as of Monday, Nov. 14, 2022. It declares that, "An individual's right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one's own life course and shall not be denied or infringed unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means."

Vermont also passed Proposal 2, which amends the Constitution of the State of Vermont to "clarify that slavery and indentured servitude in any form are prohibited." This proposal also passed into Vermont Constitution as of Monday, Nov. 14, 2022.

Plymouth bond vote being reviewed by attorneys

BY SHAWNTAE WEBB
The Vermont Journal

PLYMOUTH, Vt. – At the Nov. 8 election, voters approved both Article 1a and 1b, which inadvertently contradict each other.

Article 1a asks the voters to approve or deny "an additional \$800,000 through a Municipal Bond to pay for the full and proposed weatherization/deferred maintenance project to be paid back over a 25-year period," which was approved with 161 votes. Article 1b requests that voters decide if they would rather

"proceed with the weatherization/deferred maintenance project and complete portions of the project with the funds previously authorized by the voters in the amount of \$950,000," which passed with 194 votes.

The Town of Plymouth was trying to be open and clear that the original approved budget of \$950,000, funds the town already has in the bank, would not complete the weatherization project due to inflation. Therefore, the project can be partially completed with that pre-approved budget, or voters must approve an \$800,000 bond to complete the project in its

entirety. The bond would increase residents' taxes, while the original budget would not impact taxpayers' dollars.

The League of Cities and Towns as well as the town's bond attorney, Robert Fletcher, are now reviewing the contradicting results of the vote to determine how the town will proceed.

Chair Jay Kullman states, "We are not going to take any action right away." The attorney-reviewed voting results will be discussed at the next selectboard meeting on Nov. 21. Kullman assures that the town wants to move forward "legally and correctly."

Fourth Planning Commission Community Workshop in Chester

CHESTER, Vt. – Chester's Planning Commission will host its fourth and final workshops upstairs in the Chester Town Hall on Monday, Nov. 21, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., as well on Zoom.

This workshop for Chester's ongoing Bylaw Modernization project will involve a panel discussion with realtors and builders to get their perspectives on the housing situation and to help shape the ongoing bylaw reform effort.

There has been a lot in the press recently about the housing crisis; prices

are way up and supply is way down. Employers have a hard time recruiting new employees, in part, due to a lack of housing. Short-term rentals take long-term rentals off the market. We want to hear from realtors about their experience on these important issues. Key questions include: Who is buying properties now? Are locals able to find a home? What types of homes are not available that people are looking for?

We also want to hear from developers about how zoning regulations are working for them and

what challenges they pose. As the Planning Commission considers modernizing Chester's bylaws, specifically for the benefit of streamlining the permitting process for housing, it is important to understand from builders and developers what they might recommend.

Chester residents, please plan on attending. Your ideas and feedback are important as we work to keep Chester a happy, healthy, and thriving community.

The Zoom link for anyone who prefers to attend remotely is www.us02web.zoom.us/j/81029256359.

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Rotary invests in Interact students

CHESTER, Vt. – On Monday, Nov. 7, Rotary District 7870 District Governor Randell Barclay visited the Chester Rotary Interact Club at Green Mountain Union High School (GMUHS) to discuss its participation in the KIVA program.

Interact is a Rotary sponsored high school leadership program that adheres to the Rotary International motto of “Service Above Self.” KIVA is an international non-profit with a mission to expand financial access to help underserved communities thrive. They do this by crowd funding loans and unlocking capital for the underserved, improving the quality and cost of financial services, and addressing the underlying barriers to financial access around the world. Through KIVA’s work, students can pay for tuition, women can start businesses, farmers are able



Rotary District Governor Randell Barclay (center) meets with Interact students and Advisor Michele Farrar at GMUHS. PHOTO PROVIDED

to invest in equipment, and families can afford needed emergency care.

DG Barclay highlighted communities around the world that do not have, or are underserved by, traditional banking opportunities. Crowd sourcing micro-loans can be provided through KIVA to support water sanitation, a healthy environment, sustainable agriculture, and many other endeavors that improve the quality of life of people around the world. He shared that, for as little as a micro-loan of \$25, Interact students can choose from programs that are as basic as funding the acquisition of breeding stock by a farmer on another conti-

nent looking to support her family.

The Chester Rotary Club has donated \$500 to the Rotary Interact Club at GMUHS to provide initial micro-loan funds for the students to invest and reinvest. Interact students are looking forward to the opportunity to participate in meaningful programs that help others in underserved communities.

If you would like to know more about Chester Rotary, meetings are held every Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at The Fullerton, or contact Bill Dakin at 802-875-3456 or Ian Montgomery at 802-875-5446.

LRC hears about bike path

LUDLOW, Vt. – Charlie Rimer spoke at the Ludlow Rotary Club’s recent meeting about the new bike path being considered in Ludlow. Rimer, the manager at Tygart Mountain Sports shop in Ludlow, is one of the coordinators for Ludlow Area Sport Trails (LAST).

In the meeting, he outlined the scope and objectives of the project. The initial phase of the trail will concentrate on lands currently part of or abutting playground property of Ludlow Elementary School and former Black River High School. Additional properties are being investigated to extend this starting area.

LAST is working with Ludlow Snow Cronchers to utilize some of the area’s Vermont Association

of Snow Travelers trails in an effort to get some of its trails connected to the initial start-up bike trail.

The long-term objective of LAST is to cover the length of the town with a bike trail. Rimer noted that this may include properties adjacent to Dorsey Park and the reservoir system. All of these objectives, while considered a long-term project, are secondary to the development of the project behind the school. The trails would be for all ages and abilities.

Funding for the project will depend mostly on donations and grants. Rimer indicated that some of the project’s goals were partially funded with a matching grant. He also stated that he did not believe the state would be involved in the project, short of possible



Charlie Rimer (left) and Kevin Barnes (right). PHOTO PROVIDED

Act 250 requirements.

The Ludlow Rotary Club normally meets weekly for lunch. Interested persons are welcome to attend the meetings. Information may be obtained from any Ludlow Rotarian or by contacting Kevin Barnes at 802-558-0479 or ludlowrotary@gmail.com.

Meet local politicians

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Vermont House Representatives Alice Emmons and Kristi Morris, together with Windsor County Senators Alison Clarkson, Becca White, and Dick McCormack, will be at Springfield’s Black River Coffee Bar on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. to meet with local resi-

dents. There will be no speeches or politicking, just listening and conversation.

All are invited to drop in for a chat, to start a relationship with your state legislators, to share your ideas, and to be part of

an involved community. Come and share your voice.

Coffee will be provided by the Springfield Democratic Town Committee. And, of course, Black River Coffee Bar sells baked goodies.

Cavendish Energy Committee seeks interested citizens

CAVENDISH, Vt. – Are you concerned about climate change and how it is affecting our world? Are you interested in seeing more alternative energy generation? Are you uneasy with our aging housing stock and our fossil fuel driven transportation system? If you live in Cavendish, either full or part-time, the Cavendish Energy Committee would like to hear from you.

