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Laura Cody McNaughton Memorial Fund Scholarship Award



Angelae Wunderle.

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Ashley Chamberlin.

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SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Laura Cody McNaughton Memorial Fund is proud to announce its first annual Public Health and Community Service Scholarship award to Angelae Wunderle of Bellows Falls, now studying at Drew University. The 2020 scholarship is for \$8,000.

Elected to the National Honor Society in her sophomore year, Angelae graduated from Green Mountain High School with a 4.2 GPA. She has been an avid volunteer peer tutor since seventh grade and has participated in drama and a variety of other extracurricular activities. She won the DAR Good Citizen Award and developed her leadership skills at the VSAC Leadership SEEDs Training program and the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Program. At Green Mountain she has served in student government all

four years. Like Laura, she has danced at the Dance Factory in Springfield for the past 10 years. There, and in her tutoring, she has always endeavored to inspire, encourage, and support younger students.

Eight students applied the scholarship this year, based on the recommendations of their guidance counselors. All were outstanding in their own ways, but one other student impressed the selection committee so much that they voted to make a special \$2,000 award. This went to Ashley Chamberlin of North Springfield. She also has demonstrated strong leadership abilities, is a musician, an athlete, and an excellent student, all the while working after school. She has begun a nursing program at the University of Southern Maine in Portland.

Laura Cody McNaugh-

ton Memorial Fund Public Health and Community Service Scholarship is given to the applicant from Springfield and surrounding Vermont high schools who best exemplifies Laura's scholarship, leadership, and commitment to the community. Students with a demonstrated interest in public health are given particular consideration. The fund is the result of generous contributions from local individuals and businesses, as well as proceeds from the Lace Up for Laura 10K race, which occurs annually on or around June 28 in Weathersfield. Hopefully, that race can resume in the summer of 2022. Students accepted to college are encouraged to apply for the 2021 scholarship through their high school guidance counselors.

Community discussion on hydropower in New Hampshire and Vermont

WALPOLE, N.H. – While hydro facilities provide us with electricity, dams block aquatic passage, harm rivers, and the critters that rely on them. The Wilder, Bellows Falls, and Vernon Dams started the process of securing new operating licenses in 2012. Final license applications were submitted in December 2020 and the owner, Great River Hydro, proposed operational changes for their three dams that will be a big win for the river – but they can still do more to protect this resource. 2021 is a critical year for all of us to speak up for our rivers in response to this license application. These licenses will be in place for the next 40-50

years. We have a once in a lifetime opportunity to move these three dams to more river and fish-friendly operations.

To find out more about how the changes proposed in December will affect your river and actions you can take to make a difference, join conservation partners from New Hampshire and Vermont for their virtual event, Hydropower Happy Hour, Tuesday, April 6, from 6:30-8 p.m.

To register for this event, which is required to receive virtual link to join, please visit www.hydropowerhappyhour.eventbrite.com.

Speakers will include the Connecticut River Conser-

vancy's River Steward Kathy Urffer; applied river scientist for the Nature Conservancy Katie Kennedy; and chair of the Connecticut River Joint Commissions' FERC Working Group Jim McClammer.

Additional partners on this event include the Ashuelot River Local Advisory Commission, the Cheshire County Conservation District, the Sullivan County Conservation District, the Grafton County Conservation District, the Windham County Natural Resources Conservation District, and the White River Natural Resources Conservation District.

Students take relaxing walk in Kurn Hattin's labyrinth

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – Walking a labyrinth has long been used for meditation, relaxation, stress reduction, greater creativity, and a sense of living in the present. Kurn Hattin's labyrinth was created with stones transported from the fields to the woods and then thoughtfully placed in a circular path leading to the center. Students enjoyed the beautiful structure on a gorgeous early spring day in March.

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Chroma Technology, Parks Place Community Resource Center diaper drive

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Chroma Technology and Parks Place Community Resource Center are partnering to host a month-long diaper drive in April to stock up on much-needed diaper sizes for the Greater Falls Time for a Change Diaper Bank.

Decorated donation boxes will be available inside Chroma for employees to donate diapers and wipes

and a box for public donations will be available during business hours on Parks Place's front porch, located at 44 School St. Ext., next to Central Elementary School in Bellows Falls, Vt.

The Time for a Change Diaper Bank was founded in 2016 from a Vermont Community Foundation Spark Grant and is a collaborative effort between Building Bright Futures, Youth Services, the Springfield Area

Parent Child Center, WNESU, and Parks Place. Housed in the Parks Place building, it provides community members access to free diapers and wipes and was heavily utilized during the pandemic lockdown.

Because of this, the drive is seeking to replenish diapers in larger sizes, specifically sizes 4-6, along with pull-ups and wipes.

For more information, call 802-463-9927.

TwinState MakerSpaces announces spring artists in residence

CLAREMONT, N.H. – TwinState MakerSpaces Inc., the nonprofit organization that operates the Claremont MakerSpace, in Claremont, N.H., is pleased to announce James St. Martin and Bryan Phaneuf as their March and April Artists in Residence. James and Bryan operate Doghouse Arcades, a small Claremont-based business specializing in home arcade and virtual pinball cabinetry and machines.

"James and Bryan bring a fun and entertaining project to the Claremont MakerSpace through their home arcade business. As many of us have been spending so much more time at home over the past year, we can attest to the need for new ways to keep occupied. What better way than having your very own pinball or arcade set up?" said Brendan Dangelo, director of Education at the Claremont MakerSpace. "The Artist in Residence program provides an opportunity to showcase the versatility of the Claremont MakerSpace and the creativity of our local community

of makers. James and Bryan will utilize many of our high tech tools to expand into a new line – a collapsible and modular skeeball system."

James St. Martin officially started Doghouse Arcades in November 2020, but the idea has long been his dream. The business, named in honor of his father who passed away from cancer, is a nod to a tendency to take on "wild projects" and end up "in the doghouse." His father's love for pinball is another way in which St. Martin makes and creates in his memory.

"CMS provides a large space to really spread out for our projects as needed with a variety of accessible tools right at our fingertips. The Artist in Residence will be a great way for us to produce an open source and free to the community product that we would have otherwise not been able to make," said St. Martin. Once completed, the project will be on display at the Claremont MakerSpace and will be available to be viewed by the public by appointment.

The Claremont MakerSpace Artist In Residence Program is designed to empower New Hampshire and Vermont-based

artists with tools, training, and space to create compelling new work. Each CMS Artist In Residence receives \$800 towards the creation of new work at the CMS, two months of Unlimited CMS Membership, a dedicated studio space at the CMS, and training to use new tools. Each residency runs for two months. Applications for the next residency must be submitted by April 15, 2021. Artists and makers in all mediums are welcome to apply.

TwinState MakerSpaces, Inc. and the CMS Artist In Residence Program are supported in part by the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.

For more information about the Claremont MakerSpace, please visit www.claremont-makerspace.org. The Claremont MakerSpace is located at 46 Main Street in Claremont. We are open and committed to providing a safe and healthy working environment for our members, and as such we are closed to the public. If you are interested in membership, please contact us to arrange for a private tour.

