



We will never forget

MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. – The Mount Holly Community Historical Museum presents “September 11, 2001: A personal reflection” Thursday, Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Odd Fellow Hall in Belmont. Retired NYPD Sergeant Paul Faenza shares his memories of that day and the days that followed. As a member of the New York City Police Department, he responded to the scene immediately after the buildings collapsed and remained at Ground Zero for two weeks. This presentation provides a sense of what occurred that day in New York City from a first responder’s point of view and to ensure that people remember the events, those people that we lost, and the hundreds who are sick and dying from 9/11 related illnesses. Never forget.

Also see Paul Faenza’s Letter to the Editor on 6A.

Pictured is the Ludlow memorial to the victims and loved ones of the attack on America September 11, 2001.

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Phineas Gage story continues to fascinate in Cavendish

BY SHARON HUNTLEY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

CAVENDISH, Vt. – Cavendish Historical Society’s Margo Caulfield gave her annual talk and walking tour of the story of local legend Phineas Gage to a packed house Sunday, Sept. 8, starting at the historical society building and then walking to key nearby locations in the immediate area that all had to do with the Gage story.

In 1848, Phineas Gage, working as a railroad foreman in Cavendish while putting in a section of the Rutland & Burlington Railroad, was made famous for surviving a blasting accident, which sent a large tamping iron from under his left cheekbone, traveling completely through his brain, and out the other side. The resulting injury and subsequent changes to his personality were key to medical history’s understanding of brain science. His was one of the first documented cases that showed the relationship between personality and the frontal lobes of the brain.

Margo Caulfield spoke at length about the details surrounding Gage’s accident including reports from his men as well as reports that local Doctor John Harlow wrote about the case including medical treatment of the injury. She also demonstrated, complete with heavy iron rod and a silicon brain model, the extensive brain damage that likely occurred.

Dr. Harlow continued to follow Gage’s life paying particular attention to his change in personality, which included inappropriate behavior, fits of profanity, impatience, and “little deference for his fellows.” Before the accident he was considered a steady, smart, and capable man. Afterward, his friends said he was “no longer



The plaque representing Phineas Gage and his accident.

PHOTO BY SHARON HUNTLEY

Gage.”

Caulfield went on to detail Gage’s life, which included displaying himself as an oddity in a Barnam Museum, working at a livery in Hanover, N.H., moving to Chile to work as a stage-coach driver, and finally ending up in San Francisco where he died from epileptic seizures in 1860, approximately 11.5 years after the accident.

His family donated his skull and tamping iron, which Gage always traveled with, back to Dr. Harlow. They both now reside at the Warren Anatomical Museum at Harvard University.

After the talking portion of the tour, participants followed Caulfield first to the location of boarding house where Gage was staying at the time, which is across from the historical society building. She then brought everyone along Mill Street, under the railroad overpass, and along the Cavendish Gulf Road to where the railroad crosses the road, approximately three-quarters of a mile away from the boarding house. Caul-

field identified the general section of the railroad believed to be where Gage was working at the time of the accident. The group then traveled to the Cavendish Town Green to see the special monument that highlights the details and significance of Gage’s accident. This was a legacy from Harlow’s family for the town of Cavendish to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the accident. From there, the group walked to an empty lot next to the Stone Church, which shows the footprint of Dr. Harlow’s then office and house.

The Cavendish Historical Society has several books about Gage on hand as well as interesting details and information about his life and legacy. According to Caulfield, CHS schedules a talk and tour each year in September to commemorate the anniversary of the accident. For more information, visit www.cavendishhistoricalocietynews.blogspot.com.

The Nature Museum presents 11th annual Fairy House Festival

BY BILL LOCKWOOD

The Vermont Journal
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GRAFTON, Vt. – Britannica defines fairy as “a mythical being of folklore and romance usually having magic powers and dwelling on earth in close relationship with humans. It can appear as a dwarf creature typically having green clothes and hair... and characteristically exercising magic powers to benevolent ends; as a diminutive sprite commonly in the shape of a delicate, beautiful, ageless winged woman dressed in diaphanous white clothing... or as a tiny, mischievous, and protective creature generally associated with a household hearth.”

No matter what your definition, fairies have definitely become part of our make-believe world. But where do they live? In Grafton, they have houses. On Sept. 28 and 29, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day, the Nature Museum will be holding its 11th annual Fairy House Festival where there will be quite a few fairy houses on display. All are built by volunteers both individually and by teams.

Former Springfield teacher at Union Street School and new museum director Vanessa Stern says that so far this year builders have signed up to create 28 houses. In the past there have been as many as 50 houses that form a fairy village laid out along a beautiful wooded half-mile trail behind the museum. She says the houses are made out



Fairy house from a previous festival is currently on display at the Nature Museum in Grafton.

PHOTO BY BILL LOCKWOOD

of acorns, tree bark, seed pods, branches, corn husks, moss, and are definitely all of natural materials. They are in a variety of sizes, but Stern says they all are “fairy-sized and guaranteed to make you wish you were a fairy.”

Some houses will also be in a more accessible area for those not wanting to walk the trail or are “wary of the woods.” And some houses will be constructed during the festival with the builders working for all to see. There will also be refreshments available provided by the Grafton Market food folks. Mona Frey will provide face painting, and Natalie Boston of Huntley Hollow Photography will be there to provide photographs of children and families in a fairy setting. Stern says, “You may dress accordingly.”

The festival was conceived by past director Lillian Willis. Stern says it is a legacy she has left that has been building

for years. Last year’s festival attracted 1,200 visitors. Stern says, “It gets children out to connect with nature – so compelling that it’s the museum’s largest fundraiser.”

This year is the Nature Museum’s 30th birthday. In addition to its natural history collection, it runs a variety of programs for children, adults, families, and schools throughout the year.

Some past years’ fairy houses are currently on display in the museum. All were unoccupied, and no fairies were available for interview. But perhaps some of them will be around for the festival?

The Nature Museum is a nonprofit organization, and the event is a fundraiser. So there is an admission fee for the Fairy House Festival.

For more information, call 802-843-2111, email info@nature-museum.org, or check out their website at www.nature-museum.org.

Selectboard discusses Bellows Falls garage, TL Riley complex

BY BETSY THURSTON

The Shopper

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – On Tuesday, Sept. 3, Rockingham Selectboard heard updates from Windham & Windsor Housing Trust and the Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation and approved requests for Gaskill Road residents for the TL Riley complex.

Christy Betit, Pipeline and Pathways coordinator of the Brattleboro Development Credit Corporation, presented strategies for high school graduates to succeed and remain in the area. Betit mentioned about half of all graduates leave school without a plan. From workshops to a reality fair – where students choose a career, get a mock paycheck, and learn to pay bills and budget – the BDCC works with Southern Vermont Economic Development Strategy to develop

a robust economy in the Windham County region. SeVEDS receives funding from the town.

Selectboard Chair Peter Golec asked if the schools were better preparing students for after graduation. BDCC was working with the schools to implement career and finance education into the students’ language arts and math classes. Gaetano Putignano asked if the programs have been in place long enough to gather success rates, and BDCC mentioned that there would be data available in September of 2020.

Elizabeth Bridgewater and Peter Paggi of Windham & Windsor Housing Trust presented the Selectboard with information regarding the recently purchased Bellows Falls Garage on Rockingham Street. Plans at the location overlooking the river will contribute to the revitalization of downtown. The design offers retail space on the sidewalk, a community terrace on the roof, nine on-

site parking spots, and 26 new apartments – five efficiency, 19 one-bedroom, and two two-bedroom apartments. The project is already in Phase II of the environmental assessment. Paggi explained that a worst case scenario will mean construction that has already been planned for radon mitigation.

Development Director Gary Fox requested approval from the Selectboard to apply for a \$300,000 grant from the Vermont Community Development program for the stabilization of the TL Riley buildings, located at 14 and 16 Mill St., with an additional \$40,000 grant toward the overall plan for those properties. Municipal Manager Wendy Harrison stated that the two grants would be combined in one grant application and there is historical value to the complex, which comprises both an original canal wall and

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Nortrax gives to Springfield Habitat

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – It was 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 23 when the first load of Nortrax equipment pulled up to 422 Lacross Rd. to unload. The second load came later the same morning;

the trucking was courtesy of Hillside Auto, Springfield.

By 7 a.m. Saturday morning, Aug. 24, 13 Nortrax volunteers arrived to



Working on the Habitat for Humanity project. PHOTO PROVIDED

spend the day moving earth and stone with their backhoe, excavator, skid steer, skill and strong backs, as well as painting inside and doing chimney repair. This effort amounted to almost 100 man-hours! The stone for the cellar floor arrived in the morning also,



The Nortrax crew.

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compliments of St. Pierre Inc., 59 Jeffrey Rd. in Charlestown, N.H.

During the day, lots of tree stumps were removed, stones both big and small were relocated, trees were cut, and the grounds around the house were graded. The stones for the cellar floor were laid in and raked in preparation for the cement floor.

Morning break time was provided by Dunkin Donuts, with lunch by the Springfield

Sub-Way and Shaw's.

This huge volunteer effort on the part of local businesses helps Springfield Habitat to move forward in completing the property for a Habitat-eligible partner family. Habitat thanks everyone involved in this project.

If you would like to see the property or volunteer to work on it, call 802-738-8858. We'd be happy to show you around.



Bellows Falls Rotary Club inductee

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Trevor McCants from North Walpole, N.H. was inducted into the Rotary Club of Bellows Falls Aug. 22. Trevor, shown with Matt Guild, president, and Bill Stevens, his sponsor, is married to Ashley Crosby McCants and they have a young daughter. They met while serving in the U.S. Air Force in Texas. Trevor currently works at the Veterans Administration in White River in logistics management.

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BF Senior Center hosts holiday raffle

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center has a very exciting raffle just in time for the holidays! Our Knit & Stitch group has put together an amazing doll set for one lucky winner. The winner will receive an 18-inch doll, handmade wooden bed, complete handmade wardrobe, a wheelchair, handmade blankets, doll-sized stuffed animals, and a handmade bag to keep all her clothes in as well. Tickets can be purchased at the senior center as of Monday, Sept. 9. The winner will be drawn Saturday, Dec. 7 at our Holiday Bazaar.

The doll will be displayed at



The senior center Knit & Stitch group has been making a doll set. PHOTO PROVIDED

use of tools, assistance, and refreshments. Please bring scrapbook, refill pages, pictures, adhesives, tools, other cropping materials, cardstock, crafting supplies, and a bag lunch. Pack up your projects, grab a friend, and come join in on a day of great conversation, laughs, and wonderful ideas. For more information, go to www.facebook.com/cmAdvisorTinaWhite.

