A new face for Chittenden 8-3

By Phyl Newbeck

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Next term there will be a new face representing Chittenden 8-3 in the State House. After 22 years, Martha Heath has decided to step down. Bob Bancroft, a Republican, and Liz Subin, a Democrat, are vying for her vacated seat.

A native Vermonter, **Bob Bancroft** moved to Westford in 1983. Even before Heath decided not to seek reelection, he made the decision to run for her seat in the House. Bancroft describes himself as a fiscal conservative and social moderate.

Bancroft grew up in central Vermont and started a dairy farm in East Montpelier in 1970 while attending UVM. He left school temporarily to attend to the farm, but returned to get his B.A. in economics and followed that with an M.A. and then a Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics at UVM and Purdue. Bancroft worked in Washington D.C. with a branch of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and then returned to Vermont to teach at UVM in the department of Agriculture and Resource Economics, which is now Community Development and Applied Economics.

In 1981 Bancroft founded an economic consulting business, which initially concentrated on agricultural issues. Bancroft has been hired to do work across the country and for a while he specialized in stray voltage cases, which affected dairy cows. "It's hard to find an economist who was a dairy farmer," he said, noting that these days most of his work is outside the agricultural realm

This is not Bancroft's first foray into municipal affairs. In the mid 80s he was a member of the school board and in 1999 he ran for the Select Board, serving until 2005. He ran again in 2008 and has served on the board since then, spending at least four years as chair during his two stints. Ideally, Bancroft would love to serve on the Appropriations or Ways and Means Committee if he is elected to the House, but he recognizes that these are not likely assignments for a first year legislator. He suspects he'll be placed on the Agriculture Committee instead.

Bancroft's main issue is the cost of living in the state, an umbrella issue which he believes covers everything from economic development to taxes. "We're starting to have a crisis in Vermont and it will only get worse," he said. "I'm particularly concerned with economic growth, young people leaving, and an aging population." Bancroft worries that Vermont will lose businesses which he deems essential to the tax base. He is also concerned about the large number of houses he sees for sale in his district. He worries that with an aging population and the loss of young people, those houses may stay on the market. "We're a very expensive state," he said. "We don't want to discourage businesses or the middle class from moving here because they are our tax base."

Bancroft is concerned with taxes in general, but particularly the property tax. He believes more of the cost of education should come from the general fund, noting that "mission creep" has led to the education fund paying to educate prisoners. While not opposed to that program, he believes the funding should come from elsewhere. Bancroft is also concerned about the cost of education. Although he believes Vermont students are better than average, he cited NEA

numbers which he said show that the cost of education in Vermont is 80% above the country average. He would also like to see Act 60 streamlined to make it more understandable.

Bancroft's rival, Liz Subin, said she was asked to run by both Heath and Essex Junction Representative Tim Jerman. Subin's first municipal involvement was the three-year Heart and Soul Project in Essex, which was the result of a grant from the Orton Foundation. "I reached out to about 1000 people in the community," she said, "and tried to find out what mattered most to them." Rather than just invite people to public meetings, the project sought out individuals where they gathered in order to increase participation. Residents came up with six core values for the community, which have since been incorporated into both the Town and Village Plans. "The project got me out of the woods and into the community," Subin said. "I feel like my skill set and experience in bringing the community together and engaging people in conversations has led me to where I am today."

As a result of the project, Subin became more interested in other issues affecting her community, as well as the state. In 2014 she joined the school board and a few months into her term she received the call from Jerman and Heath asking her to run for the House. "I stepped up because I thought it would be a privilege to serve the community in that way," she said.

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After graduating from UVM, Subin did archaeological work in Maine before returning to Vermont to get a degree in International Administration with a focus on Environmental Management at the School for International Training in Brattleboro. She set up a non-profit in the Caribbean where she worked for five years, and landed back in Vermont in 1990. "We bought our house in Essex," she said "and we never looked back."

If elected, Subin's first choice of committees would be Education. "There's a lot going on about school governance and consolidation," she said, "which is very important to my district. We need to find ways to solve some complicated problems." Subin's second choice is Natural Resources and Energy because of her background in environmental management and her desire to preserve open space. Her third choice would be Health Care. "I'm really interested in what the state will do with universal health care and how it will play out this year," she said.

Subin also has a strong interest in economic development with an emphasis on the local economy and job creation. With the fear of potential changes at IBM, Subin is concerned about finding ways to retain businesses and diversify the economy. She is also worried about the rise in property taxes and finding ways to keep them affordable while still paying for the things residents care about. "It's a tough question and one worth diving into deeply," she said.

Subin realizes that although rural Essex voters outnumber those in Westford, her district is considered a Westford one thanks in part to Heath's two-plus decades of service. With Heath's assistance she is going door to door to introduce herself to that community. "I really love people and connecting to people," she said. "There more time I spend in Westford the more I recognize what a jewel of a community it is."

Harvest Market celebrates 40 years



Visitors enjoy music played by local artists throughout the weekend. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

By Deirdre Goldenbogen

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the United Church of Underhill's Old Fashioned Harvest Market. Over the years, it has grown from a small one-day event into the weekendlong community-wide celebration that it is today. The first Harvest Market was held in 1974 as one of the first events put on by the newlyformed United Church of Underhill, which had been created by the uniting of the Methodist and the Congregational (UCC) churches in Underhill Flats. The church decided that they would have an event in the fall that would draw the community together, raise a little money for the church, and celebrate the transition from summer into fall here in beautiful Vermont. Harvest Market was originally held in mid-October, but after several years of very cold weather, it was moved to the last full weekend in September in order to take advantage of

At first it was a small event put on by just the people of the church, but as time went on other organizations have joined in, including the Jericho-Underhill Lions Club, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and various churches, schools, and nonprofits. Students from MMU, the Boy Scouts, and the Chittenden East Wolverines football organization volunteer a lot of time to help set up and clean up. One way that many groups and organizations participate is by marching in the Harvest Market Opening Parade, which kicks off the weekend on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM. The parade has been part of Harvest Market from the beginning, and it was created as a way of inviting the whole community to be part of Harvest Market. Some groups, such as the Hanaford Fife & Drum Corps, have participated in the parade nearly every year. As always, community organizations are invited to participate in the parade this year, and are asked to be at the Browns River Middle School, where the parade lines up, no later than 8:45 AM on Saturday, September 27.

An indicator of how much Harvest Market has grown is the number of tents you see at Harvest Market. For food, there's the Grill Tent, the Cider Tent, the Soup Bowl, the Lemonade Stand, and the Country Store Tent, along with a few tents that provide shade for picnic tables. There's also a tent for the music, and quite a few for the goods that spill out of the Clutter Barn, along with the 50+ tents that the vendors set up. That's not even including the French Fry Booth! In the early years of Harvest Market, there was one tent. It covered the grill area, and it wasn't even really a tent; rather, it was just a tarp slung over a few pipes. That blew away one year, and after that a few big tents were rented for a while from the National Guard. Over the years, the church wound up purchasing tents, and more tents were added to cover the ever-expanding food, music, and shopping venues.

One thing that hasn't changed over the years

is that Harvest Market offers a wide variety of entertainment for all ages, and as always, all of the music, kids' activities, and events are FREE! The Children's Games Area has a wide variety of timeless children's games, including stilt walking, a ring toss, penny pitch, hoops, a high striker, and the dunking booth. There is also a bounce house, which may not be old fashioned, but it sure is find.

but it sure is fun! Many of the events that are held at Harvest Market had their beginnings in the early years of the event. The 5K Fun Run and Walk was a way to draw attention to the new festival in town. The parade was a way to include the community and celebrate all that Jericho/Underhill has to offer. The cross-cut log sawing competitions were a way to teach people a traditional skill in a fun way. The Zucchini Patch began as a creative solution to a seasonal problem: back then, most people had their own backyard gardens, so no one wanted to buy the large, end-of-season zucchinis that people kept donating to the produce stand. Thus, the Zucchini Patch, with prizes for longest, heaviest, and best-decorated zucchinis, was born! The tradition continues to this day, so if your garden is overflowing, bring your biggest zucchinis to enter in the competition! If you don't think yours will win the prize for biggest, try your hand at entering it in the "best decorated" category – paint, glitter, whatever – the sky's the limit!

Over the years, the amount of live music has increased, and now, there is music running nearly continuously throughout the weekend, alternating between the Music Tent and the church sanctuary, with everything from bluegrass to contemporary to alternative country music.

Another part of Harvest Market that has grown – and grown, and grown – over the years is the Clutter Barn. Originally in the parsonage garage, it now takes every square inch of the Gifford Building, spilling out to two tents outside the building. New this year is an area just inside the front door for collectables and other exceptional items that have been donated – be sure to check it out!

The 2014 Harvest Market will be held the weekend of September 27 and 28 at the United Church of Underhill, located at the intersection of VT Rt. 15 and Park Street in Underhill Flats. Harvest Market runs from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM on Saturday and from 10:30 AM – 4:00 PM on Sunday,

with a special worship service at 9:30 AM. Details, including full vendor



listing and event calendar, can be found at underhillharvestmarket.com.