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SBW recognized NH “Top Pandemic Performer”

WALPOLE, N.H. – Savings Bank of Walpole has been recognized as the “Top Pandemic Performer” for the state of New Hampshire by Banking Northeast magazine. The ranking is based upon the latest results from the Rivel Banking Benchmarks survey.

“We’re very proud to be ranked first in New Hampshire for our pandemic response by Banking Northeast magazine,” said Mark Bodin, president for Savings Bank of Walpole. “Since

the onset of Covid-19 over a year ago, our top priority has been, and continues to be, to keep our customers and employees safe, while providing the community with access to the vital financial products and services they need. This recognition validates our team’s tremendous efforts and means a lot to us because the ranking is based upon feedback from our customers.”

The Rivel Banking Benchmarks survey is the largest survey of bank customers and

prospects in the world and is conducted online for over 4,000 banking institutions. The survey entails interviews with hundreds of thousands of customers per year with respondents rating their banks, and their closest competitors, on up to 92 different metrics, from friendliness and responsiveness to the mobile app and ATM quality, to rates and fees, as well as timely questions related to pandemic response. Customers across eight states in the Northeast – Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island – were asked to rate how well their bank responded to the pandemic. Ratings were based upon 81,342 interviews from July 2020 to January 2021.

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Brownsville Independence Day celebrations

BROWNSVILLE, Vt. – The Brownsville Independence Day Celebrations Steering Committee has great news. With cautious optimism and encouragement from the West Windsor Selectboard, we’ve started to plan for a full Brownsville Independence Day Celebration in 2021!

This year, 2021 will see a combined celebration on one day, Saturday, July 3 because the fourth falls on a Sunday. Make sure you mark this change on your calendars to join us July 3 this year.

We’re starting to gather all the many resources we need to put on the biggest community happening held in West Windsor each year. The

IDC has an online link that accepts your generous donations by credit card. You’ll be asked if you would like to leave a tip for this free service for nonprofits, but you do not have to do so and it will not affect the amount of funds the IDC receives. You can also mail a check made payable to “Brownsville IDC” to P.O. Box 37, Brownsville, VT 05037. You can donate online at www.fundrazr.com/BrownsvilleIDC?ref=ab_59fpnf.

To make this year’s celebration a reality, volunteers are needed. This is a terrific opportunity to get involved for longtime neighbors and for those who are new to town. The strong sense of community in our town will return with this year’s celebration

and this is your chance to be a part of that. If you would like to be a part of this dynamic volunteer group and have fun doing so, you can reach out to us by email at BrownsvilleIDC@gmail.com or call or text Karen Diop at 802-595-9573 for daytime activities, including the parade, and Bill Ley at 802-299-9057 for evening activities, including the fireworks. Your help would be greatly appreciated, and we would love to have you.

In closing, it is always possible that Covid-19 complications may arise, which may result in a scaling back of the celebration. Of course, we will follow the protocols in place at the time, but for now it’s “full speed ahead!”

Card shower for 90th birthday

BELLOWS FALLS, Vt. – Wish a Happy 90th Birthday to Marie Perrault, April 3, 2021. There’s no party at this time due to Covid-19. Please send cards to 64 Atkinson St., Bellows Falls, VT 05101. But look this summer for a birthday cook-out – hot dogs for everyone. All invited.

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Prior to his employment at Grace Cottage, Dr. Morrison had a private medical practice in Brattleboro, and before that he worked at Putney Family Healthcare.

Dr. Morrison lives in Brattleboro with his wife and two young children. In his free time, he enjoys woodworking, playing fiddle, singing, contra and English country dancing, drawing, and walking in the woods with his family.

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Mr. Majestic

Kim Kendall is a classmate and friend of mine. This past January I paid him a visit. When I walked in, Kim said, “The eagles are out there today.”

I got up to look. Sure enough there was a bald eagle in his field.

Two Vermont game wardens, Asa Sargent and Kyle Isherwood, bring Kim road-kill deer. They drag them out in Kim’s field, maybe 200 feet from the house. Don’t get excited; these are deer too mangled for human consumption. There are benefits in disposing the carcasses this way.

A deer lying off the side of the road will attract all species of animals that feed off the carcass – coyotes, foxes, crows and ravens, raccoons, and bald eagles. Here they can be hit by a car. By moving the carcass away from the road into the field, any threats from humans are eliminated. We can live our lives and the critters can live theirs.

Several times this winter when I’ve been at Kim’s, I’ve tried to get photos of the eagles. These eagles have excellent eyesight. Even if I carefully sneak up to the kitchen window, the eagles would see me and fly away.

Scott Kendall, Kim’s nephew, set up his game camera nearby. Scott got some great photos, which he emailed to me. The photo with this article is one of them. These are beautiful photos. Scott’s game camera is much better than mine.

I don’t remember Vermont having bald eagles in residence when I was a kid. It was in the 1980s, as I recall, when this majestic bird was reintroduced, at least in our area. I remember seeing my first eagle on Route 5, north of the toll bridge in Springfield. In years since, their numbers have increased.

You’ll notice their heads and tails are not pure white. The head is white but has mottled brown feathers inter-

mixed. It takes up to five years for an eagle to reach maturity, at which time their head and tail turn pure white. The eagles feeding at Kim’s are mostly immature birds – although he has seen a couple adults. One day Kim had five eagles present.

The female eagle is larger than her male counterpart with a wingspan of six to seven feet. They are said to mate for life. The female will weigh about 12 pounds and the male about nine pounds. It is not uncommon for an eagle to live 20 years in the wild.

Along with the eagles, crows and ravens are regular diners. At night coyotes and foxes come in to feed. They drag off large bones to dine in privacy.

Kim and I often talk about the natural world and life’s cycle. Kim told me that a deer carcass will completely disappear in a week or so – bones and all. So far this winter the game wardens have brought in three deer carcasses.

The cycle

When the birds and animals have eaten their fill, they return to the woods where they download in the woods. This benefits plants and trees providing a natural fertilizer. Bones too large to be eaten are scattered throughout the woods. These bones are eaten by insects. Nothing is wasted. Hard to be any greener or more natural, I say.

Kim is from a long line of



Two bald eagles feeding on a carcass. PHOTO BY SCOTT KENDALL

farmers and an old hippie. Sometimes I ask Kim a question why this or that works. Kim will shrug his shoulders and say in his Vermont drawl, “Weeell, I don’t know, but it does.” He doesn’t need to know why it works. What he knows has been passed down from one generation to the next.

I was at Kim’s this past weekend. I looked out the kitchen window. Nothing was left of the carcasses, but I noticed a new bluebird house on a post. Kim told me a bluebird won’t move into a dirty house so you have to clean out the old nest every year, and that can be problematic.

Mark Dutton made the new birdhouse. Mark made it to easily open with hinges for cleaning. Kim says the bluebirds are back. Kim has also seen a phoebe. They like to build mud nests in his barn. Nature is welcome as long as they follow Kim’s rules.

To see more of these photos, you can go online to www.VermontJournal.com. If you look online, you’ll see an excellent photo showing the talons.

This week’s old saying: “If the farmer fails, all will starve.”

Federal income tax return deadline postponed to May 17

REGION – Due to the unusual conditions related to the coronavirus pandemic, the IRS has postponed the due date for individuals to file 2020 federal income tax returns and make tax payments from Thursday, April 15 to Monday, May 17, 2021. Taxpayers will incur no interest, penalties, or additions to tax during this approximately one month relief period for any return or payment postponed under this relief provision.