Have questions about Medicare Open Enrollment? Pati Kimball from Senior Solutions will be here Monday, Sept. 16 for a presentation and to answer questions about open enrollment.

On Tuesday, Oct. 15, we head to the Aqua Turf in Connecticut for a day of live music with the Polka Family Band. The trip cost covers transportation, coffee, donuts, door prizes, a complimentary glass of wine or beer, family-style Polish dinner, and live music. The senior center van leaves at 8 a.m. and space is limited.

The Bellows Falls Area Senior Center, located at 18 Tuttle St., is open to local seniors aged 50 and over. We do not charge membership fees so feel free to drop in and check us out. We offer accessibility in the forms of a lift and ramps, and we have plenty of free parking. Contact us for further information at 802-463-3907.

our gym in downtown Bellows Falls if you would like to check it out in person.

There is a new level 1 Tai Chi for Fall Prevention class, starting Sept. 13 and continuing every Friday from 9-9:45 a.m. Tai Chi has ancient origins and is about slow movements and deep breathing. It can help build strength and improve balance. Movements are gentle and suitable for all abilities. There is no charge for

this class. The group is ongoing and newcomers are welcome to drop in any time to see what we do.

Tai Chi Level II will be held Thursdays, 12:15-1 p.m. Contact Susan at 802-376-5173 for more information.

On Oct. 5, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., is Croptober! Scrapbook Crop and Crafters Day Out. Early bird registration must be postmarked by Sept. 23. The fee covers workspace,

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Tom Taylor retires

ATHENS, Vt. – After 50 years of service to the town, Tom Taylor is retiring as road foreman. The town wishes him all the best, good luck, and thanks him for the years of dedication and service. Through the good times and the bad, Tom has been there for the town making sure the roads have been taken care of. Whether there was a flood, snowstorm, or simply mud season, Tom has proven again and again his commitment to our community. In his honor of his retirement, we are hosting a Retirement Party Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019, from 3-6 p.m., at the Athens School. All are welcome.

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Springfield Co-op looking to expand store

BY JOE MILLIKEN
The Shopper

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Food Co-op is looking to expand its operation with the purchase of the People's United Bank building located in downtown Springfield. The bank would remain in the building and continue with full service to their customers.

After the original co-op, named The Pantry, had closed after a five-year run, the Springfield Co-op was opened in 1992 on Chester Road. Then in 1995, the co-op reopened at its current location at 335 River St. The operation has steadily grown over the years and is now warranting a larger location.

“Our Board of Directors and management team have been working on an expansion plan for a couple years now,” co-op general manager Neomi Lauritsen said. “In our 2015 customer survey, the number one request was for a larger store with café seating.”

Other customer requests on the survey included increased deli options, more local products, and overall space in the store. In order for this idea to become reality, however, the co-op



Rendering of the new Springfield Food Co-op exterior.

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A new back to school look for Leland & Gray cafeteria

TOWNSHEND, Vt. – If you visit the Leland & Gray Union Middle High School cafeteria this fall, you might notice a new back to school style.

This summer when the students went on break their Seed-2Tray team went to work. Food Service Director Chris Parker wanted to create a fun space for the school community to enjoy their meals for the 2019-2020 school year. First, they gave their kitchens a deep cleaning and lots of coats of paint. Then turned their focus to the Leland & Gray cafeteria.

“The cafeteria had spent years looking grey and dull, so we recruited the art teacher, Suzanne Paugh from Newbrook Elementary,” says Chris. “She had been the leader on our makeover at Newbrook last year, and I knew I needed her for this project.” Suzanne worked with the incoming fifth and sixth graders to achieve an industrial, graffiti art feel –and the kids were very excited to be a part of such a large project that would impact their school. They created the signs for each station, then painted them before Chef Chris took them back to his woodshop for the finishing touches.

The Seed2Tray team worked



Students will look forward to newly painted cafeteria stations. PHOTO PROVIDED

hard throughout the school year to get to this point. They applied for a mini grant through Food Connects for a new salad bar, generously donated by Entera Catering. The receipt of the salad bar allows the team to provide a wider variety of options for students to make delicious salads. Chris also worked hard to ensure that Universal Meals were added to the budget for the 2019-2020 school year for the entire school district.

“We are excited to see our students and show them their new cafeteria. They are now welcomed by a new hot line, a new salad bar, a pizza bar, and a sandwich bar complete with pini press. The best part is that every student in Jamaica Village, Townshend, Leland & Gray, and Newbrook will all eat for free.”

Thanks to the entire Seed-2Tray team for their hard work to make schools meals welcoming and delicious. Be sure to

follow them on Instagram at Seed2Tray.

Food Connects is an entrepreneurial nonprofit that delivers locally produced food as well as educational and consulting services aimed at transforming local food systems. The Food Hub aggregates and delivers from over 60 local farms and food producers to over 120 buyers in southeast Vermont, southwest New Hampshire, and western Massachusetts. Their educational services focus Farm to School programming.

Acknowledged as a statewide leader, the program supports over 30 schools to increase local food purchasing, school meal participation, and food, farm, and nutrition education. Together these core programs contribute to a vibrant local economy by increasing local food purchases by schools and improving students’ nutrition and academic performance. Additionally, Food Connects is frequently hired to provide leadership and consulting services for efforts aimed at transforming local food systems in the New England region.

“Together We Are Stronger” recovery events

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Greater Falls Connections and Turning Point Recovery Center of Springfield will be co-hosting a series of events to celebrate National Recovery Month during the month of September. The events support people in recovery and draw attention to critical prevention, treatment, and recovery support services. Recovery Month celebrates the benefits of recovery from both mental and substance use disorders.

The local events that will support the national effort include:

Raising Kids & Recovery Kick-Off

Check out our new peer-based, trauma-informed program that supports people raising kids while in recovery. This is a new dynamic two-generation model designed to break the cycle of addiction. Starting Sept. 12, this program continues Wednesdays, from 1-2:30 p.m., at Parks Place, 44 School St. Bellows Falls.

Families in Recovery Italian Feast

We invite families affected by substance use disorders to join us Friday, Sept. 13, from 6-8 p.m. at Parks Place for an evening of family fun and games.

Songs & Stories of Hope

Drop by the Flat Iron Café in the Square, Friday, Sept. 20, 5:30-7:30 p.m., to listen to performers Jenny Burtis, Julie Cermola, Neil Blanchette, and Charles Collins. The performances will be followed by a candlelight vigil.

Free Car Wash, Meet & Greet

On Sunday, Sept. 22, from 2-4 p.m., come by O'Reilly Auto Parts to meet local recovery coaches who are making a huge difference in our community. Donations are welcome. This event will be held at O'Reilly Parking Lot, 102 Westminster St., in Bellows Falls.

Recovery Month is a national

observance sponsored by SAMHSA, within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The observance raises awareness of mental and substance use disorders, celebrates individuals in long-term recovery, and acknowledges the work of prevention, treatment, and recovery support services.

All of the National Recovery

Month events in the area are free and open to the public. Come and hear about how recovery is transforming lives.

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Women making a difference

WHITE RIVER JCT., Vt. – Across Vermont, women are making an impact and improving the lives of thousands of Vermonters in the process. Windsor County is home to many of these extraordinary women.

On Sunday, Sept. 22, at 11:30 a.m., the Windsor County Democratic Committee will honor three of these remarkable women at a luncheon at Thyme Restaurant in White River Junction. This event will not only honor these women but will also celebrate the work of all women working to make a difference in our communities. The committee hopes to encourage young women to make a difference in their community.

Sara Kobylenski has spent 50 years in service to children and families, currently through the Couch Family Foundation; previously with the Upper Valley Haven, state

of Vermont, Casey Family Services, Upper Valley Youth Services and earlier in Pennsylvania and Massachusetts. She has served on the Hartland School Board, and with numerous other boards and committees. Sara earned a bachelor's degree from Simmons College, Master of Social Work from University of Pennsylvania, and Certificate in Leadership from Kennedy School of Government at Harvard.

Kim Souza is a business owner, community activist, and member of the Hartford Selectboard. Her dedication to cultivating a thriving community is most evident in her downtown White River Junction clothing store, Revolution. The efforts of Kim's creative entrepreneurial pursuits have earned Revolution the position of flagship among White River Junction's flourishing arts scene.

An active participant in local politics, Kim values the grassroots approach to improving conditions in the Hartford community. As a member of the Selectboard, Kim serves as liaison to the Hartford Planning Commission, the Design Review Committee, and serves as a member of the Hartford Committee on Racial Equity & Inclusion.

Sue Buckholz, an attorney focusing on children and family law, has spent her impressive career working to improve the lives of children. In the last six years, Sue added mediation to her practice, working with folks on family and probate issues. She has worked as a staff attorney in the Prisoners Rights Division of Vermont Defender General's Office and has served as a Guardian ad Litem in Windsor County for many years, appearing for children in divorce and parentage cases. She also repre-

sented Hartford in the Vermont State Legislature.

Sue serves on the Hartford Dismas House and Dismas of Vermont Boards and the Stepping Stone board in Claremont, N.H. Both organizations are a natural fit for Sue as another facet of her work for families and the future of children.

Each honoree talk briefly about her life and career, and the challenges she's faced. Becca White, Vermont State Representative for Hartford, will moderate.

This will be a chance to mingle, network, listen to the honorees' stories, and enjoy a delicious lunch at Thyme Restaurant in White River Junction. For more information, call Sarah Carter at 802-674-6036 or email sf-carter22@gmail.com.

This event is sponsored by the Windsor County Democratic Committee.



Bells Across America

REGION – If you hear church bells Tuesday, Sept. 17, 2019 at 4 p.m., it is to commemorate the signing of the U.S. Constitution in 1787 celebrating its 232nd anniversary. The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was started by the Daughters of the American Revolution who petitioned Congress to set aside a date. Constitution Day was signed into public law Aug. 2, 1956 by President Dwight D. Eisenhower and is observed every year on Sept. 17.

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“Paris To Pittsburgh” screening at Neighborhood Connections

LONDONDERRY, Vt. – On Friday, Sept. 20 at 7 p.m., Doreen Fabiano and Carlene Lindgren, local activists for

the environment and other important global issues, will screen “Paris to Pittsburgh,” co-directed by Sidney Beau-

mont and Michael Bonfiglio and produced by RadicalMedia in partnership with Bloomberg Philanthropies.