Established in 2010, the

committee works to propose solutions to our problems on a micro-scale – concentrating on what Cavendish and its citizens can do. The committee meets once a month and works on projects all year round. What project interests you? For more information, please visit www.cavendishvt.com/energy-committee or contact Peter LaBelle at peterjlabelle@aol.com. Or, come to a meeting at the town office.

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SAPA TV moves to new location

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – SAPA TV serves the towns of Springfield, Chester, and Weathersfield. Due to a group of very dedicated community members, SAPA TV started in 1998. Since 1998, they have been providing their communities with access to video equipment, facilities, and training. They had been living in the Springfield High School for the last 25 years and are immensely grateful to the Springfield School District for providing them with that location. However, during the pandemic, access to the studios in the High School became quite limited, so during the summer of 2021, SAPA TV purchased a new building and has been constructing it into a TV studio ever since.



Chamber Board President Jerry Farnum and Membership & Events Director Taylor Drinker celebrate the Grand Re-Opening of SAPA TV with SAPA TV's Executive Director Asah Cramer, Board Treasurer Mark Blanchard, and Board Chair Marita Johnson.

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SAPA TV offers audio and video equipment training, camera classes, and post-production training, free of charge to any community member or non-profit in their three towns. They provide a studio along with training on the equipment. At SAPA TV, anyone from member towns can create a studio show or a video program. SAPA TV isn't a production

company, instead, they focus on empowering people to make their own video projects come to life. They are here to support folks as they learn how to work with audio and video equipment and editing software.

SAPA TV also records and archives the member town select and school board meetings and helps

with coverage of community events. They helped to install hybrid A/V systems in our town halls, which allows people to join in municipal meetings from home, which encourages democracy and engagement.

Being in a new location, SAPA TV aims to establish itself as a healthy, thriving organization within the community. They hope to stay up to date on the newest technologies to remain a solid resource as a community media center and actively pursue more media opportunities that will allow our community members to learn and thrive in their projects.



Victoria Sysko, Board Chair, Marita Johnson, Jeanne Sysko, Bruce Johnson and SAPA TV Executive Director Asah Cramer.

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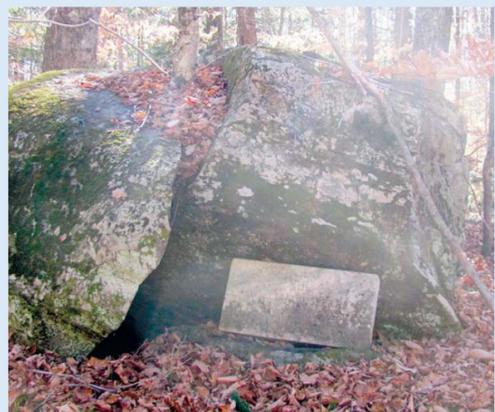
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LOCAL HISTORY
 BY RON PATCH
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Crown Point Road trip

Last week, Lonnie Lissai and I went exploring some of the 1760 Crown Point Road in Cavendish. Lonnie is now on the board of the Crown Point Road Association. Lonnie wanted to show me the site where, in 1760, a soldier died while building the Crown Point Road. He was buried right beside the road.



William J. Sperry marble marker in the woods. PHOTO BY RON PATCH

We were on Brook Road when Lonnie pulled over. I followed Lonnie a short distance into the woods to see a small marble marker for a Civil War soldier. Another 150 yards or so and we reached the gravesite for the soldier who died building the Crown Point Road.

federate positions at Petersburg, Va. on April 2, 1865.

His citation reads, "With the assistance of a few men, captured two pieces of artillery and turned them on the enemy."

Brevetted Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Volunteers to date from April 2, 1865, he was appointed full Lieutenant Colonel on June 4, 1865, but was mustered out on June 26, 1865, before the rank could become official. His medal was awarded to him on Aug. 12, 1892."

The Union victory at Cedar Creek was considered a turning point in the North's favor. This victory assured the re-election of President Lincoln.

Years ago I read something about a Medal of Honor being lost in the 1927 Cavendish flood. My memory fades with time, but I do recall it was found years later downstream. I mention this because in 1928 Sperry's widow was issued a replacement Medal of Honor.

Why is Sperry's marker in the woods? This marker was his first marker. His rank is given as Major (not Lieutenant Colonel), and there is no mention of his Medal of Honor. So, sometime later the first marble marker was replaced with another, corrected marble gravestone. The replacement marker reads: "WIL-

LIAM JOSEPH SPERRY MEDAL OF HONOR CIVIL WAR LIEUT. COLONEL 6th VT INF DEC 28 1840, March 3 1914."

This replacement marker corrects the error of Major on the first stone to Lieutenant Colonel as well as having a Medal of Honor engraved thereon.

How or why this first marker ended up in the woods I do not know. One thing is for sure, Sperry is not buried in the woods. Both the first and second marble markers are Government Issue.

Sources for this article include "Peck's Roster of Vermont Civil War Soldiers and Sailors," Find a Grave, Danny Clemons and Ken Barrett.

Lonnie and I have made a couple trips together. First we went to Summit Cut in Mount Holly. That was a real workout. We plan to make additional trips in the near future.

A while back Lonnie asked for my assistance identifying objects at the Adams Grist Mill Museum in Bellows Falls. I was able to identify many of artifacts. I share Lonnie's enthusiasm.

This week's old saying: "Squirrels are like in-laws. They don't leave 'til the food is all gone."

Here is part of William Sperry's service record:

"Civil War Medal of Honor Recipient. He entered Civil War service soon after the start of war, being mustered in as a private in Company E, 1st Vermont (three month) Volunteer Infantry on May 9, 1861. He served through the engagement at Big Bethel, Va. in June 1861, and was mustered out when his enlistment expired on Aug. 15, 1861. On Oct. 15, 1861, he was mustered in as a Sergeant in Company E, 6th Vermont Volunteer Infantry, and served continually through the war, receiving promotions to 2nd Lieutenant on Aug. 21, 1862, 1st Lieutenant on March 3, 1863, Captain on Aug. 8, 1864, and to Major on Jan. 7, 1865.

At the Oct. 19, 1864 Battle of Cedar Creek, Va., he assumed command of the regiment when he became the senior unwounded officer.

He was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor for his bravery in the final Union Army assaults on Con-

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opinion

Dear Editor,

I want to say congratulations to Heather Chase on your successful election. Please accept my best wishes as you prepare for your new journey and take

on the responsibilities and challenges of representing what is best for the people within our district.

I wish you success as you enter into your new politi-

cal adventure!

Sincerely,
Eva Ryan
Chester, Vt.

Dear Editor,

To the communities of Athens, Chester, Grafton, and Windham,

Thank you for your vote on Election Day. I am grateful for your confidence in, and support of, me. As your newly elected State Representative, I pledge to do my best and to work hard to represent the interests of

our communities in Montpelier.