The relief applies automatically to all taxpayers and no additional forms need to be filed to qualify for the relief. The new deadline applies to federal income tax payments for taxable year 2020, including payments of tax on self-employment income. It does not apply to estimated tax payments for 2021 that are due on April 15, 2021. There is no limit on the amount of tax that can be deferred.

Note that under this relief provision, no extension is provided for the payment or deposit of any other type of federal tax, or for the filing of any federal information return. The IRS urges taxpayers to check with their state tax agencies regarding state tax filing and payment deadlines.

Need more time?

If you’re not able to file your federal income tax return by the May due date, you can file for an extension by the May due date using IRS Form 4868, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S.

Individual Income Tax Return. Filing this extension gives you an additional five months, until Oct. 15, 2021, to file your federal income tax return. You can also file for an automatic five-month extension electronically – details on how to do so can be found in the Form 4868 instructions. There may be penalties for failing to file or for filing late.

Filing for an extension using Form 4868 does not provide any additional time to pay your tax. When you file for an extension, you have to estimate the amount of tax you will owe and pay this amount by the May filing due date. If you don’t pay the amount you’ve estimated, you may owe interest and penalties. In fact, if the IRS believes that your estimate was not reasonable, it may void your extension.

Tax refunds


The IRS encourages taxpay-

ers seeking a tax refund to file their tax return as soon as possible, and to file electronically with direct deposit. The IRS issues most tax refunds within 21 days of the IRS receiving a tax return. However, the IRS has experienced delays in processing paper tax returns due to limited staffing during the coronavirus pandemic.

IRA contributions

Contributions to an individual retirement account (IRA) for 2020 can be made up to the due date, without regard to extensions, for filing the 2020 federal income tax return. The postponement of the 2020 tax filing due date by the IRS also generally extends the time to make IRA contributions for 2020 to May 17, 2021.

Article written by Huntley Financial Services. For more information, contact Mark Huntley at 888-922-1035.



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Dear Editor,

Senior Solutions salutes our Vietnam veterans. As we celebrate Vietnam Veterans Day March 29, Senior Solutions would like to take the opportunity to recognize their service to our country and to their communities.

Veterans have a long and deep commitment to service. Through connecting with the American Legion and other veteran groups and individu-

als in the Vet-to-Vet Visitor Program, we can appreciate their strength of purpose, caring, and selfless contributions. These are men and women who continue far into retirement to exhibit the ideal of making the lives of others better. We are grateful to be allowed to work together with our veterans on the visitor programs. These volunteers are the most important part of

the projects.

So, if you are a Vietnam veteran and would like to continue to serve, please call our Help Line at 802-885-2669 and ask how you can join. In Windsor and Windham counties, the “Buddy System” is alive and well!

Sincerely,
Joann Erenhouse
Senior Solutions

Dear Chairman Biebel,

I am writing on behalf of the Vermont chapter of Native Fish Coalition to provide comments about simplifying Vermont’s fishing regulations and protecting wild native brook trout.

Native Fish Coalition is a nonpartisan, grassroots, 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the conservation, preservation, and restoration of wild native fish. Founded in 2017, NFC has chapters in Alabama, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Pennsylvania, and Vermont. Wild native brook trout are a focal species for Vermont NFC.

Vermont’s wild native brook trout are under stress from climate change and other factors. Streams and ponds that once held wild native brook trout are bereft of such. Other waters have been compromised by invasive species including bait fish, nonnative trout, and warm water gamefish. Additionally, fisheries biologists have noted shifts in land use, where riparian buffers are being removed to improve the landowner’s view of a stream, removing critically important tree canopy. In short, habitat trends are challenging from the viewpoint of cold water fishery management. These and other trends suggest conservation of the fish themselves is a prudent course when considering this proposed rule.

Concerning the rule proposal: NFC’s comments focus on an important feature of the rule change – reducing the daily limit

on brook trout in rivers and streams. We generally support the proposal to lower the daily limit on brook trout in rivers and streams, though the coalition raises two concerns.

First, NFC believes that a daily brook trout limit of six fish, consistent with the current six-fish limit for nonnative brown and rainbow trout, would be prudent. This has been VT NFC’s consistent position over time; it supports conservation, is simple for anglers to understand, easily enforced, and easy to implement. And it comports with the department’s goal of rule simplification.

Compared with other states, Vermont’s current limit of 12 brook trout a day in rivers and streams is more than double that of the 15 of 22 states in the brook trout native range, and twice that of three others. The two highest states – Georgia and Massachusetts – have an eight fish limit, which is still 33% lower than Vermont. A better look at how Vermont compares to other states may be seen at www.nativefishcoalition.org/campaigns/2020/11/21/vermont-going-from-twelve-fish-to-eight-is-not-enough.

In late 2020, the Fish and Wildlife Department held “listening sessions” and collected public input. Twenty-six comments addressed the harvest limit. Twenty-two supported

reduced harvest, most of those recommending limiting harvest to six trout, not eight as is now being proposed.

Note that the department’s proposal of eight fish a day for rivers and streams would still leave Vermont tied for the highest in the native range of brook trout.

NFC would also like to see the department begin discussions with stakeholders to produce a long-range plan specifically for Vermont’s wild native brook trout. Such a plan would include policies for preserving or restoring habitat for Vermont’s official cold water fish, brook trout, as well as other protective measures. Local conditions may warrant site-specific regulations in support of long-term conservation goals set forth in a plan, as district fishery biologists are well positioned to fine tune regulations for waters they know best via habitat assessment and frequent sampling of fish populations. VT NFC believes that a carefully formulated wild native brook trout plan would help optimize populations, protect habitat, and improve angler experience.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,
Chris Owen
Vermont State Chair, Native Fish Coalition

Dear Editor,

I urge our state government not to support the current proposal, which would put the burden of the retirement shortfall on our teachers and state employees. The current teachers and state employees should be not responsible for the mismanagement of the retirement fund by prior state administrations.

Asking teachers and state employees to delay retirement for fewer benefits would create

a shortage of openings for new teachers and state employees, which would encourage young families to leave Vermont in order to find work.

Asking teachers and state employees to delay retirement for fewer benefits would leave older, higher-paid teachers and state employees in the classroom adding to the already skyrocketing costs of educating Vermont children and funding state programs.

Asking teachers and state employees to delay retirement for fewer benefits creates an atmosphere of resentment, which is not constructive for our children or our communities.

I hope our state government can use other funding sources to bridge the funding gap, and then act to protect the retirement system to avoid this funding shortfall in the future.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Leak
Cavendish, Vt.

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Harold J. Ramsey, 1932-2021

ALSTEAD, N.H. – Harold James Ramsey, 89, of Alstead, N.H., passed away peacefully March 26, 2021 at his home. Harold “Hass” was born March 7, 1932 in Walpole, N.H. to Perley and Josephine (Creamer) Ramsey.

Hass attended Walpole schools and worked in many different fields throughout his life. He often spoke with pride of his times working in the asphalt industry, water treatment facilities, and alongside his sons with Ramsey Mechanical. Hass also served in the United States Army as a shooting instructor.