Bridal information, October 16 Veterans Tribute, November 6

Please send along information for these issues. Engagements announcements, veteran's stories, names of veterans that we can interview.

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EAT PIE!

The Underhill Historical Society is sponsoring a pie eating contest at the United Church of Underhill's Harvest Market. The event will be held on Sunday, September 28 at 2:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to participate, and there is no pre-registration. The contest will take place at the society's booth in the field behind the church.

Underhill–Jericho Fire Department

By Kitty Clark

EMERGENCY CALLS:

Wednesday, September 3 8:26 PM - Responded to 107 Skunk Hollow Rd., Jericho for CO detector activated.

Thursday, September 4 – EMS, Jericho.

Thursday, September 4, 3:14 PM – Sq51 only to assist motorist,

Friday, September 5, - Sq51 only, car vs. school bus, Jericho.

Friday, September 5, - EMS, Jericho.

Friday, September 5, 2:55 PM – EMS, Underhill.

Friday, September 5, 2:56 PM – EMS, Jericho.

Sunday, September 7, 4:01 PM - Responded to 7 Repa Rd., Underhill, for possible carbon monoxide.

Monday, September 8, - EMS, Essex.

Monday, September 8, 8:42 PM – EMS, Essex.

Tuesday, September 9, – EMS, Underhill.

Thursday, September 11, 9:29 AM - Responded to 7 Pine Ridge Rd., Underhill, propane tank leaking.

TRAINING AND EVENTS:

Monday, September 1 - Our Annual Labor Day Chicken BBQ was held at Browns River Middle School. Thank you to all who attended to enjoy Bill Wetherbee's famous chicken. It was a big success this year.

Tuesday, September 2, Tuesday night drill at the station: project night, committee meetings, Chiefs' and Officers' Meetings.

Tuesday, September 9, Tuesday night business meeting at the

Thursday, September 11 – 9/11 Observance at the Underhill Station, with the siren sounding at the times each plane hit the twin towers in New York. Remembering the 343 firefighters who died on that terrible day. We will never forget them. Several of our members had to respond to a call in Underhill Center at 9:29 AM and were unable to be present for this important observance.

Practice fire safety every day!

Jericho-Underhill Lions Club blood drawing

The Jericho-Underhill Lions Club is sponsoring a blood drawing

- save the date: Wednesday, October 1
- 1:00 6:00 PM
- Covenant Church, VT Rt. 15 (near the Essex/Jericho line across from John Leo's)

As usual, donors can enjoy pies and other desserts after donating. Donors will receive a coupon for a movie ticket at the Essex Cinema. Blood supplies are alarmingly low at this time, and your help is greatly appreciated!

Donors must be at least 17 years old, weigh over 110 pounds, and be in good health.

Summit for youth to discuss environmental issues

Students in Grades 7-12 interested in learning about, and taking a stand on, environmental issues are invited to attend YES!, the Youth Environmental Summit on Thursday, November 6 at the Barre Civic Center, Barre.

YES! is designed to inspire, connect and educate youth about the environment and help them take on service-learning projects in their communities, via hands-on workshops and activities, and networking with environmental professionals and peers, learning how to become effective leader-activists on environmental issues.

Information and registration forms can be found at www.uvm.edu/ extension/4hevents. Registrations will be accepted through October 15; \$10 per person (financial assistance available). BYO lunch, snacks, and beverage.

For information, contact UVM Extension 4-H Teen and Leadership Program Coordinator Lauren Traister, 866-260-5603, x402 (toll-free in VT) or 802-888-4972, x402, or lauren.traister@uvm.edu.

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COMING EVENTS

Thursday, September 18

Old Fashioned Chicken Pie Supper, Binghamville Methodist Church, Fletcher. Servings at 5:00, 6:00, 7:00 PM and until all are served. Menu: Homemade chicken pie, mashed potatoes, squash, cole slaw, cranberry jell, rolls, pickles, and pie. Adults \$10, children under \$12 \$5, pre-school free. For reservations, call Dennis or Charles, 802-849-2120.

Friday, September 19

Animals of the North: What Will Global Climate Change Mean for Them? 6:30 – 9:00 PM, Ethan Allen Homestead, Burlington. Sue Morse of Keeping Track ® presents a slide show featuring her wildlife photography. Learn how northern wildlife species are being affected by climate change, and what we can do about it. Sponsored by Winooski Valley Park District and the Green Mountain Club Burlington Section (gmcburlington.org). If interested, register for the Keeping Track ® Monitoring Program course starting in October. To learn more about the KTMP course visit keepingtrack.org or contact the WVPD, 802-863-5744 or mailto:info@wvpd.org.

Thursday-Sunday, September 18-21

St. Albans Raid 150th Anniversary Events, downtown St. Albans. Four days of events commemorating the 150th anniversary of the northern-most land action of the Civil War. Reenactments, walking tours, quilt show, antique guns exhibit, Civil War era music and bluegrass music, and a costume ball featuring food, music, and dances from the era, with a best-period-costume contest. For information including detailed daily schedules, http://www.stalbansraid.com.

Friday, September 19

British Invasion Block Party, 6:30 - 9:30 PM, Main St., Stowe. The kick-off for the British Invasion Car Show (Friday-Sunday, September 19-21). Dance to the music of Joey Leone's Chop Shop and mingle among some beautiful British cars, while enjoying local food and brews. www.stowevibrancy.com.

Saturday, September 20

Chicken and Biscuit Supper, 5:00 and 6:30 PM (takeout, 4:30 and 6:30 PM), Essex United Methodist Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex Center. Reservations are required for the two sittings and also for take-out. Cost: \$12 adults, \$6 children; no charge for children under 5. Chicken, biscuits, mashed potatoes, gravy, squash, cranberry sauce, coleslaw, homemade pie, and beverage. For reservations, call 878-8304.

VFW Silent Auction, 5:00 - 8:00 PM, VFW Post 6689, 73 Pearl St., Essex Junction (across from Big Lots). Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars in Essex Junction. All are invited, both members and non-members! A variety of items, preview starts at 4:00 PM. Proceeds all go to Cancer Aid and our Homeless Veterans in Vermont. There will be a dinner served at 5:00 PM, \$5.

Genealogy: Puzzling it Out: Case Studies from Forty Years of Research, 10:30 AM – noon, VT Genealogy Library, Hegeman Ave., Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester. Susan Beller will present a series of case studies about finding answers in genealogy when the obvious sources don't have the information you need. Alternate strategies will include connecting with other researchers, using variations of names, etc. Class is \$5. Parking and entrance are across from the State Police Building. For information, www. vtgenlib.org or 802-310-9285.

19th Annual Northeast Open Atlatl Championship, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Chimney Point State Historic Site, Addison. Participate or watch the competition using the atlatl, and ancient spear-throwing tool, to test prowess in accuracy and distance. Also: demos of flint-knapping (making stone tools), Woodland period pottery, hafting points, and atlatl making. Admission \$5; under 15, free. Competitor fee \$6 with preregistration, \$7 on the day. To register, 802-759-2412.

Sunday, September 21

Smugglers on Lake Champlain – Historical Talk, 4:00 PM, Founders Tavern, Ethan Allen Homestead Museum, Burlington. For information, www.ethanallenhomestead.org/events or 802-

Williston Chowder Challenge, 12:00 - 3:00 PM, Williston Fire Station, US Rt. 2, Williston. A friendly competition to let the public and culinary experts pick their favorite chowder. Chowder Masters get bragging rights, publicity, and exposure. Prizes for Judges' Choice, People's Choice, Public Class, and Best Display. Admission includes ticket for door prize: adults \$10, kids 6-12 \$5, under 6 free. Bring a non-perishable food item, get \$1 off

St. Albans Raid Half Marathon, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM, St. Albans. A volley of period gunfire starts this race that follows part of the route escaped Confederate soldiers took in October 1864 after robbing St. Albans banks. The 13.1 mile half marathon

trail is scenic, mostly gravel, and gently rolling. Open to runners and 2-person relay teams. For information including links to http://www.stalbansraid.com/event/2nd-annual-stregistration. albans-raid-half-marathon/, or call 802-524-2444.

Tuesday, September 23

Photographic Memory, 7:00 PM, Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Bill Schubart talks about his new novel, Photographic Memory, and how "a sense of place" imbues literature and memory. The novel follows a boy's struggles as he grows up in two very different cultures – one, the urbane world of his paternal grandmother, peopled with artists, publishers, and financiers, and the other, a small, tightly-knit, Vermont community of farmers, loggers and tradesmen. Free. For information, www.phoenixbooks. biz or 802-448-3350.

Burlington Garden Club Meeting, 1:15 PM, Faith United Methodist Church, 899 Dorset St., South Burlington. Presentation by Richard Dube on "Pond Side Planting with Moisture Loving Bulbs, Perennials, and Wildflowers." A brief meeting will precede the program. Free and open to the public. For information, 802-372-4058

Thursday, September 25

Apples of Uncommon Character: Heirlooms, Modern Classics, and Little-Known Wonders, 7:00 PM, Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Think you know apples? Discover the delicious diversity of Vermont's favorite fruit with author Rowan Jacobsen. Rowan is the James Beard Award-winning author of A Geography of Oysters and Fruitless Fall, and has written for the New York Times, Harper's, Outside, and others. He lives in rural Vermont. Free. For information, www.phoenixbooks.biz or 802-448-3350.