Whether we personally agree or disagree about the path forward in tackling the myriad of issues confronting our citizens and state, I welcome your input. Please continue to share with me your thoughts and concerns about the issues

of importance to you and your families. Between now and January, I can be reached by email at heather4thehouse@gmail.com or by phone at 802-875-4663.

Sincerely,
Heather Chase
Chester, Vt.

Dear Editor,

The Chester/Andover Warm Hands Warm Hearts Annual Coat Drive held on Oct. 21 and 22, 2022, at the Chester Baptist Church was a huge success. We accepted so many wonderful donations from local entities and those on the outskirts. Thank you to all. No piece is too big or too small:

A thank you to the Chester Baptist Church and it's members for the use of their building and Fellowship Hall, to the Chester Andover Family Center for collecting warm clothing all year long, to their board

for donating apples on both days, and to Spring Hill Farm in Grafton, Vt. for their delivery. Also, a thank you to Andover Community Church and The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 67 for snacks, Randy Miles and The Boy Scout Shed for clothing delivery and clean up, Lindsay Miles and Kyra Berbela for bagging clothing at cleanup, and Zion Episcopal Church in Manchester for their coat donations. Furthermore, a thank you to the News Bank Print Shop for flyers, to Andover Community Church, to the Andover Town Clerks office, to the Chester Town Clerks office, to St. Luke's Church, to Chester Andover Elementary School, to the Whiting Library, to Smitty's, and to the American Legion Post #67 for hosting our clothing drop boxes and the volunteers who manned them. We would be remiss to leave out Chester Hardware and

Erskine's Grain & Garden for donating bags for our apple and snack bags, and Dan, Manager at Jiffy Mart, for donations to our kitchen. A big thank you to the many volunteers that brought clothing, helped set up all week long, and stayed throughout the coat drive to help with clean up. Also, Larry Semones and Christopher Vincent for the muscle when needed. And finally, but not forgotten, 2022's Coat Drive Committee, who stuck with it all year long.

Remember us for next year.

Sincerely,
WHWH Committee
2022

Chair Carla Rumrill,
Faith Goodwin, Mary Semones, Beverly Plumb, Asta Spafford, and Marge Massey
Chester, Vt.

Dear Editor,

To the voters of Windham County,

I am humbled and incredibly grateful to be entrusted with the opportunity to represent you in the Vermont State Senate.

This campaign has taken me to every corner of our county and has opened my eyes to the nuances of the challenges we face. It has also provided me with the opportunity to learn about solutions, collaborate with people who have different experiences, and develop ideas on how we can move forward.

While I am immensely proud and excited to be able to represent this county, I am also continuously reminding myself that the work has only just started. At the moment in which I am writing this, there are still families who are working multiple jobs to ensure they can afford groceries or rent and people who are fearful of the coming winter and whether or not they will have a warm place to sleep. There are still

people who are struggling to afford the rising cost of health insurance premiums and people who are struggling with opioid addiction. As we deal with these social and economic challenges, we are also facing increasing instances of climate catastrophes.

The list of challenges we face is long, and while I spend these next few days reflecting on the honor of being able to serve as your senator, I will also keep in the front of my mind the families in Windham County who are dealing with the various struggles that have arisen over the decades. In my opinion, the first step in the path of ensuring we have hope comes by identifying the challenges we face. Although the list is long and the logistics complicated, we can derive equitable solutions through collaboration.

The job of legislating is a team effort. It is not just an effort among legislators and different delegations; it also

must involve the community. By January, I will serve and represent the people of Windham County; in order to do this effectively, I recognize I must maintain open and transparent communication, and be sure to hear the voices from across the political and socio-economic spectrum.

The job of spending time in our various communities does not end after Election Day. I intend to continue to visit different towns, speak to selectboards, hear stories from people with lived experience, and hold meetings with folks who want to share their perspectives.

If you would like to reach out to me, please email me at naderhashim.vt@gmail.com.

Thank you, again, for the opportunity, privilege, and honor to represent Windham County as your next senator.

Sincerely,
Nader Hashim
Windham County, Vt.

Dear Editor,

I want to offer my sincere and heartfelt thanks to the voters of Windham County for your strong support of me in the race for Assistant

Judge. I truly appreciate the trust you have placed in me and the continued opportunity to participate in public service to our Windham

County community.

Sincerely,
Carolyn Partridge
Windham, Vt.

Dear Editor,

We, the newly elected Windsor District senators, write to thank the people for the trust you've expressed with your votes. We're grateful for the many forms of support we received from Democratic volunteers. We're proud that our contest with our opponents was civil and

mutually respectful. To be trusted to write the law and to spend other people's money is flattering but humbling. We promise to do our best to be worthy.

We'll be working, across party lines when possible, on demanding issues like public health, including the details of protecting reproductive liberty, the deepening addiction epidemic, mental health, and the long-term effects of the pandemic (inflation, the worker shortage, loss of school time, and continuing threats of infection). We'll continue to address public safety including reasonable gun safety. We'll work to address the economic pressures facing Vermont families: affordable housing, health care, and childcare,

and more equitably available telecommunications. We refuse to let inclusion and equity become "last year's issue." We recognize that, as important as this list is, all of our efforts are moot unless we respond adequately to the overarching existential issue of Global Warming.

To properly represent you, we need to hear from you. Please stay in touch. And, again, thank you.

Sincerely,
Senator Dick McCormack
(rmccormack@leg.state.vt.us)

Senator Alison Clarkson
(aclarson@leg.state.vt.us)

Representative/Senator-Elect Becca White
(rwhite@leg.state.vt.us)
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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 Hancy 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.

United Church of Bellows Falls, UCC, 8 School St.

Worship is held on Sundays at 10 a.m. Bible Study is Wednesdays at 2 p.m.

CAVENDISH, VT.

St. James United Methodist Church, 570 Main St.

Please join us Sundays at 8:45 a.m. with Pastor John Hawkins. All are welcome. For more information, call 802-674-3443 or go to www.facebook.com/stjamesumcproctorsville.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H.

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church, 99 Sullivan St., Claremont, N.H.

Worship is Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday and Saturday at 5 p.m. in person. Masks are optional. For more information, go to www.hroc.org.

Charlestown Bible Church, 37 Hammond Rd.

Sunday School for all ages at 9:45 a.m. Sunday Worship at 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting at 7 p.m. To hear a sermon or learn more go to www.charlestownbiblechurch.org. Call 603-826-5121 for more info or to request a personal Bible study.

Charlestown Seventh-day Adventist Church, 242 Main St.

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. Sunday services run from September to early June. Tuckerman Wunderle will deliver a service on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 10 a.m. entitled, "Thanks Be To The Congregation: An Exploration of Gathering."

Chester Baptist Church, 162 Main St.

Worship is Sundays at 10:30 a.m. For more information, including online streaming, go to www.chesterbaptist.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.

Ludlow Baptist Church, on the Green, 99 Main St.