Hass married Beatrice “Bette” (Harrington) Sept. 21, 1952. They were happily married for 66 years. This union proudly produced seven children Rhonda Ramsey of Maryland Heights, Mo., Rachael Ramsey of Saxtons River, Vt., Raymond Ramsey (Janice) of Plaistow, N.H., Russell Ramsey of Exeter, N.H., Rheta Ramsey Gray (Brian “#3”) of Spartanburg, S.C., Ross Ramsey of Alstead, N.H., and Robert Ramsey (Leigh) of Alstead, N.H. Hass had a nickname for each of his grandchildren: Trevor “TJ,” Trista “Millie,” Ross Michael “Perley,” Caitlin “Josie,” Jayson “Jake,” Kayden “Pinky,” Lauren “Ruby,” Jennah “Sadie,”



Harold J. Ramsey, 1932-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

Jerred “Bear Man,” Mackenzie “Gracie,” and Jordyn “Hazel.” Great-grandchildren: Bryson “Buzz,” Ezio “Ziggy,” Dylan “Dill-Pickle,” Colby “Buzzard,” Camden “Raftus,” and Jackson “J-Rob.” Hass is also survived by his brother John Ramsey (Ruth) “phenomenal golfer” of Walpole, N.H.

He was predeceased by his wife Bette in 2018, his parents, his sister Gertrude, baby brother Charlie, and beloved grandson Cameron “Cam-Shaft.”

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a small impromptu memorial service with flag raising and 21 gun salute was held at the family compound Saturday, March 27, 2021.

Doris M. Turco, 1924-2021

CHESTER, Vt. – Doris M. Turco, 96, died Thursday morning, March 25, 2021 at the home of Robert and Susan Turco after a brief illness. She was born at Springfield Hospital Sept. 3, 1924 to Lauren and Charlotte (Renaud) Clark. Doris and her twin sister Dorothy were the first twins born at Springfield Hospital.

Doris attended schools in Springfield, graduating from Springfield High School with the Class of 1942. She married Walter R. Turco at St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Springfield Oct. 9, 1944.



Doris M. Turco, 1924-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

Doris enjoyed cooking and was especially well known for her delicious spaghetti and her donuts. She also enjoyed reading and sewing. She was a wonderful seamstress. She was a member of St. Joseph Parish of Chester.

Doris is survived by her son W. Robert Turco and his wife Susie of Chester and by her daughter Jane Milnes of Clarendon. She is survived by her beloved twin sister Dotty Pease of Springfield, sister Eleanor Swanson of Farmington, Conn., and brother Roger Clark of Rutland. Doris is also survived by her grandson Justin Turco and his wife Tammy, granddaughters Sara Yake and Hannah Monier and her husband Russell. She leaves her most beloved great-grandchildren Bro-

die and Shiloh Yake, Molly and Maggie Turco, and Kyle and Jeb Monier, and many nieces and nephews.

Doris was predeceased by her husband Walter in 2003, her son Michael in 1980, by her parents, and by her siblings, sisters Elizabeth (Betty) Babson and Evelyn Carley, and brothers Luther, Robert, and Norman Clark.

Graveside services will be held at a later date in the Pleasant View Cemetery in Chester, Vt. Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of one’s choice; Springfield Hospital, 25 Ridgewood Rd., Springfield, VT 05156; or Grace Cottage Hospital, 185 Grafton Rd., Townshend, VT 05353.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield, Vt.

Dottie Bergquist, 1930-2021

ANDOVER, Vt. – Dottie (Dorothy) Bergquist of Andover, Vt., passed away at home March 26, 2021. Dottie was born to Erwin and Edith Libbey Jan. 22, 1930, in Springfield, Mass. Her family moved to Vermont when she was a child, and she has lived in Vermont and New Hampshire since. She married Everett Thurston of Roxbury in 1949. In 1968, she married Reino Bergquist of Andover to whom she was married for nearly 53 years.



Dottie Bergquist, 1930-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

Dottie worked at various places, including Readex in Chester, the Vermont Country Store in Weston, several area restaurants, and as a private care companion for several families. She was a 4-H leader in both Randolph and Andover for many years, teaching cooking, and she was active in the Andover Community Church. Her accomplishments in the world may have been few, but her accomplishments in life were huge; she loved many and was loved by many more.

Dottie is survived by her husband Reino and her children Everett Thurston Jr. (Roxbury, Vt.), Gary Thurston (Belgrade, Mont.), Glenna Thurston (Westminster, Vt.), Laurie O’Connor (Chester, Vt.) and her husband Ken, and Nicole Kann (Pueblo, Colo.) and her husband Joshua. She also leaves behind 13 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-

grandchild, as well as many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by close friends Phyllis Maxham of Roxbury and Alice Lindquist of Andover.

Dottie is predeceased by her parents, all eight of her siblings, an infant son William, and one grandchild Shoshanna Welch of Colorado.

A celebration of life will be held April 24, 2021 at the Andover Community Church, a time to be determined.

Memorial contributions may be made in Dottie’s name to the Andover Community Church, 2625 Simonsville Rd., Andover, VT 05143, or the Epilepsy Foundation of America, 8301 Professional Place, Landover, MD 20785.

Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield, Vt. is assisting with arrangements.

Nancy M. Martel, 1934-2021

LUDLOW, Vt. – Nancy M. Martel, 86, of Ludlow, Vt., passed away March 22, 2021 with her daughters Terri and Conni by her side and Patti guiding her way to heaven.



Nancy M. Martel, 1934-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

Nancy was born June 20, 1934 in Rutland, Vt., daughter of Raymond W. and Marguerite (McCuin) Martel. She graduated from Black River High School in Ludlow, Vt., Class of 1952. She attended Becker Junior College in Holyoke, Mass. On Aug. 3, 1957, she married Robert G. Gilbert in Ludlow.

She worked at Deering High School and Maine Medical Center in Portland, Maine; Readex Newsbank in Chester for over 11 years; Black River Produce Deli in Proctorsville; and finally

Dunkin Donuts in Ludlow when she was in her 70s.

She is survived by her two daughters Terri Laskevich of Ludlow, Conni Gilbert and Tom Emerson of Ludlow; two grandchildren Caitlyn Laskevich and Sean Laskevich; five great-grandchildren Damion, Jace, Lilly, Raelynn, and Piper; and 14 of 17 nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her parents; siblings Gerald R. Martel, Mary E. Barvoets, and Patricia A. Kirkbride; her daughter Patti Andrews; and granddaughter Kelsey Laskevich.

Services will be held at a later date after the snow is gone. Davis Memorial Chapel is assisting with the arrangements.

Dorothy L. Grover, 1932-2021

PERKINSVILLE, Vt. – Dorothy L. Grover, 88, passed away Thursday morning, March 25, 2021 at Covenant Place in Sumter, S.C. She was born Nov. 28, 1932 in New York City, N.Y., the daughter of Fritz and Alice (Sundgren) Lindgren. She attended Springfield schools, graduating from Springfield High School, Class of 1950.



Dorothy L. Grover, 1932-2021. PHOTO PROVIDED

On Aug. 23, 1952, she married Clarence N. “Sonny” Grover in Springfield, Vt. He predeceased her March 22, 2014.

