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## The Fall Fest brings the essence of autumn

BY SHAWN TAE STILLWELL

The Vermont Journal

CHESTER, Vt. - Fall is here; the days are getting shorter, the nights are getting cooler, and the Chester Fall Festival has brought crafters and other vendors to The Green. For Chester locals and common tourists, this annual event is a symbol of the beginning of autumn.

Craft vendors and the like set up their tables on The Green and Route 11 for the recent two-day craft fair.

Though on Sunday, the breeze carried a chill and the overcast brought some light rain, people still gathered for the event.

Bonnie's Bundles brought handmade cloth dolls. Next door was a table of handmade cloth puppy bandanas, while another cloth work crafter brought handmade baby bibs and cloth toys.

Mimi's Mittens displayed a wide range of mittens made from "previously loved sweaters." The lady explained that she purchased the "secondhand sweaters from the Salvation Army and other secondhand stores."

What a great way to upcycle old sweaters. Another vendor upcycled used jeans into ladies' handbags.

C.H. Diegel Photography was set up with his nature photos printed on metal canvases featuring beautiful water streams, skiing trails, sunsets, starry nights, and other great things of

all seasons.

Dellamano Glassware had her table with an arrangement of hand-painted glasses and other glassware. She explained that she uses a certain type of paint, and she bakes the pieces after they are painted to help prevent it from wearing or chipping.

Other vendors displayed their painting artworks of diverse nature scenes.

Various jewelers set up shop, ranging from metal, beadwork, glasswork, and more. One vendor displayed bracelets made with porous beads that absorb essential oils.

"They last longer than scent does on your skin," explained the vendor. "And the oils can do different things for you, such as relax you or give you energy."

Bob and Deb's Sugarhouse had many handcrafted wood art ornaments.

"Each one has different wood," Deb explained. "The wood isn't stained or painted; the color comes from the coloring and grain of the different types of wood." They were all unique, and made one at a time.

Chris Williams brought his handcrafted wooden bowls and frames. They were all unique shapes, and carefully sculpted and sanded down to a smooth finish.

Another woodcraft vendor made cutting boards and bread boxes. The breadbox lid comes off and doubles as a cutting board.

"And there's a slot for a bread knife,"



People gathered at the Fall Festival, rain or shine!

PHOTO BY SHAWN TAE STILLWELL



Some beautiful handcrafted wooden ornaments from Bob & Deb's Sugarhouse stand. PHOTO BY SHAWN TAE STILLWELL

said the vendor with excitement. "That's not something you typically see on a bread box."

There was an assortment of food vendors, including Mo's Fudge, the Chester Rotary Club, and the Chester Fire Department. Each class from Green Mountain Union High School

was also set up with various foods.

From bracelets to milkshakes, and artworks to dog bandanas, there were enough products to peak a range of interests at the Chester Fall Festival.

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## Colonial crafts demonstrated in Weston

BY BRANDY TODT

The Vermont Journal

WESTON, Vt. - Many visitors came to see Weston Historical Society present its fourth-annual Colonial Craft Day demonstrations and learn about the colonial way of life.

The event was held near the Weston Green recently.

Maya Drummond, a hooked rug craftsman, began learning rug hooking with a simple store-bought kit and said she was soon hooked on the craft.

Over time she began dying her own wool and leather, as well as experimenting with color combinations. Her wool is sourced from recycled wool items found at thrift stores.

One set of chair seat covers take Drummond a couple of weeks, whereas the Tree of Life rug she had on display took her six months.

Drummond explained that hooked rugs are not to be washed in a washing machine, but to be rubbed with fresh

powdery snow on the top of the rug.

Hope Pinkerton worked an 1800s Amish apple cider press, with samples ready to be consumed by anyone salivating for a taste of the tangy sweet drink.

Onlookers learned that when cider is freshly pressed it comes out red, and that the best cider is derived from a variety of apples being pressed together.

Sheridan Lloyd showed how the 1878 apple peeler, sourced from Farrar-Mansur Museum kitchen in Weston, would speed up the peeling process, making food preparation more time efficient back then.

In less than 10 seconds, an apple could be peeled. Depending on the style of the peeler, the apple could also be cored and sliced into thin rings.

Many household kitchens have a descendant of the apply peeler Lloyd was demonstrating.

Cooper Glenn Lael was on site to explain why the colonists reverted back to wood barrel rings instead of

the metal ones.

He said during the colonial period, the colonies were allowed to mine and turn the ore into pig iron; however, that was shipped back to England where it was refined into products that then were sent back to the colonies and resold at a high price.

This action did not please the colonists, so to avoid being taxed on the metal product they used hickory or maple saplings for the barrel rings.

Being a master cooper takes years of practice, as each step in crafting a barrel is accomplished by eye and by feel. Precision and accuracy are obtained by learning from and correcting mistakes.

Master Tinsmith David Claggett, his tin shop located in the rear of The Old Mill in Weston, was working on repairing a painted tin parrot that no longer bobbed.

He was also fashioning a pedestal out of a piece of recycled tin for the parrot to stand up in.



Sheridan Lloyd demonstrating the apple peeler

PHOTO BY BRANDY TODT

Claggett has been working with tin more than 40 years and his historic reproductions can be found in America's finest museums, including

the Farrar-Mansur Museum. Tin was sought after during the colonial era and was nicknamed the poor man's silver, because once well-polished it

mimics silver at a fraction of the cost.

Ann McClaren makes baskets and containers from birch trees and spruce roots.

The birch bark is sourced from trees on her property or from birch trees that have fallen in the forest. Her crafts are inspired by Scandinavian and Native American styles, and she achieves the motifs on her baskets by incising the design into the darker, winter layers of the bark and gently picking it away to expose the lighter layer underneath.

A medium-sized container takes her about 10 hours to complete.

Many say Colonial Craft Day is usually an educational and entertaining time for the whole family.

To view MORE PHOTOS and VIDEOS of cider being made and Glenn Lael splitting a log that would later be used for barrel staves, visit [www.vermontjournal.com](http://www.vermontjournal.com) or visit the Facebook page of the Vermont Journal, KMA Publications.



### Ludlow Fire Dept. Auction

The Ludlow Fire Department held their annual Labor Day Saturday auction, lead by auctioneer and Fire Chief John Hall. This is truly a family affair!

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## "All My Sons" dramatic tragedy performance at the Weston Playhouse

BY AIYANA FORTIN

The Vermont Journal

WESTON, Vt. - Several English classes at Black River High School were able to attend the student matinee of Weston Playhouse's production of All My Sons recently.

The students got to see the play's timeless themes of family, community, and the American Dream.

This dramatic tragedy unfolds over a single day as Joe Keller, a hard-working father, is forced to accept responsibility for a decision that temporarily saved his family, but cost him the respect of his sons.

This production of All My Sons was directed by award-winning, nationally-recognized director Mary B. Robinson.

She has directed more than 70 productions in New York City and

around the country, and is one of 50 people profiled in the book "American Women Stage Directors of the Twentieth Century."

Robinson received a Drama Desk nomination for Lemon Sky, a Barrymore Award for Of Mice and Men, and she was the first recipient of the Alan Schneider Award.

With a 10-member cast of Christopher Kelly, Piper Goodeve, Django Grace, Elizabeth Morton, Davy Raphaely, Molly Regan, Tim Rush, Shannon Marie Sullivan, Gabriel Vaughan, and David Wohl, the stage abounded with creativity and inspiration as these actors became their characters in every way imaginable.

The All My Sons team includes Scenic Designer Jason Simms, Costume Designer Grier Coleman, Lighting Designer Jiyoun Chang,

Composer/Sound Designer Christopher Colucci, Fight Director Ryan Winkles, Casting Director Alan Filderman, Production Stage Manager Martin Lechner, and Assistant Stage Manager Aubrey Sirtautas.

All My Sons won Arthur Miller the first Tony Award ever bestowed for playwriting, and became a pivotal point in his career. Miller was born in 1915 in New York City and died at the age of 90 in 2005. He studied at the University of Michigan and wrote many plays throughout his life, including The Man Who Had All the Luck (1944), Death of a Salesman (1949), The Crucible (1953), and many other works, including novels, screenplays, and other books in collaboration with his wife, photographer Inge Morath.

Miller was awarded the Avery Hopwood Award for Playwriting at

the University of Michigan in 1936, an Obie Award, the George Foster Peabody Award, and the Literary Lion Award. He won the New York Drama Critics Circle Award twice, earned two Emmy awards, three Tony Awards, and the Tony Award for Lifetime Achievement. He received honorary degrees from Oxford University and Harvard, and was awarded the Prix Moliere and the Pulitzer Prize.

The Weston Playhouse continues its American Masters series with Arthur Miller's work, the second production of a five-year series. This is partially funded by the National Endowment for the Arts, which provides an initiative dedicated to bringing classic works of American drama to Weston's stage.

Stay tuned for next year's All American performance.

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# Benefit fundraiser for Jennifer Martel Shepard —

LUDLOW, Vt. - Jennifer and her young family were devastated by her recent diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis, a disease that may affect her for the rest of her life. Jennifer has always given selflessly of herself to others in need and the needs of her community.

Ludlow has always been a supportive community by taking care of and helping others, and we are grateful for this opportunity to give back and help the Shepard family.

We will be having a cash raffle for great prizes donated by local busi-



Noah Shepard and wife Jennifer Martel Shepard with their sons Sawyer and youngest, Thatcher.

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nesses, a 50/50 raffle, and we will be selling burgers and hot dogs, as well. This will all be taking place at the Barker Farm, located at 303 Barker Rd., just off North Hill, Sept. 24 - 25. Monetary donations are greatly appreciated. Please make check out to Jennifer Martel Shepard and send to: Howard Paul, P.O. Box 75, Ludlow, Vermont, 05149.

Please come out and show your support for the Shepard family. We thank you and look forward to seeing you that weekend!

# LPCTV is Chamber of Commerce Member of Month

LUDLOW, Vt. - The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce (OVRCC) has recognized LPCTV as its "Chamber Member of the Month" for September. Marji Graf, CEO of OVRCC, presented LPCTV's Board of Directors with a plaque during the recent Chamber mixer held at the new location of Big Eyes Bakery in Ludlow. September marks the 15th anniversary of community television in the Okemo Valley.

On Thursday, September 29 from 5 - 7p.m., LPCTV will host an open house at its facility in the Ludlow Community Center complex, in celebration of the 15th anniversary. The event will include "50 small bites" from area restaurants, including Brook Farm Vineyards, Mojo Café, Sam's Steakhouse, Stemwinder, Table 19, The Combes Family Inn, & The Killarney. Live music and refreshments will also be provided (including apple cider from Charlie Brown of Rutland Farmers' Market). In addition, there will be a tour of the LPCTV facility and a live TV production in the new studio.



Chamber of Commerce CEO presents plaque to Patrick Cody, accompanied by the LPCTV Board of Directors.

PHOTO BY DONALD DILL

"It all started back in 2001, in the Ludlow Elementary School building, with a few camcorders and a handful of dedicated volunteers," says LPCTV's Executive Director, Patrick Cody. "Little by little, it's evolved into much more. With partnerships like the one we have with the Chamber and other community organizations,

we have ingrained ourselves into the community."

Community members are invited to come help celebrate at the September 29th Open House. Due to limited space, RSVPs are requested. For more information or to RSVP to the event, please call LPCTV at 228-8808 or email manager@LPCTV.org.

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# Cavendish Energy Fair coming up

CAVENDISH, Vt. - The Cavendish Town Energy Committee will hold an Energy Fair on Oct. 1, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cavendish Town Elementary School on Main Street, Rte. 131, in Cavendish. Get all of your questions answered on weatherization, solar energy, energy efficient homes, heat pumps, composting and other money saving ways to help the planet.

Many people don't realize that the biggest home money saving is not in new technologies to produce energy, but in simple weatherization such as stopping air leaks. By increasing insulation, adding weather stripping to doors and windows, sealing around

foundations and attics, and similar measures, you can save money and be much more comfortable in summer and in winter. Come to the energy fair and talk to the experts. You can learn about the latest energy saving technologies from professionals, and you can learn about the simple

ways to make living cheaper and more comfortable.

The fair is free and open to the public. Exhibitors from many companies and organizations will have representatives on hand. Whether you own or rent, there are many ways for you to save money.



Cavendish town solar array.

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# Ludlow Rotary Club begins calendar for 2017

LUDLOW, Vt. - While it still may be a number of months away, the members of the Ludlow Rotary Club are already working on their new calendar for 2017. The Rotary Club annually publishes a calendar that is distributed throughout the area.

Do you have a birthday, anniversary, or other special event that will take place in 2017? Is your organization or church planning a big event? If so, the Ludlow Rotary Club will add your special date or dates to the community-wide calendar.

Subscription forms where you can define each special event may be picked up in Ludlow at Peoples United Bank, the Ludlow Insurance Agency, Bensons Chevrolet, Heritage Family Credit Union, or from individual Rotarians.

There is a small fee for each listing. Deadline for submission is Oct. 15, 2016. The proceeds benefit various community projects, literacy programs, and scholarships awarded by the Rotary. The calendars are free and will be available at local businesses in mid-December of this year.



Barbara Lemire and Bret Harlow as they begin the 2017 calendar preparation.

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# Shop Local initiative

LUDLOW, Vt. - We've had a busy summer beginning with the 800+ Iron Adventure Run motorcyclists in our Region the last weekend of July, the VT Challenge (bicycles) and the Okemo Valley Antique & Classic Car Show in August.

We had ribbon cuttings for Skygate Financial Services who moved to Ludlow from Chester; and Big Eyes Bakery who moved into their new location behind Engel & Volk-ers. We presented LPCTV with the September Member of the Month.

The Vermont Rail System and Mr. Darcy's co-hosted a FREE chamber train ride for members and their families in September and we had our annual OVRCC Golf Tourna-

ment on September 21st and represented our Region at the Big E in Springfield, MA on September 22 & 23, 2016.

We introduced a new "Shop Local" Initiative to make e-commerce and associated services free for all chamber member businesses by partnering with the SharedMall platform. Bakeries, restaurants, farms, realtors and service providers across all business industries can each now utilize new e-commerce capabilities to enhance their online potential and, for the first time ever, can equally participate alongside retailers in an online shopping marketplace. This will launch in November 2016 along with our new website.

We want to hear from you!!! You are invited to a planning session to gather your input into the creation of a Regional Strategic Plan for the chamber and our Region. We are seeking all business owners' opinions related to challenges, opportunities and priorities of the region. The session will be hands on and interactive. The event will be held at Newsbank Conference Center in Chester on October 25 from 5:30-8p.m. FREE pizza at 5:30p.m. and the session will begin promptly at 6p.m.

Be sure to check out all of our regions events on [www.YourPlaceInVermont.com](http://www.YourPlaceInVermont.com)

# A community yoga center blossoms

LONDONDERRY, Vt. - No need to be able to touch your toes or stand on your head when you come to Mountain CommUnity Yoga (MCY) in Londonderry. Located at the Mountain Marketplace (right above People's United Bank), the yoga center opened its doors September 11th. An extensive schedule of classes is being offered everyday. No need to register for classes, just show up and bring your sense of humor and adventure.

According to Gail Mann, one of the founding teachers of this cooperative, community effort, "We hope everyone will try different classes, get to know the teachers and find the right class. We want our classes to be accessible and accommodate everyone's time-constrained schedules. Even more, we want the community to tell us what they want and find an oasis for relaxation and peacefulness."

Gail and her colleague, Paula Pelkey, were walking their dogs along the West River when they shared

their longing for a yoga community where they could connect with a community of practitioners and students. For Paula, "Yoga is that constant element in my life while everything else is changing. Through various stages of life from marriage, having children, divorce and being uprooted for a new job, yoga help me stay true to who I was while reinventing and re-establishing myself."