The documentary brings to life the impassioned efforts of individuals who are battling the most severe threats of climate change in their own backyards. This film showing is offered at no charge, but please call 802-824-4343 to attend. Organic popcorn will be served and a lively discussion will follow the film.

The Meeting Place at Neighborhood Connections is located in Londonderry's Mountain Marketplace next to the Post Office. Neighborhood Connections is a nonprofit social services agency serving those most vulnerable in nine area mountain towns. Check us out at www.neighborhood-connectionsvt.org.

What can a financial advisor do for you? –

REGION – What does investing mean to you? If the word makes you think of transactions – buying or selling stocks and bonds – you're looking at just part of the picture. To work toward all your goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you need a comprehensive financial strategy. And for that, you might need to work with a personal financial advisor. But what, specifically, can this type of professional do for you? Here are some of the key services a financial advisor can provide.

Help you invest for your retirement

An experienced financial advisor can look at all the relevant factors – your current and projected income, age at which you'd like to retire, desired retirement lifestyle – to help you determine how much you need to invest, and in which investment vehicles, to help you reach your retirement goals. To cite just one example, a



Financial advisors are here to help you manage your money, savings, budgets, investments, and more.

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financial advisor can review your employer-sponsored retirement plan and help you determine how to use it to your greatest advantage.

Help you save for college

Higher education is expensive, and costs are rising every year. If you'd like to help your children or grandchildren go to college someday, you need to save and invest early and often. A financial advisor can suggest appropriate college savings vehicles and strategies.

Help make sure you're well-protected

If something were to happen to you, could your family maintain its standard of living? Or if you someday needed some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home, would you be able to maintain your financial independence, or would you be forced to rely on your adult children for help? A financial advisor can recommend and possibly provide suitable protection products and services for your needs.

Help you adjust your financial strategy

Not much will stay constant in your life – and that includes your financial strategy. Any number of events – a new child, a new job, a new retirement destination – can cause you to adjust your investment moves, as will some of the fac-

tors influencing the financial markets – economic downturns, changing interest rates, new tax laws, and more. A financial advisor can help you change course as needed and sometimes encourage you not to change course, when, in his or her professional opinion, you might be tempted to overreact to some event or other.

While a financial advisor can help you in many ways, you'll need, above all else, to feel comfortable with whomever you choose. Ultimately, you'll want to pick someone who understands what's important to you and who will follow an established process to create personalized strategies and recommend specific actions needed to help achieve your goals. And you'll want someone who will be with you in the long run – someone who will revisit your objectives and risk tolerance and who can adjust your strategies in response to changes in your life.

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LOCAL HISTORY

BY RON PATCH

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Hoof and mouth disease

Below is a 1902 newspaper clipping found in a scrapbook kept by Mary Harris. The photo they mention was badly stained so I couldn't use it. Instead is a photo of Frank Adams Buttonwood Farm.

“Windham and Windsor counties are the only ones in the state effected by the dreaded foot and mouth disease among cattle. Chester, Weathersfield, Andover, Grafton and Windham are the only towns under quarantine, and the only towns in which cattle have been killed are in Chester, Windham and Weathersfield. The excitement among the farmers in these towns has been intense, but is now abating. The farmers who have had their herds killed have been heavy losers, although the United States government has paid 70 percent of the assessed value of the cattle when they were well.

“The revival of this disease in this country is supposed to have been caused by the straw or hay packed around articles imported from Scotland where the disease is very common for the disease is very contagious. To one herd in Chester the disease is supposed to have been carried by a cat.

“This trouble began this time in Dedham, Mass., from a cow bought at an auction in Concord, Mass. From this same auction a dealer sent to Chester several cows which were distributed about town. “Probably Chester has suffered the most of any town from the disease because the effected herds were all the very best in town and probably could not be excelled in

the state. LeRoy Weeks' cattle for instance took the premium at the Rutland fair last fall. George A. Boynton of Gassetts lost more than any one else as his herd numbered 65 and was pronounced the finest herd in these parts. The government appropriated \$50,000 for the extermination of the disease. The work in Chester and vicinity was under the charge of veterinaries, Dr. Henry J. Washburn and Dr. Charles F. Flocken of Washington, D.C., and Dr. F.A. Rich of Burlington.

“To kill and burn seemed to be the only sure way of thoroughly stamping out the disease. It has been thought by some that many of the cows might have been cured and that it was not necessary to kill so many, but the veterinaries report that in many cases where the external blisters were slight they found large ones on the internal organs and in many cases two or three gallons of water would be found inside the creature.

“The accompanying picture will give some idea of the method of disposing of diseased animals. There are two herds in the picture, those of Leroy Week and Frank W. Adams, both of Chester, in all 43 cattle, 23 hogs and one sheep. These creatures were taken across the lots to the slaughter barn on Love Lane. Mr. Adams' herd had to cross the main road at a very narrow place and this was at once thoroughly fumigated. The animals were either knocked down or shot, then cut open and the intestines taken out. The carcasses were then chopped into small pieces, there being nothing larger than a quarter and most of the pieces being smaller than that.

“At the burning shown in the

picture a ditch two feet wide and two feet deep and 60 feet long was filled with kindling. Then logs were placed across at right angles. A layer of meat was followed by a layer of four foot dry wood, then more meat and more wood until the whole was disposed of. The pile in the picture is just ready for the kerosene which was poured over the whole. The pile is 50 feet in length and eight feet high, being four feet wide. This pile was something like 12 hours burning, but not a scrap of meat was left.

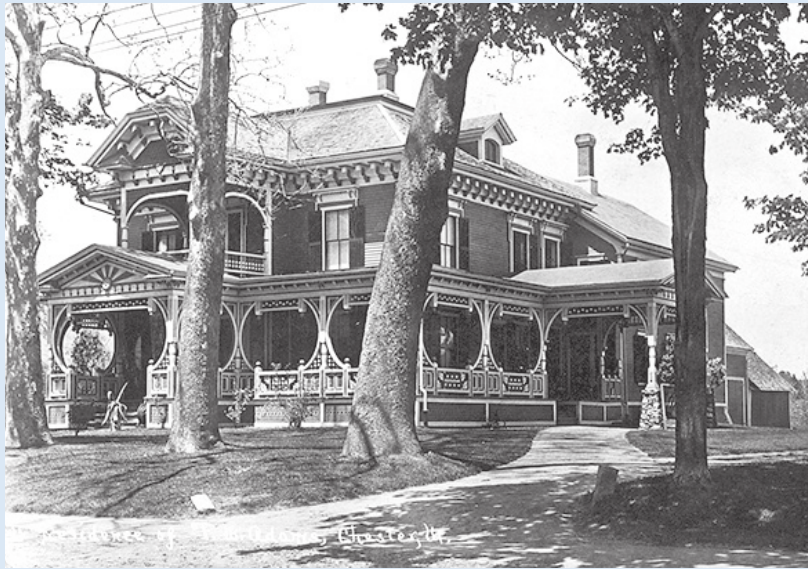
“Other herds which were treated in the same way were those of Frank P. Wells 22 lost, Guild and Lawton 18 lost, E.A. Edson 16 lost, George Farr four lost, E.M. Farr seven lost, Will Baldwin one.

“The barns and premises of afflicted herds are being thoroughly fumigated and as no new cases have been reported for some time it is believed that the disease is wiped out.”

Ted Spaulding remembers his father Ed telling him about E.A. Edson's cows being destroyed. At the time Edson lived where Pizza Stone is today. Ted's father said Edson's cows were piled like cordwood near the railroad tracks when they were burned.

Frank Adams was a major cattle dealer owning Buttonwood Farm. In 1914 his barn was destroyed by fire as seen below from another newspaper clipping.

“Thirteen head of registered Holstein cattle, several head of high grades, five horses and five pigs comprised the livestock burned, with about one hundred tons of hay, fifty tons ensilage in a new silo which had just been erected in the barn. Among the livestock burned were an eight-months-old Pontiac bull calf, for which Mr. Adams paid twelve hundred dollars (\$30,700 today) last spring; a yearling heifer which cost one thousand dollars (\$25,600 today).”



Frank Adams Buttonwood Farm circa 1909.

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The Fox Gold Mine

Taken from the 1883 Child's Windsor County Gazetteer. “While thus carrying on placer mining, a valuable mineral lode was discovered by Joseph R. Harris, whereupon Anthony Blum, the mining engineer of the party, with a support of the miners, immediately pushed forward the development of this new discovery, and now has about 400 lineal feet of underground work, showing the lode to be a true fissure. Its average width is about five feet, and is well mineralized. The party under the management of Mr. Blum erected an extensive plant of modern mining and milling machinery, for the purpose of mining, milling and reducing the ore and refining the gold, and a gravity plane for conveying the ore from mine to mill, and dwelling houses, etc., for the accommodation manager and operatives of the property. As stated, the discoverers, developers and creators of this mine and plant sold to The Rooks Mining Company, who are now operating the same under the management of Anthony and Prof. Henry Fox, and are receiving big returns from the ore they work, which yields an average of over \$40 gold per ton.” \$40 then would be about \$1,600 per ton today.



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to the world of aviation and inspire them to reach to new heights. Registration opens at 1 p.m., weather permitting. Parent or guardian must be on hand to sign waivers for the children's flights.

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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It has been 18 years since the events of Sept. 11, 2001. Two thousand, nine hundred and seventy-seven people died that day in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Shanksville, Pa. Since then hundreds of first responders, construction workers, residents, and countless volunteers are sick or dying from a 9/11 related illness. The numbers are staggering. To date we have lost over 500 first responders, many to brain cancers, respiratory illnesses, and blood diseases.

As a member of the New York City Police Department, I responded that day and performed my duties, while ex-

posed to unknown toxins in the air, dust, and debris. It is very important to me and my family that people never forget the lives that were lost that day; the lives that continue to be taken, and those who continue to struggle with physical and emotional pain. Please take a moment to remember them by participating in a prayer service, performing community service, or just pausing for a moment of silence and reflection.

Never Forget!

Sincerely,
Paul Faenza
Mount Holly, Vt.

Mark L. Aldrich, 1954-2019

ANDOVER, Vt. – Mark L. Aldrich, 65, passed away Wednesday, Aug. 28, 2019 at his home in Andover. He was born April 23, 1954, in Claremont, N.H., the son of Leonard and Janice (Bargeron) Aldrich. He graduated from Keene High School in Keene, N.H. He served in the United States Army based in Germany, where he was a member of the 33rd Army Band. He graduated from Keene State College and later received his master's degree from the University of Massachusetts and doctorate from the University of Colorado.