Dorothy was employed at Jones and Lamson Machine Tool Co in the data processing department for 34 years. She was later employed with Vermont Precision Products and worked at the Regional Post Office in White River Jct., Vt.

She served on the Selectboard for the town of Weathersfield, Vt. She played a vital part in saving the Salmond Covered Bridge in Weathersfield and was a member of the West Weathersfield Volunteer Fire Department auxiliary. She lived most of her life in the Springfield, Weathersfield area, relocating to Sumter, S.C. in 2019.

Dottie enjoyed maintaining her flowerbeds, gardening, and keeping up with her large extended family. She was a member of the Bow Baptist Church from 2008-2019.

She is survived by two sons Richard G. Grover of Memphis, Tenn. and Mathew J. Grover of Bentonville, Ariz.; one daughter Mary M. Hankins and her husband Dale of Sumter, S.C.;

one sister Donna White and her husband Tom of Danvers, Mass.; four grandsons Austin Grover, Lois Leary, and Roberta Grover, and Drew Hankins; sister-in-laws Florence Lindgren, Rachel Brown, and Esther Bal-lou; and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was predeceased by four sisters Margery Molesky, Erma Haley, Lois Leary, and Roberta Griswold, and one brother Theodore Lindgren.

A graveside service will be held June 7, 2021 at 1 p.m. in the Pine Grove Cemetery in North Springfield, Vt.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Bow Baptist Church, 1102 VT Route 5, Springfield, VT 05156, or to Dublin Christian Academy, 106 Page Rd., Dublin, NH 03444.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield, Vt.

Brownsville Community United Methodist Church, 66 Brownsville-Hartland Rd. Ascutney, Vt.

On Thursday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m., there will be a Maundy Thursday service. A Good Friday Stations of the Cross service will take place April 2 at 2:30 p.m. A Sunday Sunrise service April 4 will start at 8:30 a.m. at Ascutney Outdoors. The Easter Sunday service will follow at 9:30 a.m. at the Church. Attendance will be limited on first come, first service basis. Masks and social distancing are required. Or stream services online at www.facebook.com/brownsvilcommunitychurch and www.brownsvilleumc-vt.org.

Unitarian Universalist Church, 21 Fairground Rd. Springfield, Vt.

Please join us online for a joint service with the Weathersfield Center Church Sunday, April 4 at 10 a.m. The live Zoom service will be “Resurrection is the Way of the World: An Easter

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SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – On Thursday, April 22 at 6 p.m., join the Springfield Town Library for an online presentation of “A Funny Program About Funny Programs.” Award-winning author and pop culture historian Martin Gitlin hosts this fun and enlightening presentation for all ages based on his book, “The Greatest Sitcoms of All Time.” He is an award-winning author and pop culture historian. He is the only author to have actually ranked the greatest sitcoms of all time based on wide-ranging criteria.

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There are two special days during National Library Week we want to highlight. First is April 6, which is Library Workers Day. On Library Workers Day, the staff of Whiting will put our feet up and take a spa day – just kidding, we’ll be doing the work we love in the library as usual! You can celebrate Library Worker Day by telling us your stories about helpful, informative, or fun interactions you have had with Whiting staff. We would love to hear how the library staff has helped you out in whatever small way. You can fill out a form on our front porch or website, or just send us an email – or letter – with your story. The second special day is Library Giving Day on April 7. Library Giving Day is a one-day online fundraising push to help the library reach our annual \$18,000 fundraising goal. This is essential money we use to purchase books and resources, subscribe to online services, offer engaging programs, feed the fish, and so much more. We are deeply grateful for all of the community members who make the library run with your donations each year. Consider making Library Giving Day your chance to honor the library by using the yellow donation button on our homepage at www.whitinglibrary.org. We are looking forward to celebrating this special week with you!

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Free webinar on Creating Quests for Waterways

SPRINGFIELD, Vt. – The Springfield Town Library will presents a free webinar on how to write a waterway “quest” in the style of the 160-plus Valley Quests compiled by Vital Communities, a White River Junction-based non-profit.

“Learn to Write a Waterway Quest,” a hands-on webinar with Vital Communities’ Sandy Gmur, takes place Thursday, April 8, from 7-8 p.m., sponsored by the library and the Black River Action Team. Participants can bring ideas for a waterway quest of their own and will work with Gmur and their fellow participants to create quests that could be added to Vital Communities’ quest directory. All ages are welcome. Register at www.eventbrite.com/e/learn-to-write-a-waterway-quest-tickets-141475469939.

Valley Quests are treasure hunts set in special locations around the Upper Valley. Each quest follows a unique set of clues that teach you about a place’s ecology, wildlife, and history while leading to a “treasure box” with a special stamp and log book for you to sign. But they’re not restricted to dry land! Wetlands, streams, and lakes are also among the special 160-plus Upper Valley places that quests explore.

Having moved to the Upper Valley two years ago, Gmur said she has found quests invaluable activities to help her get to know her new communities. With so many beautiful bodies of wa-

ter throughout the Connecticut River watershed, using a canoe or kayak is a great way to introduce people to these special places, she said.

Quests can help people appreciate a precious natural asset, said Kelly Stettner, director of the Black River Action Team. “Our waterways are priceless treasures in and of themselves, as places to boat and fish, swim and splash. They also provide incredible value to the healthy function of the entire ecosystem: everything alive relies on clean water. From turtles to trout, salamanders to songbirds, and dragonflies to deer, wildlife depends on our rivers and streams, lakes, and ponds, and even wetlands and bogs to flourish. By writing your own water-based ValleyQuest for a public waterway in your



Create a waterway quest. PHOTO PROVIDED

area, you can help visitors as well as residents responsibly explore and come to appreciate these fascinating and sometimes overlooked gems. Awareness of a river or lake is a first step toward appreciation and a desire to help keep it clean and healthy, fully functional for humans as well as for wildlife.”

For more information on how to make your own quest, go to www.vitalcommunities.org/valleyquest/make-a-quest.

LEGAL NOTICES

Windmill Hill Pinnacle Association trail closures –

WESTMINSTER, Vt. – The Holden Trail and parking lot are closed from Friday, March 26 through Saturday, April 10 to limit trail damage and reduce mud season damage to Windmill

Hill Road North. The Cascade and Radford-Smith Trails remain closed to hikers and bikers until April 15 as part of the Windmill Hill Pinnacle Association’s habitat management plan. Most other trails on Pin-

nacle lands are open for visitors – please wear masks and observe social distancing. The Pinnacle cabin and outhouse are closed due to Covid-19 concerns. WHPA thanks hikers and bikers for their understanding.

Vermont trout season to open

MONTPELIER, Vt. – Vermont’s traditional trout fishing season opens Saturday, April 10, and despite lingering snow cover, the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department says anglers can still have fun and be successful early in the season while following Covid-19 safety precautions.

“Just like any other time of year, anglers fishing early in the spring should adjust their tactics based on conditions,” said State Fisheries Biologist Shawn Good. “Trout will become more active with warmer water temperatures, and despite an

early spring, most streams and rivers are still quite cold. But if you can find a good location and present your bait or lure without spooking the trout, you can enjoy getting outside and you have a good chance of catching a few fish.”