Weekly worship services are in-person. Sunday school is at 9:30 a.m. for all ages, and Sunday worship is at 11 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday's prayer meeting is at 6:30 p.m. For more information, go to www.ludlowbaptist.org.

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.

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/calvarybaptistchurchspringfieldvt. For more information, go to www.calvarylovespringfield.com.

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, 90 Park St.

Sunday Liturgy is 9:30 a.m. and Saturday vespers at 5 p.m. The church is now at full capacity with state restrictions lifted. For more information, call 802-885-2615 or Parish Council President Thomas Barton at 802-263-5719.

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

Sunday mass is at 9 a.m., followed by coffee hour as well as weekday services. To watch the live streams, go to www.youtube.com and search Holy Family Parish Springfield Vermont. Streaming is available five minutes before the service starts. For more information, go to www.stmaryjoseph.com.

WESTMINSTER, VT.

The First Congregational Church of Westminister, 3470 US Route 5

Sunday services are at 10 a.m. in our historic church and on Zoom. For more information, call 802-518-0321, email us at westminsterconline@gmail.com, or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/First-Congregational-Church-of-Westminister-Inc-1506511432980057.

Brownell "Brownie" Asa Bacon, 1937-2022

ARLINGTON, Vt. – Brownell "Brownie" Asa Bacon, 85, passed away on Nov. 8, 2022 at his home in Arlington, Vt. in the care of and alongside his daughter after a long journey with Alzheimer's Disease.

Brownie was born on Oct. 5, 1937 to Asa Bacon and Rachel Bacon (Waite) at his parents' home on Edge Hill Road in Londonderry, Vt. He was the eldest of three children, with a younger brother, Ronald Bacon, and a younger sister, Betty Bacon. Brownie, Ron, and Betty were very close in age, and shared a childhood together playing in the woods, along the river near their home, and around the town of Londonderry. Brownie, a well-behaved young boy, often told stories of the trouble he would get in with his parents by covering for his younger brother's wild shenanigans.

Brownie attended primary school at Marion Grover School in Londonderry and attended high school at Leland and Gray in Townshend, Vt. Brownie joined the National Guard, and started working at Mack Moulding in Arlington, Vt., where he dedicated "47 years, 7 months, and 7 days," while never once calling out sick. A second job for Brownie was his mastery of masonry work. Always working in khaki dress pants and a nice button-down shirt, he built beautiful stone walls all over Londonderry, Landgrove, Weston, and other Vermont towns. He was a true master of the craft, and the memory of him will be held in all those walls for many years.

For fun and hobbies, Brownie was an avid hunter and fisherman. Whenever the opportunity arose, wherever Brownie was, he would be dropping his pole in a river or brook to make a daily catch. Hunting rabbits and deer was something Brownie loved. Not only



Brownell Bacon, 1937-2022. PHOTO PROVIDED

did he love the hunt and his time in the woods, but he loved his time at hunting camp, telling stories and being with friends. He spent many years hunting in our woods of Vermont, and many years taking hunting trips to Maine with his dear (deer) friends. He is a member of the 200 club in Maine, and has a garage full of trophy deer racks. When Brownie wasn't out building stone walls, hunting, or fishing, then there was a good chance you could find him next to the radio listening to his beloved Red Sox.

Brownie was predeceased in death by his parents, Asa and Rachel, sister, Betty, and half-sisters, Marion Grout and Phyllis Sweet, and half-brother, Ken Warner. Brownie is survived by his brother, Ronald Bacon (Myrtle) of Londonderry, his son, Zane Bacon (Dawn) of Bennington, his daughter, Teresa Bacon, and his grandsons, Alex and Asa Bacon, and three great-grandsons, all whom reside in Arlington, Vt., and several nephews and nieces.

Please come to remember Brownie's life and to celebrate his "spirit in sky" on Nov. 19, 2022 at the Second Congregational church, officiated by Laurie Krooss in Londonderry at 1 p.m. If you go out hunting in the morning, you are welcome to attend the service in your hunting gear, and in fact, it is encouraged.

Vernard Christian Bathrick, 1980-2022

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Vernard Christian Bathrick, 41, of Springfield, Vt., passed away on Nov. 8, 2022.

Vern was born on Dec. 24, 1980 in Bellows Falls, Vt. He was the son of Lawrence Martin and Mary Rowland.

Following his high school graduation, Vern went on to serve in the police force for a short time. After his service, he worked as a sales representative for Sonnox in Bellows Falls, Vt. for many years.

Vern spent much of his time fishing and being outdoors. He loved spending time with his family and pets. Vern was an avid Patriots and baseball fan.

Most of all, Vern was a proud father. He loved his daughter Kiera very much.

Vern was predeceased by his father, Lawrence Martin. He is survived by his daughter Kiera Lynn Bathrick; his mother and step-father Mary and Jay Rowland; his sister Becky



Vernard Christian Bathrick, 1980-2022. PHOTO PROVIDED

Parker (Nate); his brother Tommy Bathrick (Hope); his dear friend Steve Fuller; his aunt Cheryl Martin; his nieces Kyrsti, Aunna, Lizzy, and Bella; and his nephews Micah and London.

There will be a celebration of life held at The Westminster Institute/Butterfield Library on Dec. 4 from 2-5 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations to The Turning Point in Springfield, Vt. in Vern's name are appreciated.

Louise Audrey Wetherby, 1929-2022

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – Louise Audrey Wetherby, 93, of 62 Wetherby Road in Charlestown, N.H., passed away on Nov. 8, 2022, at the home of her daughter.

She was born in Montgomery Center, Vt. on March 23, 1929, the daughter of Mitchell and Mabel M. (Arel) Demar, and resided in Charlestown from September 1951 until March 17, 2022. Mrs. Wetherby worked as a cashier for 18 years at the First National Store and before that at Sally's Restaurant for eight years. She also worked at Fletcher's News Stand and White Mountain Paper in Bellows Falls, Vt.

She was a communicant of All Saints Parish and was very active with church suppers, funeral luncheons at St. Catherine's, and doing volunteer work at Charlestown Friendly Community Meals. She was famous for her pie making and baked beans. She loved yard sales. Her favorite pastime, besides visiting at her kitchen table with neighbors, friends, and relatives, was volunteering at "the Mall." She so enjoyed looking over used clothing and household items delivered to the Charlestown Transfer Station. Initially, it was located in a dark corner of the large butler building – no heat and minimal lighting. She would sort through the items, bring items home to wash, dry, and iron, and then give them away. In 2016, she was thrilled to be the volunteer with the most hours every week at the new Re-Use Building, a.k.a. "the Mall." There, she spent many happy hours each week greeting folks, sizing them up, and connecting them to new apparel.