The conversation became the driving force behind MCY. There are currently three other yoga teachers and a Tai Chi teacher. Yogi Kate Logan grew up in Vt. Her close-knit family lives in the Bondville area (her parents own the Red Fox Inn) where she has established a strong following of students. The other yoga teachers are mother, Cindy Gogan and daughter, Kristin Beavor, recently from FL and now committed to their new life in Vt. In addition to teaching yoga, Cindy is a counselor working with children and Kristin is a teacher. They will be leading the yoga pro-

grams for kids, tweens/teens and tots. Djemila Cavanaugh, of the Long River Tai Chi Circle, and student of Wolfe Lowenthal, will teach Tai Chi.

Additional teachers will join the teaching, each bringing their exceptional yoga teaching and long-term commitment to the mountain town community.

At MCY, you'll find classes that cross the spectrum of what is referred to as "yoga," including yoga for beginners and men. In early October, Yoga for Kids, Yoga for Tweens/Teens and Tai Chi will take place weekly. Later this fall, MCY is planning to add Moms/Caregivers & Tots, Candlelight Yoga and Yoga Dance classes.

More information and the class schedule can be found at [mountaincommunityyoga.com](http://mountaincommunityyoga.com) or at facebook.com/mountaincommunityyoga. If you would like to learn more about the Tai Chi program, email [djem.translator@gmail.com](mailto:djem.translator@gmail.com) (or phone 802-490-0225).

# Candidates for Governor Forum

HARTLAND, Vt. - Youth are the future of Vermont. On Sunday, Sept. 25 the nominees for governor of Vermont will be at Damon Hall in Hartland for a forum on youth issues, moderated by Anne Galloway of the VTDigger.

Candidates expected are Phil Scott, Republican nominee and Sue Minter, Democratic nominee. The forum is hosted by Windsor County Partners, a non-profit organization that has been building healthy Vermont communities through youth mentoring for 42 years.

The focus of the forum will be issues related to school-aged Vermont youth and their families. Youth issues to be addressed include: youth activities; risky behaviors; school attendance and education; volunteerism and youth leadership; and work-readiness and civic engagement as adults. Youth are welcome to attend and be a part of our state's political process. Attendees will have the opportunity to submit questions to the candidates.

Citizen engagement in support of our youth is critical to their future success as adults. Research has found that youth who drop out of school are twice as likely to report that they felt that they had no one that they could reach out to for help. The same research found that nearly all drop-

outs who later re-entered school reported "someone encouraged me to return (GradNation.org)."

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# \$1,000 Make Real Change Sweepstakes winner

CHESTER, Vt. - Dennis Foulks is the winner of the July 2016 \$1,000 Make Real Change Sweepstakes. Dennis is the first winner of this 6-month sweepstakes sponsored by Westaff's parent company, the Mount Family Group, Ltd. (based in Williston, Vt.). This sweepstakes is giving away \$1,000 a month to the winning Westaff or Remedy associate drawn from a pool of eligible associates working for the Mount Family Group's Westaff and Remedy offices in Vt., NH, NY, MA and RI from July through December of 2016.

In December of 2015 Dennis went to the Westaff office in Claremont, N.H. after he was laid off due to a seasonal slowdown in the furniture business. He was hired and placed on assignment the following day at Drew's in Chester, Vt. When asked about his expe-

rience finding a job with Westaff, he said he spent weeks prior applying for jobs around the area with no luck and wished he had not wasted his time and started at Westaff on day one of his job search. His experience was great.

Dennis works Monday through Saturday and performs a number of functions at Drew's including clean up, sorting, production, fill-in batcher, and sanitation. Drew's was so impressed with Dennis' work ethic and

value that they hired him on as a full-time employee in August of this year.

When we met with Dennis to take some photos with the prize check we asked what he is going to do with his \$1,000. Dennis said that he is a single father of a 13-year-old son and already spent the money paying off bills. He is extremely grateful that he won this sweepstakes. Congratulations Dennis!

We are currently hiring. If you are looking for a new position or know someone that is, apply or contact us at Westaff or Remedy to chat about open opportunities! Who knows, you could be our next Make Real Change winner!

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Congratulations Dennis Foulks on the July Make Real Change Sweepstakes! PHOTO PROVIDED

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# 58th annual Antiques Show is coming to Weston

WESTON, Vt. - The 58th annual Weston Antiques Show, dubbed by the New York Times as "one of the best small shows in New England," will take place on Friday, Sept. 30 and Saturday, Oct. 1, with Vermont's spectacular fall foliage on display. The Show will be preceded by a Gala Preview, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 29 offering an advance opportunity to examine, and snap up, the cream of the crop and to enjoy a social evening with hors d'oeuvres and cocktails. The Show takes place in the Weston Playhouse, adjacent to Rte. 100 in the center of Weston Village.

The show will introduce three new dealers: Black Feathers Antiques (Colebrook, N.H.), Stiles House Antiques (Woodbury, Conn.) and Gary Bardsley Antiques (Sudbury, Mass.). They join 28 returning dealers including: perennial favorites Fiske & Freeman (17th & 18th century English furniture); Harry Hepburn (Hermitage Antiques) with antique clocks; the Red Horse Antiques with garden sculpture; and Henry Callan with an array of samplers and export porcelain. Bob and Sue Kozub (dba Ester Gilbert) and Charles and Barbara Adams are celebrating their 41st and 38th years with the show,

respectively. There are dealers to suit every taste and at a broad range of price points. The show is intended to appeal to all, from the casual browser to the serious collector. Exhibitors are coming from as near as Bridgewater, Vermont, and Walpole, New Hampshire, and as far as Illinois, Kentucky and Virginia. The Weston Antiques Show is entirely managed and staffed by volunteers, and all proceeds from the show go the preservation and enhancement of the Weston Playhouse, home to the outstanding performances of the Weston Theatre Company during the summer and the venue for myriad other cultural and social events during the balance of the year.

The Weston Antiques Show is a production of the Weston Community Association, which owns and maintains the Playhouse, the three Museums of Weston and Cold Spring Brook Park. There is a fee for admission to the show and to the Gala Preview. In 2016, all admissions to the Show will entitle patrons to be entered into a drawing for a framed photographic print of a Weston scene, which will be on display, by resident professional photographer Nobushi Fujii and will be offered a complimentary trial subscription to the Maine Antiques Digest.



The perennial line awaits the Friday opening of the Weston Antiques Show, as the leaves start to turn. PHOTO PROVIDED

# Springfield Art & Historical Society says thank you!

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Springfield Art & Historical Society would like to say thank you to the community for the overwhelming support of our yard sale Saturday, September 17. Basically all of the items in this year's sale were donations, and we raised over \$800 for the Society! This was even better than last year's sale. We were also pleased to have

the opportunity to give first time visitors a tour of our new space and we received the same comment, "I did not realize how much room you have here—this is very nice." We also received a few more donations to the historical collection: a Bryant lab coat, Fellows service pins, and an Avon Theater, WWII Saving Bond Booklet.

Thank you again, and keep us in mind for next year's sale. Our Open House/Annual Meeting is October 15, 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. It is free and open to the public and we have a wonderful program scheduled for 2 p.m. Also the 2017 Historic Calendars will be available for purchase at that time.

# Project implementation to begin at Deerfield wind site

RUTLAND, Vt. - Implementation of the Deerfield Wind Farm in the Vermont towns of Searsburg and Readsboro is set to begin. On Sept. 8, 2016 the Forest Service issued a Closure Order for a designated portion of the Green Mountain National Forest where road construction will take place and wind turbines will be constructed. The Closure Order has been put in place to ensure the protection of property and the health and safety of the general public. The area will remain open to any Federal, State, or local officer, or

member of any organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty. The Forest Service will administer project implementation on the ground with a lead permit administrator who will have the support of a team of resource specialists. Implementation of the Deerfield Wind Project will include standard and adaptive management practices. Standard management practices include the utilization of project design criteria, best management practices, and mitigation measures to minimize environmental impacts. Adaptive

management practices incorporate monitoring the effectiveness of certain project components, analyzing the monitoring data, and determining if changes in project operation or maintenance need to be made in order to further minimize or mitigate project impacts. Specific project components where adaptive management practices will be incorporated include the monitoring of impacts to black bear, birds and bats. Adaptive management practices will also be used to control the spread and introduction of non-native invasive species.

# VABVI to host a Bowling Under Blindfold fundraiser on October 15

BRATTLEBORO, Vt. - Imagine losing your vision suddenly, or slowly. What would you do? Fortunately, for those living in Vermont, there is the Vermont Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired to provide services helping children get a good start in life and the support they need to be successful in school and helping adults maintain as much independence as possible.

This year, VABVI turned 90 and to celebrate they have devised a fun and challenging way to connect more deeply with visual impairments. On Saturday, October 15 from 12 p.m.- 3 p.m., which also happens to be White Cane Awareness Day, 20 teams will bowl under blindfold to compete for prizes and raise funds to support the

continued work of VABVI. The team captain provides guidance and support to three bowlers under blindfold, who will try for the top score. Prizes will be awarded for the

top three highest individual and team scores. There will also be door prizes, a silent raffle, and a 50/50 raffle on the day of the event. The event takes place at Brattleboro Bowl on Putney Road in Brattleboro. Teams will raise a minimum of \$200 to participate and businesses can help underwrite the event by sponsoring a lane (\$200) or offering prizes or raffle items. This is the first time a bowling event like this has taken place in Vermont and we're proud to host it in Brattleboro!



Bowl blindfolded with VABVI on October 15. PHOTO PROVIDED

For more information, contact Andrea Capron by phone 802-254-8761, or email [acapron@vabvi.org](mailto:acapron@vabvi.org). All proceeds will go to help VABVI continue to provide educational support and rehabilitation services to visually impaired Vermonters of all ages achieve and maintain independence.

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# Dorset Theatre Festival performances from winners of the Jean E. Miller Playwrite Competition

DORSET, Vt. - A celebration of the talent of our youngest theatre-makers! Dorset Theatre Festival continues its commitment to community, education, and developing new talent and plays with performances from the winners of the Jean E. Miller Young Playwrights Competition on Wednesday, September 28, 6:30 p.m., at the Manchester Community Library, Hunter Room. Winning Young Playwrights in Middle School and High School categories will receive their awards followed by Concert Readings of the winning plays in the Middle School and High School categories will be performed by Bennington College Theatre Students. Sign up for the 2017 competition will be possible at this event. Cookies and refreshments to follow.

The winners of this year's competi-

tion are: Middle School - In Between by Gigi Delosantos (Dorset School) and Daniel and the Great Chocolate Scandal by Luke Lehmann and Noah Price (Maple Street School); High School - An Office with a View by Jenna Staab, A Change in Command by Logan Younce, and The Contest by Rowie Budde (all Arlington High School). Commenting on the judging process, Dorset Theatre Festival's Artistic Director Dina Janis said, "We had a National Panel of professional playwrights who read all of the submissions blind and then voted for their first and second choice winners in both categories. They were impressed by all of the submissions and found it very hard to choose these winners! All of the many students who participated, as well as their teachers who encouraged them- should be applauded!"

Following a series of playwriting workshops that took place in our partner schools across the academic year, taught by Dina Janis, students were invited to submit a short play for adjudication by a panel of nationally recognized professional playwrights. Those interested in submitting for competition were invited to be mentored over the spring by advanced playwriting students from Bennington College as part of the college curriculum Playwriting Mentoring tutorial taught by Sherry Kramer and Dina Janis. Middle and high school students from Hiland Hall, Dorset School, Mettawee School, Floodbrook School, Arlington Memorial High School, Maple Street School, Burr and Burton Academy, The Mountain School, Poultney High School, Mt. Anthony Union Middle School, Manchester Elementary

School, and Long Trail School participated. This year's panel of judges was playwrights Caitlin Turnage, Troy Loftin, Gary Garrison, Chris Newbound, Jeremy Geregotelis, Eric Marlin, Tenara Calem, Sherry Kramer, and Marisa Smith. The program is made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Harold and Mimi Steinberg Trust, and the Shubert Foundation.

The Dorset Theatre Festival creates bold and innovative theatre that engages a diverse, multi-generational community, enlightening, entertaining, and inspiring its audience through the celebration of great plays produced with the highest degree of artistry. For more information on this program as well as the Festival in general, please go to [dorsetheatrefestival.org](http://dorsetheatrefestival.org) or call (802) 867-2223.

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# LOCAL HISTORY

**BY RON PATCH**

Ron Patch is a Chester native, Chester Historical Society president, Historian at Olive Branch Lodge #64 and a lifelong antiques dealer. He can be reached at 802-374-0119 or email knotz69@gmail.com

## Enjoying fall foliage

I think most of us have noticed the leaves are beginning to change color. The soft maples are the earliest to change from green to red. Fall has always been my favorite time of year.

Thousands of people visit Vermont to photograph the changing seasons. Fall is a season everyone enjoys for different reasons.

For me, fall is a time to be in the woods away from other people. Small game season starts in September. Small game is gray squirrels, rabbits and partridge.

When school was out I would rush home, change my clothes and go squirrel hunting. When I was growing up we always had beagles for rabbit dogs. We owned several prize beagles. Weekends my father and I would go rabbit hunting, usually in Mount Holly or Shrewsbury.

Shooting a running rabbit or a partridge on the wing requires practice and good hand and eye coordination. My father was a much better wing shooter than I was but I got my share.

Deer season was a few weeks away so the time we spent in the woods hunting small game was also a time to learn where the deer were and what they were feeding on. Sometimes sitting quietly in the woods waiting for a squirrel, a deer would come along feeding on acorns. One time I saw a huge buck about 50 yards away. He never knew I was there. He was an eight-pointer and about 200 pounds.

When you're in the woods and the leaves are falling off the trees there is an incredible scent that fills the air. Sometimes you can smell smoke from a woodstove far off in the distance. All of these experiences sharpen your senses.

Another thing I like to do during foliage is ride old back roads. Danny Clemons and I spend many hours riding around. We look for an old road with stonewalls on both sides. We drive very slow, reminiscing about days gone by, people we used to know or previous hunts. Some of these old roads are lined with ancient maple trees. When most of the leaves have fallen onto the road, the automobile traffic has lightly dusted the leaves off to the side leaving a narrow lane. The photo with this article perfectly illustrates this. I took this photo last fall on the Burgess Cemetery Road in Grafton.

We see deer, foxes, partridge, turkeys and other animals. If you see an old apple tree and look close you might see a partridge. Partridge love apples. Partridge also like to sit on stonewalls. As my father taught me, "they stand out like a sore thumb." They won't fly unless you turn your motor off. Some of the views we see are breathtaking.

If you pay attention you might find a cellar hole where someone lived over 200 years ago. It's fun to explore these old cellar holes and try to imagine what it must have been like living there so long ago. I still have the imagination I had as a young boy.

Beaver ponds are another place we like to visit. If the water is calm, the reflection of the foliage and bright blue sky creates a mirror image. You



Various views of the Smokeshire Cemetery. PHOTOS BY RON PATCH



Grafton Cemetery Road. PHOTO BY RON PATCH



The 3 sisters in the Smokeshire Cemetery. PHOTO BY RON PATCH

might see a beaver, geese or a moose. All animals are busy preparing for winter. In dry leaves, something as small as a stonewall panther (chipmunk) can sound like an elephant in a potato chip bag.

Another thing we look for are old cemeteries. Occasionally you'll find a small cemetery in the middle of nowhere. Stop the car and wander through these archaeological sites. Most of the names will be early

English settlers. Some of these early gravestone carvers really created works of art. Have you ever been to the cemetery in Smokeshire? I have family buried there.

Fall is a short season but it has a lot to offer. I spend a lot of time in Mount Holly and Shrewsbury. I always stop at the Crowley Cheese Factory in Healdville to buy cheese. It's something my father and I always did, as did my father and his grand-

father Frank. I believe the Crowley Cheese Factory is the oldest cheese factory in the country.