“Finding a small to medium low-elevation river or stream that is not too murky from spring runoff can be key. Trout are cold-blooded and may be slow to bite especially with low water temperatures, so it’s important that they can also see your bait, lure, or fly.”

Larger baits can often be more effective for enticing early-season trout into bit-

ing. Spin-anglers should try nightcrawlers, egg imitations, or bright colored spoons and spinners. Fly anglers may find success in the early season by drifting large, more visible flies such as wooly buggers, streamers, or San Juan worms along the bottom in slower pools and runs.

Trout will often hold close to the bottom in the deeper areas of streams during high flow conditions to conserve energy. Choose locations and tactics that allow you to fish using a slow retrieval right along the bottom. Focus on deep holes behind current breaks created by big boulders, downed trees or logjams where trout may be resting. Approach the hole from downstream as trout will often orient themselves facing the current.

While Vermont offers excellent and diverse fishing opportunities for wild trout, stocking also occurs in many streams and rivers where wild trout populations are low or absent. This generally happens between May and June each year following spring runoff.

“Early in the season, like on opening weekend, you’ll probably have more success if you focus on waters known to hold wild trout,” said Good. “Despite unpredictable weather during early spring, each year anglers report catching impressive trout during opening weekend.”

Anglers who like to fish and release their catch don’t need to wait for opening day. There are year-round catch-and-release fishing opportunities for trout and bass in Vermont. See page 31 of the 2021 Vermont Fishing Guide and Regulations for a list of rivers open to year-round trout fishing. The guide is available from license agents and it is at www.eregulations.com/vermont/fishing.

The guide is a helpful tool for planning a fishing trip as it includes maps showing rivers and lakes, as well as fishing access areas and public lands for fishing and hunting. It also lists the fish species found in each body of water.

The Fish & Wildlife Department urges anglers to use good judgment to keep everyone safe and reduce the spread of the coronavirus:

- Drive to your fishing spots only with your immediate family members and only if everyone is feeling well.
- When fishing from shore, keep a distance of at least six feet between you and your companions. A good way to measure this is with your fishing pole!
- Don’t share fishing gear with others.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Clean your gear well after using it.
- Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds with soap and water after fishing.

For information about staying safe while enjoying outdoor activities, go to www.vtfishandwildlife.com/covid-19-related-information.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Duke Enterprises, Inc. by Warranty Deed of Edward J. Brown dated October 14, 1970 and recorded on October 21, 1970 in Book 31 at Page 148 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #102023; 2242 North Main Street.)

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Peter Prizio by Warranty Deed of John J. Doran, Peter Prizio and Jack C. Lannon, dated March 30, 1987 and recorded on April 1, 1987 in Book 44 at Pages 476-479 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #009011-300; 911 address: Barker Road 4.92 +/- acres of land)

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And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Barton Coburn by Warranty Deed of Milton Thomas Coburn, dated May 30, 2017 and recorded on June 2, 2017 in Book 79 at Pages 766-767 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #019009-502; 911 address: 61 Coburn= s Way.)

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Ridge Resort Holdings, LLC by Warranty Deed of Magic Carpet Properties, Inc. dated August 17, 2005 and recorded on September 13, 2005 in Book 62 at Pages 356-358 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #070004-200; E911 address: 20.12 +/- acres of land at Magic Mountain)

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Shaun G. Zaro and Kelly Ann Zaro by Warranty Deed of Roy C. Zaro, dated October 18, 1990 and recorded in Book 48 at Page 252 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #019001; Approximately 1.1 +/- acres of land on west side of Lowell Lake Road.)

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. ‘5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Margaret M. Pendry and James M. Pendry by Quitclaim Deed of Margaret M. Pendry dated December 28, 2006 and recorded on December 28, 2006 in Book 63 at Page 284 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #018035; 911 address: 220 Boynton Road.)

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. Section 5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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It being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to John J. Stapinski, Ronald B. Sancho, Mario Sorbara and Patsy Sorbara by Warranty Deed of Alice F. Paige, dated March 9, 1982 and recorded on in Book 40 at Page 464 of the Londonderry Land Records. (Parcel #004055; E911 address: Lots 55 & 77, Magic Circle, Magic Mountain)

And pursuant to 32 V.S.A. ‘5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Londonderry Office, a public place located at 100 Old School Street, S. Londonderry, Vermont, on the 22nd day of April 2021, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

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APRIL 3 –
WALPOLE, N.H. – Easter Pie Sale in front of the Walpole, N.H. Post Office, Saturday, April 3, from 9 a.m. until gone. Sponsored by the First Congregational Church of Walpole. Whole pies and other baked goods available.

APRIL 3-4 –
LUDLOW, Vt. – Easter Bake Sale Saturday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday, April 4, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Sponsored by Holy Name of Mary, Church of the Annunciation, 7 Depot St. in Ludlow.

APRIL 7 –
REGION – AARP Vermont is offering a series of free virtual presentations on consumer fraud. On April 7 is “Operation Protect Veterans: Defending Against an Invasion of Scammers,” a program similar to “Weapons of

Fraud” but with a focus on scams directed against veterans and their benefits. This presentation provides resource information, describes how to recognize the crimes, and explains techniques to avoid victimization. Two presentations are offered at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Contact Elliott Greenblott, AARP Vermont Fraud Watch Coordinator, at egreenblott@aarp.org.

APRIL 13 –
CHESTER, Vt. – Southern Vermont Astronomy Groups April monthly meeting is Tuesday, April 13 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. Peter Mulhall will be presenting on the measurement controversy of the Hubble constant and its relationship to dark energy. Visit their website for Zoom information.

MONDAYS –
REGION – “Nurturing

Skills for Families in Recovery” is an online mutual self-help support group for parents aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Mondays from 1-2:30 p.m. Whoever said parenting is easy? It’s probably the toughest job you will ever have, and sometimes it can be pretty overwhelming. You are not alone! Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

WEDNESDAYS –
BRATTLEBORO, Vt. – Advanced directives: Where do I find the forms? Who should be named as my healthcare agent? Who do I give the completed form to? How do I talk with my family about my healthcare wishes if I’m unable to speak for myself? Every Wednesday at

10 a.m., Taking Steps Brattleboro is offering Advanced Care Planning informational meetings via Zoom. To receive the Zoom invitation, call Dan Freeman at 802-257-0775 ext. 101 or email don.freeman@brattleborohospice.org.

THURSDAYS –
REGION – “Circle of Parents in Recovery” is an online mutual self-help support group for parents aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Thursdays from 3-4:30 p.m. Whoever said parenting is easy? It’s probably the toughest job you will ever have, and sometimes it can be

pretty overwhelming. You are not alone! Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

REGION – “Circle of Parents for Grandparents” is an online mutual self-help support group aided by a trained facilitator. The group will meet Thursdays from 4-5 p.m. Come and join us. For more information and to join the free group, contact Amber at amenard@pcavt.org or call 802-498-0603.