Saturday, September 27

DNA Surname Projects, 10:30 AM – noon, VT Genealogy Library, Hegeman Ave., Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester. Bruce Dumelin will discuss the thousands of Y-DNA surname groups. why you should consider joining one, how to upload data and the responsibilities of each group's administrator. Class is \$5. Parking and entrance are across from the State Police Building. For information, www.vtgenlib.org or 802-310-9285.

Museum Day Live! Free! All day, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. In the spirit of Smithsonian Museums, which offer free admission every day, Museum Day Live! is an annual event hosted by Smithsonian magazine in which participating museums across the country open their doors to anyone presenting a Museum Day Live! ticket... for free. Get your ticket at http:// www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/. For information, 802-434-3068, museum@birdsofvermont.org, or www.birdsofvermont.

Leaf Garlands with Lori Hinrichsen, 1:00 - 3:00 PM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Celebrate fall! Join artist Lori Hinrichsen in making Leaf Garlands in our new Treehouse (if it's warm enough)! We will gather leaves and use needle and thread to make a cascade of color. We may have snacks and cocoa, too. Limited to 12 participants, so please pre-register. Ages 7 and up. Free with Museum admission, donations welcome. For information, 802-434-3068, museum@birdsofvermont.org, or www.birdsofvermont.org.

Eddie Red Undercover: Mystery on Museum Mile, 2:00 PM, Phoenix Books Essex, 21 Essex Way, Essex. Author Marcia Wells will talk about book covers, marketing, and the teamwork behind each book you see on the shelf. She'll show us how Eddie Red Undercover's illustrations took shape, and will read a teaser chapter. Marcia Wells teaches middle school students in Vermont. Free. For information, www.phoenixbooks.biz or 802-872-7111.

Sunday, September 28

VT Community Garden Network Harvest Festival Celebration, 3:00 – 7:00 PM, Ethan Allen Homestead, Burlington. Celebrate the end of the harvest season with great local food, corn roasting, music, garden tours, guided trail walks, games, fun and more! Information: vcgn.org/events/.

Wednesday, October 1

Chicken Pie Supper, four seatings: 4:30, 5:30, 6:30 & 7:30 plus take outs, Richmond Congregational Church, Richmond. 67th annual Chicken Pie Supper. For required reservations go to www. rccucc.org and click on To make an online reservation use this link or call Pete, 802-318-5359, between 5:00 – 9:00 PM. Adults, \$10; children under 12, \$5; preschool free.

Thursday, October 2

Jaguar Dreams, 7:00 PM, Phoenix Books, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Spiritual author Nora Caron will discuss her newest novel, Jaguar Dreams. Journey to the Heart—book one in The New Dimensions Trilogy that Jaguar Dreams completes—won the 2014 Living Now Book Awards Silver Medal for Best Inspirational Fiction. Free. For information, www.phoenixbooks.biz or 802-448-3350. Coming continued on page 12

ONGOING EVENTS

ADULT ACTIVITIES

Toastmasters of Greater Burlington, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 7:00 PM Holiday Inn, 1068 Williston Rd., S. Burlington. Are you hoping to develop your speaking and leadership skills? Ace a job interview? Ignite your career? Come and join us!

Birds of Vermont Museum open every day, 10:00 AM -4:00 PM, through October 31. Exhibits: Perilous Passages and Wings of Clay, on the consequences of the extinction of the Passenger Pigeon as interpreted in art. Admission: members free; non-member adults \$7; discounts for seniors/children. 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. 802-434-2167 or museum@ birdsofvermont.org.

Bird Monitoring Walk, last Saturdays (September 27), 7:30 - 9:30 AM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Discover birds and the changes from month to month during the Museum's monitoring walks. Join experienced birders on the last Saturday of every month. We end the walk with cocoa, coffee and tea at the Bird Viewing Window inside the Museum. Most fun for adults, older children, and somewhat more experienced birders. Please bring your own binoculars and dress for the weather. Free. To preregister and for information, 802-434-3068, museum@ birdsofvermont.org, or www.birdsofvermont.org.

Yoga, Tuesdays, 6:30 - 8:00 PM, Collins-Perley Sports Complex, St. Albans. For information including cost, 802-527-

Contra Dance, Shelburne Town Hall, Shelburne. Callers Amelia Fontein and Guillaume Sparrow-Pepin and Jokers Wild (Everest and Alden Witman and Aidan Murphy). Monthly dances presented by Queen City Contras, http://www.queencitycontras. org. Admission charged.

Chittenden County Postage stamps and post card club, 1st Wednesday of the month 6:15 - 8:30 PM, A IDX Circle

GE Healthcare Building. South Burlington Information email: Laineyrapp(a)yahoo.com or call me at 802-660-4817

Drop in Watercolor Painting, Every 3rd Saturday, 9:00 – 11:00 AM, River Arts Center, Morrisville. An opportunity to refine your watercolor skill set or learn new techniques if you're a beginner. Bring your own materials, no registration required, drop in. Suggested donation \$8. Call 888-1261, or visit our website: www. riverartsvt.org for more details.

Eagles Auxiliary #3210 holds bingo at the club house, VT Rt. 109, Friday nights. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Bingo starts at 7:00 PM. For more info contact Sally, 644-5377.

Essex Art League meets the 1st Thursday of the month, from 9:00 – 11:00 AM, at the Essex Junction Congregational Church, VT Rt. 15. The meeting agenda includes a business and social time, and features a guest artist presentation. A detailed calendar, listing featured speakers, is published on the League's website: www. essexartleague.com.

Handbell ringers, Tuesday evenings, United Church of Underhill. All are welcome at rehearsals. Two ensembles; opportunity for small groups/shorter time periods. We ring a variety of music in a variety of settings and look forward to new faces joining us. Beginners welcome. Call Roger, 899-3106, for information.

Mt. Mansfield Scale Modelers gather on the 3rd Thursday of the month, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Modelers encompassing all categories of interest and skill levels are welcome. Brownell Library, Kolvoord Community Room, Lincoln Street, Essex Junction.

The Women of the United Church of Underhill meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month, 8:00 AM at the Church located at the park, VT Rt. 15, Underhill Flats. Women interested in sharing Christian prayer and discussions are welcome. Contact Julianne Nickerson at 899-3798 for more information.

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Home

By Sue Kusserow Special to the Mountain Gazette

My California granddaughter is in an accelerated high school program run in the U.S. out of Johns Hopkins University. She has all sorts of interesting assignments, the latest of which is: assign, assemble, and edit a family newspaper. We are all to write columns; the choice given to me was Nursing, or Home and Garden. Since nursing has moved considerably forward since I retired, it seemed as if it might turn into a babbling and rambling déjà vu. And, since I recently moved from my house of 34 years to an apartment my grandson has named "Gramma's Crib," I feel my experience in this topic would be valuable. Therefore, I started writing an amusing bouncy introduction, which threw this essay into a certain category of writing and of reading. And I find, dear granddaughter, that I cannot write a frothy piece, so that people, particularly myself, can be distanced from any pain, or regret, or hurt, or realism.

I am leaving Home. Or is it my house I am selling? After 34 years, my house is now in need of repairs, both necessary and cosmetic, that someone else will elect to do, using the enthusiasm for upkeep and placement that I have lost. And I wonder how I define home: "Home is where the heart is;" "There's no place like Home;" *Going* Home (Dvorak); "Home is where, when you go there, they have to take you in" (Frost); Home Sweet Home; "Sometimes I wonder if I'm ever gonna make it home again" (Carole King).

And one lesson we all innately know: the more you put into a place, the more you will have to emotionally leave, and the more you will have to physically pack into boxes. Boxes surrounded and smothered me for weeks; they still do. I would load stuff into a huge box, lug it to the garage and sort; lug it to Adrie and Robert's garage and sort again: three categories: relief or regret, loss or gain, tenderness or practicality, otherwise called: Clutter Barn, Good Will, Recyclables, Save. My son gave me a good rule: "Something once had a purpose. If it has served that purpose and no longer does, let it go." Thus, my doctoral dissertation went into Recyclables, along with Adrie's beautifully-written honors thesis for Amherst, letters from my old family, scrap books of my year in Zimbabwe, Yellowstone's erupting geysers – repeated over and over in many slides. They all had served their purpose well.

CVAA SENIOR MEALS

Thursday, September 17

Ray's Seafood, Essex Jct. 10:30 AM check-in, 11:00 AM lunch.

Friday, September 19

United Church, Hinesburg, 12:00 noon, Salisbury steak, baked potato with sour cream, tossed salad, wheat roll, chocolate pudding.

Monday, September 22

Covenant Church, Essex Ctr. 12:00 noon

pork tenderloin with apple & sweet potato garnish, hot vegetable rice medley, creamed spinach ambrosia.