Take a drive on the back roads of Shrewsbury, Mount Holly or Belmont. Don't be afraid of getting lost, you won't. You'll come out somewhere. It's the best way to see Vermont.

This week's old saying is from my mother. "If cheese doesn't smell like your feet, it ain't no good."



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During World War II, posters hung up everywhere exhorted Americans to buy war bonds.

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But many people don't know that the State of Vermont sells tax-exempt bonds today.

These are special citizen bonds, available only to Vermont residents, in denominations as low as \$1,000, issued by the State Treasurer's Office. Residents of the Green Mountain State can call 802-828-3420 to find out more about these citizen bonds.

Vermont also has bonds that aren't sold directly to residents, but through brokers.

The state issues general obligation bonds through competitive sales or negotiated offerings.

In a competitive sale, the Vermont State Treasurer's Office accepts bids from municipal underwriting firms to buy its bonds. The underwriting firms, following the purchase, sell the bonds to individual and institutional investors.

In a negotiated offering, the Treasurer's Office negotiates terms with an underwriter as part of a competitive request for proposals process, and the bonds are sold to the underwriter.

Either way, they are tax-free and the only catch is that you need to find a broker to sell them to you. Denominations start at \$5,000, so this is not for the faint-hearted. To find a broker, visit the web site for the Securities Division of the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation, or call 802-828-3420.

The state also sells Green Bonds used to fund drinking water and water pollution control projects for the Agency of Natural Resources.

Tax-exempt bonds are not without risks to the investor. Those include low interest rates, market fluctuations and other risks that may include loss of the entire amount invested.

In the 2015 state bond sales, yields ranged from 0.19 percent for bonds maturing in one year to 3.25 percent for bonds maturing in 20 years.

The state tells investors to consult with their financial or tax advisers before purchasing Vermont tax-exempt bonds.

Buying Vermont bonds helps the state finance its projects, like road repair or bridge construction, or environmental efforts like public drinking water systems or wastewater management.

Anyone looking for a tax-free investment might call their financial consultants about Vermont bonds.

~BM~

#### Amber Waves



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Dear Editor,

This is just an open comment to the Town of Rockingham. Recently the Town of Rockingham Select board made a decision to allow a group to use the movie theater at the Bellows Falls Opera House for some live performances. This decision has caused the cancellation of 5 Wednesday Night Classics movies from January through March (due to the rehearsal time that the group will need, not the actual shows). This will also eliminate a Friday and Saturday each week for two consecutive weeks in March due to the actual events.

Beyond how this decision was made and the main parties pushing this decision through, I would just like to say how valuable the movie theater is to this community. Having managed the movie theater for over twenty years I think I have a good first hand knowl-

Dear Editor,

McCormack claims that Democrats have "much to be proud of: protecting the environment, defending the rights of working people and fighting for social justice." Anyone following the voting records, actions and inactions of these three candidates will find Mr. McCormack's statements to be untruthful.

In regards to the environment, senator McCormack was a two session member of the Vt. Senate committee for natural resources and energy.

This five-member committee is charged with the conservation of Vermont's natural resources, "including water quality." Yet for all the 24 years that senator McCormack has served in the halls of the statehouse

Dear Editor,

We need to fix Act 46, the school consolidation law that is tearing at the local fabric of communities. When elected, I will focus on making the law more flexible to fit with what our community's wants and needs, school choice and local governance of our schools.

I have attended Act 46 hearings of the Windsor Southeast Supervisory Union and see that the state mandate for consolidation into larger districts goes against what I am hearing while I go door to door: school choice and local control.

Many children attend the same school as their parents and grand-

Dear Editor,

Gun Sense VT is not a grassroots organization as admitted in February 2015 by the "Bloomberg View" news website and again in a Senate Judiciary Committee meeting by your paid Necrason lobbyist (who was fired shortly after). Just because you keep saying "grassroots" doesn't make it true.

Mr. Moschetti seems to think that Mr. Deen and Mr. Mrowicki's service of excessive taxes, regulations and Government control is exemplary? He cites Mr. Deen's work to protect waterways, but fails to mention that the giant wind projects that Mr. Deen supports are defiling our state's scenic beauty and recently have been

Dear Editor,

Sue Minter recently said that she will "support Vermont families and businesses" as Governor. However, her record suggests otherwise.

In 2009, Minter voted for the disastrous budget bill. In the middle of the Great Recession, the bill raised income taxes on Vermonters by \$26 million, used one-time funds to plug recurring budget holes (which was projected to leave a \$208 million shortfall), and cut spending for crucial economic development programs like workforce development, which left 2,200 Vermonters without training opportunities.

She co-sponsored legislation to impose an additional 4% gas tax on Ver-

Dear Editor,

I am very pleased to hear that Annmarie Christensen is running for election. Over the years Annmarie has served her community well and has earned my respect and support. She supports issues that are important to my community, such as fixing Act 46 by making it more flexible for all towns. More importantly Annmarie listens as she asks the right people the right questions. Having worked for many years as a reporter and editor for many of Vermont's newspapers, her

edge of how popular the movie theater at Bellows Falls Opera House has been.

When we played the movie Titanic we had 2,500 people in attendance for just the first week of that movie run. We ended up having an attendance of 4,000 people for its 3 week run. I know just last winter the movie theatre actually surpassed that 2,500 attendance for just the first week of the new Star Wars movie. Every year the movie theatre runs the theatrical movies that numerous times have attendance that range anywhere from 1,000 to 1,500 people if not more.

Average daily attendance for the movie theatre whenever it is running movies has easily reached 125 to 150 people for every day it runs a movie. Those are impressive numbers to consistently achieve in a small communi-

ty. The movie theatre is and has been extremely popular with not only individuals and couples, but especially with families and kids who enjoy the movies we can get for them.

There are other places in Rockingham to hold live events. The only place in the Town of Rockingham to hold high quality theatrical movies at the extremely low prices that they are offered is the movie theatre at the Bellows Falls Opera House. There is nowhere else in the town that this can be done and there probably is not likely to be. After the movie theater's restoration, provisions were made to be able to hold live events at the movie theatre that would not adversely affect the movie business. I am concerned that the

select boards recent decision may not be taking that into account.

While I was managing the movie theatre I always felt very protective of it. It is something unique and special to our town. I would hope that the present Town Select board would feel as protective towards the movie theater as well. I am concerned over a decision that for one group cancels 9 operating days for the movie theater. I am concerned as to whether this will lead to more such decisions in the future, which might drastically impair the movie business.

If you are someone in the Town of Rockingham that has loved the movie theater and supported it over the years, then you might want to express your concerns to the present Select board as well.

Edward Howard  
Bellows Falls, Vt.

He has been ineffective in preventing the city of Montpelier (and other cities) from dumping raw sewage into the Winooski River and Lake Champlain. The city of Montpelier has been dumping raw sewage into the river at least as far back as the 1990's without informing the public.

The Winooski River flows through 15 communities into Lake Champlain, which is largely unsuitable for swimming due to large algal blooms along with feces, pathogens, parasitic worms and viruses. Clean water is essential to human health. Alice Nitka has been up at the Vermont statehouse for 18 years. Hasn't she and McCormack had enough time to prioritize the spending of our tax dollars to make sure Ver-

parents, and taking away local control in how their school operates goes against the grain of their thinking. People have made life decisions about where to live based on school choice. The schools anchor communities in important ways that extend beyond the classroom.

I have always been a fiscal conservative and see my tax bill rise year after year knowing that the bulk of what I am paying goes to education. I realize that enrollments are shrinking and the population is greying. And admit that rising school budgets must be kept in check. I also realize there is a diaspora of our children, who now

leave the state to find jobs and affordable housing elsewhere because they cannot afford to live in Vermont.

I don't believe Act 46 would check costs. The law is written to address shrinking enrollments and control costs but it does not do this. In fact, the way the law is written, the state would take away small school grants and penalize schools that do not consolidate based on the approval of the State Board of Education.

Act 46, the complicated education reform law, aims to spur consolidations and provide tax relief. But state officials have taken unilateral action without consulting local commu-

ties. The law is troublesome and unworkable as defined. It will be difficult for local districts to hold on to the local school district and school choice as the state pushes for mergers of boards and budgets.

Act 46 gives the state considerable control over the local schools. But it is the teachers, parents and the community who should have the controlling hand over how their children learn and how they will fund their budgets.

Hank and Wanda Mauti  
Andover, Vermont

Annmarie Christensen  
Democratic Candidate for House,  
Weathersfield and Cavendish

reported to be fowling the waterways surrounding the Lowell Mountain project. He also cites Mr. Mrowicki's work for children and families in Vermont while failing to point out that Mr. Mrowicki and Mr. Deen have both worked for and supported raising taxes, increasing the state budget beyond expected revenue, taking away local control of schools, creating more regulation and cost for small businesses, forcing non-union members to pay union fees and continuing a healthcare system that has cost the tax-payers \$200 million and doesn't work. This is NOT good for Vermont families and children.

Eddie Cutler is indeed the President of GoVT, and I am a member and the proud wife of the GoVT Vice President, Bob DePino. Both of them work tirelessly to preserve the rights acknowledged in Article 16th of the Vermont Constitution.

We aren't one-issue candidates as Mr. Moschetti alludes to in his letter, as he would have found out on our Facebook campaign pages.

We ARE concerned enough about the outright assault on the rights of Vermonters by our legislators to actually step into the ring and run for office.

Eddie and I will defend Vermonters from out-of-state political interests and money on ALL issues, not just

firearms. Eddie and I are well educated on the issues and welcome the opinions of the people of this district.

So, Mr. Moschetti is correct, you can vote for Mr. Deen and Mr. Mrowicki and be ensured more taxes, regulations and government control, or you can Vote for Eddie Cutler and I and be sure that we will fight to protect your rights, jobs, property, waterways, ridgelines and schools, without taxing and regulating every aspect of your life.

Bonnie DePino  
Candidate for House of  
Representatives,

Scott introduced legislation to streamline business permitting routes and appeals to improve the economic climate. Scott was a co-sponsor of bipartisan legislation to promote economic development in downtown areas by expanding economic incentives and benefits to town centers. Both of these pieces of legislation were incorporated into law.

Scott also co-sponsored legislation to expand financing to small businesses, enact tax credits for investments in Vermont businesses, create a partnership to invest funds in commercial and agricultural enterprises that

enhance economic development, and create a sales tax holiday for certain types of purchases. He voted for similar legislation, which also included a R&D Tax Credit and a Sustainable Technology Export Tax Credit, which passed as part of Act 67. Phil Scott was focused on getting things done to make Vermont more affordable.

So when you enter the voting booth on November 8th, ask yourself: will you vote for the Minter record or the Scott record?

Edward Dublois,  
Manchester Center

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Judith L. Goyette, 1960 - 2016

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. - Judith L. Goyette, 55, of Westminster St. died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2016. Judith was born in Salem, Massachusetts on Nov. 16, 1960, the daughter of Leonard and Genie (Jackson) Hughes. She attended schools in Salem, worked as an EMT for LeFevre Ambulance, and worked in the dining hall at Vermont Academy. She loved her children and worked very hard for them. She enjoyed visiting Salem Willows. On Aug. 5, 1984 she married Kenneth Goyette who survives. Also surviving is her mother Genie Hughes of Salem, Massachusetts; her sons Mathew Goyette of Chester, Vermont and Chad Goyette of Salem, Massachusetts; her daughters Melissa Goyette of Athens, Vermont and Amanda Goyette of Springfield, Vermont; her step son James Goyette of Brattleboro,

Vermont; her brothers Michael A. Hughes of Florida, Michael G. Hughes of Salem, Massachusetts, Leonard Hughes of Raymond, New Hampshire, Thomas Hughes of East Lynn, Massachusetts, Jamie Hughes of Salem, Massachusetts, and Justin Hughes of Springfield, Vermont; her sisters Heather Hughes of Springfield, Vermont, Lori Santos of Beverly, Massachusetts, Lynn Cunningham of Bellows Falls, Vermont, Jody McCauley of Salem, Massachusetts Jackie Decosta of Salem, Massachusetts and Tina Burbine of Salem, Massachusetts; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandchildren. There will be a memorial service at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24 at Fenton and Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vermont.

Lynda Lee (Tucker), 1939 - 2016

RUTLAND, Vt. - Lynda Lee McNamara of Lyndon Terrace passed away unexpectedly, surrounded by her family on Friday, Aug. 26, 2016 at Rutland Regional Medical Center. Sincerest thanks to all of the doctors, nurses and staff. Born in Ludlow, Vermont, she was the daughter of the late Roger L. and Laurel L. Tucker. She is survived by her dear friend and roommate, James Eaton of Rutland and her beloved daughters - adopted through Holt International, Laurel L. Jung and her husband Samuel of Buffalo Grove, Illinois and Theri L. Davis and her husband Christopher L. of South Burlington, Vermont, as well as her siblings: Robert Tucker and his wife Linda of Ludlow, Vermont, Leslie (Tad) Tucker and his wife, Andrea of Rutland, Paul Tucker and his wife Carolyn of Ludlow, Vermont, Lydia Ouvaroff and Matthew Timko of Ludlow, Vermont and Glen Tucker and his wife Sharon of Springfield,

Vermont. In addition, she leaves her grandchildren: Thomas L. Jung and his wife Ellyn of Chicago, Illinois, Michael A. Jung of Chicago, Illinois, Samuel (Aaron) Jung of Los Angeles, California, Finn C. Davis and his wife Lindsay of Charlestown, Massachusetts and Ian D. Davis of Burlington, Vermont, as well as many treasured nieces, nephews and friends. Lynda graduated from Black River High School in 1958. She had a passion for drawing, reading and animals - especially, horses, cats, wolves and crows. She also enjoyed nature and could often be found taking walks in the woods with her friend Ellie Bostock. In earlier years, she was a runner, volleyball player and mountain bike enthusiast. More recently, she enjoyed going to Curves and to Movers and Shakers. Lynda was a daughter, sister, mother and partner who gave freely of her time and of herself to anyone

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Albert "Albie" Lober, 1948 - 2016

WESTMINSTER, Vt. - Albert "Albie" Lober, 68, of Kurn Hattin Road died Sunday, September 18, 2016. Albie was born in Bellows Falls, Vt. on January 5, 1948, the son of Allen and Alice (Rousell) Lober. He was a 1966 graduate of Bellows Falls High School and worked for Farris Garage, Gleason's, Holmes Transportation, L&L Auto, and retired from ABF in 2009. Following retirement he drove truck for Bucky Adams and Mr. G's. Albie loved spending time with his grandchildren and enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating on the Connecticut River, and spending time at the Kurkul Farm.

Surviving is his wife of 50 years, Susan (Lynch) Lober; his sons James of Westminster & daughter in law Laura of Andover and Thomas & wife Stacey of Sharon, Vt.; his brothers John & wife Sandi of Bomoosen, Vt. and Robert & wife Susan of Westminster; and his five grand-

children Jacob, Emma, and Jed of Westminster and Olivia and Alexander of Sharon. He is predeceased by his parents and his sister Mary Lober. There will be a memorial service at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, October 2nd at

Fenton & Hennessey Funeral Home in Bellows Falls, Vt. followed by a reception at the Westminster Firehouse. There are no calling hours.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to the Westminster Fire Department.

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Susan E. Whitcomb, 1944 - 2016

GRAFTON, Vt. - Susan E. Whitcomb, 72, died Wednesday, Sept. 14, 2016. Susan was born in Springfield, Vermont on July 17, 1944, the daughter of August and Deborah Gaspardino. Surviving are her daughter Lynn, husband Brian, and their three children; her daughter Erin, husband Richard, and their two children; her brother Alan; and her sisters Terri and Nancy. She is predeceased by her parents and her husband Kenneth Whitcomb.