Mark conducted ensembles and taught music in three high schools and three universities and continued his passion for music making during retirement by teaching young children. He founded Salem Winds/Ascutney Winds, a 501(c)(3) to support high quality live acoustic music. Mark was known as a passionate

and meticulous conductor and educator who demanded the very best. Mark was a follower of Jesus and felt closest to God through the creation of music and teaching of its wonder.

Mark is survived by his wife Jenifer of Andover; mother Janice (Bargeron); children Nathaniel Aldrich of Ottawaquechee, Derrick Aldrich of Burlington, and Hannah Aldrich of Andover; brother Stephen Aldrich of Keene; and grandson Frederick M. Aldrich. He was predeceased by his father Leonard.

A celebration of life gathering will be held Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019, from 4-7 p.m., with a service at 6 p.m. The gathering will be held at his cabin at 366 Plumb Rd. in Andover, Vt.

Contributions may be made in his memory to Ascutney Winds, P.O. Box 737, Chester, VT 05143. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Ralph W. Abbott

ANDOVER, Vt. – Ralph W. Abbott, 75, passed away Sunday, Aug. 11, 2019 at his home surrounded by his loving family. A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, Sept. 14, 2019 at 1 p.m. at the Andover Community Church, followed by a reception at the church. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with arrangements.

Dear Editor,

September is one of my favorite months. I like the light in September, and I love the sunny days and the chilly evenings, a respite from hot summer nights. I like September because I have always associated it with new beginnings.

I liked school when I was a kid. I loved getting back to school in September to see everyone I did not see during the summer. I loved getting my new school supplies, and shopping with my mom for the dress I would wear on the first day of school. And I can remember the first notebooks of the year. I always vowed to keep them neat and tidy and to use

only my best handwriting. September was a fresh start with the only anxiety being afraid that I would not like my new teacher.

As a teacher I liked the new beginning as well. Everything would be neat and tidy. I looked forward to trying new ideas out in the classroom, and I looked forward to meeting my new students, always wondering what

they would be like.

There were a couple of years, however, that I dreaded going back to school. They were the years we had a principal that had a temper, who would lash out at folks, and was unpredictable. Teachers knew whom he liked and whom he disliked.

I wish all the students and the teachers in the Springfield

School District a very good school year. It is my hope that no one has to dread going to school in the morning, and that our leadership ensures that respect is the norm at all the schools in the district.

Sincerely,
Char Osterlund
Springfield, Vt.

by Dave T. Phipps



Elgin A. Russell, 1936-2019

MARLOW, N.H. – Elgin A. Russell, 83, of Newell Pond Road passed away Saturday, Aug. 31, 2019. Elgin was born in Bellows Falls, Vt., July 27, 1936, the son of Elgin and Susie (Allen) Russell. He attended Marlow Grammar School and was a graduate of Vilas High School in Alstead, N.H., Class of 1955. During school, he worked at Marlow Mills.

After graduation, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force from 1956 to 1962. When he returned home, he worked for a short time at the state of New Hampshire Highway Department. From there he went to the New Hampshire Electric Co-op in Sunapee, N.H., where he was a lineman for 36 years. Elgin retired in 1997. After retirement, Elgin enjoyed gardening, hunting, fishing, and especially spending time with his grandchildren. He was a member of the Marlow Methodist Church and a former member of the Sunapee Volunteer Fire

Department.

On June 19, 1965, Elgin married Linda Moses from Bellows Falls, Vt. They moved to Sunapee, N.H., where they raised their family for 29 years. They relocated back to the old homestead in Marlow, N.H., where they enjoyed their retirement.

Elgin is survived by his wife Linda Russell of 54 years; his children John A. Russell of Marlow and Mary Sue Field and her husband David of Grantham, N.H.; and grandchildren Trevor R. Field and Andrea S. Field of Grantham, N.H.

A service was held Saturday, Sept. 7 at the Marlow Methodist Church in Marlow, N.H. Burial followed in the Village Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to HCS Hospice, 312 Marlboro St., Keene, NH 03431 or to the United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 4, Marlow, NH 03456.

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by Linda Thistle

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THIS AND THAT

BY BILL MURPHY

The Vermont Journal & The Shopper

From my vantage point, it was time for another new beginning. Whether you are one who believes that fall begins Sept. 23, Labor Day, or on the day your local high school plays its first fall season athletic event, it really doesn't matter. My belief that fall begins at least by Labor Day has some merit when I looked closely around me and noticed a number of trees had already begun to change colors.

Yankee fans, hold your jokes. I'm not in the mood. The best one I use to hear over the years though was "What's the difference between a Yankee Stadium frank and a Fenway frank?" If you never heard that one, the answer is "They are available in October." I am certainly glad those Yankee fans have not been able to use that one in recent years.

Lots of baseball news recently. On the surface, it was shocking to hear about the firing of Dave Dombrowski, but the longer you think about it, John Henry and company have been consistent in their firings. When the tide is turning, they make a switch or at least attempt to put things in the best possible order. They have been extremely lucky in turning the tide.

Think back to Terry Francona, Theo Epstein and the monkey suit before he decided to return, Ben Cherington and last, but not least, John Farrell. The Red Sox play in Boston where the Patriots set a high standard, and there is only one Bill Belichick.

Please don't forget Ben Cherington. Too many current Red Sox fans either never knew the importance he played in the team's history or have forgotten his contributions. He had to battle Larry Lucchino over just about every move he did or didn't make, something Theo had to also experience. Cherington still managed to hold on to Xander Bogaerts, Mookie Betts, Rafael Devers, Jackie Bradley Jr., Matt Barnes, and Christian Vazquez rather than trade them for experienced talent.

Cherington made his Shopper area debut in the summer of 1986 when he was a member of the Lebanon Baseball All-Stars, where he played in the Fall Mountain Invitational Baseball Tournament I ran for a number of years at the Bellows Falls playground. Even some readers played against him there. Showing his appreciation of days gone by, Cherington brought up that participation in our first conversation when I first met him when he was climbing his way up the ladder of the Red Sox. Still having a memory of that shows how expansive his scope is of his surroundings.

By the way, Cherington and Dombrowski both served basi-



Terrier Meagan Kelly and Cosmo Josie Protas fight for the ball.

HOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE

cally four years as the leader of Red Sox operations. Cherington was named general manager in October of 2011 and chose to leave that position when ownership brought in Dombrowski above him in August 2015. Dombrowski's tenure was just over four years.

Last but not least on Red Sox leadership, Cherington was a John Henry favorite. Henry wanted Cherington to remain as GM to work under Dombrowski. Cherington, who had not been kept in the loop while ownership was pursuing Dombrowski, chose to leave. He is a vice president with the Toronto Blue Jays today. I would not be one bit surprised if Cherington's phone rings asking him to come back as part of this leadership group. I also would not be surprised if such a call comes, Cherington chooses not to be interested.

The annual Josh Cole Tournament is great area news for this week-end. The bad news coming out of summer vacation was that Black River would not have a boys' soccer team, but the good news was that President Athletic Director Joe Gurdak had things planned out ahead of time to keep this prestigious tournament going. It all begins Friday night when at 6 p.m. Leland & Gray and Windsor square off in one semifinal, while at 8 p.m. Green Mountain meets Mount Saint Joseph. Obviously Black River's presence will be missed, but there will be two former Presidents suiting up for Green Mountain. There were 14 players on the boys' Presidents soccer team last fall, but six graduated. Once some were lost to school choice and injury, three showed up this fall and unfortunately the rest is history. The best news of all is the Josh Cole Tournament lives on. The finals will be held at Saturday 8 p.m. on Dorsey Field where all the action takes



Bellows Falls' Maya Waryas and Springfield's Reilly Tennis battle for the ball in the Terriers 4-0 victory over the Cosmos Monday afternoon.

HOTO BY DOUG MACPHEE

place. Some people are stirred up in Bellows Falls where the Terrier epic field hockey team has been placed in Division I again. They really don't belong there, but a year ago the Terriers, who had won previous field hockey state titles in Division II and III, chose to take their success to the Division I level. It was a challenge to a group of seniors, many of whom were a part of the team when they won three state titles in succession. The VPA allowed the unusual request, but the Field Hockey Committee would determine the Bellows Falls team's future alignment class. When the committee met, it was determined Bellows Falls would compete in Division I for two more seasons.

It's looking more and more likely that the Springfield Cosmos football team have become big boys overnight. Rich Saypack told me while he was still coach that there were players in the lower grades who should improve the program. Both Coach Todd Aiken and Saypack were whispering the same thing last year, but I really didn't know what to think.

However, Jacob Stepler, Sam Presch, Noah Zierfus, and Brady Clark were all skill position players who displayed hope at a young age and Clark has returned from schooling elsewhere. A defensive line has been growing over time and an offensive line is still developing.

Keep an eye on this group. The win over Mill River was kind of expected and maybe Oxbow too, but comparable scores of Oxbow's opponents suggest that the Cosmos might be in the mix this year. Windsor, who is the opponent on the road this Saturday at 1 p.m., has dominated the outcome of this series in recent years so stay tuned. Could the Cosmos go 3-0?

Send comments or questions about This & That to Bill Murphy at bmurphy@vermontjournal.com.

Fall sports schedule, Sept. 12-21

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Boys Soccer

Bellows Falls at Springfield, 4:30 p.m.
Fall Mountain at Monadnock, 4 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Mount Saint Joseph at Black River, 4:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13 –

Cross Country

Russ Pickering Invitation at Bellows Falls, 4:30 p.m.

Boys Football

Bellows Falls at Fair Haven, 7 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Josh Cole Tournament at Dors-ey Park, 6 p.m.
Randolph at Springfield, 7 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Belmont at Fall Mountain, 7 p.m.
Green Mountain at Windsor, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14 –

Boys Football

Fall Mountain at Winnisquam, 1 p.m.
Springfield at Windsor, 1 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Josh Cole Tournament at Dors-ey Park, 6 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Leland & Gray at Thetford, 2 p.m.
White River Valley at Bellows Falls, 11 a.m.

MONDAY, SEPT. 16 –

Girls Field Hockey

Bellows Falls at Newport, 4 p.m.
Springfield at Rutland, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Bellows Falls at Mount Saint Jo-seph, 4:30 p.m.
Long Trail at Springfield, 6 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Woodstock at Springfield, 4:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 17 –

Cross Country

Black River, Green Mountain, Springfield at Hartford, 4:45 p.m.
Fall Mountain at Conant, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Fall Mountain at Newport, 4 p.m.
Leland & Gray at Stratton Mountain, 4 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Poultney at Black River, 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 18 –

Girls Field Hockey

Burr & Burton at Bellows Falls, 4 p.m.
Fair Haven at Springfield, 4 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Bellows Falls at Springfield,

4:30 p.m.
Green Mountain at Wilming-ton, 6 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Bellows Falls at Green Moun-tain, 4:30 p.m.
Leland & Gray at Rivendell, 4:30 p.m.