Tuesday, September 23

Ray's Seafood, Essex Jct. 10:30 AM check-in, 11:00 AM lunch.

Wednesday, September 24

IHOP, University Mall, S. Burlington 8:30 AM check-in, 9:00 AM breakfast two eggs, hash browns, choice of breakfast meat, pancakes, small juice.

Thursday, September 25

Holiday Inn, S. Burlington 11:00 AM check-in, 11:30 AM lunch turkey dinner.

> Friday, September 26 United Church, Hinesburg

12:00 noon spinach pie, roasted vegetables, cottage cheese, wheat bread, pineapple.

Monday, September 29

Covenant Church, Essex Ctr. 12:00 noon, chicken & biscuits, mashed potatoes, watermelon, tomato salad, fruit filled cookie.

Tuesday, September 30

IHOP, University Mall, S. Burlington 10:30 AM check-in, 11:00 AM Lunch, pot roast dinner

Wednesday, October 1

IHOP, University Mall, S. Burlington 8:30 AM check-in, 9:00 AM breakfast, two eggs, hash browns, choice of breakfast meat, pancakes, small juice.

Thursday, October 2

Colonial Room, Essex Jct., Ed, Ctr. 11:00 AM check-in, 11:30 AM lunch, braised pork with apple glaze.

Milk is the beverage served with each meal.

Summit for youth to discuss environmental issues

Students in Grades 7-12 interested in learning about, and taking a stand on, environmental issues are invited to attend YES!, the Youth Environmental Summit on Thursday, November 6 at the Barre Civic Center, Barre.

YES! is designed to inspire, connect and educate youth about the environment and help them take on service-learning projects in their communities, via hands-on workshops and activities, and networking with environmental professionals and peers, learning how to become effective leader-activists on environmental issues.

Information and registration forms can be found at www.uvm. edu/extension/4hevents. Registrations will be accepted through October 15; \$10 per person (financial assistance available). BYO lunch, snacks, and beverage.

For information, contact UVM Extension 4-H Teen and Leadership Program Coordinator Lauren Traister, 866-260-5603, x402 (toll-free in VT) or 802-888-4972, x402, or *lauren.traister*@ uvm.edu.

COMMUNITY COLUMNS

So now I am in a new place, a new address, a new home. Home? I still have boxes to unpack; Eddie Dog has his bed next to mine; my copper collection is temporarily placed, only to be relocated when I look at it too long and critically. And what did I bring with me? I am too old to bring energy, hope, or sometimes even too tired to bring joy. Comfort is coming; I sit on the porch in an old wooden lawn chair that has neither finish nor stability, adjusting my binoculars to catch the singing bird that just flew away. I left hundreds of Maples, Balsam, Oaks, but the birds will still come here. I left the flat stones that I heaved into the back of the car to place level with other beauties, creating a small path to the porch door; the huge 8'x6' stone that came from Lamphere's old barn as an entrée to the hay mow, and nearly broke the backhoe that brought it. The crackling fire in our new stove (with windows to see the mesmerizing orange rockets). The Wind Anemone and Dame's Rocket that had planted themselves, unasked, in the shade of the Ostrich Ferns, dug up from Mill's River; day lilies scrounged from old house sites; Thalictrum (Meadow Rue) from the wet spots in the woodlot. We came here when the meadows were ripe with milkweed; now they have become forests: Ash, Maple, scrappy and scraggly Gray Birch. Do memories build a new home... or destroy it?

These junctures in one's life are double-jointed. There is a disconnect and sorrow over what is lost. And there is the human ability to slowly and gently put one foot in front of the other and move on. Yet, how many times we regret only when looking backwards. I will think of Bert's old articles, my dissertation, the myriad of small things I knew I had but now can't find. All memories really need a base of reality to be functional and meaningful, so these will drift away, too.

My Vermont granddaughter's cat is curled up next to me on the comfy old couch that I found on the side of a road many years ago... re-covered and slopping into dereliction. The pictures are hung; the potatoes are cooking in the big pot that I pulled back from the load to the Clutter Barn. So, my dear California granddaughter, I have written you the required essay on "Home and Garden" and I find my definition of home is still vague and amorphous. But I will always have my lodestone: the mountain. with its changing seasons and colors and solid inner core. Some things never change; perhaps, therefore, that is where Home is.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Who is paying the Bill?

To the Editor,

Who is paying the Bill?!!

In the past few weeks and on weekends I have driven through the CHMS-RES school parking lot and have often found the parking lot pole lights on in broad daylight!

Today, Sunday, September 7, I drove through again at 9:33 AM and even with wall-to-wall sunshine, ALL the parking lot pole lights were on!

While I understand that on 'dark cloudy days' these sensor driven LED lights can trigger themselves on, but even with LED bulbs and the lights seemingly on 24-7, does that save us as taxpayers money?

At night, the CHMS-RES school parking lot lighting seems to rival the Richmond Park and Ride, it's so well lit up! Can't we trim back some of the lights between 11:00 PM and 5:00 AM in the school parking lot? How about a manual override or timer?

I have notified members of the School Board and the Superintendent's Office on this matter and I have received cordial but seemingly less than satisfactory responses.

Granted, other more important issues are likely at play, but if this waste of taxpayer money is not addressed and resolved, then the real message to us taxpayers is that those responsible for correcting this may border on or give the appearance of indifference – and just really sending us the message

Just keep those taxpayer dollars flowing in!!

Meanwhile... our taxes just keep GOING UP AND UP!

Robert (Bob) Devost

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The Cyberbullying Download

By Lewis First, M.D.

Chief of Pediatrics at VT Children's Hospital

Parents have been uploading lots of questions online about cyber-bullying and how they can make sure their children and teens are not victims or aggressors of this behavior. So let me log on this week with some information on this topic.

Cyberbullying is the use of technology to harass, threaten, embarrass, or target others. It is very common among children and teens. Studies suggest that one third of teens and one sixth of preteens are victims of cyberbullying. As more kids have access to computers and smartphones, the incidence of this behavior is expected to rise.

So what can parents do? Keep an eye on your child or teen for evidence of emotional distress during or after being on the internet, withdrawal from friends or family members, avoidance of school or group gatherings, or a change in school performance, appetite, and sleep patterns. Also, look for a desire to stop using the computer or smartphone for unclear reasons and not wanting to engage in conversation about smartphone or computer activities. Why don't kids talk about their being cyberbullied? Kids are

afraid the outcome of talking to parents will be to lose their online privileges, so parents, sit down with your child, tell them they are not going to lose their privileges, and reassure your child that this is an issue with the bully and not with your child

Then tell your child you want to help them block the cyberbully from their social networks, smartphone, or even email accounts, all of which can certainly be done.

Keep copies or printouts of what the cyberbully sends your child if possible so these can be used if need be to show the bully's parents, school guidance counselor, or even, in rare circumstances, with law enforcement.

If your child is the bully, explain what this is doing to others

and then take consequences, such as limiting use of the computer or smartphone to only when you are present. You can also have your child talk with a counselor. Schools are now taking action, including suspending cyberbullies from school or removing them from desired activities like sports teams.

Hopefully tips like this will provide all the data input you need to know when figuring out what to do when you are concerned about your child and cyberbullying.

Lewis First, M.D., is chief of Pediatrics at VT Children's Hospital at FAHC and chair of the Department of Pediatrics at the UVM College of Medicine.



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"An Historic Church Proclaiming an Eternal Message" On the Green in Jericho Center, VT Interim Pastor Doug Walker and Youth Pastor Glenn Carter Sunday Services at 8:00 AM & 11:00 AM Nursery care provided Sunday School at 9:30 AM for all ages Fellowship at 10:30 AM Youth group 6:15 PM Sundays in Sunday school building 899-4911; officejcc@comcast.net; www.jccvt.org

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LIBRARY NEWS

DEBORAH RAWSON LIBRARY, UNDERHILL

Please note: DRML will be CLOSED on Saturday, September 27 and Sunday, September 28 for Harvest Market. Come visit us at the BOOK NOOK at the Big Red Barn!

Congratulations to Underhill resident Dan Close, winner of The Peace Corps Writers 2014 Award For Best Book Of Fiction! Dan Close (Ethiopia 1966-68) won the 2014 Maria Thomas Fiction Award from Peace Corps Writers for his historical novel set in Ethiopia in 1896, The Glory of the Kings, published in 2013. The Maria Thomas Fiction Award is named after the novelist Maria Thomas [Roberta Worrick (Ethiopia 1971–73)] an author who lost her life in August, 1989, while working in Ethiopia for a relief agency.

Parlez-vous français? French Conversation Group will meet Thursday, September 18 at 6:30 PM. Join the group for casual conversation and some cultural exchange! For more information call Henry at 899-3349. A bientôt!

Story Time is back! Story times will resume the week of September 17! Drop in for stories, projects and a nutritious snack! Wednesday Story Time (September 17 and 24, October 1) will take place at 10:30 AM and Thursday Story Time (September 18

and 25, October 2 and 9) at 10:00 AM, no registration required. Join The Mystery Book Group on Tuesday, September 23 at 7:00 PM in the Fireplace Room. September's book pick is Preacher by Camilla Lackberg. All are welcome!