Share your event with us!
calendar@vermontjournal.com

**TOWN HIGHWAY CREW
CAVENDISH, VERMONT**
The Town of Cavendish has an immediate opening for a full-time Highway Department crew member. This position has a competitive wage and excellent benefits package.
Applicants are required to have current CDL, good driving and work records and must be in good physical health. Solid experience in construction and heavy equipment operation, including dump truck operation, is essential. This is a permanent position with retirement plan. A comprehensive job description is available to serious applicants.
Applications, resumes and inquires should be directed to:
Brendan McNamara, Town Manager
Town of Cavendish Municipal Building
37 High Street, P.O. Box 126
Cavendish, Vermont 05142
(802) 226-7291
Cavendish is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Town of Springfield, Vermont
Massey Road Box Culvert RFP
The Town of Springfield is requesting construction proposals for the replacement of an existing drainage structure located on Massey Road in Springfield, VT. Interested bidders are asked to submit sealed proposals clearly marked “Massey Road Box Culvert RFP”, no later than 2:15 p.m., Thursday, April 22, 2021.
Contact Lois Smith, Office Manager or Jeff Strong, Public Works Director, Town of Springfield for a copy of the RFP at 802-886-2208 or it can be obtained by emailing dpwjeff@vermontel.net.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT
INVITATION TO BID
2021 SIDEWALKS**
The Town of Springfield Vermont is accepting sealed bids from qualified contractors for the above referenced work.
Contact: All communications concerning this invitation to bid are to be addressed to Jeffery F. Strong, Public Works Director at dpwjeff@vermontel.net or 802-886-2059. All bids should be in a sealed envelope clearly marked “**2021 Sidewalk Bid**”.
Bid Submission: Bids can be mailed:
Town Manager
“2021 Sidewalk Bid”
96 Main Street
Springfield, VT 05156
Bid Deadline: Thursday April 22, 2021 at 2:00 PM
Bid Opening: via zoom, immediately following deadline. All who received bid documents will be provided a zoom link the day before the opening deadline.
The Town of Springfield, Vermont reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to accept the bid deemed in the best interest to the Town of Springfield. The Town of Springfield also reserves the right to make any modifications in any bid if it is deemed in the best interest of the Town of Springfield as well as the right to waive any formality.

**HELP WANTED
TOWN OF SPRINGFIELD**
The Town of Springfield, VT is seeking two (2) highly motivated individuals
MAINTENANCE WORKER I
(1) Full-Time – Permanent Position
Desired candidate must have the ability to perform heavy manual labor and tasks requiring physical strength, coordination and dexterity. Strenuous physical effort is demanded in walking, bending, standing and lifting of heavy tools and materials. Often requires repetitive activities requiring limited skill and training. Use of equipment used on streets, water & sewer utilities when necessary, cemeteries and other town properties. The Maintenance Worker I position is supervised by the Public Works Director or the Highway Superintendent, or their designee and may be required to work independently on occasion. Requires an understanding of job safety, a valid motor vehicle operator’s license is required. Grade 11 A – 11 D at \$14.64 to \$16.43 per hour depending upon experience – union position with healthcare and retirement benefits.
Transfer – Recycling Attendant
(1) Part-Time – Position
Town of Springfield, VT has an opening for a Part-Time Transfer – Recycling Attendant at the Transfer – Recycling Center. This is a 20-hour per week position, Mondays for 4 hours, Wednesdays and Saturdays for 8 hours per days. Starting pay is \$11.75 per hour with no benefits. Candidate must be able lift 25 to 50 Lbs. while working with the Trash Compactor and “Team Lifting” of more than 50 Lbs., Candidate will be walking 10%, bending 25%, standing 40% and lifting 25% of the day. This is an outside, all year around position. In addition, candidate should have established good work habits including punctuality, dependability, and be able to follow directions. Position also requires an understanding of job safety, a valid motor vehicle operator’s license is desired and the ability to interact positively with the public.
Send cover letter, resume and applications to the Human Resources Office, 96 Main Street, or email to: toshr@vermontel.net. Applications and complete job descriptions may be picked up at the Town Office Mondays – Fridays, 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM by calling the Human Resources Department ahead at (802) 885-2104 or downloaded and viewed from the Town’s website <https://springfieldvt.govoffice2.com/>. All applications will be accepted until the positions are filled. E.O.E.

GMUSD School Board
Has an Immediate Opening
The Green Mountain Unified School Board (GMUSD) seeks two Cavendish Town resident interested in serving as a member of our local school board. The term of this position will be until Town Meeting Election Day held on Tuesday, March 1st 2022. The Board meets regularly, the third Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. and others as necessary. Members may fulfill additional responsibilities such as serving on board committees.
Please submit a letter of interest to:
GMUSD Board
c/o Lauren Fierman
609 VT Route 103 South
Ludlow, Vermont 05149

**BELLOWS FALLS VILLAGE CORPORATION
PUBLIC NOTICE
WATER MAIN FLUSHING**
THE BELLOWS FALLS VILLAGE CORPORATION WATER SYSTEM WILL BE FLUSHED WEEKDAYS FROM 9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M. BEGINNING MONDAY, April, 5,2021 AND CONTINUING THROUGH FRIDAY,APRIL 30,2021.
SOME AREAS MAY EXPERIENCE ROILY WATER BUT THIS CONDITION SHOULD CORRECT ITSELF IN A SHORT TIME.
IF YOU HAVE PROBLEMS, PLEASE CALL THE BELLOWS FALLS WATER DEPT. AT 802-463-1232. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.
**Brian Joslyn
Chief Operator
Bellows Falls Water Dept.**

NOTICE
In accordance with 24 V.S.A. Section 961(a), the Selectboard of the Town of Plymouth hereby gives notice of a vacancy created in the office of a Lister.
The Selectboard is placing this advertisement requesting interested individuals to be interviewed to fill this vacancy. The person appointed will serve until a Town election is held for said position.
If you are interested in being considered for this position, please submit your resume to the Town Clerk, 68 Town Office Road, Plymouth, VT 05056 or by emailing same to clerk@plymouthvt.org at your earliest convenience. Applications are due by Thursday, April 15, 2021.
Additional information pertaining to this Notice and its contents may be obtained by contacting the Town Clerk, 802-672-3655 during normal office hours – Monday through Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.
Dated: March 24, 2021

WARNING
**RIVER VALLEY TECHNICAL CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT
2021 ANNUAL MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021**
(Member districts: Bellows Falls Union High School District #27, Ludlow Independent School (formerly Ludlow Mount Holly Unified Union School District#39), Green Mountain Unified School District #35, and Springfield School District)
FLOOR VOTE OF ANNUAL MEETING, MAY 5, 2021, 6:00 P.M.
The legal voters of the River Valley Technical Center School District are warned to meet in the Howard Dean Education Center, Springfield, Vermont, on Wednesday, May 5, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., to transact at that time business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot.
The business to be transacted to include:
ARTICLE 1: To see what compensation the School District will pay to the officers of the River Valley Technical Center School District.
ARTICLE 2: To hear and act on the reports of the School District officers.
ARTICLE 3: To see if the School District will authorize the Board of Directors to receive and expend funds received through grants, donations, or other outside sources during the ensuing year, so long as such funds do not change the technical-education tuition assessment derived from the operating budget approved by the School District voters.
ARTICLE 4: To authorize the Board of Directors to borrow funds through a bridge loan to cover expenses while waiting for state funding to arrive.
ARTICLE 5: To transact any other business that may legally be brought before this School District Annual Meeting.
Copies of the RVTC Annual Report are available at town clerk offices and high schools of the member districts, on our website at rvtc.org, or upon request by contacting the RVTC office.
Robert Flint, Chair
Lyza Gardner
Jeanine Garfield
Paul Orzechowski
Lois Perlah
David Clark, Vice Chair
Andrew Pennell, Secretary/Board Clerk
James Rumrill
Sarah Vogel
Jeff Mobus, Clerk, River Valley Technical Center School District

**TOWN OF ROCKINGHAM
Request for Proposals: Paving & Chip Sealing**
The Town of Rockingham is requesting proposals for the paving and chip sealing of Town Roads. Interested individuals are asked to submit sealed proposals, clearly marked “Paving Bid”, and “Chip Seal Bid” no later than 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 15, 2021 to Shannon Burbela, Finance Director, Town of Rockingham, P.O. Box 370 Bellows Falls, VT 05101 or via email finance@rockbf.org. Contact the Town for a copy of the RFP at 802-463-3964 ext 1111 or finance@rockbf.org.