Girls Volleyball

Franklin at Fall Mountain, 6:15 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 20 –

Boys Football

Otter Valley at Springfield, 7 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Hillsboro-Deering at Fall Mountain, 7 p.m.
Leland & Gray at Arlington, 6 p.m.

Girls Soccer

Bellows Falls at Leland & Gray, 4:30 p.m.
Springfield at Hartford, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 21 –

Girls Field Hockey

Otter Valley at Springfield, 11 a.m.

Boys Football

Bellows Falls at Lyndon Insti-tute, 1 p.m.
Fall Mountain at Franklin, 3:30 p.m.

Boys Soccer

Twin Valley at Bellows Falls, 11 a.m.

Girls Soccer

Fall Mountain at Conant, 3 p.m.

Fellows, Riendeau, Lanou, and Brooks win Sept. 6 at Claremont

CLAREMONT, N.H. – Aaron Fellows stayed perfect on the season Friday, Sept. 6, at Claremont Motorsports Park, while Street Stock ace Chris Riendeau stormed to his fourth win of the summer to close to within two championship points of division leader Dave Greenslit entering the season's final show.

Eleven-year-old Clark Brooks earned his second Pure Stock victory lap in as many weeks Friday, and Eric Lanou won for the second time this season in the Six-Shooters.

Fellows, who won all 15 outings in the R.E. Hinkley Late Model Sportsman division this summer, also clinched the division title – his 12th track championship at the Thrasher Road speedplant – with Friday night's victory. Like many of the 14 victories that preceded it, Friday's triumph came with the trade-mark Fellows blend of both patience and raw power.

Mark Blair led lap one of the LMS main, then giving way to Ryan Bell, who would set fast time the next nine go-rounds.

Jack McClay took charge on a re-start, pacing the field for 11 laps before Fellows, diving low into turn one, rocketed to the point on lap 21 and never looked back.

Windsor's Robert Hagar got up for second on lap 27 but would advance no further, taking the checkers a dozen lengths behind Fellows. Ben Poland, in the mix all night, earned the third-place hardware after having earlier topped his heat race.

Raven Streeter was the man to beat early in the Casella Street Stock feature, before giving way to Chris Riendeau on lap five. While Riendeau would make easy work of scoring his fourth win of the summer, one of the event's major happenings occurred when Dave Greenslit dropped a driveshaft on lap 23, coasting into the infield to finish 12th in the event.

Greenslit's misfortune, coupled with Riendeau's strong out-ing, left the pair only two points apart heading into next week's season finale. Alstead's Kenny Thompson was second in Friday's 30-lapper, with hometown

hot shoe Briana Akusis solid all night to come home third.

Rich Streeter led the first four go-rounds of the Pure Stock feature, then giving way to rookie powerhouse Dylan Adams, who opened up an enormous lead, only to see it evaporate on a lap-17 caution. The yellow brought 11-year-old Clark Brooks to Adams' side, and the Raymond, N.H. youngster wasted no time in taking charge on the ensuing restart.

With Brooks sailing to his second win in as many weeks, Adams earned his fifth podium finish in six outings, followed under the checkers by his father, fellow rookie Bruce Adams, whose third-place run moved him to within two points of division leader Kyle Templeton, who came home fourth on the night.

Second-generation pilot Eric Lanou won his second Six-Shooter feature of the season, outgunning Paul Colburn in a spirited competition over much of the 15-lapper. Colburn's runner-up finish placed him one spot ahead of 11-time 2019 win-

ner Jeremy Blood, whose podi-um finish clinched the divisional championship for him.

Claremont Motorsports Park will conclude its 2019 racing season Friday, Sept. 13, when it hosts its annual Championship Night event, featuring four divisions of racing plus three Enduro classes, including the speedway's popular Red Neck Enduro series.

The season finale could be a wild one, as the Friday the 13th event will go off under a full moon. For more information, please visit www.claremontmotorsportspark.com.

Sept. 6 feature results:

• Late Model Sportsman: Aaron Fellows, Robert Hagar, Ben Poland, Jack McClay, Ryan Bell, Tyler Lescord, Josh Currier, Mark Blair, Eric Martell, Kenny Fowler, Dennis Bell.

• Street Stock: Chris Riendeau, Kenny Thompson, Briana Akusis, Raven Streeter, Cody Schoolcraft, Robbie Streeter, Tim Akusis, Tyson Hayes, Chris Emerson, Nick Little, Kirby Goodrich, Dave Greenslit, Kyle Buck, Brad Zahesnkly.

• Pure Stock: Clark Brooks, Dylan Adams, Bruce Adams, Kyle Templeton, Seth Melcher, Rich Streeter, Tom Engelhart, Sammy Silva, Jim Carley, Cam-dyn Curtis, Bruce Cantara Jr.,

Chris Carver, Amber Brehio.
• Six-Shooter: Eric Lanou, Paul Colburn, Jeremy Blood, Eric Prescott, Earl Moul, Amy Jaycox.

Written by Gary Dutton.



Josh Cole Tournament

LUDLLOW, Vt. – Don't miss the Josh Cole 25th annual Memorial Soccer Tournament Friday, Sept. 13 and Saturday, Sept. 14 with games at 6 and 8 p.m. both nights at Dorsey Park in Ludlow.

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Davey O. at Stage 33 Live –

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Americana touring artist Davey O. will be in Bellows Falls to deliver an intimate performance Friday, Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Stage 33 Live.

Davey O. is a seasoned touring performer whose pure Americana is drawn from a deep well of experience and human emotion without hackneyed storylines or insincere polish – an unflinching poet’s look at life with no apologies and a rust-belt work ethic. He has been a New Folk finalist at The Kerrville Folk Festival, an official showcase selection at the Folk Alliance Conference, and shared stages with the likes of Ellis Paul, Eilen Jewell, Suzanne Vega, Cheryl Wheeler,

Sloan Wainwright, and The Kennedys.

Equal parts songwriter and storyteller, Davey O.’s two most recent CD releases were recognized with multiple honors and included on the “Best Of” lists of several folk-and-roots radio stations. He has earned the respect of his peers for his incredible work ethic and dedication to the art of songcraft. With a journalist’s eye for detail and poet’s ear for the well-turned observation, Davey O. finds the universal in the particular, turning day-to-day minutiae into dusty paeans to the indomitability of the human spirit. With each tale another slice of life examined.

Door opens at 6:30 p.m. and music begins at 7:30 p.m. The

first 40 advance tickets are guaranteed chairs. There’s also plenty of standing room. Attendees may bring their own camp-style seating if they wish. Advance tickets are available online at www.stage33live.com.

The listening event will be recorded and filmed.

Stage 33 Live is located at 33 Bridge St. in Bellows Falls, Vt., and documents live performances and presentations of original material on a simple stage in a former factory building for downstream audiences. Find more information about the nonprofit, all-volunteer project and their other upcoming events online at www.stage33live.com.

Canal Street Art Gallery’s fine art glass showcase

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Canal Street Art Gallery presents “A World Suspended in Color” fine art glass opens Sept. 13 and is on view through Nov. 9. The public is invited to an opening reception with the artists Friday, Sept. 20, from 5-8 p.m., during Bellows Falls 3rd Friday.

This year the show includes members of The Vermont Glass Guild and the League of New Hampshire Craftsmen. Exhibit artists include Clare Adams, Damon Bennett, Robert Burch, Robert DuGrenier, Nicholas Kekic, Jordana Korsen, Chris Sherwin, and Aaron Slater.

Tsuga Studios relocated from Chester to Bellows Falls in 2017, turning a renewed industrial space in Bellows Falls into a functional glass shop and gallery. Recently, Kekic received first place in Best in Glass at the 86th annual Craftsmen’s Fair.

In August of 2005, Brattleboro artist Chris Sherwin established

Sherwin Art Glass at 33 Bridge St. Sherwin’s furnace and equipment are powered by hydro-electricity generated by the dam.

Robert Burch, a master glassblower, based in Putney for over 40 years, creates vases, perfume bottles, paperweights, and sculptural pieces. His current specialty is artwork that incorporates veiled silver glass with delicate bubble patterns. Brandywine Glassworks now supplies over 200 shops and galleries nationwide.

Jordana Korsen, an educator and creator in hot glass since 1992, currently teaches at the Hot Glass Art Center in Marlboro, N.H. and the Corning Museum of Glass. Korsen headed the glassblowing program at Franklin Pierce University for over two decades. Korsen is a juried member of the New Hampshire League of Craftsmen.

The art of Robert DuGrenier, based in Townshend, touches

both the traditional and experimental arenas of glass art. DuGrenier creates high-end installations for museum and architectural projects around the world. In April 2018, DuGrenier was inducted into the Illinois State University’s College of Fine Arts Hall of Fame and is currently president of the Vermont Glass Guild.

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

Walpole Historical Society Christmas in September

WALPOLE, N.H. – The Walpole Historical Society will hold its annual Christmas in September, Saturday, Sept. 21 at the museum on Main Street. On the lawn outside will be tables of special sale items. These will include selected Caspari napkins and Christmas cards, lavender candles and soaps, children’s books, and puzzles.

Inside will be new Christmas cards and wrapping paper, taper candles, scarves, and beaded necklaces for the ladies. In addition, books about Walpole, framed pictures, tiny wind chimes, stained glass ornaments, as well as handcrafted cedar magnets and ornaments. There will be local honey and maple products too. There is a good selection of Fravessi greeting cards, wooden bookmarks,



It’s time again for Christmas in September. STOCK PHOTO

and maps of Walpole. Check out our interesting snowflake catchers too. These are great stocking stuffers for any age.

The museum and gift shop will be open from 12 to 4 p.m. and tables will be outside too, weather permitting. Plan to bring the kids and your friends.

View the exhibits and video of Walpole’s Town History. Coffee and refreshments will be available.

We hope to see you Sept. 21 for our annual Christmas in September. Parking is available behind the museum or on the street.

Blue Collar Band returns to Acworth for Moon Dance

ACWORTH, N.H. – The Blue Collar Band returns to South Acworth, N.H. for the Moon Dance. Join us in the Turn Around Barn Sept. 14, from 7-9 p.m. and dance the night away. There will be snacks and beverages available at the Village Store.