Parent Support Group on Wednesday, September 24 from 6:00 8:00 PM. Meet and connect with parents raising children and teens with behavioral challenges (ASD, ODD, ADD, etc.) The group plans to meet the 4th Wednesday of every month. Call Elise Doner at 899-2644 or email busyfeet4kids@gmail.com for more information.

Young Readers Advisory Board will meet on Tuesday, September 30 from 3:00 - 4:30 PM in the meeting room. Join with others to share your thoughts about the library, books, and programs available at DRML! We want to hear from YOU! For students in grades 5-8.

Local author Ted Tedford will speak about his book Incident at St. Albans, A Civil War Story on Wednesday, October 1 at 7:00 PM in the DRML Fireplace Room. Sponsored by Underhill Historical Society and DRML

The DRML Music Sunday Series will begin for the season on Sunday, October 5 at 1:00 PM. Join us!

Library hours: Tuesday 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Wednesday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Thursday 12:00 - 8:00 PM, Friday 10:00 AM -6:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Sunday 1:00 – 4:00 PM; closed Monday. For information on any of the library's programs, call 899-4962.

JERICHO CENTER LIBRARY

Board meetings are the first Tuesday of each month, starting at 7:15 PM. The next meeting is October 7.

Writers' Group: The library's writers' group would like to have others join at any time. Members write in any genre and support each other through critiques and an exchange of ideas. If interested contact Margaret Grant at 879-4880. The next meeting is a field trip on September 20, going to the annual Burlington Bookfair... specifically, Jessica Hendry Nelson reading from her latest book If Only You People Could Follow Directions. If interested in this

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E-Readers: For our patrons who like to read in an electronic format, the library has e-readers available for sign out.

Passes: The library not only has books and CDs, but passes to Echo and to state parks are also available to sign out.

Books for Sale: The library entrance contains a great supply of books for sale at very inexpensive prices.

Book acquisitions:

For Children: Emperor Pickletine Rides the Bus, by Tom Applegate; Star Wars Jedi Academy: Return of the Padawan, by Jeffrey Brown; The Odd Squad, by Michael Fry; My Big Fat Zombie Goldfish, the Sequel, by Mo O'Hara

For Adults: The Bone Clocks, by David Mitchell; In the Kingdom of Ice, by Hampton Sides

Wednesday Story Time Themes: September 10: Appreciating Friends Like Eric Carle; September 17: Car Wash; September 24: Awesome Apples.

Survey: Our survey about adult programming received very few results, so if you have an interest in a program/activity, for instance a chess club or bridge club, remember that the library is available as a community space. If you are in need of a facilitator for a program, perhaps we can help with that, as well. Just speak to Donna; she is "in the know!"

Library hours are: Monday 1:00 – 7:00 PM; Wednesday 10:00 AM – noon (includes children's story time) and 2:00 – 7:00 PM; Friday 1:00 - 5:00 PM; Saturday 10:00 AM - noon. For more information call 899-4686, go online to www.jerichotownlibrary. org, or email Jerichotownlibrary@gmail.com.

FAIRFAX COMMUNITY LIBRARY

All events are free unless noted otherwise. Pre-registration encouraged. No registration needed for story hour. Call or email libraryprograms@fwsu.org.

Thursday, September 18, 6:30 – 8:00 PM: Fiction Book Club Discussion: Bel Canto by Ann Patchett. Annette Hansen leads the discussion of this amazing novel. Copies now available to borrow and read prior to the meeting. At the meeting you can also pick up October's non-fiction The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks, and we'll discuss the November book selection.

Tuesday, September 23, 6:30 - 8:00 PM: Learn to Take Great Photos With Your Smartphone. Local artist Nicole Vance leads this informative class. You can already point and shoot - come and learn some professional tricks! You must have and bring your own smartphone.

Thursday, September 25, 6:30 - 8:00 PM: Cider Making with Anne Whyte of VT Homebrew. Anne teaches us all about making different types of cider and will have a few samples. Sign up early!

Tuesday, September 30, 9:30 – 10:30 AM: Story Time: Fairy Houses. Stories, music, and crafts for ages 0-6. If you can, please bring some small twigs, pebbles, bark, soft leaves, pines cones, acorns, etc. We'll have some here too.

Tuesday, September 30, 6:30 - 8:30 PM: Fairfax Reads Wonder. We'll meet at the Foothills Bakery for cookies and cupcakes and to read aloud and discuss some of our favorite parts and characters from the book. Event sponsored by the VT Humanities Council, Renewable NRG Systems, and the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation. Non-perishable food donations for the local food shelf

Read to a Dog returns in October.

For up-to-date information about programs, visit our website www.fairfaxvtlibrary.org, where you can find a link to our interactive Google calendar. Follow us on Facebook, VT Grandpa, and Front Porch Forum as well! For up-to-date info about programs, www.fairfaxvtlibary.org. Fairfax Community Library: 75 Hunt St., Fairfax, VT, 05454; 849-2420. Program Planner Karyn Norwood, knorwood@fwsu.org; Library News: www.bfafairfax.com/pages/ communitylibrarynews.html. Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ home.php? - ./pages/Fairfax-Community-Library.

School Year Library Hours: Monday, Wednesday 8:00 AM -5:30 PM; Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM; Friday 8:00 AM – 3:15 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Summer hours start Thursday, June 19, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10:00 AM -5:30 PM; Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00 AM -8:00 PM; Saturdays 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

VARNUM MEMORIAL LIBRARY, JEFFERSONVILLE

Freedom and Unity: The Vermont Movie And Discussion Series: Saturday, September 20, 3:00 - 5:00 PM. Exploring the native and colonial roots from which Vermont grew. A VT Humanities Council Program hosted by the VML and the CCLA. Free. For information, 644-2117.

Author! Author! series hosting Carlene Raper, Thursday, September 25, 7:00 PM. Meet the fascinating author of Love, Sex and Mushrooms: Adventures of a Woman in Science. Worldrenowned scientist Cardy unraveled techniques of molecular genetics, all while running a laboratory and raising her children on

Hours: Mondays and Tuesdays 12:00 - 7:00 PM, Wednesdays 3:00 – 7:00 PM, Thursdays 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM, and Fridays 2:00 - 5:00 PM, Saturdays 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM.

WESTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY, WESTFORD

Friday, September 19 – Art Opening: Longina Smolinski, 6:00 - 7:00 PM. The local Westford artist will be showing her diverse styles and mediums of expression. Light refreshments served.

Saturday, September 20 – Curious George Day! Co-sponsored by VTPBS 10:30 AM – 2:00 PM. Videos, crafts, snacks, and FUN! We will be viewing a new episode every 30 minutes and then doing a related craft.

Wednesday, September 24 - PJ Storytime, theme: fall leaves, 6:30 – 7:30 PM. Wear your PJs, and come listen to stories and do

Thursday, September 25 - Local Motion Bike Commuting Program, 6.00 - 7.00 PM. Learn the safest ways to bike, proper gear selection, and get started! Prize drawing (an \$80 value if ten or more people are present) and refreshments served.

Friday, September 26 - E-textiles: Light Up Arm Cuffs, 7:00 9:00 PM (for ages 9+, pre-registration required). Combining artistry and engineering – we will design and create a felt arm cuff.

Tai Chi every Monday and Wednesday from 11:15 AM – noon, starting Monday, September 15 (pre-registration required).

Storytime every Thursday, 11:00 AM. Library Hours: Wednesday 1:00 – 7:00 PM, Thursday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Friday 1:00 – 7:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM; website: www.westfordpubliclibrary.org; Email: westfordpubliclibrary@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook. 878-5639, Bree Drapa, Librarian.

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Smugglers Notch 55+ Club meets every Wednesday at Smugglers Notch for a social time, then break into groups to ski. We start with a brief organizational meeting, coffee and rolls, and then we head out to the trails in self-selected ability groups, gather informally throughout the summer for a wide variety of outdoor activities. Membership benefits include various discounts at Smuggs. For more information call Deborah at 644-5455 or just attend a meeting at the Morse base lodge starting at 9:00 AM every Wednesday.

The Underhill Historical Society meets at the Underhill Town Hall on the 2nd Monday of the month, 6:30 PM. Anyone welcome. **HEALH EVENTS & GROUPS**

Al-Anon meetings, Jericho United Methodist Church, Thursday mornings 10:00 AM, and Saturday mornings, 10:00 AM.

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, "Women's Big Book" group meets Thursdays, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, United Methodist Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex Jct. across from Grange Hall.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting "Wing It" group meets Sundays, 11:00 AM, Maple Leaf Farm, Stevensville Rd., Underhill. Open Speaker meeting followed by a Brunch (\$10 charge for the

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "The Firing Line" group meets Wednesdays, 7:15 – 8:15 PM, Maple Leaf Farm, Stevensville Rd., Underhill. Open Step meeting.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting "The Firing Line" group meets Saturdays, 8:00 – 9:00 PM, Maple Leaf Farm, Stevensville Rd., Underhill. Open Speaker Discussion meeting.