A funeral mass will be celebrated 11 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 16 at the St. Charles Church in Bellows Falls, Vermont with burial to follow in the St. Peter's Cemetery in Walpole, New Hampshire. There are no calling hours. Arrangements are in the care of Fenton and Hennessey Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to the Bellows Falls Senior Center.

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# arts & entertainment

## Third annual Black River Folk and Blues Fest brings top musical groups to Ludlow

LUDLOW, Vt. — On Saturday, Oct. 8, at 7 p.m., the 3rd Annual Black River Folk and Blues Fest will bring a variety of folk-and-blues-based musical acts and talented musicians to the stage at the Ludlow Town Hall auditorium.

Hosted by the local, non-profit community group, Friends of Ludlow Auditorium, the music fest has lined up three top-notch, New England-based musical groups for this event. Held in the beautifully restored auditorium of the Ludlow Town Hall, the event has grown in sophistication and popularity since it was launched three years ago.

Bruce Farr, Program Director for FOLA, said the lineup for this year's music fest is superb. "We're bringing three excellent musical acts to our stage this year—all of them from New England," he noted. "For this event, we really seek out the finest our region has to offer musically, and this year will be no exception; I'm very excited about it!"

Tickets for the Oct. 8 event are available online at [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us) and in Ludlow at People's United Bank, the Book Nook, and the Wine and Cheese Depot.

The three performing groups at this

year's event are The Meadows Brothers, The Lonesome Brothers, and The Becca Byram Band (with Tim Griffin and Michael Oakland).

Back by popular demand, "The Meadows Brothers," who hail from Chester, Connecticut, will make their second appearance at this year's Black River Folk and Blues Fest. This American roots music duo is gaining an increasingly wide audience for their highly expressive and energized performances, punctuated by melodious harmonies and first-rate instrumentation.

Ian and Dustin Meadows infuse each carefully crafted song with an "old soul" sensibility and a youthful, contemporary spirit. With performances that one reviewer said "will melt your heart into mush and guitar runs that will set your hair on fire," the Meadows Brothers offer their own distinctive brand of roots music drawn from a wide array of influences from throughout the American roots legacy.

The Boston Globe recently said: "Singing guitarists Dustin and Ian Meadows prove that roots music is an unending resource, turning early influences gleaned from The Band and Gillian Welch into an engagingly



The Meadows Brothers, who will be performing at the Black River Folk and Blues Fest on Saturday, Oct. 8.

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twangy sibling sound all their own."

The western Massachusetts-based trio "The Lonesome Brothers" combines the best elements of American music with the raw honesty of their natural lyrics. There's real poetry in

the writing and performing of Ray Mason and Jim Armenti; their on-stage presence evokes the best of Hank Williams or Chuck Berry.

With equal parts country swagger, wistful folk and breezy rock, The

Lonesome Brothers' confluence of varied musical genres is the key to the band's longtime success. As one reviewer said of them: "True grit and gristle from the factory floor of roots music... a jukebox of songs you never heard—and will never forget."

The unique alliance of three premier musical artists is what gives the Becca Byram Band its definitive sound and achingly beautiful musical stylings. These three stellar musicians have agreed to band together for this year's Black River Folk and Blues Fest in a collaboration that is bound to delight the audience.

Becca Byram herself is one of New England's hidden treasures: a singer-songwriter best known for penning songs recorded by the likes of Jennifer Lopez ("Only When I Dance"), Dead Presidents ("Round and Round"), and No Mercy ("This is My Promise to You"), Becca's intricate vocal gifts reflect her formative experiences singing with jazz quartets and British soul bands in London. The former assistant music director for the legendary TV show "Saturday Night Live,"

Becca's expressive, soulful singing evokes Rickie Lee Jones.

New England musician and drummer Tim Griffin earned his drumming chops performing with such legendary acts as the Shirelles, The Temptations, Chuck Berry, Tom Rush, Joe Walsh (and the early James Gang), Stevie Wonder, and Bonnie Raitt. One of the founding members of the fabled 1960s-era band "Clean Living," Tim recorded two powerhouse albums with that band on the iconic Vanguard label. To date, Tim has recorded nearly 40 albums that have been distributed internationally.

With decades of honed skill, the ethereal guitarist Michael Oakland harnesses the latest in music technology—but in an organic fashion—which enables him to play in the moment and flow with the demands of it. Hence, spontaneity and the true creative expression of the muse comes through in every performance. Michael's ethereal guitar playing pierces to the very soul of his listeners, weaving a trance-like spell throughout his performances.

## A Civil War Songbook OLLI program

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. — Linda Radtke will present the next Osher Lifelong Learning Institute program on Tuesday, Sept. 27. "Springfield Gears Up: A Civil War Songbook" will be presented at 2 p.m. at the Nolin Murray Center next to St. Mary's Catholic Church on Pleasant St.

Radtke, dressed in period costume, will share songs popular in Vermont during the Civil War. A mezzo-soprano, Radtke will be accompanied by Arthur Zorn on the keyboard. The songs themselves, and her explanations between songs, give the audience an appreciation of the history of that era.

From sentimental songs about the girl back home such as "The Maid of Lamoyille," to satirical ballads like "Grafted into the Army" and "Yankee Robinson at Bull Run," Radtke will trace the evolution of tone in Vermont popular song, from patriotic to elegiac as the war continued.

Decoration Day songs also changed in mood as the anger toward the

Confederacy abated such as seen in "The Blue and the Gray." Radtke will present popular songs that reflect the social concerns of Vermonters during the period: temperance and child welfare as seen in "The Rag Picker's Child."

The Vermont Civil War Songbook features the sheet music collection at the Vermont History Center, including the folksong collection of Helen Hartness Flanders of Springfield. Seeking to make a local connection, Radtke will read letters from citizens from the Springfield area and dedicate the songs to those local men who served.

OLLI, affiliated with the University of Vermont, is a local membership program geared towards seniors aged 50 years and older who want to engage in meaningful learning, "just for the fun of it!"

The OLLI series programs are selected with input from the local members and carry varied themes from semester to semester including history,

art, music, literature, health, nature, science and current events.

Programs are held at 2 p.m. on Tuesday afternoons and last about an hour and a half.

There is a fee for membership, which includes nine programs. Non-members are encouraged and welcome to attend individual lectures for a single program fee. Memberships, as well as single program fees, may be paid at the program.

The following OLLI program will be two weeks later, on Oct. 11: "The Beaver: Nature's Super Engineer." Kurt Valenta will discuss the unique adaptations of the beaver and its impact on the ecosystem as well as the influence it had on the exploration and settling of North America. This program is co-sponsored by the Ascutney Mountain Audubon Society.

Brochures have been distributed throughout the area towns at businesses, the local libraries, town halls and Chamber of Commerce offices. The complete Springfield and state-



Linda Radtke and Arthur Zorn will be presenting "A Civil War Songbook" at OLLI on Tuesday, Sept. 27.

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wide program list is available on the internet at [www.learn.uvm.edu/olli](http://www.learn.uvm.edu/olli). Choose state-wide programs from the menu, and then scroll to Springfield.

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## Gypsy Reel looking forward to an exciting weekend

REGION — "Gypsy Reel," a band rooted in the Celtic tradition with influences from around the world, has a varied, but very fun, weekend coming up. On Thursday evenings between 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. they continue to host the very popular Irish Session at the Killarney in Ludlow. Fame of the quality of music on offer has spread so that musicians from neighboring states often show up.

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Over the next "Gypsy Reel."

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## “Bernie,” a dark comedy, next FOLA Movie

LUDLOW, Vt. - “Bernie,” a 2011 American black comedy film directed by Richard Linklater, and written by Linklater and Skip Hollandsworth, will be FOLA’s (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) next movie offering in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium on Saturday, October 1, at 7 p.m.

The film stars Jack Black, Shirley MaLaîne and Matthew McConaughey. It is based on a 1998 Texas Monthly magazine article by Hollandsworth, “Midnight in the Garden of East Texas,” that chronicles the 1996 murder of 80-year-old millionaire Marjorie Nugent in Car-

thage, Texas by her 39-year-old companion, Bernhardt “Bernie” Tiede. Tiede proved so highly regarded in Carthage that, in spite of having confessed to the police, the district attorney was eventually forced to request a rare prosecutorial change of venue in order to secure a fair trial.

In small-town Carthage, Texas, local assistant mortician Bernie Tiede, a beloved member of the community, becomes the only friend of the wealthy, recently widowed Marjorie Nugent, who is widely considered cold and unpleasant by the other townfolk. Tiede, in his late 30s, and the elderly Nugent quickly become inseparable, frequently traveling and lunching together, though Tiede’s social life becomes hindered by Nugent’s constant and sometimes abusive need for his attention.

Tiede murders Nugent after growing weary of the emotional toll of her possessiveness, persistent nagging, and non-stop putdowns. For nine months, Tiede takes advantage of her poor reputation to excuse her absence with few questions while

using her money to support local businesses and neighbors. Finally, Nugent’s stockbroker uses Tiede’s neglect of previously agreed upon payments to enlist the help of her estranged family.

The film went on to receive acclaim from critics with praise for its direction, accuracy to the real-life event, “Town Gossips” element, and particular praise for Jack Black’s portrayal of Tiede, many calling it his best performance yet. Roger Ebert noted, “Richard Linklater’s Bernie is a gently told and unexpectedly amusing true-crime comedy that benefits from an impressive performance by Jack Black.”

The Movie is rated R for a violent scene and some crude language.

As with all FOLA movies, the movie is free; donations are appreciated. Popcorn will be supplied by Berkshire Bank while FOLA will provide water. For additional information, call (802) 228-7239 or visit FOLA’s web site at [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us).



Join FOLA on October 1 for “Bernie,” a dark comedy film.

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## 33rd Harvest Fair

LUDLOW, Vt. - Now that fall is officially here the annual Ludlow Harvest Fair will be held at the Black River High School gymnasium on October 1st starting at 10a.m. -4p.m. Come and enjoy great food, raffles, crafts, art and more!



Join the 33rd Ludlow Harvest Fair at Black River High School.

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## Komen Vermont “Giddy-up - For the Cure!” fundraiser

MANCHESTER, Vt. - The 7th Annual Komen Vermont Ride for the Cure kicks off on Oct. 10 at the Green Mountain Horse Association in South Woodstock, Vermont.

The Ride, a nine- or twelve-mile horseback trail ride through some of the most beautiful fall foliage imaginable, directly benefits Susan G. Komen VT-NH and the local families - thousands of women, men, and kids - fighting breast cancer.

Lois Steele Whidden, Ride Chair and three-time breast cancer survivor, emphasizes the importance of local events like the Ride and offers as proof the fact that the Vermont Rides have, to date, raised more than \$300,000. Seventy-five percent of that money, or \$225,000, was granted to homegrown breast cancer education, screening and treatment initiatives in Vermont and New Hampshire; the remaining twenty-five percent was dedicated to Komen’s global research efforts.

“The rides are colorful, up-beat, high-energy events on a serious mission,” says Whidden. “It’s a great day and a lot of fun, no question. The trail



Three-time Pinkest Pony winners Kaitlynn Jones and Mickey answer the musical question, how pink was my pony?

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itself, through GMHA’s forests and fields, is absolutely gorgeous, especially in the fall. We award Fundraising and Pinkest Pony awards, there are horse-themed door prizes and raffles, including an amazing handmade quilt, and have a great lunch. But we really can’t say this enough...

as much fun as it is, this is how we’re able to do what we do for women fighting breast cancer, women like me, your friends, your sisters, and maybe like you, right here at home.”

The Ride is a Bring Your Own Horse event. Each participant pays a registration fee and commits to raising a minimum of \$250 (or \$150 for Youth Riders, 12-17-years-old). Registration fees cover the event’s expenses and are counted toward the

Rider’s minimum.

Get more information and register for the Ride at [komentvnh.org](http://komentvnh.org). To see that awesome quilt and other raffle items, and to check out hundreds of past event photos, find the Ride on Face Book at Susan G. Komen Ride for the Cure VT and follow along. For more information about Susan G. Komen, breast health or breast cancer, visit [www.komen.org](http://www.komen.org) or call 1-877 GO KOMEN.

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## Stratton’s Columbus Day weekend festival fun for the whole family

STRATTON MOUNTAIN, Vt. - Celebrate the season that brings us one step closer to winter with live music by Dark Star Orchestra, hay rides, pumpkin painting and two running races at the Stratton Mountain Columbus Day Weekend Harvest Fest Oct. 8-10.

The annual Craft Brew Fest will feature over 100 of the region’s best craft brews and ciders to be sampled by all. It wouldn’t be a true Brew Fest without a Keg Toss competition, kicking off at 4 p.m. Saturday.

Vote for the tastiest homemade chili at the annual Chili Cook-Off. Ride the gondola all weekend long for a 360-degree view of the world-renowned fall foliage from southern Vermont’s tallest peak.

The Heels to Paws 5K returns to the Stratton race route on Saturday, Oct. 8. Runners will be accompanied by their beloved dogs for this 5K run around Stratton to raise money for Second Chance Animal Shelter.

Sunday brings The North Face Race to the Summit, in which runners challenge themselves in a 2.18 uphill race for over \$2,000 in prize money and awards.

Critically acclaimed Grateful Dead tribute band, Dark Star Orchestra, takes the stage Sunday at 4 p.m.

Throughout the fall spectacular, grab a bite at one of the pedestrian Village restaurants or gear up for winter at Stratton’s retail shops. For the full schedule of Columbus Day Weekend events, visit [stratton.com](http://stratton.com).

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## Okemo's "Fall into Winter" festival October 8

LUDLOW, Vt. - Okemo Mountain Resort celebrates the changing of the seasons with its annual "Fall into Winter Festival" presented by Lipton Tea on Saturday, Oct. 8. Jackson Gore, in all of its fall-foliage glory, will be the setting for enjoying live music, food and family activities.

Okemo's culinary team will be serving fresh-from-the-grill favorites and some seasonal specialties. Shop the local food and craft vendor market and visit Mountain Outfitters, located under the stone archway, for great deals on winter gear and clothing. Admission to Okemo's "Fall into Winter Festival" is free and open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

While enjoying a free concert by Erin Harpe and the Delta Swingers, festival attendees can sample some

seasonal brews. Eight draft lines will be flowing with four six-ounce pours available for a fee.

Activities offered throughout the day include face painting, pumpkin painting, a pie-in-the-face booth (with proceeds benefitting Okemo Mountain School) and free hayrides. Scenic chairlift rides on Okemo's Sunburst Six will be available and Okemo's Evolution Bike Park and Adventure Zone will be open.

Visitors may enjoy The Timber Ripper Mountain Coaster and the Haulback Challenge Course, trampoline bungee jumping, bounce houses, miniature golf, disc golf, a climbing pinnacle, zipline tours, Segway Personal Transport tours, the Amp Energy Big Air Bag and more. Each of Okemo's Adventure

Zone features is priced individually or visitors can purchase an Adventure Zone Day Pass wristband.

New this year, Okemo has partnered with the Green Mountain Scenic Railway to offer two foliage-viewing train excursions. Shuttles will depart from Okemo at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Passengers will board the train in Chester and enjoy a scenic ride on the rails back to Okemo's Jackson Gore. Tickets may be purchased at Okemo's Resort Services.

Festival attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and picnic blankets. In the event of rain, music and activities will move to The Ice House at Jackson Gore. For more information about Okemo Mountain Resort, please visit okemo.com or call 802-228-1600.

## 10th Langdon Fall Festival

LANGDON, N.H. - Over the years the festival has become a wonderful town event. Folks from near and far gather in the village to visit with friends, neighbors, craft vendors and non-profit groups. Saturday, September 24 from 10a.m. - 4p.m. located on Village Road in Langdon, NH.