Entrance is free for this event, although donations will be accepted to benefit

the Village Store and the Blue Collar Band. It promises to be a fun musical evening that will follow our usual Pizza Night. Saturday Pizza Night at the Village Store runs through mid-October every Saturday night, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. It is best to call in advance to place your pizza order.

The Acworth Village Store is run by the Acworth Community Project, which is a

New Hampshire nonprofit organization. If you’d like more information about this community-run village store, please contact Jim Neidert at 603-835-2453.

The Acworth Village Store is located at 1068 Route 123A, South Acworth, N.H. Call 603-835-6547, go to www.acworthvillagestore.com, or visit us on www.facebook.com/acworthvillagestore.

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and Max Roach, and was heavily influenced by many great women artists from Joan Baez and Roseanne Cash to Billie Holiday and Carmen McCrae.

Porche has published “Sudden Eden,” “The Body’s Symmetry,” and “Glancing Off” and has pursued an alternative literary career, creating collaborative writing projects in nontraditional settings. The Vermont Arts Council presented her with its Award of Merit in 1998, and its first Ellen McCulloch-Lovell Award in Arts Education in 2015, and Marlboro College, an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters in 2012. “Shedding Light on the Working Forest,” a collaboration with visual artist Kathleen Kolb, is currently showing

around New England. Carpenter and Porche were featured in “Freedom and Unity: The Vermont Movie.”

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. There is an admission fee at the door. BYOB. For more information, email kwkmdavis@yahoo.com or call 802-896-6810.

The final show in WCC’s 2019 music series is Saturday, Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., featuring Rockabilly Hall-of-Famer, Marty Wendell.



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“New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell”

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Pamela Weeks, quilt historian, will present “New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell” at the next Osher Lifelong Learning Institute program Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 2 p.m. at the Nolin Murray Center on Pleasant Street in Springfield, Vt.

History is stitched into family quilts. By observing the patterns and fabrics, we can learn quite a bit about when and where the quilt was made. Pamela Weeks will enlighten us about the history involved in quilt making and the stories they tell.

Quilting is not just an American art; nearly every world culture that has cold weather uses quilted textiles. She will weave world history, women's history, industrial history, and just plain wonderful stories into her presentation. Audience members are invited to bring one family heritage quilt for her to examine and include in her presentation. For those bringing a quilt, please arrive by 1:30 p.m. and provide a piece of paper with some basic information about the quilt.

Pamela Weeks is the curator of the Binney New England Quilt Museum in Lowell, Mass. She is the author of “Civil War Quilts” and articles on quilt history. She gives her quilt lectures nationally. This program is co-



Pamela Weeks, quilt historian, will present “New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell.”

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sponsored by the Springfield Art & Historical Society.

OLLI, affiliated with the University of Vermont, is a local membership program geared towards seniors 50 years and older who want to engage in meaningful learning “just for the fun of it!” People of all ages who are interested in this type of program are welcome to attend. 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, travel, and current events. Programs are held Tuesdays at 2 p.m.

Membership for the semester includes nine programs. Nonmembers are welcome to attend individual lectures for a single program fee. Fees may be paid at the program.

The following OLLI program will be Tuesday, Oct. 1 with Rick Winston, author and film historian, presenting “Red Scare in the Green Mountains: Vermont in the McCarthy Era 1946-1960.”

The complete Springfield and statewide program list is available online at www.learn.uvm.edu/olli. Choose statewide programs from the menu, and then select Springfield.

Fletcher Farm School September classes

LUDBLOW, Vt. – With Labor Day under our belts, it's time to start thinking fall. Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts has a full slate of fall, winter, and spring classes scheduled, so let's start by highlighting September's classes.

Creative Writing Workshop with Debi Orton runs Sept. 12, 19, 26 and Oct. 3, 10, from 6-8 p.m. each night. These two-hour classes are designed to improve your writing, no matter what you write.

Process Painting: Freeing the Inner Painter, Finding Your Creative Muse with Anne Corbett Moore runs Sept. 14, and 21, from 9 a.m. to noon. This workshop leads participants to find their personal, unique voice and vision in painting.

Whimsical Fish with Lyn Parker Haas and Nancy Conway is Sept. 22, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students will learn to make a whimsical fish basket with colored reed.

Introduction to Chip Carv-



Process painting.

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ing with Allison Greenberg is Saturday, Sept. 28, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 29, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Chip carving is a unique form of wood carving that is fun and easy to learn.

Senior scholarships are still available. If you are a Ludlow resident and 60-plus years of age, we still have some scholarships available. You may be able to take a one- or two-day class for free.

The Fletcher Farm School Fabric and Craft Supply Sale is

back by popular demand Friday and Saturday, Sept. 20-21. The sale is held in our Gift and Craft Shop and will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on both days.

Now that our summer term has ended, the Fletcher Farm School office is open from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For more information on all of our classes, go to www.fletcherfarm.org and at the top of the page click on the “Schedule” link. Register online or by calling 802-228-8770.

Concert series ends with Saxtons River Ringers

ROCKINGHAM, Vt. – The Rockingham Meeting House will present the last performance in its 2019 Third Sunday concert series Sept. 15, beginning at 3 p.m. at the meetinghouse.

Music will be provided by the Saxtons River Ringers, a handbell choir that will perform a selection of liturgical and Americana music. Each musician is responsible for a single note or notes, and must sound that note each

time it appears in the music, allowing the ensemble to act as a single instrument.

Admission is free, although donations to help support the ongoing preservation and restoration of the Rockingham Meeting House, a National

Historic Landmark, will be gratefully accepted. The meetinghouse is off Route 103, just north of the village of Bellows Falls.

For more information, email clg@rockbf.org or visit www.rockbf.org.

Rockingham Library celebrates Banned Books Week

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Help Rockingham Library celebrate the freedom to read during Banned Books Week, Sept. 22-28, 2019. Select a challenged or banned book from the Rockingham Library's main floor display to take home to read. Better yet, sign up to read one in the front window of Village Square Book Sellers. Call the library at 802-463-4270 or email programming@rockinghamlibrary.org by Wednesday, Sept. 18 to sign up to read within the huge “See Live Humans Read Banned/Challenged Books” at Village Square Booksellers.

This annual event, typically held during the last week of September, spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools. It brings together the entire book community – librarians, booksellers, publishers, journalists, teachers, and readers of all types – in shared support of the freedom to seek and to express ideas, even those some consider unorthodox or unpopular.

Each year, the American Library Association Office for Intellectual Freedom records



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hundreds of attempts by individuals and groups to have books removed from libraries' shelves and from classrooms. The OIF tracked 347 chal-

lenges to library, school, and university materials and services. Overall, 483 books were challenged or banned in 2018.

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Vermont’s archery deer season starts Oct. 5

MONTPELIER, Vt. – The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department says hunters are looking forward to Vermont’s upcoming Oct. 5 - Nov. 1 and Dec. 7-15 archery deer hunting season.

A hunter may take up to two deer in Vermont’s two-part archery season with the purchase of two archery licenses. No more than one of the deer taken during archery season may be a legal buck. Antlerless deer hunting is allowed statewide this year during archery season.

This year, a hunter may take up to three deer in a calendar year in any combination of seasons – Archery, Youth Weekend, November Rifle Season, December Muzzleloader. Of these, only two may be legal bucks, and only one buck may

be taken in each season. A “legal buck” is a deer with at least one antler having two or more points one inch or longer. All three deer in the annual bag limit may be antlerless deer.

A new regulation that changes deer hunting rules will go into effect in 2020. Hunters must have a standard hunting license in order to purchase an add-on archery deer hunting license, except that nonresidents may purchase an “archery-only deer license.” Licenses may be quickly and easily purchased on Fish & Wildlife’s website, www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

Hunters planning a Vermont archery deer hunting trip should download a copy of the 2018 White-tailed Deer Harvest



Vermont’s archery deer season starts Saturday, Oct. 5. PHOTO BY DAVE ADAMS

Report from Fish & Wildlife’s website or go to www.tinyurl.com/y5lbheyx. It has the number of deer taken in each town in last year’s deer hunting seasons. Hunters took 3,984 deer during the 2018 archery season.

For more information and

a summary of regulations, download the 2019 Deer Season Guide on Vermont Fish & Wildlife’s website at www.tinyurl.com/y3yk7kuk. For more help, email fwinformation@vermont.gov or call 802-828-1000.



Hunter education courses in Chester

CHESTER, Vt. – The Chester Rod and Gun Club is offering hunter education courses at their location off Route 11 on the following dates: Sept. 24, 26, Oct. 1, and 3, from 7-9 p.m.; Sept. 28, from 7 a.m. – 12 p.m.; Oct. 5, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. To register, go to Vermont Fish and Wildlife website, www.vtfishandwildlife.com/hunt/hunter-education/find-a-hunter-ed-course.

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Funding available to improve water quality on Vermont farms

MONTPELIER, Vt. – The Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets is pleased to announce that \$1 million dollars in funding is available for farmers, custom applicators, non-profit organizations, and phosphorus separation equipment providers through the Capital Equipment Assistance Program. Financial assistance is available for new or used innovative equipment that will aid in the re-

duction of surface runoff of agricultural wastes to state waters, improve water quality of state waters, reduce odors from manure application, separate phosphorus from manure, decrease greenhouse gas emissions, and reduce costs to farmers. The following equipment categories are eligible for funding:

- manure and silage management equipment
- cover crop and field improve-

ment equipment

- precision agriculture equipment
- conservation tillage equipment
- phosphorus reduction, separation, treatment equipment or technology

CEAP grant applications are due by Nov. 1, 2019 and notification of grant award will occur by February of 2020. All categories are eligible to receive state financial assistance up to 90% of eligible costs not to exceed maximum funding rates, which vary based on the type of equipment. Applicants are limited to one application per individual farm operation, organization, or entity.

“The CEAP program is important for our farmers to help

make capital investments to continue improving water quality on our farms. These investments are crucial for meeting our state clean water goals. Manure injectors, precision agriculture, or dissolved air flotation technologies require significant investment, but can save farmers money while improving farm nutrient management and environmental stewardship. We thank our farmers for their continued efforts and investments in this important area,” said Secretary Anson Tebbetts, Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets.

To learn more about the program requirements or to apply, please visit www.agriculture.vermont.gov/ceap.

Hunters reminded of rules on importing deer, elk

MONTPELIER, Vt. – The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department issued a reminder to hunters traveling outside Vermont to hunt – and particularly to Quebec – that the regulation restricting the importation of deer and elk carcasses, which is designed to protect Vermont’s wild deer from chronic wasting disease, remains in effect and will be fully enforced. CWD was found in Quebec last year.