Alzheimer's Support Group – Free educational support group series for families coping with a loved one with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. This series gives caregivers the opportunity to better understand and develop strategies for the future. Held monthly at The Arbors at Shelburne. For more information and to register, contact Nicole Houston, Director of Family Services, The Arbors at Shelburne, 985-8600.

Brain Injury Support Group - offer survivors and family members, caregivers, friends and the community a place to come and receive valuable resources and information about brain injury. The support group is a place to share experiences in a safe, secure and confidential environment. Monthly meetings: 4th Fridays at the YMCA in Winooski 11:00 AM – noon; 1st Wednesdays at Fanny Allen in Colchester, 5:30 – 7:30 PM; and 2nd Tuesdays at the Saint Albans diner in Saint Albans. Call the BIAVT help line, 877-856-

Foot Clinics – Having trouble trimming your own toe nails? Franklin County Home Health provides foot clinics around the county that can help. Call 802-527-7531 for an appointment and cost information. Cost: \$20.

Healthy Weight Support Group, Mondays, 12:00 – 12:30 PM, Northwestern Medical Center, Conference Room 3, St. Albans. Support group for those working on weight management. Combines behavioral and nutritional strategies to increase physical activity and decrease calorie intake. Provides techniques to help manage eating behaviors. Come 15 minutes early for weight check. Kay Tran, Registered Dietitian, MS, CDE, & Leslie Gardzina, Registered Dietitian. No registration required, just drop in.

International Cesarean Awareness Network supporting mothers and families recovering from or learning about cesareans and VBACs. For more information email ICANvt@gmail.com or call Jessilyn at 802-363-5499.

Overeaters Anonymous meets 6:00 - 7:00 PM Wednesdays, Jericho United Methodist Church, VT Rt. 15, Jericho.

Prostate Cancer Support Group meets 6:00 - 8:00 PM, second Tuesdays, Hope Lodge, 237 East Ave., Burlington. Wives, partners, men newly diagnosed or dealing with recurrent prostate cancer and/or side affects of treatment, and men who have been successfully treated. Any men dealing with advanced prostate cancer are also encouraged to attend to benefit themselves and others by sharing experiences. For information contact Mary L. Guyette RN, MS, ACNS-BC at 802-274-4990 or vmary@aol.com.

TOPS Chapter 145 meets 6:15 PM Thursdays, Eagles Club, VT Rt. 109, Jeffersonville. Weigh-in 5:15 – 6:00 PM.

Healing Circle Breast Cancer Network, support group for women with breast cancer, monthly meetings 1st Tuesdays 5:30 PM, Northwestern Medical Center, Conference Room #1. RSVP

Lamoille Home Health & Hospice: Offering Hospice Volunteer Training. Health care professionals share their knowledge and passion for hospice. Please contact Charlene at 888-4651 or ccamire@lhha.org for more information.

Franklin County Prostate Cancer Support Group, monthly, 1st Tuesdays, 5:15 - 7:00 PM, Northwestern Medical Center Conference Room #2, St. Albans. This support group offers men opportunities to educate themselves and each other; share and learn from each other's experiences; offer support to each other, a spouse or partner; and advocate early detection of prostate cancer. For more information, Fern Mercure, 524-0719.

Line, Counseling. Call 1-877-YES-QUIT (1-877-937-7848). Free.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "Keep It Simple" group meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 8:00 – 9:00 PM and Saturdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM, United Church of Underhill, Underhill

KIDS

Storytime in the Nestlings Nook, Tuesdays (October 14) 10:30 - 11:30 AM, Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Pre-schoolers and friends are welcome for stories about birds, then craft project, music, or nature walk (depends on topic/weather). Free with admission, donations welcome. No preregister; information, 802-434-2167 or museum@birdsofvermont.

Sundays for Fledglings, "more or less alternate Sundays" (September 21; October 5, 19), through October 31, 2:00 – 3:00 PM, Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Enjoy discovering birds - feathers to flying, art to zoology. Earn a Junior Birder Badge. Aimed at kids 5-9; siblings welcome. Free with admission, donations welcome. Pre-registration helpful; information, 802-434-2167 or museum@birdsofvermont.org.

Playgroups are free of charge and open to all children birth through age 5 and their caregivers. At playgroup you will find stories, songs, crafts, free play, local events and information, and more. It is a wonderful opportunity to play with the children in your life, meet other playmates, and connect with other parents and caregivers. Playgroups follow the school calendar. Come to any or all groups that fit your schedule. For more information on any of the playgroups, please contact Heather Lebeis at 899-4415 or underhillplaygroup@yahoo.com.

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A Moment in Time - Conversations with Senior Citizens

Orelyn Emerson - a lady in every sense of the word



By Brenda Boutin Mountain Gazette Staff

The times they are forever changing... fall colors are arriving and the Garden Tour has come and gone. The Garden Tour brings to mind a name: Orelyn Emerson, a slight lady who lives in Jericho, VT

Orelyn like many others is a transplant who cannot imagine living anywhere else. She was born in a tiny hospital in Ridgewood, NJ. "It's a nursing home now," she said.

Orelyn's family lived in New Jersey for around 35 years. "My mother had been married twice. Her first husband was killed in a plane crash when she was carrying my older sister." Her father married her five years later. Orelyn has two sisters, Charlotte Davis and Marylynn Dundas. Her parents were Evelyn Chase Rice and Joseph Oren Rice. "They combined their names to come up with mine," she told the interviewer.

Ridgewood was a suburban community near New York City. Her father worked as a real estate broker. One day another broker became ill and her father took over his client, which led to him selling the Empire State Building. Orelyn's father developed Ménière disease, which caused vertigo. He had a problem walking on the city streets and retired at an early age. Orelyn says her father grew tomatoes in his Victory Garden and made lots of juice. The juice was lumpy, Orelyn remembered, and she hated it. Her father told her not to dump it down the drain as he could go out and look for it in the gutter. "I was afraid to dump anything," she said.

During the war, her mother brought home a huge can of Hershey's syrup, and Orelyn wanted her to open it. But the can went to the basement, where Orelyn watched it. When the war was over Orelyn went down to the basement only to find that the coveted syrup was gone. Her mother said, "Oh, I gave it to children who would love it."

Orelyn remembers the Cold War and the fear that the Russians were going to coming over and bomb us. Alarms went off at school and you had to get under desks. There were heavy curtains on windows at home and when the sirens sounded, you drew the curtains so that the bombers could not see your home. As a little girl, she feared being bombed on her way home from school.

During the war era everything was rationed, Orelyn remembered. There were ration books for food, and sugar was scarce. "I looked forward to Easter," Orelyn said. "I love jelly beans. I couldn't wait for my jelly beans." What a surprise she got – jelly beans made out of rice. Orelyn says she still has a respect for real jelly beans.

Her mother was an avid volunteer. She volunteered for the Red Cross and would get up at 3:00 AM to go into the city to feed the troops. Her mother was president of the Woman's Club.

"She was head dietician at Stanford University," Orelyn said. She goes on to say that her mom loved to cook and she does too. "It is therapeutic for me," Orelyn said. "I love to make gourmet foods. I freeze some and give some to my kids when they come over." But they tell her to stop sometimes.

Orelyn attended Lasell College in Auburndale, MA, and graduated in 1954 and got a job at *Life Magazine*. "I was secretary to Shad Emerson." Shad was the editorial business manager at *Life*.

Orelyn started dating Emerson. "No one knew we were dating," she said, a smile crossing her face. A group of five had gone out for a drink after work and Shad took everyone home, and had taken her home last, in a taxi. Orelyn says she thought this was strange but Shad asked her to go out some night. They continued dating and no one in the office knew. In fact no one knew until their engagement was announced in the paper on April 1, 1956.

Romantic that he was, Shad got down on his knees with a little bouquet of violets and asked Orelyn to marry him. "We lived in New York," Orelyn went on, "and both our families lived in New Jersey." Shad stopped traffic for Orelyn at the middle of the George Washington Bridge. "He stopped right where the line is," she laughs. That is where he got out, stopping traffic both ways, and gave her the engagement ring. They were married in 1956.

Orelyn stopped working for *Life* and went to work for *Colliers* magazine as a copy editor until they went out of business. She switched over to Elizabeth Arden and worked as assistant production manager for three years.

"Elizabeth Arden was a hoot," Orelyn remembered. She didn't allow you to have coffee on the desks. The doorman would call when she was coming and the staff would hide their coffee in desk drawers. One of her prized skin products was a fabulous orange skin cream that she used on her horses. Arden was hard on her employees, one had her hair done at a different salon and was fired on the spot. Another came in dressed in the same outfit as Arden and was sent home to change.

Life magazine closed and Shad was offered a position with People magazine. "We looked at the layout," she said. But they decided that it was not for Shad.

Orelyn and Shad decided to move their family north to







Vermont. Both Orelyn and Shad had sisters in Vermont who were encouraging them to move here, so they decided to get the kids out of the city. Orelyn and Shad have two daughters, Laurie and Ellie.