The Historic Town Hall / Meetinghouse will be decorated with quilts galore, art from Fall Mountain High School and a display from the Langdon Heritage Commission, celebrating the history of the Langdon Fire Department. Music will be provided by: Silver Country, Joe Stacey and Lil' Orphans. We expect over 40 vendors, featuring handmade local crafts. Here is a list of some of the local non-profits that are scheduled to participate this year: Langdon Fire & Rescue, Fall Mountain Food Shelf, Langdon Heritage Commission, Langdon Community Club, Langdon Recreation Committee, FMRHS : Art & Hospitality Club, Volleyball, Class of 2019, and Interact.

At 10am, representatives from Antioch University New England will lead a hike on Antioch's 76-acre forested property along the western slopes of Glover's Ledge. Please join us for this moderately strenuous 1.5-mile hike as we explore an extensive trail network, visit some recent wild-life openings and enjoy the view of Vermont from a hilltop gazebo. Lo-

calation: Meet at a large garage located at 212 Cheshire Turnpike in Langdon. Enjoy your hike then join us at the Festival for food and festivities.

We would also like to thank our sponsors for their ongoing support: Town of Langdon, AEBI Inc., Mascoma Savings Bank, Woodell and Daughters Forest Products and

Holmes Farm.

Thank you again for your help and support. See you at the festival. Although we love dogs and other family pets, this event draws a large crowd please leave pets and non-service animals at home.

For festival updates follow us on facebook : Langdonfallfestival.



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# sports



## THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY

If you are a regular reader of this column you already know I have genuine concern for the Fall Mountain and Springfield football programs. There are too many people, taking part of a scrambled line from a famous motion picture spoken to one Scarlet O'Hara of a bygone day, that "frankly I don't give a damn."

More community members should care, state football coaches should care and those who run Vermont and New Hampshire High School athletics should care more. Despite the strong efforts by the coaches and athletic directors of the two schools, they find themselves swimming uphill. Too much old school semantics will possibly leave these teams in the dust.

Except for very few athletic programs in Vermont and New Hampshire, numbers are down dramatically in all sports throughout both states. Many smaller schools have combined with other similar neighboring schools to keep programs alive. Many of the non-athletic crowd, feels it is time to fold up most wagons anyway. The games are not needed, while the truth is, they have never been needed more.

I only coached football once in my life and the sport is behind both baseball and basketball on my love meter, HOWEVER, I feel it may be the most important offering of all at the high school level. Unfortunately, due to mounting safety problems, the sport may eventually go away on its own, BUT, here's a strong vote to keep things as safe as possible, and do whatever one can to keep high school football alive.

Schools who have competitive football teams in the fall, establish a pride filled event to rally around once a week. Many other sports develop and foster community and student pride, BUT, in football towns, where victory is a possibility most times out, this often attracts a gathering, which can deliver an Old Homes Day feeling throughout the fall. The once a week schedule and a home game, usually at the minimum of once every three weeks, can be a harbinger of spirit to players and fans alike. One more item of extreme importance is, more students of varied interests, and athletic strengths, combine to play football than any other sport and the compromises they make, to fit successfully together as a

team, even in losing causes, is a true development builder in a number of ways.

There is a tendency in athletics today, to believe too many trophies are handed out. THUS, football titles in both states have been condensed. Vermont use to offer four divisions. Then teams were added and the divisions were cut back to three. Old timers feel, teams have to learn to measure up. Some football coaches like to beat up on less than competitive teams. The weak get weaker and sometimes pounded and towns like Montpelier and Winooski, no longer play football and others such as once powerful Mount Saint Joseph and Poultney have to combine with others to stay alive.

Fall Mountain has scraped things together for close to a half dozen years now. They had some decent talent at the start of those years, yet depth stopped them from contending. Springfield's numbers went way down, BUT, the numbers are growing, BUT, even with growth happening presently, injuries have them somewhat stagnant. The Cosmos are closer to respectability, BUT, with morale taking a hit coming off three weeks of losing at a 146-18 clip, it is so tough for long term growth to set in. Do remember, it was not long ago, both these teams, played a junior varsity schedule.

Going one step further in Vermont (and I am told New Hampshire's numbers are similar) after three weeks and 48 games played, the winning team scored 40 or more points in 28 of those games, the losing team tallied less than 10 points 25 times, the total score between winners and losers is an incredible 1832-529 and even more astonishing in my book, only six of the forty-eight games (one of every eight games played) finishes closer than 14 points. No game involving a Division III team has been closer than 14 points yet. Certainly that system needs fixing.

It would not be easy, BUT, both states need to find, three to seven trusted persons, to reshape divisions on an annual basis in each state, to keep the sport as vibrant as possible. Springfield's Rich Saypack has visions of his team playing Division II football again, BUT, I don't believe such will happen, without a restructuring (same in New Hampshire) which has the best window for everyone in view. Even five D-IV teams in Vermont competing against each other (even if they play twice a year) is better than what we have now. It's sad, when persons who run any system connected with schools, is built around championships rather than around student/athletes.

**RED SOX PENNANT RACE-** The major league baseball season is a marathon, not a sprint. I remember from my younger days, how thrilling one can be, especially when your team reaches the post season. Last Thursday night I covered one of those really special moments, which featured a hero fans thought would never wear a legitimate Superman cape. He wore it again on Sunday night. Professional athletes get paid handsomely for what they do. The truth is though, it becomes really special, when you are able to watch one of them grow into a different person as well.

In that Thursday game, the crowd of 37,767 was sitting on their hands with the home team down 5-1 and the Yankees in town, when David Ortiz lifted the

spirits of both the crowd and the dugout, with yet another Good-Bye Tour home run, less than two minutes after "Sweet Caroline" began to wake up the crowd.

By the time Hanley Ramirez danced his way around the bases on the games last at bat, to secure possibly the biggest Red Sox win this season, many both at the park and at home in front of the television set, were wondering what woke them up from a long evening's nap.

In the clubhouse hysteria, I asked Hanley "how much an impact Ortiz' home run had on the comeback and he stared me down and said, "why do we always have to talk about David?"

Before readers in any way think Ramirez was shortchanging his favorite teammate, you have to realize how far Ramirez has come. I have known Hanley since his days in Portland, when he was a young prospect. He saw player after player with less talent moved on to the major leagues and he wondered why not him? He probably should have known why, BUT, he didn't get it.

During those days, Hanley fell short in his every day approach to the game. He was a lonely soul in a foreign country, playing a game and was disillusioned by what was necessary to be successful. I watched him pout when teammates were elevated on more than one occasion and actually felt sorry for him, because although the answer to his promotion was in many ways simple, it was in no way easy for him to sort through. His talent alone, had always been enough until then.

Back to 2016 as Ramirez quickly moved on from his Ortiz comment. Ramirez was actually right. He got it this time around and I didn't. This was Hanley's moment. Both Mookie Betts and David Price called the occasion, their best moment in baseball. He didn't say it, BUT, it was probably Hanley's too. The big point is though Ramirez now completely gets it. Every time he is in the spotlight, he deflects praise. He doesn't take the credit, it's a team thing and that is likely one of the biggest reasons, he may play in a World Series some day. He is still a follower to a certain extent inside, BUT he has found ways to lead.

After putting the media into laughter with his "I was trying to go to the moon," comment about his home run swing, Ramirez settled in to what his lingo has been all season. "I've been saying all year, we don't give up as a team. We play 27 outs. This win was unbelievable after a tough loss last night. I'm not satisfied. We haven't got the job done yet. We have to keep going. I'll talk to you after November."

My last question on the night was about the accelerated pace he has shown lately on his way to 100 RBIs, which were officially in the book with his three run blast. He looked into my eyes and never took any credit, saying, "The whole team is zoned in. It's September. We're playing team baseball. It's why we are where we are right now. Everybody, pitching, bullpen, offense, defense. We just have to keep going."

YES, Hanley now, absolutely gets it. A player who over the winter could have been an athlete sent theoretically to any interested team for a bag of used balls or a couple of broken bats, is in the middle of a great story. Could there be a bigger moment in the cards?



### BF Lia Clark

Lia Clark of Bellows Falls was the top area female finisher in the recent Marble Valley League Meet at Bellows Falls. She finished 13th.

PHOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE



### BF Cody Tallent

The Bellows Falls boys Cross Country team finished third in the Marble Valley League meet at Bellows Falls last Tuesday. Cody Tallent, their top finisher, who was tenth, was the highest-ranking area runner in either race.

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### GM Lydia Churchill

Green Mountain's Lydia Churchill, the second best area female finisher in action at the Marble Valley League meet at Bellows Falls last Tuesday.

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## BF stays undefeated in area football play/Fall Mountain and Springfield fall short

BY BILL MURPHY

**BELLOWS FALLES, Vt.** - The Bellows Falls Terriers stayed undefeated with a 49-13 victory over North Country last weekend, while both Fall Mountain and Springfield continued to face tough opposition and drop contests to much more superior foes.

Bob Lockerby's Terriers utilized the same exact pattern for a second time this season, by scoring loads of points in the first half while shutting out the opposition, only to give up a long distance score just before halftime to go into the break on a down note.

Two touchdowns in the opening twelve minutes of play, followed by three more six pointers prior to halftime, allowed BF to build a 35-7

advantage at intermission. Both first quarter scores were on 7 yard runs, first Shane Clark at the 8:32 mark, then Logan Cota with 4:34 remaining in the opening stanza. The kick was no good after the initial score, while Jake Lober ran in the extra points on the second making the score 14-0 after one.

A long run by Jahyde Bullard set up a Lober TD blast of 1 yard, one minute and sixteen seconds into the second quarter and Bullard had the running conversion and then he followed with a 9 yard scoring run at the 6:31 mark. The extra point pass play on that second score failed and the count was 28-0. There was one additional Purple and White score in the cards before the break and Caleb Lisai tossed a 33 yard scoring pass to Jacob Streeter. A Cota kick conver-

sion made things 35-0 with only 33 seconds remaining until the concession stands became crowded.

This is when history repeated itself with BF giving up a big score. The kick-off was brought back to the house making it 35-7.

Bullard added another touchdown one minute and forty seconds after intermission and the kick failed and Lober would tally the final tally on another 1 yard run, followed by a Lisai rush conversion to put the final hometown points on the scoreboard. A last minute six pointer by North Country completed the days scoring.

The Falls played the game without two of their key linemen DJ Snide and Nick Tuttle. Lockerby feels "we are getting better every week. Teams are figuring out they can't play us with ten in the box anymore. Caleb

went 7-10 passing and teams are starting to make adjustments." In reference to the Terriers next game versus Mount Mansfield at Hadley Field Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m., Lockerby said, "I told our guys a year ago, they are going to get better. They had a freshman running back and they had some people injured. They are playing well early this season (solid wins over Milton 28-22 and BFA of St. Albans 40-28) and they could give us a challenge. We will not overlook them."

For the second time in three games, Fall Mountain met a powerhouse, this time it was Kearsarge on the road. The Cougars prevailed as expected but the inexperienced Cats played hard throughout in the 59-14 loss. Coach John Callahan said, "it was difficult to stop them. With our

inexperience and their speed, it was just too much."

Kearsarge was in front 52-0 at the half and the Cats were able to tally twice against the Cougar reserves down the stretch. Chris Bashaw scored first on a 5 yard run, while later Leyton Stevens found the end zone from 7 yards out. Injuries had left the depth lacking team from Langdon, even more short handed in this one, as four regulars were unable to suit up. "It is tough for us, playing teams like this, certainly if we had a full squad it would help, but I'm hoping to stay as healthy as possible for the next couple of tough games," Callahan remarked. The Cats will travel to meet another strong Monadnock team on Friday night at 6:30.

Springfield was also up against a stellar squad as well, as they fell to

Windsor 56-6. Like FM, the Cosmos were missing players, ("about half of our starters from opening night didn't play"- Saypack) and it was 26-0 quickly. The one Green and White score came in the fourth quarter when Kyle Monier connected with Mason Olney on a 9 yard touchdown pass.

"We are still playing hard," Saypack told us, going on to say, "I'm glad to be through this stretch. I'm hoping we are going to compete and have a chance to win our next five games. I can't wait to get there Saturday." The first of those five games is on the road with a long trip to Missisquoi. Saypack's last remark made a lot of sense, as he said, "we still make a lot of sophomore and junior mistakes. Maybe they won't hurt us as much, when we can be more competitive."



Bellows Falls' Jake Lober (32) gaining yardage in the 49-13 triumph over North Country last Saturday. Jahyde Bullard (10) and Brian Green (72) aid him with blocks.

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FM football lacks depth and experience. Koal Simonds (32) is one Wildcat who has experience, and he brings it from both sides of the ball. Here he runs the ball for a gain.

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Cosmo Coach Rich Saypack will be relying on the Cosmos running attack the rest of this season. Here Matt Capella (21) shows he can be an important contributor in that regard.

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# sports



## Pee Wee Football

This photo shows the Jets #11 Walker James at the start of a long run for the 1st TD of the Connecticut Valley Pee Wee Football League 48th season. Also shown is the Jets #28 Will Hallock & the Packers #21 Ethan Brown & #16 Remington LaCroix. In game one the Packers defeated the Jets 26 to 6 and in the 2nd game the Dolphins defeated the Patriots 12 to 6.

Games continue to Oct 16

Games start at 9 a.m. on Sunday with Flag football for 4 & 5 year old. The 3rd Grade Teams play at 10 a.m. The Pee Wee games are at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m..

There is no game on Sunday the Oct. 2 as they will play on Saturday Oct 1. Flag at 4:30 p.m., 3rd Grade Teams at 5:30 p.m. and the Dolphins vs. the Patriots at 6:30 p.m., at 7:30 p.m. the Packers vs. the Jets.

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## Black River Girls Soccer



Captain Alex Barton #3 has a break away to move the ball up the line with Captain Morgan Brown #7 coming up to help.



Goal Keeper Paige Kelley getting set-up to defend Black River's goal.

PHOTOS BY SUSAN BARTON

## Three local schools compete in Cross Country meet

BY BILL MURPHY

REGION - Nine high schools and a beautiful late summers day showed up last tuesday for a marble valley league cross country meet on the campus of bellows falls union high school. Stratton mountain school swept the competition in both the boys and girls meets, which had three teams competing from our reporting area, Bellows Falls, Green Mountain and Springfield. Although the area schools entered female runners, none of the three had enough runners for a team score.

Stratton's 27 points allowed them

to easily outdistance second place Brattleboro in the boys team competition. The colonels totaled 71 points and competed strongly for the second spot with Tim Eno's bf team, who collected 77 points. Rounding out the boys field were mount Anthony 94, Thetford academy 126, Woodstock 171 and Springfield 176. Green Mountain and long trail did not have enough runners for team scores. Stratton's point total in the girls run was 29 points with Brattleboro (50) and Mount Anthony (61) finishing second and third. Stratton is not an official member of the mvl, but, competes in some of the weekly Tuesday league runs.

The top area runner in the boys competition was BF's Cody Tallent, who placed 10th, just in front of Green Mountain's Ben Haseltine.

Terrier Nic Potter made sure it was three area runners in three straight positions as he placed twelfth. Adding to an area pack was terriers Ian Wallace (15th) and Tim Salter-Roy (18th), Springfield Cosmo Branden Bryant (24th) and a couple of more for the purple and white Jackson Purdy (27th) and Cameron Joy (29th). Josh Woods was the second Chieftain runner placing 36th and Austin Mcfadden was the second finishing runner for the Cosmos in 43rd.

The top area female finisher was BF's Lia Clark, who was 13th, followed by Green Mountain's Lydia Churchill in 29th position and her teammate Eliza Renfro (38th). Springfield was paced by Kyra Peoples who was 40th and Alyssa Schlinger in 54th.