Chronic wasting disease is a fatal disease of the brain and nervous system in deer and elk. Abnormal prion proteins produce lesions in the brain that cause disorientation and emaciation in conjunction with other abnormal behaviors.

Hunters are also reminded that it is illegal to use deer urine lures in Vermont. Urine lures were banned because of the potential for CWD prion proteins to be introduced to the environment through the bodily fluids of CWD-positive ungulates and then persist in the environment for extended periods of time.

It is illegal to import or possess deer or elk, or parts of deer or elk, from states and Canadian provinces that have had chronic wasting disease, or from captive hunt or farm facilities with the following exceptions:

- Meat that is cut up, packaged, and labeled with hunting license information and not mixed with other deer or elk during processing;
- Meat that is boneless;
- Hides or capes with no part of the head attached;
- Clean skull-cap with antlers attached;
- Antlers with no other meat or tissue attached;

- Finished taxidermy heads;
- Upper canine teeth with no tissue attached.

Vermont’s CWD importation regulations apply to hunters bringing in deer or elk carcasses from the following states and provinces, which now includes Quebec province: Alberta, Arkansas, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Quebec, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.

“The Fish and Wildlife Department views CWD as the primary threat to Vermont’s deer herd. For this reason, Vermont is committed to preventing this disease by regulating the movement of harvested deer into the state as well as being the first state in the Northeast to ban the use of urine-based deer lures,” said Mark Scott, wildlife director. “We remain dedicated to protecting Vermont’s valuable deer herd for all Vermonsters to enjoy.”

“Hunters bringing deer or elk from any of the CWD-listed states or provinces into or through Vermont must get them processed according to the regulation before entering Vermont.” Scott also urges hunters to check Quebec’s latest hunting laws because of CWD.

A fine of up to \$1,000 and loss of hunting and fishing licenses for one year are applicable for each deer or elk imported illegally. For the latest information on CWD, go to www.vtfishandwildlife.com, www.tinyurl.com/y347s7um, or www.cwd-info.org.

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SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Twin State Psychological Services is seeking a Psychometric Technician and a Mental Health Clinician

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LUDLOW, Vt. – Mary W. Davis Realtor & Associates in Ludlow is looking for an Administrative Assistant. Candidate will possess excellent computer skills and be proficient in Microsoft Access, Word and Excel, as well as Adobe InDesign, Illustrator and Photoshop. Must have experience with database management and possess good language skills. Knowledge of computer networking is desired.

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CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

SEPT. 14 –
BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. –
Join us for a full day watercolor workshop with Lynn Zimmerman Sept. 14, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at United Church in Bellows Falls. Lynn’s instruction will focus on the relationships between objects and their environment and will explore shadows, edges, overlaps, and negative spaces. Organized by the Saxtons River Art Guild. Contact Carolyn Berglund at 603-352-7398 or ecar@ne.rr.com for cost, additional information, or to register.

PROCTORSVILLE, Vt. – On Saturday, Sept. 14, from 9-10:30 a.m., unwind with CBD Yoga at DG Bodyworks, 7 Depot St. Experience firsthand how CBD works in tandem with a yoga practice to increase relaxation and lessen symptoms of anxiety. CBD oil will be offered at the start of class, which you can apply topically or internally at a level that is appropriate for you. See what can happen when your mental chatter quiets down, and you can fully relax into the present moment.

SEPT. 15 –
PERKINSVILLE, Vt. – Join Vermont Fish and Wildlife for “Hunting with Primitive

Firearms,” a free seminar Sept. 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at Precision Valley Fish and Game Club Range, 2879 Route 106. This seminar will focus on different types of muzzleloaders and safely handling them. Participants are urged to bring a lunch and dress for the weather. Space is limited. Sign up at www.vtfishandwildlife.com. For more information, call 802-828-1193.

SEPT. 17 –
LUDLOW, Vt. – Are you interested in researching your family tree? Come to a workshop at the Black River Valley Senior Center Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 7 p.m. Learn about researching your ancestors using online tools and sites like Ancestry.com and Family Search. Paul Faenza has been researching his family tree

for years and will share his stories, suggestions, and tips with you. This workshop is open to everyone.

SEPT. 19 –
WALPOLE, N.H. – On Thursday, Sept. 19, from 4:30-6 p.m., join Susie Spikol at Distant Hill Gardens and Nature Trail for “Fishers: Separating Fact from Fiction.” Long, lean hunters with a penchant for porcupine, fishers are one of our most misunderstood mammals. The talk is kid-friendly, and children are welcome. Space is limited so registration is requested. Register online at www.tinyurl.com/y5cw8nto, call Michael at 603-756-4179, or visit www.distanthill.org.

MONDAYS –
LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Neighborhood

Connections is offering a six-week beginner Tai Chi class Mondays, from Sept. 9 through Oct. 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Tai Chi is beneficial for all ages and lessens risk of falls by improving balance. Please call 802-824-4343 to reserve your spot.

WEDNESDAYS –
BRATTLEBORO, Vt. – On four consecutive Wednesdays, Sept. 18, 25, Oct. 2, and 9, from 6-7:30 p.m., Brattleboro Area Hospice will host “Sick Body-Healthy Mind” at Brattleboro Area Hospice, 191 Canal St. This is a free, four-week book discussion group based on Cheryl Wilfong’s book “Breast Cancer Meets Mindfulness: Surrendering to Life.” This discussion is for people learning to live fully with a serious illness or a significant loss. Class size is limited to 12. Sign up by contacting Hilary at 802-257-0775 ext. 105.

PERU, Vt. – CBD Yoga, happening every fourth Wednesday of the month from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at New Spring Farm, 135 Batchelders Barn Rd., in Peru. For details, email peaceofparadisising@gmail.com.

THURSDAYS –
LONDONDERRY, Vt. – Neighborhood
Connections is offering a six-week intermediate Tai Chi class on Thursdays from Sept. 12 through Oct. 17, from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. Tai Chi is beneficial for all ages and lessens risk of falls by improving balance. Please call 802-824-4343 to reserve your spot.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Okemo

Valley TV offers “Train the Trainers” workshops on fourth Thursdays at no cost, 6-7 p.m. at the Okemo Valley TV studio, 37C Main St. in Ludlow. Everyone who wants to learn the “ticks and tricks” of TV-video production is welcome. Reserve a space at pcody@pctv.org or call 802-228-8808.

FRIDAYS –
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Free family fun art and music nights run second Fridays, starting at 6 p.m., open to people of all ages. We encourage families and friends to build community and come “exercise your creativity.” Try something new, make mistakes, learn, and try again at the Springfield Art Gym on 62 Clinton St., Springfield. Visit www.facebook.com/springfieldartgym.

TOWNSHEND, Vt. – Starting Sept. 20, there will be a new Tai Chi for Fall Prevention six-week class series offered Fridays, from 9-10 a.m., at Grace Cottage Community Wellness Center, 133 Grafton Rd. Classes focus on developing balance and flexibility. Certified Instructor Ruth Fleming is a physical therapist at Grace Cottage. These classes are free. For more information, call 802-365-3649 or go to www.gracecottage.org.

CLUBS

SEPT. 16 –
CHESTER, Vt. – Please join the Chester Senior Citizens Club for their monthly luncheon meeting Monday, Sept. 16 at 11:30 a.m. in the meeting room at the Chester Senior Circle apartment complex.

Parking is limited so please plan to carpool. We will share favorite music as a teen, favorite game, and special grandparent memories. Please bring your place setting and a food item to share if you can. If not, come anyway! If you need a ride, call Georgia at 802-875-6242.

SEPT. 17 –
MANCHESTER, Vt. – Hike Table Rock with Green Mountain Club Manchester Section, Tuesday, Sept. 17. Meet at the southwest corner of the parking lot for the Equinox Hotel by the EPT kiosk at 10 a.m. Hike using the EPT trails and then go off the marked trails to Table Rock. With about 3.5 miles and about 1,200 feet elevation gain, this is a moderate hike. Bring snacks, lunch, fluids, an extra layer, and a raincoat. RSVP to Steve Grzyb at 203-645-7465 or sgrzyb@equinoxresort.com.

SEPT. 22 –
PERU, Vt. – Hike Styles Peak with the Green Mountain Club Manchester Section Saturday, Sept. 28. Meet at Peru Park and Ride next to the Town Hall at 9 a.m. to drive to the Long Trail trailhead on Mad Tom Notch. Hike to the summit of Styles Peak and back with 3.2 miles round trip and 900 feet elevation gain. Moderate hike. Bring snacks, lunch, fluids, an extra layer, and a raincoat just in case. RSVP to Katie Brooks at 516-978-4016 or kktadams@comcast.net.

MONDAYS –
SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Springfield Community Chorus rehearsals are on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church on 21 Fairground Rd. Contact Terri at springfieldcommunitychorus@gmail.com, call Barbara at 802-886-1777, or visit www.springfieldcommunitychorus.org.

TUESDAYS –
KEENE, N.H. – Keene Cheshiremen Chorus rehearsals Tuesdays, from 6:30-8:30 p.m., at Hannah Grimes Center for Entrepreneurship, 25 Roxbury St. As the oldest chapter of the Barbershop Harmony Society in New Hampshire, we welcome any male singers – no training necessary. We’re now starting work on Christmas music. Visit www.cheshiremen.org, call 877-312-7467, or email info@cheshiremen.org.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Ludlow Rotary Club meets every Tuesday and is hosted by DJ’s Restaurant, 146 Main Street, from 12:15 to 1:30 p.m. Enter via side door opposite bank drive-through. Visit www.ludlowrotary.com or contact club President Mark Huntley at ludlowrotary@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.

LUDLOW, Vt. – Looking for a friendly game of bridge? Want to learn how to play or update your rusty skills? We play

Notification of Management Plan Availability


Date: Sept. 5, 2019

To: Parents, teachers, employees, other personnel or their guardians

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

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) 40 CFR 763.93 [g] [4] requires that written notification be given that the following schools/buildings have Asbestos Management Plans for the safe control and maintenance of asbestos containing materials found in their buildings. These Management Plans are available and accessible to the public at the administrative office of each facility listed below.

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2. Chester-Andover Elementary School	Chester, VT	802-875-2801
3. Cavendish Town Elementary School	Cavendish, VT	802-226-7758


Signature of the Designated Person

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- Has an Immediate Opening -

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Please submit a letter of interest to:
LMHUUSD Board
c/o Meg Alison Powden
609 VT Route 103 South
Ludlow, Vermont 05149

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Background Check required.