Louise was predeceased by her husband, Gordon M. Wetherby of Charlestown, whom she married on



Louise Audrey Wetherby, 1929-2022. PHOTO PROVIDED

April 10, 1947, as well as by four sisters, Emaline Potvin, Rosanna Grant, Erma Deuso, Ruth LePage, and two brothers, Robert M. "Bud" Demar and Mitchell H. Demar. She is survived by three daughters, Patricia J. Royce and her husband, Daryl, Joan D. Beaudry and her husband, Michael, all of Charlestown, and Terry A. Wetherby and her beloved Edward Drexel of Kissimmee, Fla; one son, Duane G. Wetherby and his wife, Jean F. of Charlestown; eight grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; as well as several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Friends called at the Charlestown Memorial Chapel, 34 Main Street in Charlestown, on Monday, Nov. 14 from 5-7 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Tuesday morning at 11 a.m. in St Catherine of Siena Church in Charlestown with Very Rev. Father John Loughnane, Pastor, officiating. Interment will follow in St. Catherine's of Siena Cemetery.

Donations may be made in her memory to All Saints Church, P.O. Box 332, Charlestown, NH 03603.

To view an online memorial, send a message of condolence, or for more information, visit www.stringerfh.com.

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LEGAL NOTICES

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

NOV. 17- LUDLOW, Vt. – The Black River Valley Senior Center will host a Thanksgiving Luncheon on Nov. 17 at 12 p.m. Reservations are required, with a suggested donation. The meal will be turkey noodle soup, homemade rolls, and pumpkin pie.

NOV. 19 – READING, Vt. – On Saturday, Nov. 19, there will be a Holiday Craft Fair at the Reading Town Hall in Reading, Vt. from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Admission is free.

NOV. 24 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Thursday, Nov. 24, from 12–2 p.m., the American

Legion Post #37 will host a Roast Turkey Dinner at their Hall at 42 Rockingham St., Bellows Falls, Vt. Dinner is free and open to the public. Call 802-463-9700 to reserve a place.

NOV. 26 & 27 – PLYMOUTH, Vt. – There will be a Holiday Craft Fair at the Community Center, Route 100, Plymouth, Vt. on Nov. 26 and 27 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

EVENTS & MORE

NOV. 18, 19, & 20 – LUDLOW, Vt. – The annual Okemo Ski and Snowboard Swap will take place on Friday, Nov. 18 from 4–7 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sunday, Nov. 20 from 9

a.m. – 1 p.m. at Jackson Gore, Okemo Mountain Resort.

NOV. 19 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Rotary Club will hold a Stuff-A-Truck event on Saturday, Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. in the Springfield Shopping Plaza to benefit the Springfield Family Center Food Shelf. Come and grab a bag and fill it with non-perishable food or personal care products to help those in need this holiday season.

NOV. 20 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Folk duo Mark Mandeville and Raianne Richards will play the Stage 33 Live listening room on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 3 p.m., the final show of their fall tour.

CHARLESTOWN, N.H. – The Charlestown Historical Society will hold their next program on Sunday, Nov. 20 at 2 p.m. in the Community Room. Join to look through the collection of “Old Cookbooks” and enjoy tasting some of these unusual recipes from the past.

DEC. 3 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Elks Basketball “Free Throw Contest” will take place on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9:45 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Bellows Falls Middle School, 15 School St., Bellows Falls, Vt. Open to all participants ages 8–13, from the Bellows Falls Union area through the Fall Mountain

region. The event will consist of 25 free throws. Wear sneakers, t-shirt, gym shorts, or a team uniform. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. for registration and the event starts at 10 a.m. This event is sponsored by Elks Lodge #1619. First place shooters will move on to the District level on Sunday, Jan. 8, 2023 at 10 a.m. in Windsor, Vt.

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.

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Bellows Falls Loyal Order of Moose will be hosting a community breakfast on the first and third Sunday of every month downstairs at the Bellows Falls Moose Lodge, 59 Westminster St. in Bellows Falls, from 8–10 a.m. All you can eat for a minimal cost.

MONDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Free Tobacco Quit class led by Sarah Doyle, Mondays, from 6-7 p.m., at Parks Place, 44 School Street Ext., Bellows Falls. Dinner included. Call or text Sarah at 802-289-0045 or email sdoyle@springfieldmed.org.

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.

TUESDAYS – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Come check out TOPS – Take Off Pounds Sensibly. We are a nonjudgmental, affordable, and supportive weight loss group. The first visit is free. We are taking Covid-19 precautions so a mask is required while attending the meeting. All are welcome; youth must be at least 9 to attend and have parental permission. Meetings are every Tuesday at 25 Cherry Hill in Bellows Falls. Weigh-ins start at 5:45 p.m.

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

LUDLOW, Vt. – Aquatic Aerobics, Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

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

REGION – On Wednesdays at 5 p.m., join Lori Wright for Yoga Flow with Meditation, live or watch the video during your perfect time. Contact Lori Wright at 603-401-8123 or email at loriwright163@gmail.com to register.

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LUDLOW, Vt. – Cardio & Sculpt, Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Aqua Sculpt, Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

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 – LUDLOW, Vt. – Zumba classes, Saturdays at 8 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. All fitness levels welcome. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Yoga, Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the Spring House at Jackson Gore. Call 802-228-1419 for more information.

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.

LUDLOW, Vt. – William Raveis Real Estate Vermont Properties is accepting donations to their 2022 Coat Drive through Dec. 1. Drop off clean outer garments in good condition with working zippers at 29 Locust Hill Rd., Ludlow, Vt.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO BROWNFIELDS REUSE AND ENVIRONMENTAL LIABILITY LIMITATION ACT PROGRAM

Please take notice that The Town of Rockingham whose mailing address is PO Box 370, Bellows Falls, Vermont 05101, is applying to the Vermont Brownfields Reuse and Environmental Liability Limitation Program (10 V.S.A. §6641 et seq.) in connection with the redevelopment of property known as 66 Atkinson Street in the Village of Bellows Falls, Town of Rockingham, VT. A copy of the application, which contains a preliminary environmental assessment and a description of the proposed redevelopment project is available for public review at the Rockingham Clerk’s Office and at the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation offices in Montpelier. Comments concerning the application and/or the above referenced documents may be directed to Sarah Bartlett at (802) 249-5641 or at sarah.bartlett@vermont.gov. Comments may also be submitted by mail to the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Waste Management Division, 1 National Life Drive – Davis 1, Montpelier, VT 05620; attention: Sarah Bartlett

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

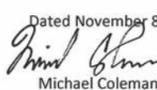
A public hearing before the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Plymouth will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 7:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Municipal Building, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, Vermont, to consider an application for a sub-division for:

Applicant: Michael and Deborah O’Loughlin, Lake Sons, LLC
 Location: Amherst Road, Parcel 001406
 Proposal: Sub-division of property to include dam between Amherst Lake and Echo Lake
 Application: 2022-27

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A public hearing before the Planning Commission and zoning Board of Adjustment of the Town of Plymouth will be held on Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 7:00 PM, in the Town Hall Municipal Building, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, VT to consider an application for Conditional Use and Permit Variance for:

Applicant: Salt Ash Land LLC
 Location: 4738 RT 100A, Plymouth, VT 050546
 Proposal: To consider change of occupancy of Salt Ash Inn from lodging to retail sales.
 Application #2022-22

Dated November 8, 2022

 Michael Coleman, Chair

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY Notice of Public Hearing December 7, 2022

The Mount Holly Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 6:00 PM on December 7, 2022 at the Mount Holly Town Office and via Zoom to consider a Flood Hazard and River Corridor Bylaw.