Eno feels his team has competed well early this season and was a bit disappointed his runners placed a few points behind Brattleboro. "I think we should of beaten them in this one, but, overall, I am pleased with our start, especially against bigger schools. There is a long ways to go before the Division III state meet, where we finished tied for third last year with Northfield. There are a number of teams who stand a chance and we just need to keep working," the Terriers coach said. Stowe won the D-III states last year with rice second. Host Thetford and Randolph will also have something to say about the eventual champion.

Springfield coach Stephen Lawrence "is excited," about the season, but says the Cosmos are off to a small start, due to "athletes joining late and early acclimation injuries."

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## October Open Garden Weekend

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All 58-acres of Distant Hill Gardens is open all weekend for you to explore. In addition, this final Open Garden Weekend of the year will feature a Solar Open House on Saturday and an Invasive Plant Workshop on Sunday.

Michael and Kathy Nerrie of Distant Hill Gardens, will be available all day Saturday to discuss the energy saving features of their passive solar home with a "solar furnace" sunspace including a 14 panel 3.15 kW solar electric array, an evacuated tube solar hot water heater, and a mini-split heat pump which supplies both heating and cooling to the home.

David Wirth, a local solar installer, will also be on hand to answer your questions regarding the finer points of installing and producing your own energy from the sun. You will get to

see and discuss the installation of a photovoltaic system first hand - a new 12 panel, 3kw array is in the process of being installed on an outbuilding at Distant Hill Gardens.

On Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m. there will be an invasive plant workshop. Learn how to identify some of the many invasive species of plants in the region, why we should all



Multiflora Rose is an invasive plant found at Distant Hill and will be discussed at the Invasive Plant Workshop on Sunday, Oct. 2 from 1 to 3 p.m.

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The home of Michael and Kathy Nerrie of Distant Hill Gardens will be the location of the Solar Open House on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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be concerned with their spread, the various removal methods available to control them, and the advantages and disadvantages of each method.

You will get to try an excellent non-spray chemical applicator called the "Buckthorn Blaster" that will be available to purchase.

The list of invasive plants found on Distant Hill is long and includes: glossy buckthorn, common buckthorn, burning bush, Japanese barberry, oriental bittersweet, multiflora rose, autumn olive, and black locust. Control of some other common invasive plants not found at Distant Hill, like Japanese Knotweed, will also be discussed.

There is a suggested donation for the event, which includes entry to the gardens, the Solar Open House, and the Invasive Workshop. No registration is required. For more information contact Michael at distanthillgardens@gmail.com or 603-756-4179.

## Bellows Falls Rotary Club hosts 8th Annual Paddle Battle

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. - The Bellows Falls Rotary Club will be holding its 8th Annual Paddle Battle on Sunday September 25 at Herrick's Cove in Rockingham.

The Paddle Battle canoe/kayak race is held as a benefit to help raise money for the Bellows Falls Rotary Club's scholarship fund. The event is much more than a race; it is an opportunity for people to get out on the water and enjoy one of Vermont's most beautiful, and often underappreciated natural treasures, the Connecticut River.

The Race will begin at Herrick's Cove and follow a 7.5-mile out and back course. Registration is from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. with

a 10:30 start time. The paddler registration fee will include a barbecue lunch. Paddlers under the age of 16 are free.



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TOWNSHEND, Vt. - West River Valley Thrives will host a costume 5k run/walk Oct. 29 at 10 a.m. along the West River Trail in Townshend. Runners will race from the "Old Route 30" trailhead to the Townshend Dam Recreational Area. At the finish there will be food, drinks and activities (bobbing for apples, pumpkin painting, etc.). At 11:30 a.m. prizes will be handed out to top finishers as well as those with the most creative costumes!

There is a fee for registration. For more information and to register visit [www.runreg.com/dash-to-the-dam](http://www.runreg.com/dash-to-the-dam). Or call Kate Venne at 802-365-4700. This race is a fundraiser for West River Valley Thrives, a youth substance abuse prevention coalition in Townshend.

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## AUTOMOTIVE

### Source to Sea River Cleanups keep oceans cleaner

SAXTONS RIVER, Vt. – Would you should think twice about litter too. Trash has now reached every corner of the globe? If not then you ner of the globe by moving along

waterways and transported by ocean currents. But thanks to the hard work of local Source to Sea Cleanup volunteers, local river trash will never have the chance to add to this global pollution problem.

Thousands of Source to Sea Cleanup volunteers head out every fall to remove trash along rivers, streams, parks, boat launches, trails, and more in all four states of the Connecticut River basin (NH, VT, MA, CT). Organized by the Connecticut River Watershed Council (CRWC), the 20th annual Source to Sea Cleanup will be held Friday & Saturday, September 23 & 24.

As of 2015, scientists determined there are 5.25 trillion pieces of plastic debris in the ocean. By some estimates, ocean trash covers as much as 40% of the ocean.

"The Connecticut River is New England's largest river and provides more than 70% of the fresh water to the Long Island Sound," says CRWC Executive Director Andrew Fisk. "By keeping trash cleaned up here at home, we keep it out of Long Island Sound, the Atlantic Ocean, and the large floating garbage patches around the world. We all have a responsibility to solve this problem – individuals, manufacturers, businesses, and government."

In that spirit, CRWC partners with a variety of organizations to combat trash on a regional scale including: Watersheds United Vermont, Save the Sound, the International Coastal



Source to Sea Cleanup volunteers keep river trash from polluting our oceans. PHOTO PROVIDED

Cleanup, and American Rivers' National River Cleanup.

"Healthy rivers are so important because they contribute to our local economies and to the beauty and enjoyment of our communities," says Alicea Charamut, CRWC River Steward and Cleanup organizer. "Over the past 20 years, cleanup volunteers have removed more than 947 tons of trash just from the Connecticut River basin. The Source to Sea Cleanup is making our corner of the planet just that much cleaner."

Cleaner rivers support healthier wildlife, better recreation, and stron-

ger economies. CRWC encourages you to join the 20th annual Source to Sea Cleanup to make a difference in your town. Or make a difference each day from home by using re-usable water bottles, coffee mugs, and shopping bags to reduce waste.

"Generous financial support from lead sponsors— NRG Energy's Middletown Generating Station, Pratt & Whitney, TransCanada, and Whistler — enables us to continue growing the Source to Sea Cleanup so that it has an impact beyond the two days of cleanup," notes Fisk. "Our goal is to keep trash and tires from getting in our rivers in the first place and to eventually put ourselves out of the business of cleaning up our rivers."

CRWC collects data from cleanup groups about the amount and types of trash they find. This data supports CRWC's year-round advocacy efforts, and informs policies and legislation that will keep waste out of our rivers.

"NRG is pleased to be a lead sponsor for the Source to Sea Campaign for 12th year," notes David Gaier, Se-

nior Director, Communications and Spokesman, NRG Energy. "And our Middletown Station team of some 15 volunteers, led by NRG's Keith Short-sleeve, again looks forward to making a positive difference by cleaning up Dart Island and the surrounding Connecticut River shoreline."

"We are proud to partner with CRWC for the Source to Sea Cleanup for the 11th year," said Brandon Kibbe, Land Agent for TransCanada. "With nearly 30,000 acres of conserved property, hundreds of miles of shoreline, and dozens of public recreation areas along the Connecticut and Deerfield Rivers, we appreciate the need to work together to protect these special resources for future generations."

"Pratt & Whitney is proud to support environmental initiatives in the areas where our employees work and live," said Pratt & Whitney Environment, Health & Safety Vice President Lisa Szewczul. "Collaborating with Source to Sea Cleanup is another example of our company's long-standing commitment to helping preserve the environment through sustainable products, operations and initiatives."

The Connecticut River Watershed Council works to protect the watershed from source to sea. As stewards of this heritage, we celebrate our four-state treasure and collaborate, educate, organize, restore, and intervene to preserve its health for generations to come. Our work informs our vision of economic and ecological abundance.

To learn more about CRWC, or to join the effort and help protect our rivers, visit [www.ctriver.org](http://www.ctriver.org).

For more information specifically on the Source to Sea cleanup event, visit [www.ctriver.org/cleanup](http://www.ctriver.org/cleanup). To find a cleanup group near you, click on 'Join a Group'.

Anyone with questions or trash tips can contact CRWC's Cleanup Coordinator Alicea Charamut at [cleanup@ctriver.org](mailto:cleanup@ctriver.org)

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### VINS to host Neotropical birds lecture

QUECHEE, Vt. - The Vermont Institute of Natural Science will host a fascinating and informative lecture, "Neotropical Migrant Birds: Why conservation in Panama matters in Vermont," on Thursday, Sept. 29 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The lecture, free and open to the public, discusses habitat loss of migratory birds such as the warblers, flycatchers, and raptors. Deemed as some of the most enjoyable and anticipated birds to watch during the spring and summer here in Vermont,

these migrants spend, in fact, most of their lives not in Vermont but in the New World tropics (Neotropics)



Canada Warbler. PHOTO BY G. BECERRA

including Mexico, Central and South America.

In the rapidly developing economy of the Republic of Panama, logging and land development is causing forest fragmentation and habitat loss. Conservation of land and wildlife that depends on it is made even more difficult due to a lack of public funds and government commitment.

Join VINS for an evening of photographs, sounds, and videos of a tropical paradise in danger presented by Ezekiel Jakub, Executive Director and Ornithologist, and Melva Olmos, President and Jaguar Biologist of Conservación Panamá. Learn about their work in Neotropical migrant conservation, and find out what you can do to help conserve these spectacular bird species.

Conservación Panamá Inc. is a Greenfield (MA) registered 501(c)(3) organization that is dedicated to conservation research in Panama. A donation is suggested; donations will be shared between VINS and Conservación Panamá.

For information about VINS and the variety of exhibits, programs, and environmental education opportunities offered, please visit [www.vinsweb.org](http://www.vinsweb.org) or call 802-359-5000.

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2016 DATES	Tuesday	Thursday	Saturday	Sunday
	Sept 20	Sept 22	Sept 24	Sept 25
	Sept 27	Sept 29	Oct 1	Oct 2
	Oct 4	Oct 6	Oct 8	Oct 9
	Oct 11	Oct 13	Oct 15	Oct 16

Trains 1 & 3: Chester to Ludlow • Train 2: Chester to Rockingham

SCHEDULE		Train 1	Train 2	Train 3
Depart	Chester	10:00 AM	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
Arrive	Ludlow	10:55 AM	—	3:55 PM
Arrive	Rockingham	—	1:35 PM	—
Depart	Ludlow	11:15 AM	—	4:15 PM
Depart	Rockingham	—	1:40 PM	—
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## LEGAL NOTICES

### CLASSES/ WORKSHOPS

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 25** – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – “Discovering Your Roots: An Introduction to Genealogy” course will be held in the Cota & Cota building on Rte. 106 in North Springfield. If you are a beginner, interested in getting into genealogy, you can still join the group. They are meeting on Saturdays at 10

a.m. for a one-hour class but the meetings will be scheduled to accommodate the pace of the class. The plan is to view the 30-minute video followed by a question and answer time. There will be a fee to take the course—all proceeds going to Springfield Art and Historical Society.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 6, OCT. 13, AND OCT. 20** – RUTLAND, Vt. – Join Rutland

Women’s Healthcare physicians in October for a series of three evening events about current healthcare topics affecting today’s women. Space is limited and registration is required. For more information or to register, visit <https://www.rmmc.org/app/calendar/event/detail.aspx?eventId=9eff76d6-835a-e611-b87b-782bc3b39aa>. Topics for discussion include: Oct. 6 - Long-acting Contraception with Dr. Robin

Leight, Dysfunctional Uterine Bleeding with Dr. Sarah Decker; Oct. 13 – Perimenopause with Dr. Thusitha Cotter, Menopause with Dr. Mary Beerworth; Oct. 20- STDs and Gardasil with Dr. Kira Fiset and Flu in Pregnancy with Dr. Thusitha Cotter.

**MONDAYS IN OCTOBER** – WESTON, Vt. – Wilder Memorial Library, 24 Lawrence Hill Rd., presents “Preparing for the Winter” with herbalist, Jamie Maloof on Mondays in October (10, 17 and 24) from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Space is limited and this series of classes sells out fast! Register today: [director@wildermemoriallibrary.org](mailto:director@wildermemoriallibrary.org) or 802-824-4307. Come join herbalist Jamie Maloof for a three-class series on boosting our immune systems and using herbs to prevent and aid in winter illness. Prepare your medicine cabinets for the upcoming cold season. In the first class we will discuss various herbs for boosting our immune systems, digestion, and detoxing. In class two, we will discuss herbal antibiotics and antivirals, and respiratory herbs. In the third class we will prepare our own medicines to take home, which will include, tinctures, salves, oils, infusions/decoctions, and infused honey. For the third class of medicine making, you will need to bring your own jars, alcohol, and oil, we will discuss this in more detail before the third class. Hand-outs and medicine

sampling will be included in each class. Please bring a notebook, mug for tea, and folder for handouts.

**MONDAYS** – WINDSOR, Vt. – Spanish Conversation Class meets most Mondays, 1 - 2:30 p.m. at the Windsor Library, 43 State St. Windsor, Vt. All levels. FREE. Times are subject to change, due to instructor’s schedule. Please call to confirm. Paula Dart. Phone: 802-674-5812.

**MONDAYS AND FRIDAYS** – WALPOLE, N.H. – If You Don’t Tell Your Story, Who Will? A series of writing and reading workshops for those interested in transforming the deep exploration of experience into a convincing and compelling story. Each member is encouraged to participate at his or her own pace and comfort level. Please call for more information. 603-756-4177, or visit my website at [pambernard.com](http://pambernard.com)

**TUESDAYS** – LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Come and join in the crazy fun... “Paint pARTy!” Every Tuesday Evening from 6 to 8 p.m. The Mountain Painters & Artisans Gallery, Mountain Market Place 5700 Rte. 100 is hosting paint party classes. Fee includes all materials and instruction. Please pre register. For more information call 802 824-6555

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – River Voices Poetry meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Flat Iron Exchange Building on the Square in Bellows Falls, Vt. All poets welcome. Poet to the left of the poet reads poem first, then the poet will read their poem. Discussion of all aspects of the poem, poet may take suggestions or ignore them. Then we move to the next poet. 802-463-22074 (leave message).

**THURSDAYS** – LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Sketching and Journaling Class taught by local artist Paul Myers at the South Londonderry Free Library. Although no prior training or experience is required, we will enjoy learning from each other. You will receive a list of materials and program information when you register. There will be a fee for each 2-hour session. Please call Paul Myers 824-6626 or the South Londonderry Free Library 824-3371 to register or for information.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – If you do any type of fiber work or craft, bring it along and learn and enjoy the company of other fiber enthusiasts including rug hookers, rug braiders, knitters, crocheters, needlepointers, embroiderers, spinners, weavers, quilters, felters, beaders, and other crafters. Whatever you do with fiber, all are welcome! Great Hall of the Fellows Building, 100 River Street from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. We don’t meet on holidays.

**TUESDAYS AND SATURDAYS** – WESTON, Vt. – Residents of Mount Holly are invited to the community yoga classes held at the Weston Priory by Amanda Merk, Mount Holly town librarian and 200-hour Yoga Alliance certified instructor. Vinyasa flow yoga classes will be in the visitor’s center at the Priory on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 8:30 a.m. The Weston Priory is a beautiful, peaceful location for yoga. Come, bring a friend and a yoga mat and find an hour of serenity! There is no fee for the yoga classes at the Priory. Donations are gratefully accepted. Please reach out to Amanda Merk if you have any questions about the library or yoga at [amandasmerk@gmail.com](mailto:amandasmerk@gmail.com).

### CLUBS/ ORGANIZATIONS

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 23** – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Friday, Sept. 23 from noon to 1:30 p.m. the Greater Falls Connection will hold its back-from-summer Coalition meeting at Parks Place, 44 School St. They will be sharing exciting news on funding, presenting and

discussing WNESU’s 2015 Youth Risk Behavior Survey data, and sharing an overview of our work this year. As always, lunch will be provided. All are welcome!