In 1978, the Emersons moved to Vermont. Shad wrote for small newspapers in the area and Orelyn went to work as the coordinator for the child abuse team at Mary Fletcher Hospital in the social services department.

After a few years the Emersons made one more move, to Jericho. "We skied out the back of the house," Orelyn said. The kids would come home from school, don their skis, and off they'd go with a parent in tow

Orelyn worked for the Vermont State Colleges for 15 years as the office manager and assistant to the Chancellor. She retired 15 years ago and became involved in the Community Center of Jericho and the Jericho Center Library. Orelyn says that these programs have allowed her to meet different people and learn new things.

But her joy is The Garden Tour that takes place each summer throughout Jericho and Underhill. "Delight Wing and I coordinate the tour each year," Orelyn said. She finds each that year's tour is different from the last. "Every gardener has different ideas about doing things," she said. "It's great to see the different things that they incorporate. Mine aren't garden tour material, I find getting outdoors and working in the garden is great therapy."

The 2014 Garden Tour was a great success. The theme was birds

Orelyn lost the love of her life to leukemia a few years ago. But the larger than life memory of Shad lives on through his granddaughter. "She has his quick wit," Orelyn laughs. Shad could be seen in many area businesses, introducing himself to strangers and greeting old friends alike. He could embarrass the entire family in a heartbeat and the family tried to keep him in check. He was a jokester.

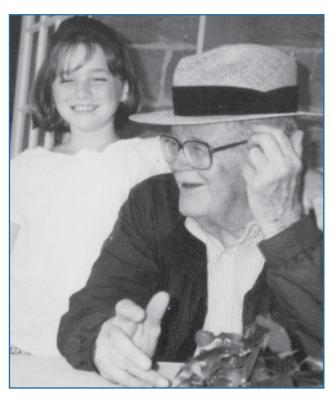
Family is very important to Orelyn. Her granddaughter Emma graduated from Northeastern University in Boston, MA with a doctorate in physical therapy, and has a job in California.

She was very involved with caring for Shad's sister who had alzheimer's until she passed away in July, and her sister and brother-in-law who are struggling with dementia. "It's hard to understand what they hear and don't hear or what they see or understand," she says. Orelyn goes to visit them often, as she believes that on some level they know you are there.

So if you want to get to know a truly delightful woman, Orelyn Emerson fits the ticket.



Orelyn, Shad and family.



Shad with his partner in crime, Emma.

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Opening activities – Saturday morning

5K Fun Run & Walk Registration begins at 7:30 AM

Race begins at 8:00 AM

Race is held at Mills Riverside Park. Follow the signs to the pavilion.

Opening Parade Lineup begins at 8:45 AM Parade begins at 9:00 AM

Parade begins at Browns River Middle School, runs down River Rd, then left onto Park St to the United Church.

SATURDAY:

Hanaford's Fife & Drum (near Music Tent) 10-11 11-12:30 Calloway Taxi (Church Sanctuary) 12:30-1:30 Front Porch Foursome (Music Tent) 1:30-3 Gryphon & Co. (Church Sanctuary) PW & the Arrowhead Ramblers (Music Tent) 3-4:30

SUNDAY:

10:30-11:30Mr. Ed (Music Tent)

12-1:30 Michele Fay Band (Church Sanctuary) Fairfax, Fletcher, Westford Band (Music Tent) 1:30-2:30

2:30-3:30 Cash is King (Church Sanctuary)

All kids' activities are FREE and are held in the Children's Games area unless otherwise noted

BOTH DAYS:

All day bounce house

All day old fashioned kids' games (stilt walking, ring toss, penny pitch, hoops, nail drive, bowling, pole climb, dunking booth)

hay rides (field behind flea market)

organized kids' games (sack races, etc.) 1-3

3:00 sawdust candy scramble

SATURDAY:

Joey the Clown 11-2

SUNDAY: 10-1

Big Blue Trunk

10:30-12BOOM VT! NOON pet show

judging of the zucchini decorating contest

(Friendly competitions, of course)

SATURDAY:

Harvest Market Fun Run 5K (Mills Riverside Park) 8:00 12:30

cross-cut log sawing (beside Children's Games area - training and equipment are provided)

organized kids' games (sack races, etc.) 1-3

SUNDAY:

Competitions

grown, heaviest home-grown, best decorated

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- antiques dealers
- community organizations
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...and of course, make sure to stop by the Clutter Barn for an eclectic mix of clothing, books, toys, games, puzzles, small appliances and electronics, sports equipment, kitchen items, linens, towels, curtains AND MORE!



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The nearest parking lot is next to the church look for the sign near the fire station or at the end of Harvest Run Rd. Proceeds benefit MMU soccer.

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For free parking, park at either Browns River Middle School (on River Road, just off Rte 15) or Mills Riverside Park (on Rte 15). Free shuttle bus will run both days.

Additional parking information, including handicapped parking locations, can be found at underhillharvestmarket.com.

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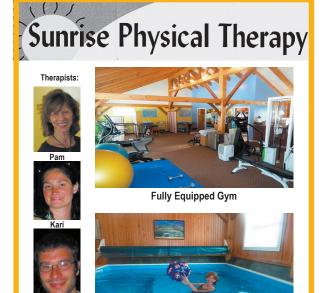
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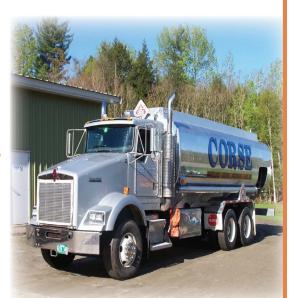


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Mondays: Jericho Community Center, 9:30 - 11:00 AM Wednesdays: Richmond Free Library, 8:45 – 10:15 AM Fridays: Underhill Central School, 9:30 – 11:00 AM

Fridays: Huntington Public Library, 11:00 AM – 12:30 PM **Saturday Story Time**, Saturdays September 20 and 27, 11:00 AM, Phoenix Books Burlington, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Listen to and enjoy stories with your little ones. Information for each date online. Free. For information, www.phoenixbooks.biz or 802-

Kids' Yoga, 3-5 years and 6 years and up. Toddler tumbling and new moms' groups. The Well, 644-6700.

Early Literacy Storytime, Thursdays, 11:00 AM at Westford Public Library. Stories and activities utilizing early literacy concepts for age's birth-preschool. Drop-in; no registration needed. We welcome new families. For more info, contact Victoria at 878-5639 or westford_pl@vals.state.vt.us, or visit www.westford.lib. vt.us and click on Events @ Your Library.

SENIORS/COMMUNITY MEALS

Jeri-Hill XYZ Seniors meet at the Town Hall in Underhill Center on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month. All seniors are welcome. Dinner served at 11:30 AM. For information, Bette Workman, 899-4446, Loreen Teer, 899-1363 or Doug Keith 899-

Johnson Community Meal - 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Wednesdays of the month, 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM, United Church, Johnson. Come for a hot meal and get to know your neighbors. Meal will be followed by community gathering. For information, please contact: Ellen

Hill, 635-1439, ellen.hill@jsc.edu.

Westford Senior lunches – Join Westford Seniors for lunch at the Red Brick Meeting House on the Common, monthly on the 2nd Monday. Lunch served at 12:00 noon with a short meeting or presentation following. Call 878-7405 or 879-7382 for information or for a ride.

Bolton Up and Downtown Club meets the last Thursday of the month at the Bolton Fire station. Meal at 5:00 PM. Open to adults 60 and over. Contact Doris Wheelock at 434-3769.

Huntington senior meal site – The Huntington senior meals are served monthly on the 3rd Tuesday, 12:00 noon at the Community Baptist Church, Huntington Center.

St. Jude's Church, Hinesburg, senior meals held on 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month with bingo games afterward. Everyone is welcome including caregivers. Dinners \$4 per person. For information call Ted Barrette, 453-3087

Starksboro First Baptist Church, Starksboro senior meals, 4th Thursday of the month, 11:30 AM. Call Brenda Boutin, 802-453-6354 for more information. (No meals in November and

"Good Food for All" free dinners, 2nd Thursday of the month, United Church of Underhill, VT Rt. 15, Underhill Flats, 5:00 7:00 PM; and on the last Thursday of each month at Calvary Episcopal Church, VT Rt. 15, Underhill Flats, 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Everyone in the communities is invited.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Ongoing Pilate classes, Dakini Studio, Underhill, Mondays and Thursdays, 6:00 PM. Register at 899-4191. For more information and other scheduled classes, www.dakinistudio.wordpress.com.

Qi Gong, the ancient Chinese art of movement, classes: Saturdays 9:00 - 10:00 AM, 562 VT Rt. 15, Johnson; Saturdays 11:00 AM – noon, River Arts, Morrisville; and Sundays 11:15 AM 12:15 PM, Artful Cup, Jeffersonville.