Join Zoom Meeting
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The draft bylaw and a link to the hearing notice will be available at the Town Office and posted on the web: <https://www.mounthollyvt.org/planning-commission/flood-hazard-area/> If you wish to make a public comment but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment(s) in advance of the hearing to Mount Holly Planning Commission at planningcomm@mounthollyvt.org or mail to Mount Holly Planning Commission at P.O. Box 248 Mount Holly, VT 05758.

Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Collector

The Charlestown Town Clerk/Tax Collector’s office is accepting resumes for the position of Deputy Town Clerk/ Tax Collector. The responsibilities include: providing citizens with accurate and vital information, as well as an accurate accounting of revenues collected. The position requires an understanding of applicable state laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to a town clerk/tax collector. Specific duties required in assisting the Town Clerk/Tax Collector:

- Registration and titling of motor vehicles, boats and off-road vehicles.
- Accepting and applying payments for property taxes. Liening, deeding and property title searches.
- Vital Records administration including processing marriage licenses, birth and death certificates.
- Maintaining town records and other documents in need of safekeeping or of historical value.
- Assisting with voter registration and other election related business such as processing of absentee ballots.
- Preparing daily financial reports and deposits.
- Performs other duties as assigned.
- Excellent organizational skills and detail oriented a must.
- Ability to work confidently and independently

A High School Diploma or equivalent is the minimum qualification. However, an ideal candidate would have a familiarity with MAAP, NHVRIN, ElectioNet, NH Fish & Game, Clerkworks, and BMSI. This is a full-time position with a full benefits package. Hourly wage is dependent on experience and qualifications.

Please submit a cover letter, resume and three references to Patricia@charlestown-nh.gov or mail to Town Clerk/Tax Collector’s Office, Town of Charlestown, Attn: Patricia Chaffee, P.O. Box 834, Charlestown, NH 03603.

Organization: Town of Charlestown
 Type: Employment
 Post Date: 11/3/2022
 Close Date: 11/17/2022
 Salary: Based on Experience

STATE OF VERMONT SUPERIOR COURT Windsor Unit PROBATE DIVISION Docket No.: 22-PR-06065

In re ESTATE of: Peter Mollica

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

To the Creditors of: Peter Mollica, Decedent
 late of Springfield, Decedent’s Town of Residence

I have been appointed to administer this estate. All creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate must present their claims in writing within four (4) months of the first publication of this notice. The claim must be presented to me at the address listed below with a copy sent to the Court. The claim may be barred forever if it is not presented within the four (4) month period.

Dated: 11-3-22 Signature of Fiduciary: Sandra H. Mollica

Executor/Administrator	Mailing Address
Sandra Mollica	c/o Parker & Ankuda P.C., PO Box 519
Phone Number	City, State, Zip
802-885-2582	Springfield, VT 05156

Name of Publication: Vermont Journal - The Shopper - Windsor County
 Publication Date: November 16, 2022

Name of Probate Court: Vermont Superior Court, Windsor Unit, Probate Division
 Address of Probate Court: 12 The Greene, Woodstock, VT 05301

LEGAL NOTICES

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REGION - Have you been searching for meaningful work? Do you have 300 hours a year to dedicate to engaging in a career step that will provide you with training, a \$9 an hour non-taxable stipend, and a chance to be a Member of the AmeriCorps program? This opportunity is thanks to the Public Health AmeriCorps Grant, which was awarded to Senior Solutions, as one of the first organizations in the United States to embark on this project. We will be recruiting members who will provide respite for the families currently struggling to care for a loved one at home. AmeriCorps Members will receive mileage reimbursement at the current federal rate. As a member, you receive an education award that can be used for future schooling or for past student loans. If you are over 55 years old the award can

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GMUHS Paraeducators

Green Mountain Union High School is currently seeking highly qualified individuals to serve as Paraeducators for the 2022-2023 school year. Responsibilities include but are not limited to discuss assigned duties with classroom teachers to coordinate instructional efforts, provide extra assistance to students with special needs, tutor and assist children, record relevant data to assess progress, and organize and supervise games and other recreational activities.

Background Check Required.
Please email keith.hill@trsu.org to apply.
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AUCTION

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Jessica Norton - #63
Amanda Skrocki - #86
Amy Malin - #182
Mike Mullins - #19
Angelique Blake - #153

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

Send Resumes to: Michael Ripley at Michael.Ripley@trsu.org.

TOWN OF WESTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Weston Development Review Board will meet at 5:00 PM on Wednesday December 7, 2022 at the Weston Town Offices at 12 Lawrence Hill Road to resume a public hearing on an application for preliminary plat review from Little Pond Partners for a major subdivision of land they own in Weston and Andover. If time permits the board will then open a hearing on final plat review. Major Subdivisions are reviewed under the Weston Major Subdivision Regulations. The board will also hear an application for a minor subdivision from Andrew Clapp of 49 Trout Club Rd.

Those interested in seeing the applications, submitting written comments, or attending the hearing remotely should contact the town's Zoning Administrator at: Town of Weston P.O. Box 98, Weston Vt. 05161, by calling (802) 824-4669, or emailing to Zoning@westonvt.org.

Pursuant to 24 V.S.A. §§ 4464(a)(1)(C) and 4471(a), participation in this local proceeding is a prerequisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.

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802-228-6860 January, Director of Nursing.
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Springfield Fire Department Opening DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF

POSITION: Deputy Fire Chief / Deputy Health Officer
DATE: November 11, 2022
PAY SCALE: Grade 26 / salary range \$63,690 - \$87,256

Town of Springfield, Vermont (pop. 9,500) is seeking a professional individual to fill the vacant position of Deputy Fire Chief for the Springfield Fire Department, an all hazard municipal agency providing a full scope of emergency services. The candidate selected for this position will serve as a leader, 2nd in command within the department, reporting directly to the Fire Chief. The Deputy works as part of the administration team while managing all aspects of an emergency response service. The Deputy must be able to operate at full emergency response capability which includes firefighting, rescues and any hazard we face as an all hazards emergency response department. The ideal candidate is an experienced, forward thinking professional that will exercise exemplary communication skills to promote the goals, policies, procedures and the culture of the organization. This is an exempt, fulltime position with an EXCELLENT BENEFIT/SALARY PACKAGE!!

Minimum qualifications:

- Associates Degree, Bachelor's Degree, BA or BS is preferred.
- VT, AEMT Certification (within 12 months of hire), Fire Officer II credentials, NFPA 1041 as well as ICS 300.
- The Deputy must have the ability to plan and execute a training program for Firefighters.
- Have a history of achievements indicating ambition towards personal and professional growth.
- The Deputy must be able to interpret and draft oral and written orders, operation procedures, and rules and regulation into a form understandable to subordinates.
- The Deputy is responsible to maintain physical fitness as required to perform the duties of the position, as indicated by test and physical examination upon employment and recertification on a regular basis.
- The Deputy must have the ability to deal effectively with the public as Deputy Health Officer and with other Town Departments.