**SATURDAY, OCT. 1- BROMLEY, Vt.** – Hike over Bromley Mountain with the Green Mountain Club, Manchester Section on Saturday, Oct. 1 meet at the Vt 11/30 Long Trail parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Leave some cars and carpool around to the Long Trail parking lot at Mad Tom Notch. Hike from Mad Tom Notch to the summit of Bromley Mountain, 2.5 miles and about 800 feet elevation gain, lunch at the summit, and hike 3 miles down Bromley to Rt 11/30. Total hike 5.5 miles. Moderate hike.

Bring lunch and snacks and fluids, extra layer and warm hat, and raincoat, poles can be helpful. RSVP to Dave Ratti at [dbrspruce@gmail.com](mailto:dbrspruce@gmail.com) or 802-366-0698.

**SUNDAYS** – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol at 4 p.m. at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport RD., North Springfield. Volunteer auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Membership open at age 12 and adults of any age and assorted skills are welcome and needed to support the missions. For more information, call Commander, Maj. Fellows at 802-263-5544 or drop by a meeting

**MONDAYS** – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Springfield Community Chorus is starting up the fall season of its 50th year on Sept. 12 and is inviting new members to join. No tryouts are required. Rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church on 21 Fairground Rd. Ken Olsson is the director. For any questions, contact Terri, manager of the chorus, at [springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com) or call Barbara at 802-886-1777. The concerts will be Dec. 3 and 4. For more information about the chorus and the 50th year celebration, go to the web site: [www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org](http://www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org). Consider making a donation for the cost of a greater year of music.

**EVERY FOURTH MONDAY** – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield writers club meets every fourth Monday at 5:30 p.m. upstairs in the SF town library. There is no charge, all are welcome. For more information call Betsy Levine 802-885-2005.

**TUESDAYS** – WOODSTOCK, Vt. – On Tuesday,

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## WE’RE LOOKING FOR REPORTERS IN THE SPRINGFIELD, VT AREA!

The Shopper is currently looking for reporters to join our staff and cover events happening in the Springfield, VT area.

The successful candidate will be writing about local events, businesses, people and meetings. The person must be comfortable using e-mail, Microsoft Word, taking photos and working within weekly deadlines.

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## WE’RE LOOKING FOR REPORTERS IN THE WESTON, VT AREA!

The Vermont Journal is currently looking for reporters to join our staff and cover events happening in the Weston, Andover, Londonderry, and Peru, VT area.

The successful candidate will be writing about local events, businesses, people and meetings. The person must be comfortable using e-mail, Microsoft Word, taking photos and working within weekly deadlines.

Experience with writing is necessary. Newspaper/reporting experience is extremely helpful.

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**Electronics** check the web site for dates of electronics collection

**Empty Aerosol cans** can be recycled with scrap metal at the Transfer Station  
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**Automotive Batteries** can be exchanged at or given to local garages and auto parts stores

**Used Clean Motor Oil** Can be brought to West River Auto or Hunter Excavating

**Fluorescent Light Tubes/Bulbs** can be taken to Londonderry Hardware Store

**Ammunition & Explosives** contact your local police department

**Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors**

**Propane Tanks** can be exchanged or refilled at propane distributors or Londonderry Hardware  
**Medical sharps (needles)** place in rigid, puncture-resistant container such as a detergent bottle with cap sealed with duct tape. Label container “Not For Recycling, Sharps”. Dispose of in trash.

**Asbestos** in any form. You will need to contact an asbestos abatement company.

**Prescription Drugs** can be brought to Manchester, Ludlow or Winhall Police Departments

For information email [londonrecycle@vermontel.net](mailto:londonrecycle@vermontel.net)  
Call Esther Fishman 824-3306 or visit [www.londonderryvt.org](http://www.londonderryvt.org)

### Town of Weston Selectboard Notice of Public Hearing

The Weston Selectboard will hold a public hearing  
**at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2016  
at the Weston Town Office**

to take public comments on the re-adoption of a Revised and Updated Town Plan, pursuant to Vermont Statutes, Title 24, Chapter 117, and Section 4387. A draft version is available for inspection at the Weston Town Office.

Communications about the Revised and Updated Town Plan may be filed in writing with the Selectboard or in person or through a representative at the hearing.

### BELLOWS FALLS VILLAGE CORPORATION PUBLIC NOTICE WATER MAIN FLUSHING

The Bellows Falls Village Corporation Water System will be flushed weekdays from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm beginning Monday, October 3, 2016, and continuing through Friday, October 21, 2016.

Some areas may experience roily water but this condition should correct itself in a short time.

If you have problems, please call the Bellows Falls Water Department at 802-463-1232. Thank you for your cooperation.

Ray Perry  
Chief Operator  
Bellows Falls Water Dept.

### TOWN OF WESTON P.O. BOX 98 WESTON, VERMONT 05161 Zoning Board Of Adjustment Notice of Public Hearing

The Town of Weston Zoning Board of Adjustment has scheduled a Public Hearing to consider the Conditional Use Request by the Little School at Weston, 8 Lawrence Hill Road, to permit the construction of an ADA compliant ramp that will provide access to the main entrance of the building

The school building is owned by the Town of Weston and the ramp design has received a State of Vermont Life Safety Code Permit, a state construction permit, and approval by the Vermont ANR Regional Floodplain Manager.

The public hearing will be held:  
**Thursday, 13 October 2016 7:15 PM  
Weston Town Office  
12 Lawrence Hill Road, Weston, VT**

A 7 PM site inspection at the school will precede the public hearing. Please contact the Zoning Administrator at the Town Office at 824.6645 for further information.

Hal J. Wilkins

*Hal J. Wilkins*

Zoning Administrator  
Town of Weston

Note: Attendance at the Public Hearing is a prerequisite for filing any subsequent action to appeal the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjustment



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### TOWN OF ANDOVER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Andover Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 7:00 P.M. at the Andover Town Office to consider the following application for subdivision:

Application #: 8.2/68/16/91

Property Owner: Adelaide Johnson Trust  
Applicant: Harold Johnson on behalf of the Adelaide Johnson Trust  
Location: 294 Hilltop Road  
Application for: An application for a Minor Subdivision has been submitted proposing to divide the existing parcel consisting of 8.85 acres into two lots.

Dated at Andover, Vermont this 13th day of September 2016.

Jeanette H. Haight  
Andover Town Clerk



# LEGAL NOTICES

## CLASSES CONT.

**TUESDAYS CONT.** - Sept. 20, the Freelance Family Singers of Woodstock will begin practicing for their Dec. 3 and 4 holiday concerts. The weekly Tuesday rehearsals are held at Woodstock's First Congregational Church, 36 Elm St., from 7 to 9 p.m. All ages may participate and there are no auditions. There is a small participation fee, with scholarships available. Directed by Ellen Satterthwaite, Freelance performs a wide variety of secular and sacred music. All are welcomed to join and ring in the holiday with song.

**LUDLOW, Vt.** - Ludlow Rotary club meets every Tuesday and is hosted by DJ's Restaurant, 146 Main Street in Ludlow, from 12:15 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enter via side door opposite bank drive through. Chartered in 1927, the club is active locally and internationally. New members are welcome please contact any Rotarian for details. Visit our web at [www.ludlowrotary.com](http://www.ludlowrotary.com) or contact club President, Tessa Buss at [tessabuss@gmail.com](mailto:tessabuss@gmail.com)

**THURSDAYS - CHARLESTOWN, N.H.** - The Charlestown Rotary Club meets at The Charlestown Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. on Summer Street. For more information email [rayandrosie@comcast.net](mailto:rayandrosie@comcast.net)

**RUTLAND, Vt.** - Marble Valley Duplicate Bridge Club meets from 7-10:30 p.m. at The Godnick Center in Rutland, Vt. Snacks provided. Come join for a fun evening. Norma Jakomin, manager. 802-228-6276.

**SATURDAYS - MOUNT HOLLY, Vt.** - The Mount Holly Artists Group meets at 10:30 a.m. in the community center room (under library) and set up a still life. We draw in whatever medium pleases us and get helpful hints from each other. The sessions are open to all and completely FREE of charge. All that is needed is pen and paper.

**SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - Mark your calendar for the upcoming events at the Moose Lodge, 59 Westminster St: Sept. 17 - Disco Dance, WOOL Benefit, 8-11 p.m.; Sept. 23 - Teen Dance, 7-11 p.m.; Sept. 30 - Karaoke with Just For Kicks, 7-11 p.m.; Oct. 8 - Comedy Kings with host Wade Garrett, 8-10 p.m.; Oct. 21 - Dinner and a Movie, 6 - 10 p.m.

## COMMUNITY MEALS

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 24 - BELMONT, Vt.** - Roast pork supper at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont to benefit Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad. Supper begins at 5 p.m. until its

gone and includes: roast pork, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetables, rolls, and desserts. The dinner is an all-you-can-eat homestyle type event with a fee for adults and children. For more information call 802-259-6001.

**ASCUTNEY, Vt.** - On Saturday, Sept. 24 the Weathersfield Veterans Memorial Committee will hold their annual Chicken BBQ. Complete meal consists of 1/2 BBQ chicken, beans, coleslaw, beverage and dessert for a small fee. Please stop by the Martin Memorial Hall on Rte. 5 in Ascotney to support them. Come early... chicken will be ready at 11 a.m. and sells out quickly. For More information, call Lisa Slade at 802-291-1475.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 25 - CHESTER, Vt.** - The Grand Lodge of Vermont on Main St. will have a turkey dinner with all the fixins' on Sunday, Sept. 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. This dinner is put on by the Mizpah Chapter #40 OES and Olive Branch #64 Masonic Lodge. There is a fee for adults and children; preschool aged and younger are free.

**EVERY THIRD SATURDAY - SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - The North Springfield Baptist Church will be starting their third Saturday Ham Suppers Sept. 17, at the North Springfield Baptist Church, 69 Main St. Join them for a great meal, from 4 to 7 p.m., including: ham, raisin sauce, mashed potato,

carrots, and coleslaw, dessert and beverage. Handicapped accessible. There is a fee for adults and children up to age 12, children five and under are free. Call 802-886-8107 for more information.

**SUNDAY, OCT. 2 - ROCKINGHAM, Vt.** - Singing River Farm will host a Potluck and Sing on Sunday, Oct. 2. At 5 p.m. there will be a garden tour, followed by a potluck dinner at 5:30 p.m. and singing at 6:30 p.m. This is a family friendly event, with children welcome to sing. During the singing part of the evening a song along our theme or any song you want to sing will do just fine. We start with the youngest folks choosing a song for us to sing together, then simply go around the circle as each person gets to pick a song, teach a song, perform a song or pass the turn on to the next person. In the past we've enjoyed folks songs, rounds, camp songs, show tunes, newly written songs, play party singing games hand clap games, even a rap song. Instruments are welcome, but are not the focus as we just like to sing! If you would like to join in the fun, call the farm at 802-275-4646 and let them know you are coming so they can set up enough chairs!

## ENTERTAINMENT

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 23 - PUTNEY, Vt.** - Sean Altman

and Jack Skuller approximate the Everly Brothers on Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. For more information visit [nextstagearts.org](http://nextstagearts.org).

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 24 - JAMAICA, Vt.** - A great evening of music is planned at the historic Jamaica Town Hall on Saturday, Sept. 24 to coincide with the annual fall dam release on the West River. Southern Vermont's own Bone Factory will be throwing out a limitless mix of tunes with Mike Mancuso on mandolin, Danny Cartee on guitar, Doug Day on bass and to round it out Johnny O on banjo. Doors will open at 7 p.m. with music starting at 7:30 p.m. This is a family friendly event; there is a fee for tickets and proceeds will benefit the Jamaica Community Arts Council.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 25 - ROCKINGHAM, Vt.** -The Ghost of Paul Revere, a Portland, Maine based gospel and blues-influenced bluegrass band will perform an afternoon all-acoustic concert in one of Vermont's oldest public buildings, the Rockingham Meeting House on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 3 p.m. Tickets are for sale & available in advance from [tinyurl.com/ghost925](http://tinyurl.com/ghost925). Partial proceeds to benefit The Rockingham Meetinghouse Association.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 29 - PUTNEY, Vt.** - Dinner and a

Movie will feature "Primary Colors," a Mike Nichols film. Dinner is at 5:30 p.m. at The Gleanery (call 802-387-3052 for reservations) and the film will be shown at 7 p.m. at 15 Kimball Hill. For more information visit [nextstagearts.org](http://nextstagearts.org).

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 30 - PUTNEY, Vt.** - "The Mushroom Cure" with Adam Strauss will be at Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill, at 7:30 p.m. This hilarious, harrowing and heartrending theatrical experience is here for one night only. For more information visit [nextstagearts.org](http://nextstagearts.org).

**EVERY FOURTH SUNDAY - PUTNEY, Vt.** - Dinner and A Movie on the fourth Sunday of the month. At each event, at 5:30 p.m., the chefs at the Gleanery will serve a special menu in time for diners to make it to the hosted 7 p.m. film screening around the corner at the newly-renovated Next Stage. For pricing or reservations call 802-387-3052. Limited seating available. 15 Kimball Hill Rd,

Putney, VT

**THURSDAYS - LUDLOW, Vt.** - Gypsy Reel plays regularly at The Killarney, in Ludlow. Music always begins at 6:30 p.m. and continues until 8:30 p.m. or later (depending upon football schedule). Fine Ale, good pub food, and great music in the traditional Irish style.

**GASSETTS, Vt.** - Bingo will be held every Thursday night at the Gassetts Grange. We are getting some real good crowds. Starts at 6:30 p.m., doors open at 5 p.m. Supper, Raffle and 50/50 tickets are on sale. Come and join in. Any info. needed call Donna at 802-591-4290 or you can call the hall at 802-875-1051. Hope to see you there!

## FARMER'S MARKETS

**FRIDAYS - LUDLOW, Vt.** - Ludlow Farmers Market. See you Fridays, from 4 - 7 p.m., in Ludlow. Only 3 more

markets! Worth noting news from our vendors: Evening Song Farm - shiitake mushrooms, baby ginger, ginger leaves, husk cherries, jalapeño peppers, sweet peppers, tomatoes, red kuri squash; Gloria's Pantry - This week we have several new jams, jellies, and relishes. We have an orange-jalapeño jelly and a cranberry-jalapeño jelly. We also have our fresh baked pies and our raw honey; Vermont Cannoli - Come and try out homemade Ricotta Cannoli offered in Pistachio, Chocolate Chip, Almond, Maple Walnut flavors!"

**WEST TOWNSEND, Vt.** -The Townshend Farmers Market is located on the lawn of the historic West Townshend Country Store. The Townshend Farmers Market will run every Friday through Oct. 14 from 4-7 p.m. This week we'll continue our Early Bird Special: Shop between 4 and 5 p.m. and receive a discount on any purchase of \$10 or more from participating vendors. Get the season's best fresh produce

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by Linda Thistle

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13 Bygone space station

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19 Stockholm's land

21 West Pointer

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26 Fine

30 Actress

31 Puncture

32 By way of

33 Preach

35 Catches some rays

36 Smoke

37 Buyer of stolen goods

38 Attack

41 Bando of baseball

42 Judicial garment

43 Sing

48 Piece of work

49 Commotion

50 Historic times

51 Accompanying

52 Allow

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1 Everything

2 Fish eggs

3 Work unit

4 Old sayings

5 In the thick of

6 "30 Rock" role

7 Charisma

8 Fictitious

9 Clarinet insert

10 Knight's lady

11 "Once — a time ..."

16 Parcel of land

21 Pal

22 Car

23 Sweetie

24 Grab

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27 Terrible guy?