TOWN OF ANDOVER REQUEST FOR BIDS
The Town of Andover is seeking sealed or electronic bids for paving Hill Top Road.
Pre-bid conference will be held at 9:00 a.m. on April 6, 2021 at the Andover Town Office, attendance is not required to submit a bid. Contact the Town Office, clerk@vermontel.net for a bid packet. Project to begin no earlier than July 12, 2021 with a completion date of August 15th.
Bids must be received by 2:00 p.m. April 26, 2021 at the Andover Town Office, 953 Weston - Andover Road, Andover, Vermont 05143. Successful Bidder(s) must be fully insured.
The Andover Select Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.
Dated at Andover, Vermont this 23rd day of March, 2021.
Jeanette Haight
Andover Town Clerk

**SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT
Springfield, VT
ATHLETIC FIELDS GROUNDS CARE BIDS**
The Springfield Board of School Directors is currently accepting bids for grounds care during the 2021, 2022, and 2023 growing seasons.
Bid specifications are available at the Springfield School District Central Office, located in the Park Street School building, 60 Park Street in Springfield, VT. In order to obtain bid specs contact Martha Tarbell, Administrative Assistant at 802-885-5120; to arrange a site visit please contact the Physical Plant Supervisor, Tim Bixby at 802-885-8340. Bids will be due at the District Office no later than Thursday, April 1, 2021 at 11:00AM, when they will be opened and read aloud. The Contract will be awarded on the next scheduled Board of Directors meeting.
The Board of School Directors reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to accept the bid that, in the opinion of the Board, serves the best interest of the District, and to waive any informality in the bidding.
RETURN ONE COPY OF BID
DO NOT FAX BID
DO NOT ELECTRONICALLY FAX BID

**Mount Holly Planning Commission
Notice of Public Hearing
April 21, 2021**
The Mount Holly Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 6:30 PM on April 21, 2021 via Zoom to consider an Application for a Minor Subdivision, #2021-01.
Property Owner: Andrzej and Teresa Bolalek
Property Location: 4623 Route 155
Application for: Minor Subdivision of 23.19 Acre lot into two lots (21.14 acres, 2.04 acres)
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82190711208?pwd=SzM5-QWRROHp6d3lwOWFib24zMmVkdDZ09>
+1 929 205 6099 US (New York)
Meeting ID: 821 9071 1208
Passcode: 646559
Link to the Zoom meeting will be on the web site: <http://www.mounthollyvt.org/planning-commission/>
Participation in this hearing is a pre-requisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.
If you wish to make a public comment but do not have the ability to comment remotely during the meeting, please email your comment(s) in advance of the hearing to Mount Holly Planning Commission at planningcomm@mounthollyvt.org or mail to Mount Holly Planning Commission at P.O. Box 248 Mount Holly, VT 05758.

Get Thrifty



Spring is officially here, and now is the time when everyone starts to clean house. This is a great opportunity to DONATE to your local thrift stores and food shelves. And if you’re looking for something NEW TO YOU, check out some GREAT FINDS at your local nonprofit.

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BRGNS, your community food shelf

LUDLOW, Vt. – As a long-standing local, nonprofit organization, Black River Good Neighbor Services is all about serving community. If you live in Ludlow, Mount Holly, Belmont, Cavendish, Proctorsville, or Plymouth we are your community’s resource for food and more.

The food shelf provides in-

dividuals and families with an abundance of fresh produce, vegetables, meat, bread, frozen foods and more, and can be used twice a month. Sign up is quick and easy – all can be done confidentially over the phone. Pickup is offered safely outside.

Several food programs are available through BRGNS

food shelf. As a USDA Program provider, folks can pick up full bags of food including fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs, twice a month. A network member of the Vermont Food Bank, the food shelf participates in the federal nutrition program entitled “Commodities Supplemental Food Program” that offers

free monthly boxes of food filled with canned fruits and vegetables, juice, cereal, pasta, cheese, shelf-stable milk, and canned meats.

A relatively new food program, “Everyone Eats” is now being offered. Local restaurants prepare meals to go that are handed out from the food shelf every Wednesday from

10 a.m. – noon. This program has been a huge success and continues to grow. It is available for all of our community members – Ludlow, Mount Holly, Belmont, Cavendish, Proctorsville, and Plymouth.

And, as always, financial assistance is available through Black River Good Neighbor Services. Help with rent, utili-

ties, and heating and disaster relief assistance are all included.

Your community supports these services. Please help spread the word to those who may need a helping hand, an extra meal, or ongoing assistance with weekly groceries. The food shelf may be reached at 802-228-3663.

2021 Sammy Pierce Memorial Scholarships open to applicants

REGION – The Sammy Pierce Memorial Scholarships are awarded annually to deserving students in recognition of volunteered time and talent. These scholarships are open to students in communities served by the Crown Point Board of Realtors – Andover, Baltimore, Cavendish, Chester,

Clarendon, Grafton, Ludlow, Mount Holly, Plymouth, Reading, Rockingham, Shrewsbury, Springfield, Wallingford, Weathersfield, Weston, and West Windsor.

The Crown Point Board of Realtors awards \$1,000 to two deserving students. The students may be 2021 high school

graduates, homeschoolers, returning college students, previous recipients returning to upper classes, or adult students continuing their education in a two- or four-year college program. While the course of study is not restricted in any way, applicants must have a strong history of volunteer

community service.

Applications and information for the Sammy Pierce Memorial Scholarships are available at your local high school or by contacting Helen Wachtel at 802-275-3902. The deadline to submit applications for these scholarships is Monday, May 3, 2021. Selections will be

announced in June.

The Sammy Pierce Memorial Scholarships are given in honor of Sammy Pierce, who is remembered as one of the most generous, thoughtful realtors in Windsor County. His generous character and the impact he made on his community are honored by this annual schol-

arship. Those wishing to make a contribution to the Sammy Pierce Education Fund are encouraged. Donations may be sent to the Sammy Pierce Education Fund, Crown Point Board of Realtors, c/o Rachael Hyjek, Treasurer, Engel & Volkers, 126 Main Street, Suite 1A, Ludlow, VT 05149.



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Just visit our website to get the most up-to-date information available about your vaccine options.

Learn more about COVID-19 vaccine availability and distribution in Vermont at aarp.org/VTvaccine