Interested candidates should send a letter of interest, a resume and 3 letters of references to:

Karen Trimboli
Principal
Black River High School
43 Main Street
Ludlow, VT 05149
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Background Check required.

Applicants are encouraged to electronically send their resume to venissa.white@trsu.org or call 802-591-2294

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TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM

The Town of Rockingham/Village of Bellows Falls has the Request for Proposal (RFP) out for heating fuel for the 2019/20 heating season.

Heating Fuel RFP

Contact Everett Hammond, Public Works Director, Town of Rockingham for a copy of the RFP at 802-463-3964 ext 1116 or it can be obtained on line at rockbf.org under the “Bids/Request for Proposals” tab. Interested bidders are asked to submit sealed proposals, clearly marked “HEATING FUEL RFP”, no later than 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

September 3, 2019

TOWN OF CHESTER
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Development Review Board will be holding a Site Visit at 5:00pm and a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 30, 2019 at the Town Hall, for a Conditional Use Review application (# 539)

PROPERTY OWNERS: Town of Chester
APPLICANT: David Pisha, Town Manager
LOCATION: 878 VT Rte 103 South
DISTRICT R40

ACTION REQUESTED: Create a Municipal Sand and Gravel Extraction Operation. The project will involve extraction of up to 20,000 cubic yards of sand and gravel per year with an expiration date of December 1, 2060

Abutters are hereby notified that further information can be found at the Town Clerk’s Office which is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Participation in this hearing is a pre-requisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.

For the Development Review Board
Michael Normyle, Zoning Administrator
(802) 875-2173
Michael.normyle@chestervt.gov

LEGAL NOTICES/HELP WANTED

calendar

every Thursday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Black River Valley Senior Center, 10 High St. in Ludlow. For more information, call 802-228-2983.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Great Hall Handcrafters group meets every Thursday morning at 10:30 a.m. at The Great Hall Gallery, located at 100 River St. in Springfield. Bring a project to work on, including knitting, crocheting, embroidery, quilting, rug hooking, rug braiding, basket making, or anything alike.

SATURDAYS – MOUNT HOLLY, Vt. – Still-life drawing. The Mount Holly Artists Group meets at 10:30 a.m. in the community center room under the library and sets up a still life. The sessions are open to all and free of charge. All that is needed is pen and paper.

SUNDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Catamount Composite Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol meets at 3:30-6:30 p.m. most Sundays at Squadron Headquarters, 13 Airport Rd., N. Springfield. Membership is open to ages 12 and up. Call Commander Capt. Tom Williams at 802-558-5571 or email twilliams@vtcap.org.

COMMUNITY MEALS

SEPT. 13 – ROCKINGHAM, Vt. – Bartonville Grange Dinner Friday, Sept. 13, from 5 - 7 p.m. Located at 116 Upper Bartonville Rd. in Rockingham. Menu includes Chicken and Biscuits served with a side of vegetables and a variety of desserts. Children under the age of 5 eat for free. If you have any questions, please call 802-376-5504.

SEPT. 14 – ALSTEAD, N.H. – Turkey Buffet Saturday, Sept. 14, from 4:30-6 p.m., at Third Congregational Church in Alstead, N.H. Takeout available. Children under 6 eat free. Menu includes turkey, stuffing, gravy, cranberry, potato, peas, carrots, rolls, beverages, and dessert. For details, call Joanne at 603-835-6734. Volunteers to help with serving, food prep welcome. Volunteers may call Myrna at 603-835-2939.

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The United Methodist Church Free Second Saturday Supper will be Saturday, Sept. 14 at 5 p.m. at 10 Valley St. in Springfield. The menu is hot dogs, pasta salad, coleslaw, beverage, and dessert. Everyone is welcome! Please contact Aleks at 802-885-3456 with any questions.

SEPT. 18 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Free Community Lunch Wednesday, Sept. 18 at the First Congregational Church United Church of Christ, 77 Main Street in Springfield, from 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Menu includes Adam’s shepherd’s pie, green salad, and dessert. Vegetarian options will be available. No take out. All are welcome.

SEPT. 21 – WINDSOR, Vt. – Windsor Coon Hunters Club, 2126 Hunt Hill Rd., will host their Wild Game Supper and auction Sunday, Sept. 21, 5-9 p.m. The menu includes Jim’s famous corn chowder, game stew; wild turkey croquets with chipotle black beans and cheddar sauce with topped with fresh corn, bear and venison roasts with mashed potatoes and gravy, smoked grilled fish; fresh pies, cookies, brownies, and cake for desserts; and iced tea, milk, or water for beverages. Or BYOB.

BROWNSVILLE, Vt. – Join us at Tribute Park in Brownsville Saturday, Sept. 21 from noon to 3 p.m. for a Community Potluck and BBQ, which will include family fun and games. Hosted by Brownsville Community Church sponsored organizations and committees. Volunteers will serve hamburgers, hot dogs with fixin’s, and soft drinks. All attendees are asked to bring a favorite salad or dessert to share. In lieu of potluck dishes, cash donations will be gratefully accepted.

TOWNSHEND, Vt. – Community Hope and

Action presents its premiere third Saturday free community dinner and game night Saturday, Sept. 21 at the Townshend Town Hall. Dinner will start as usual at 5 p.m. followed by a community game board night from 6 – 8 p.m. We will have burgers, dogs, and salad. Board games will be available but you are encouraged to bring your favorite game to share. If you wish, bring a potluck appetizer or dessert to share. All are welcome! There is no cost. For more information, call West River Valley Thrives at 802-365-4700 or email wrvthrives@gmail.com.

TUESDAYS – WEATHERSFIELD, Vt. –

Monthly potluck, third Tuesdays at noon at the Perkinsville Community Church vestry, located at 33 Church St. Bring a hot dish, salad, or dessert, and have a nice visit. For more information, contact Lorraine Zigman at 802-263-5245 or email lzigman@comcast.net.

WEDNESDAYS – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Free community lunch at the First Congregational Church in Springfield, 77 Main St., on the third Wednesday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All are welcome.

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TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

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EVENTS

SEPT. 13 & 14 – LUDLOW, Vt. – The 25th annual Josh Cole Soccer Tournament is Friday and Saturday, Sept. 13 and 14, with games at 6 and 8 p.m., at Dorsey Park in Ludlow. Local boys’ high school soccer teams vie for the title.

SEPT. 14 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – Game Night is back! Join us for a fun evening of games and crafting Saturday, Sept. 14, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Bring your own game or craft project - or play one of ours. Held at the Meetinghouse at 21 Fairground Rd. in Springfield. Free and all are welcome!

CHESTER, Vt. – Recycling Presentation and Discussion Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at First Universalist Parish in Chester. Join expert Mary Ann Remolador for a town meeting-style talk and discussion about everything recycling. Refreshments provided. For more information, contact Melody Reed at 802-875-5414.

SEPT. 15 – LUDLOW, Vt. – Please join us Sunday, Sept. 15, from 2 - 3:30 p.m., for an Ice Cream Social. Meet our new pastor, Rev. Terry Bascom, at the welcoming Tyson Community Church, located at 39 Dublin Rd. in Ludlow, across from the Echo Lake Inn.

SEPT. 16 – LUDLOW, Vt. – Please give blood at the American Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, Sept. 16 at Okemo’s Jackson Gore’s Roundhouse in Ludlow, from 12:30-5:30 p.m. Take advantage of RapidPass before you come in to streamline your experience. Visit www.RedCrossBlood.org/ RapidPass for details.

SEPT. 21 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The North School Preservation Society is holding its next tag sale at the North School Saturday, Sept 21, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Items include tools, pet supplies, glassware, dishes, sports equipment, books, videos, CDs, VHS tapes, records, artwork, puzzles, games and toys, antiques, picture frames, small furniture, and seasonal items for Halloween and Christmas. The Food Truck will be on the premises.

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SEPT. 21 – SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Art and Historical Society will hold their annual yard sale Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at their facility at 65 Route 106 in North Springfield. There will be a huge variety of items to choose from including appliances, furniture, cedar chests, bookcases, cooking utensils, many tools, large pet cage, children’s toys, and lots more. For more information, or if you would like to donate items for the sale, call 802-886-7935 or email sahs@vermontel.net.

LIBRARIES

SEPT. 14 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Join Laura Schairbaum, director of Greater Falls Connections, as she leads “Everyone’s an Asset Builder,” an interactive community introduction to how each of us can contribute to the health and well-being of all our children and youth Saturday, Sept. 14 at 10:30 a.m. We prefer that you RSVP by Sept. 12 to Laura at 802-463-9927 x 208 or laura@greaterfallsconnections.org. The library is located at 65 Westminster St., Bellows Falls, Vt. and is wheelchair accessible.

SEPT. 17 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Valerie Abrahamsen will read from her 2015 book, “Paranormal: A New Testament Scholar Looks at the Afterlife” Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the Rockingham Library. Dr. Abrahamsen is the author of two books and over three-dozen peer-reviewed articles, reviews, and book chapters. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, go to www.rockinghamlibrary.org.

SEPT. 18 – BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Help Rockingham Library celebrate the freedom to read during Banned Books Week from Sept. 22-28. Select a challenged or banned book from the Rockingham Library’s main floor display to take home to read. Better yet, sign up to read one in the front window of Village Square Book Sellers. Call the library 802-463-4270 or email programming@rockinghamlibrary.org by Wednesday, Sept. 18 to sign up to read within the huge “See Live Humans Read Banned/Challenged Books” at Village Square

Booksellers.

MUSIC & THEATER

SEPT. 13 – PUTNEY, Vt. – Next Stage Arts Project and Twilight Music present an evening with folksinger John McCutcheon Friday, Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Next Stage at 15 Kimball Hill in downtown Putney.

SEPT. 14 – JAMAICA, Vt. – Enjoy Andy Avery and the A Team with their fabulous harmonies of bluegrass, folk, rock, and originals Saturday, Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. at the historic Jamaica Town Hall. A donation is suggested at the door. All proceeds go to the Jamaica Community Arts Council, a Vermont nonprofit. For more information on this and other events, go to www.JamaicaCommunityArts.org.

ACWORTH, N.H. - The Blue Collar Band returns to South Acworth, N.H. for the Moon Dance Saturday, Sept. 14, from 7 – 9 p.m., in the Turn Around Barn. For more information, follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/acworthvillagestore. Entrance is free for this event, although donations will be accepted to benefit the Village Store and the Blue Collar Band.

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