28 Galvanizing stuff

29 Facility

31 Advertise

34 From the start

35 Penn and —

37 Air safety org.

38 Cornfield intruder

39 Arizona tribe

40 Touch

41 Edinburgh resident

44 Praise in verse

45 A Gershwin brother

46 Microwave

47 "Guinness Book" suffix

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**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) An ongoing problem with a co-worker might need to be sent to arbitration. Get all your facts together so that you have a solid base from which to make your argument.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) You are usually decisive about most matters. But you might want to defer your decision-making this week until you get more facts. Someone is holding out on you.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) That quiet period is ending, and a new burst of activity creates some problems at the workplace. But things are soon resolved, and everything goes back to normal.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Relationships could be either helpful or hurtful as you pursue your career goals. You might have to make some difficult choices depending on what your priorities are.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) You might still have some doubts about a career move that could involve a lot of travel. If so, continue to check things out until you feel secure about making a decision.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Love rules, as Venus continues to exercise her cosmic influence on both single and attached Pisces. New developments might cause you to change your travel plans.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You often think of others before you consider your own needs. You enjoy helping people and would make a fine teacher or caregiver.

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from Wild Shepherd Farm and Sitting Tree farm, and be sure to try the homemade soda from West Townshend Botanicals. Taft Hill farm will be offering pasture-raised lamb, pork, maple syrup, and handblown glass. Don't forget your biodynamic honey from Meadows Bee Farm. Get your Kim-chi and Sauerkraut from FinAllie Ferments, and wood-fired sourdough from Bread From the Earth. Back to the Moose Robe will return with their native American crafts and chaga tea. Cool off with Susan's Lemonade, and get your local milk and cheese from Jersey

Girl's dairy. We will also have delicious Thai food offerings by Thai Hut and will be joined again by Yalla VT, offering fresh pita, hummus, and falafel. From 4-7 p.m. we'll be serving out famous top-your-own wood-fired pizza, with a selection of local, seasonal toppings! We are now offering Against the Grain gluten free pizza crust. We are officially accepting Debit, VT3Squares, EBT, Farm to Family and Cash Crop coupons. And don't forget, the Thrift Shop upstairs is open until 7 p.m. on Fridays.

## SATURDAYS -

**LONDONDERRY, Vt.** - Market Season is in full swing! The West River Farmers Market is buzzing on Saturdays from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the junction of Rte. 100 and Rte. 11 in Londonderry! Come visit us and pick up some fresh greens from Deep Meadow Farm, sweet strawberries from Clearbrook Farm, bright rishishes from Firebelly Farm or heirloom tomatoes from Old Athens Farm. Ephraim Mountain Farm has fresh sausages, beef and eggs. Treat yourself or someone you love to a unique piece of art or jewelry from one of our artisan vendors or sip a sweet lemonade by the river. We are at the edge of the West River and under the shade- there's nothing but sweet fresh air, good music, and a wonderful family atmosphere! Looking forward to seeing you at the market!

**SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - The Springfield Farmers Market is open every Saturday in Downtown Springfield in the People's United Bank parking lot from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is a good variety of offerings from our vendors selling fresh foods, crafters with aprons and other sewn items as well as jewelry and a new vendor with juvenile fiction books plus much more. The market is a vendor run non-profit, new vendors welcome. The Springfield Farmers Market is sponsoring a monthly raffle. The drawings will take place the first Saturday of each month and ticket holders do not have to be present to win. Tickets can be purchased from participating vendors at the Springfield Farmers Market on Saturdays in the People's United Bank parking lot from 10a.m. to 1p.m. The market thanks Bibens Ace Hardware and Springfield Cinema 3 for their donations. For more info contact the website at [springfieldfarmersmarket.com](http://springfieldfarmersmarket.com), email at [springfieldfarmersmarketinc@gmail.com](mailto:springfieldfarmersmarketinc@gmail.com) or call 802-885-4096.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 23 - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - The Chapel at Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St., will host "Enduring Honor: The Heritage of the Native American Flute" with world flute master Gary Stroutsos on Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Stroutsos performs world flute music drawn from traditional cultures. Evoking a spirit of place, and the voices of the land, his work includes internationally acclaimed recordings at sacred sites.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 24 - BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - The Chapel at Immanuel Episcopal Church, 20 Church St., will host "Forest Dance - Re-imagining the acoustic music of Jethro Tull" with world flute master Gary Stroutsos and Tony Garone in the guitar and vocals on Saturday, Sept. 24 at 7:30 p.m. In this world premiere, Tony and Gary extend the range and scope of the music and lyrics that Ian Anderson and Jethro Tull created during their most prolific early years (1967-1971).

**WINDSOR, Vt.** - Smithsonian Magazine Museum Day will be celebrated at the American Precision Museum on Saturday, Sept. 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. There will also be a car rally on the same day, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**ALSTEAD, N.H.** - On Saturday, Sept. 24, beginning at 5 p.m., the Third Congregational Church on River St. will hold its Annual Harvest Auction. This is the primary fundraiser for the church. New and used items (clean and in good condition, please) are welcomed (with the exception of TV's and large appliances). So far items have included: two gas grills, some nice tools, lawn furniture, a unique doll house, and crystal items. Contributions of baked goods, plants, produce, and fall items are invited. Anyone with items to donate or who need pickup may contact Phil Warren at 603-835-2490. The Third Congregational Church is also on Facebook. Guild will sell refreshments from the kitchen, such as hot dogs, beverages and other eats.

**CHESTER, Vt.** - The Hugging Bear Inn, 244 Main St., will host a Steiff Event Party on Saturday, Sept. 24. Refreshments will be served at 11:30 a.m. with a presentation at 1 p.m. by Steiff representative Carolyn Smith. This is a free event, open to all. There will be a big sale table,

bring your Steiff collectibles for show and tell.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 25 - HARTLAND, Vt.** - Windsor County Partners presents a Governor's Forum on Youth Issues, moderated by Anne Galloway of the VTDigger on Sunday, Sept. 25 at Damon Hall. A reception, by donation, for the candidates will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Donations will benefit local youth mentoring. The forum, free and open to the public, will take place from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Call 802-674-5101 or email [WindsorCM@outlook.com](mailto:WindsorCM@outlook.com).

**SATURDAY, OCT. 1 - CHARLESTOWN, N.H.** - A "Blessing of the Badges" event will take place at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 1 at the Charlestown, New Hampshire Police and Fire Complex located at 2 Clairmont Rd. (N.H. Rte. 12). Police, Fire, and EMTs from New Hampshire and Vermont are welcome as is the public to show our support. Join Rev. Bennett, Fire Chief Baraly, and Police Chief Connors to show your support for these public servants.

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**LUDLOW Vt.** - 120th Anniversary Gill Home Open House on October 1, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. open to the public. Event being held in the dining room.

**ONGOING - LUDLOW, VT.** - Magnificent collection of antiques for sale at Tina's fun stuff to wear on Depot St. All merchandise is half price. Cash and Carry only, no credit cards. Shop will be closing after foliage.

## HEALTH

**EVERY MONDAY AT 7:30 A.M., WEDNESDAY AT 5 P.M., AND FRIDAY AT 7:30 A.M. - SPRINGFIELD, Vt.** - Edgar May Health and Recreation Center is leading community walks 3 days a week for free! You don't have to be a member, you don't have to pay, and you don't even have to sign up. Meet in the front lobby of the Recreational Center. Come meet your neighbors, make some new friends to talk as you walks, and get healthier with every step.

**FIRST MONDAY AND FRIDAY - KEENE, N.H.** - 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., "Dancing, Exercising, and Stretching with Parkinson's" class at the Cheshire Medical Center's Auditorium. Take the class sitting or standing and feel supported in a safe environment. Open to anyone with a movement disorder plus a caregiver, partner, or friend. There is a suggested donation. E-mail [Kathy.starbooks06@yahoo.com](mailto:Kathy.starbooks06@yahoo.com).

**MONDAYS - MOUNT HOLLY, Vt.** - Zumba with Brigid Faenza 6 p.m. Mount Holly School Gym. Workout to upbeat music and have fun! Bring flat shoes, water bottle and a towel. Drop-in fee applies or save money and purchase a block of classes. For more information email [Bakerbrigid@vermontel.net](mailto:Bakerbrigid@vermontel.net)

**BELLOWS FALLS, Vt.** - Overeaters Anonymous Meeting from 7 - 8 p.m., Lower Level Conference Room, The Health Center, 1 Hospital Court. Please call 802-376-3507.

**TUESDAYS - PROCTORSVILLE, Vt.** - A two-part Kundalini Yoga Chakra Series will be held Tuesdays, beginning September 6, from 9:30 - 11 a.m. at 73 Depot Street in Proctorsville. Liza Eaton is a certified KRI kundalini yoga teacher who is ready to share these inspiring teachings with you. Connect with your heart and live authentically! Sign up

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**TUESDAYS CONT.** - by August 30th for Part I or for both Parts I & II. Sign up by Sept. 27 for Part II. Part I will be Sept. 6, 13, 20, 27. Practice ancient yogic sets that are specifically designed to balance, clear & strengthen the root, sacral, solar plexus and heart chakras. We will focus on 1 chakra per class. Part 2 will be Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25. Practice ancient yogic sets that are specifically designed to balance, clear & strengthen the throat, third eye, crown and aura chakras. In kundalini yoga we recognize the aura as the 8th chakra. We will focus on 1 chakra per class. There is a fee for each session, save money by signing up for both. If you would like more information about this class series you may contact Liza Eaton at [eaton.liza@gmail.com](mailto:eaton.liza@gmail.com), or see this course on her website: [www.buddhafulyoga.com](http://www.buddhafulyoga.com)

**THURSDAYS** - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) #0013 CHANGED THEIR MEETING DATE FROM TUESDAYS TO EVERY THURSDAY at Huber Building, 80 Main St. Weigh-in starts at 8 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9 a.m.

**WEEKLY** - REGION - "Bone Builder" program developed by Tufts University to combat osteoporosis. Free and open to men and women 55+. Call 802-674-4547. Monday, Wednesday, Friday: Windsor Recreation Center 9-10 a.m. Monday and Wednesday: Brownsville Town Hall 9 -10 a.m.; Martin Memorial Hall in Ascunty 10 -11 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday: Cavendish Baptist Church 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

## LIBRARIES

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 22** - LUDLOW, VT. - Come read with Oreo the Reading Dog at Fletcher Memorial Library off Main St. from 3 to 4 p.m. All school age children are invited.

**MONDAY, SEPT. 26** - LUDLOW, VT. - Come to the Fletcher Memorial Library off Main St. for Monday Movie Night featuring Disney Studios' "Adventures in Babysitting" (2016, P.G.). Snacks will be provided.

**FRIDAY, SEPT 30** - LUDLOW, VT. - Dorothy's Book List Club will meet at Fletcher Memorial Library off Main St.

from 3 to 4 p.m. to discuss "Better Nate than Ever" by Tim Federle. Books can be checked out beginning Sept. 1 and the event is open to children in grades four through eight.

**EVERY OTHER THURSDAY** - CHARLESTOWN, N.H. - The Silsby Library, 226 Main St. in Charlestown, will host the Roaming Readers at 9 a.m. In an effort to be active before the winter months, the library is starting a book club that meets on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. Join us in front of the library as we walk our beautiful stretch of town and discuss the latest books we have been reading. Make sure to wear comfortable sneakers!

**EVERY OTHER FRIDAY** - WINDSOR, Vt. - The Yo-Yo Club meets at 2:45 p.m. at Windsor Public Library, 43 State Street. All ages are welcome. Bring your own yo-yo, or let us help you purchase a yo-yo, also available to borrow for classes and to check out through the library. Call 802-674-2556, [www.windsorlibrary.org](http://www.windsorlibrary.org).

## MEETINGS

**SUNDAYS** - N. SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol holds its meetings on Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. /1600 at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport Road, North Springfield, Vermont. The CIVIL AIR PATROL is the volunteer auxiliary of the United States Air Force and is tasked with three missions: search and rescue, aerospace education and cadet programs. Membership is open to youth at age 12 yrs. and adults of any age and assorted skills are welcome and needed to support the missions. For further information please call the Commander, Maj. Fellows at 802-263-5544 or drop by a meeting.

**TUESDAYS, BEGIN OCT. 4** - LONDONDERRY, Vt. - Smoking Cessation class to be held at

Neighborhood Connections, 5700 Route 100, from 6 - 7 p.m.

## SUPPORT GROUPS

**MONDAYS** - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - NAMI Vermont Connection Recovery Support Group is an alliance of individuals who have the common experience of living with mental illness. It provides a forum to share experiences and learn about opportunities and challenges regardless of

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**SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY** - LUDLOW, Vt. - Wit's End Support Group for family members of a person struggling with addiction. Fletcher Memorial Library at 6 p.m. For more info call BRACC 802-228-7878.

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**THURSDAYS** - SPRINGFIELD, Vt. - Mental health peer support group from 2 - 3:30 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, 77 Main St. The group's goal will be to provide a safe and healthy environment for people to give and receive support around mental health issues. The group is free and open to

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# Recycling law boosts fresh food donations

**MONTPELIER, Vt.** - The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources and the Vermont Foodbank announced today a 40 percent increase in food donations in 2016, topping the 25-30 percent increase seen in 2015. This announcement comes during September's Hunger Action Month. It confirms healthier, fresher foods like fruits, vegetables, and frozen meat, are making their way into refrigerators and onto plates of Vermonters in need.

"The energy around these new partnerships is contagious. Vermont's Universal Recycling Law is making lives better, improving nutrition and choice at food shelves, and reducing waste at landfills," said Deb Markowitz, Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources.

The Vermont Foodbank started its Fresh Rescue Program in 2014 when it faced challenges managing growing amounts and types of donated food. Hannaford Supermarkets, for exam-

ple, had perishable food to donate that was difficult for the Foodbank to retrieve because of its volume, location, and the frequency of pick-ups needed. At the same time, Vermont's Universal Recycling law was beginning to take effect for large grocery stores.

"To address this challenge, we activated our statewide network of agencies, connecting partner food shelves and meal sites directly with area Hannaford Supermarkets to keep perishable food local," said John Sayles, CEO of Vermont Foodbank.

In 2016, Lieutenant Scott Murray of the Salvation Army of Greater Burlington Area reported, "We are spending less than \$500 a month on food, and we'll serve around 40,000 meals this year. That works out to a food cost per meal of under \$0.07, versus about \$1.47 two years ago. And the quality of what we're serving is so much better than before we started getting these particular fresh food donations.

Healthy and nutritious meals, fresh fruits and vegetables, and new dinner offerings such as kale, pork, chicken and so much more. This program has changed how we cook, what we serve, and benefits so many people. There is no way we could afford to buy the same food as is donated."

Northwest Family Foods, a food shelf program serving Franklin and Grand Isle Counties, recently reported a 55 percent increase in food shelf visits after being a pilot pickup location for the Fresh Food Rescue Program. They attribute the increase not to new visitors, but to more frequent use by those already being served, in part because they were able to offer better fresh food, more reliably than ever before.

The Milton Family Center, another pilot pickup location of the program, also reports great success. According to Food Shelf Coordinator Cheryl Alwine, "The Fresh Rescue Program has

been fabulous; much of the food is in very good condition. The produce usually lasts from one pickup to the next, so most people coming in for food shelf food are getting a bag of vegetables or fruit, many times both. Last week, we had so much fruit - apples, oranges, and pears!"

By the end of the first year of the program in 2014, sixteen Fresh Rescue partners collected 347,000 pounds of food that would have otherwise gone to waste. Today, forty Fresh Rescue partnerships exist throughout the state. More than a million pounds of fresh food is being saved from the dumpster and shared with Vermonters who need it the most.

Learn more about Vermont's Universal Recycling law by visiting [www.vtrecycles.com](http://www.vtrecycles.com), and by following us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @VTrecycles.

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