Any interested candidates should send letters of interest and resumes to Chief Paul Stagner at pstagner@springfieldvtfire.org and/or Human Resources Manager Charley Shepherd at tosh@vermontel.net. A more detailed job description will be provided upon request.

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Answer

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Answers
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LOCAL PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK

- "Spotlight" on post-election debriefing
- Senior Solutions' Memory Café
- Update from Expeditionary School at BR
- All About Window Dressers & Home Weatherization
- "The Great Turkey Drive" of the late 1800s - early 1900s

Watch on TV: Community Channel: Comcast 1076 & VTel 166
Education / Gov't Channel: Comcast 1086 / VTel 167

(TV Schedules available at okemovalley.tv/schedules & on cable TV program guide)

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(01/04/23 - TFN - 13)

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(12/14/22 - 13)

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Senior Solutions, November

Events from area senior centers

The Bellows Falls Senior Center is holding its Holiday Bazaar on Dec. 3, when the raffle winner will be announced. The raffle item is an 18-inch doll with a wooden barn, a horse, and a selection of hand-made clothes. Call 802-463-3907 for more information and a listing of the many activities that are available to enjoy.

At the Brattleboro Senior Center in the Gibson Aiken building at 207 Main Street there will be a statewide Listening Session organized by the Vermont Action Plan for Aging Well on Nov. 16 from 1-3 p.m. You are invited to share our thoughts on what our experiences of living and aging in Vermont are

like. Come and explain what works, what doesn't, and what you wish we could have and do to make Vermont the best state for growing older. Light refreshments will be provided. Please contact Kerstin.hanson@vermont.gov for more information.

The Springfield Senior Center is holding its Christmas Bazaar on Nov. 19 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. with set-up on Nov. 18 at noon. Call 802-885-3933 to find out about all the activities and programs going on every week.

On Dec. 9 and 10 the Bugbee Center in White River Junction is holding its Holiday Craft Fair. You can sign up as a crafter and learn about other upcoming activities and events at the

Bugbee by calling 802-295-9068. You can get crafter information by emailing susan@bugbeecenter.org.

How do we share information?

Senior Solutions has begun recording monthly interviews and podcasts at JAM (formerly CATV) in White River Junction. Our interview with Senior Solutions Executive Director, Mark Boutwell, should be ready for viewing. We also just did a program on Okemo Valley TV with Woodstock Town Clerk, Charlie Degener, who carefully explained how elections are handled in Vermont. It is available on their website now www.okemovalely.tv. Our next piece on Okemo Valley TV will be an interview with our new vol-

unteer visitor coordinator, Victoria Alleman, and one of our volunteers. We will be doing more programs with Brattleboro Community Television (BCTV) and Springfield Area Public Access TV (SAPA) and Fact 8 TV in Bellows Falls. In addition, we do a weekly WOOL 91.5 FM program from 5-6 p.m. every Tuesday that informs and connects with those of us who are "60 and Better" and functions as a PSA for the programs and services available through Senior Solutions, the Council on Aging for Southeastern Vermont.

More news you can use

To find out more about available services for those of us who are 60 and older, check our website at www.seniorsolutionsvt.org. Sign up while you are on the website for our monthly e-newsletter. We are in the midst of the Medicare Open Enrollment period. That means that from Oct. 15 to Dec. 7 we can adjust our Medicare plans if we need to and they will go into effect (if the premiums are paid by the end of December) as of Jan. 1, 2023. Our phones are ringing off the hook so please be patient if you have called for a free consultation with our Medicare specialists. The Helpline number is 802-885-2669.

Springfield Library hosts book talk

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - On Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 5 p.m., join local author Susan Speranza at the Springfield Town Library for a discussion of her book, "Ice Out."

This book is a powerful, lyrical tale of one woman's journey from grief to acceptance and forgiveness after her life is shattered by a tragic accident.

Francesca Bodin has a near-perfect life as an accomplished music teacher and professional flutist living in the country with her husband Ben and their four-year-old

daughter Addie. This ends suddenly when a snowmobiling accident traps the three of them in a frozen lake. Ben escapes, leaving her and Addie behind to die.

Francesca believes she sees their dog pull Addie from the lake and drag her into the nearby woods. Desperate to help her daughter, she struggles to emerge from the icy waters and follows them.

This event is free, accessible, and open to the public. The Springfield Town Library is located at 43 Main Street, Springfield, Vt. For more information, please contact 802-885-3108.

Monadnock Farm Fund program accepting applications

WALPOLE, N.H. - The Monadnock Food Co-op Farm Fund program, in partnership with the Cheshire County Conservation District, is now accepting applications from

local farmers. Currently, in its seventh year, the fund has supported eighteen farms in the Monadnock Region.

This year, the Farm Fund will award up to \$40,000 to help farms in Cheshire County and abutting New Hampshire towns to develop or expand their production for wholesale markets, including selling to the Monadnock Food Co-op and Food Connects. Farmers may apply for grants ranging from \$500 to \$20,000. Funds will be used to support a range of projects, including the purchase of equipment and infrastructure, packaging and labeling design needs, farmland conservation, and technical assistance.

Interested farmers are invited to attend one of two Monadnock Food Co-op Farm Fund Information Sessions. Registration is required. The information sessions will be on Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2022 at 6 p.m. and Thursday, Jan. 5, 2023 at 6 p.m., both on Zoom.

A request for proposals and an application are available at www.cheshireconservation.org/farm-fund. Applications are due Feb. 1, 2023



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Students plant native trees for water quality, wildlife

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – The Windham Conservation District and the River Valley Technical Center partnered with local landowners and the Vermont Land Trust to plant native trees and shrubs along a tributary of Sacketts Brook in Westminster on Oct. 27. Students, under the direction of John Harmer, spent the morning learning about riparian planting practices while helping the district to plant 260 native shrubs and trees. “The students did a terrific job on this project. We couldn’t have done it without them,” said District



Pieter van Loon, Lead Forester for the Vermont Land Trust, teaches students how to plant a tree.

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gmail.com or by phone at 802-689-3024.

To learn more about programs at the River Valley Technical Center, visit www.rvtc.org or call 802-885-8300.



Jennifer Garret from the Vermont Land Trust supervises a group of students planting along the stream.

PHOTO PROVIDED

Manager Cory Ross.

Riparian plantings such as these help prevent soil erosion, protect water quality, and provide valuable food and habitat for wildlife, including migratory birds. Windham NRCDC works with local landowners to identify priority sites for restoration and leverages state funding and local volunteers to plan and implement these plantings through the Trees for Stream Program. This planting was funded by a grant from the Vermont Natural Resources Conservation Council using Clean Water Funding from the State of Vermont. Additional support was provided by the Vermont Land Trust and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Landowners interested in district support for a planting should contact the district at windhamcountynrcdc@windhamcountynrcdc.com



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Elks Free Throw Contest

REGION – The Elks Basketball “Free Throw Contest” will take place on Saturday, Dec. 3, from 9:45 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the Bellows Falls Middle School, 15 School St., Bellows Falls, Vt.

This event is open to all participants ages 8–13, from the Bellows Falls Union area through the Fall Mountain region. The event will consist of 25 free throws, with trophies handed out to the first and second place finishers of each division. Wear sneakers, t-shirt, gym shorts, or a team uniform.

Doors open at 9:30 a.m. for registration and the event starts at 10 a.m.

This event is sponsored by Elks Lodge #1619. First place shooters will move on to the

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holiday happenings

Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale

LUDLOW, Vt. – There will be a Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale, Nov. 25 from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and Nov. 26 from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. at the Church of Annunciation, Ludlow, Vt. A wonderful selection of homemade items by the Church of Annunciation and Holy Name of Mary. Baked goods for everyone, with lunch available. For more information, call 802-882-3286 or 802-226-7842.

Light A Pole in Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Every year the Springfield Regional Chamber of Commerce makes arrangements to decorate the lampposts on Main Street in downtown Springfield with banners and white lights to bring twinkle and cheer to the neighborhood during the winter months. This tradition helps to create an inviting avenue for visitors passing through our lovely town, and creates a sense of warmth and community for all who live here. We're busy making arrangements for this year's holiday program, but we can't do it alone. Many of the strands of LED lights we used last year are now worn out and need to be replaced. The cost of buying new lights is significant, but if we work together, we can make it happen. We are

looking for businesses, organizations, and individuals who might be interested to sponsor a pole lighting to assist us in continuing to bring this special tradition to Springfield. The cost to light a single pole is only \$25, and we would love your help. Sponsors will be recognized via social media and a press release, and you will have the warm fuzzy feeling of contributing to our beautiful community in a meaningful way. We appreciate any and all support. Anyone with questions about Light A Pole, please contact Alice at the Chamber at 802-885-2779 or email alice@springfieldvt.com. Checks can be made payable to "Springfield Regional Chamber" and sent to Springfield Regional Chamber, 56 Main Street, Ste 2, Springfield, VT 05156.

First Congregational Church holds Christmas Bazaar

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – The First Congregational Church of Westminster Women's Fellowship will hold their Annual Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 19, from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Start your holiday shopping and choose from a variety of locally made gifts. There will be holiday crafts,

handmade gifts, homemade treats and useful white elephant items. Back by popular demand, The Christmas Café will be open all day. They will serve coffee and muffins for breakfast, and soup, sandwiches, and chips for lunch. Also, baked goods for sale including pies will be avail-

able for sale. Pick up something for your Thanksgiving celebration or throw it in the freezer until Christmas. From 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Santa will be on hand for pictures. Create your holiday cards with plenty of time for mailing. Also, for the kids there will be a kids' craft table. Bring your kids

and grandkids and we will keep them busy while you shop or get your lunch ordered. Take your chance on the Gas Card Raffle or check out our newest quilt and purchase a raffle ticket. Join us at 3470 Route 5 in Westminster, Vt. to kick off your Holiday Season.

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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2022

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Forest Service, Christmas Tree permits

RUTLAND, Vt. – U.S. Forest Service officials in Vermont are welcoming the public to select and cut a Christmas tree on the Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) with the purchase of a \$5 permit. Permits are now available for purchase either online (an additional \$2.50 service fee applies) or in-person at our GMNF offices in Manchester or Rochester,

Vt. In support of the Every Kid Outdoors initiative, this year the Forest Service will provide fourth grade students with a free Christmas tree voucher by registering at www.everykidoutdoors.gov. Fourth graders who register must present a printed voucher to redeem a Christmas tree permit. Christmas trees for personal use may be cut on the GMNF, subject to the following conditions:

located in Manchester or Rochester. Please confirm that our office locations are open by making an appointment prior to travel. Permit cost is \$5 and is non-refundable. Online permits require an additional \$2.50 service fee. Two permits are allowed per household per year. Trees obtained under the Christmas tree permit may not be resold.

inches off the ground. Permit holders must remove all trash and litter resulting from their activities. This includes removing all woody debris from road surfaces, ditches, and culvert openings where cutting took place. **Permit Conditions** Permit is not valid in: Congressionally-designated wilderness areas; active timber sale areas; and developed recreation sites including campgrounds, picnic areas, and day use sites; and the following management areas as designated by the 2006 Forest Plan: Ecological Special Areas, Existing and Candidate Research Natural Areas, Alpine / subalpine Special Areas, and the Robert Frost Recreation Special Area. Permit must be attached to the tree before transporting it from the site where it was cut.

- Fees and Availability**
- Permits can be purchased either online or in-person at a GMNF office.
 - Purchasing permits in-person can be done by calling one of our offices

- Rules for Harvesting**
- Trees may only be cut within designated areas as indicated in.
 - Trees over 20 feet tall are not covered by the permit.
 - The tree must be cut at a point no higher than 6

Eighth Stone House Holiday Open House

November 19 & 20, 2022
10 am - 5 pm

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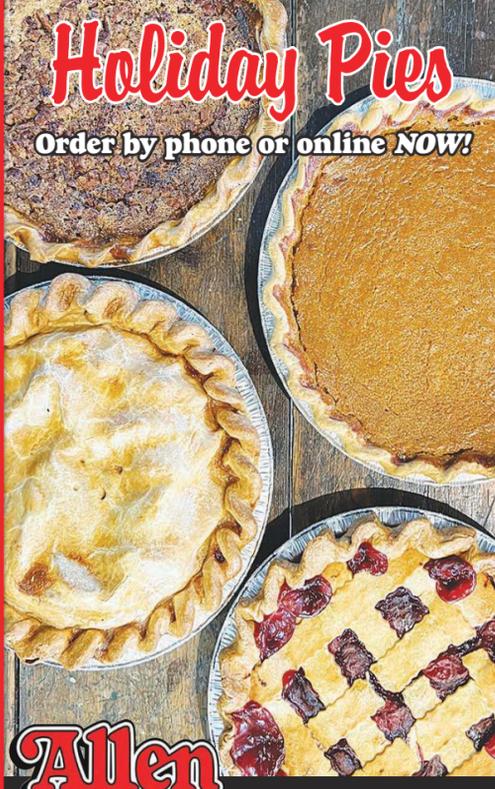
Ludlow Baptist Church
Saturday, November 19

Dine-in only
5:30 – 7:00 pm
99 Main Street, Ludlow

Tree Lighting Londonderry

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – The Town of Londonderry Tree Lighting is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. in The Mountain Marketplace. Santa will make a guest appearance. Immediately following is an Open House at Neighborhood Connections with cookies and hot chocolate. All are invited.

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