Zumba, Tuesdays, 5:30 PM, Red Brick Church, Westford, with Heather Sanders, \$5, first class free; Saturdays, 9:15 AM, BFA, Fairfax, \$5; Sundays, 9:00 AM, Meeting House, Fletcher, \$5; with Kathy Bourdeau Mondays, 7:30 PM, BFA, Fairfax, \$5; Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, BFA, Fairfax, \$5.

Zumba Fitness, Monday evenings only, 5:30 – 6:30 PM, River Arts Center, Morrisville. Certified instructor Karen Machia. No registration required, drop in. 888-1261 or www.riverartsvt.org for

SUPPORT GROUPS

CFS, Fibromyalgia, Lyme Disease, Chemical Sensitivity and **Gulf War Syndrome**, 1:00 – 3:00 PM, monthly, 3rd Thursdays, The Bagel Cafe, Ethan Allen Shopping Center, Burlington. For information, www.vtcfids.org, Lainey at 802-660-4817, or 800-296-1445 ask for Rik

Alzheimer's support group, monthly on the 3rd Wednesday, 9:30 – 11:30 AM, The Arbors, 687 Harbor Rd., Shelburne. Free education for individuals and families in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. For information and to register, contact Nicole Houston, 985-8600.

Approach Autism With Advocacy, Recovery & Education (AAWARE) in the Lamoille Valley, 3rd Sunday, 3:00 – 5:00 PM, Second Congregational Church of Jeffersonville Community Room, Jeffersonville. Special topics, guest speakers, resource information; playroom for kids, fenced side yard for outdoor play. For information, Terry Holden, 644-2759 (Jeffersonville) or Tina Karl, 888-3430 (Hyde Park.)

Veterans Job Networking, Wednesdays, 9:30 – 11:00 AM, VFW Post, Essex Jct.; 1:00 – 2:30 PM, American Legion Post, St Albans

Eating Disorders Parental Support Group, monthly on the 3rd Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Covenant Community Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex Center. For parents of children with, or at risk of, anorexia or bulimia. We focus on being a resource and providing reference points for old and new ED parents. For information,

TOWN GOVERNMENT & ORGANIZATIONS

Cambridge Area Rotary meets on 1st four Thursdays of the month, upstairs at 158 Main restaurant, Jeffersonville, 7:00 - 8:00AM. For information, Susan Lassiter, 644-6600 or Slassiter@

Westford Fire Department, Mondays, 7:00 PM, at the fire station next to the Town Garage. For information, email John Quinn, *jquinninvt*(a)aol.com.

Jericho-Underhill Water District meets 1st Monday of the month, United Church of Underhill, Underhill Flats, 7:00 PM. For information, 899-4076 or 899-3810.

Jericho Historical Society, monthly on 2nd Thursdays, 7:30 PM, Old Red Mill, Jericho.

Jericho Underhill Park District Board meeting, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Deborah Rawson Memorial Library project room, Jericho. Residents of Jericho and Underhill always welcome. 899-2693 for information.

Jericho Energy Task Force meets monthly, 2nd Thursdays, 7:00 – 8:30 PM, Jericho Town Hall, VT Rt. 15, Jericho.

FARMERS' MARKETS

Jericho Farmers' Market, Mills Riverside Park, VT Rt. 15 between Jericho and Underhill, Thursdays through October 2, 3:00 – 6:30 PM, rain or shine. For more information contact Market Manager Kelly King, JerichoFarmersMarket@gmail. com, 802-343-9778

THRIFT SHOPS & FOOD SHELVES

Clutter Barn: Donations are accepted on Saturdays, 8:30 AM 12:00 PM, through September 13. The Clutter Barn is located in Underhill Flats, between the Brick House and the United Church

Essex/Jericho/Underhill Food Shelf, 3rd Saturdays, 9:00 11:30 AM, at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, VT Rt. 15, Jericho. Meat, dairy, produce, pantry items, pet food, and some non-food items. All are welcome.

Westford Food Shelf, open monthly, 3rd Saturdays, 8:00 -10:30 AM, United Church of Westford. All are welcome. Fresh produce, meat, and non-food items available.

The Heavenly Cents Thrift Shop, just east of Five Corners, Essex Jct., VT Rt. 15, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM Tuesdays and Wednesdays; 4:00 – 8:00 PM Thursdays.

ART / MUSIC / THEATER

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The American Eye: Exploring & Celebrating American Art at the Shelburne Museum, Saturday, September 20, 10:00 AM -4:00 PM. American paintings were the last collection assembled by Shelburne Museum founder Electra Havemeyer Webb (1888-1960) in the late 1950s. Relying on her own keen eye and assisted by leading figures in museums and galleries, Mrs. Webb purchased works by Copley, Cole, Durand, Homer, Prior, Heade, Bierstadt, Lane, Johnson, Cassatt, Grandma Moses, and Andrew Wyeth, among many others. This symposium will focus on American artists, their artistic inspirations and the importance of American art in the shaping of a national identity. Noted scholars participating in the day's discussions and gallery tours include museum director Tom Denenberg; independent art historian Marc Simpson; Carol Troyen, the Kristin and Roger Servison Curator Emerita of American Paintings at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston; and Ellery Foutch, assistant professor of American Studies at Middlebury College. For more information including cost and to register, go online to http://shelburnemuseum.org/learn/ adults/activities-and-tours/discussions-and-explorations/ or email Symposia@ShelburneMuseum.org.

The Jericho-Underhill Open Studio Tour is Saturday-Sunday, October 4-5, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Tour headquarters is the Emile A. Gruppe Gallery, 22 Barber Farm Rd., Jericho. Ten local artists will open their studios to visitors for sales and demonstrations: Betsy Chapek, Bruce Gilbert Smith, Stu Hall, Irene Lederer LaCroix, Bob Martelle, Casey McMains, John M Opulski, Kevin Ruelle, Dianne Shullenberger, Gerald Stoner. A tour map and show includes sample work from all artists on the Open Studio Tour. For information, 802-899-3211 or go online to www. emilegruppegallery.com.

Emile A Gruppe Gallery, 22 Barber Farm Rd., Jericho. Call to artists - Think square! is one of an ongoing series of shows that are part of a collaborative project between the Town of Jericho and a committee of volunteers involved in the arts. The Committee includes Jericho Selectboard member Catherine McMains, artists Dianne Shullenberger and Barbara Greene, and gallery owner Emilie Alexander. Gallery hours: Thursday-Sunday, 10:00 AM -3:00 PM or by appointment. Information, www.emilegruppegallery.

The Jericho Plein Air Festival brings nationally acclaimed artist Aline Ordman to Jericho for a pastel workshop Friday-Saturday, September 26-27. For detailed information including cost and to register, 802-893-4447 or janesmorgan@comcast.net.

Bryan Memorial Gallery, 180 Main St., Jeffersonville. Call to Photographers for A Photographer's View of Land and Light and Water and Air, through Sunday, November 2. Bryan Memorial Gallery invites artists to become members and submit to its annual exhibition of artwork in a small format. Deadline: October 26. Exhibition: November 7 – December 28. Membership required. Specs, entry form and information available at www.bryangallery. org, click on CALLS TO ARTISTS. For information, 802-644-

The Fleming Museum reopens with Kara Walker's exhibit, Harper's Pictorial History of the Civil War (Annotated), turning what had formerly been quaint Victorian parlor art into fueled narratives about slavery, sexuality, violence, race, and American culture - in the museum's Wolcott Gallery through December 12. Civil War Objects from the UVM Collections - more than 34,000 Vermonters, almost 10% of the population, went to war. From quilts made for soldiers' fundraisers to prized uniforms to fragments of hardtack (a Civil war ration), Vermonters donated family heirlooms to the Fleming, reflecting their wartime experiences. Beginning Tuesday, September 16, Civil War Era Drawings from the Becker Collection - Joseph Becker was an artist-reporter who documented the Civil War, observing and drawing on the battlefields, in military encampments, and on the move, sending their drawings back to the newspaper for publication. In addition to documenting the war, they also submitted drawings of the construction of the railroads, the laying of the transatlantic cable in Ireland, Chinese workers in the West, the Indian Wars, the Great Chicago Fire, and other



installations, and participatory from national international artists throughout the town of Stowe. Free and open to the public. Opening Friday, September 19, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, *Unrest: Art, Activism*

Sunday, October 19.

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& Revolution combines national and international artists in an exhibition that looks at artwork as a catalyst for change. The exhibition stemmed from the Arab Spring and artists of that movement who were producing change outside the gallery walls using social media, storytelling, and a variety of visual mediums (like street art) to make change by action or by illumination. Artists are from Yemen, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Palestine, Egypt, Mexico, and the U.S. Participating artists include Lara Baladi, an Egyptian-Lebanese artist who created an open source archive of photographs, video, and articles disseminated via two self-created initiatives -Radio Tahrir and Tahrir Cinema; Claire Fontaine, a well-established artist collective from Paris. France; graffiti artist Murad Subay of Yemen whose exhibit 12 hours touches on twelve major issues in Yemen over the course of one year; Packard Jennings, a San Francisco-based artist who created the website destructables.org, a DIY site for projects of protest and creative dissent; Palas por Pistolas, a project by Mexican artist Pedro Reyes, who used a steam roller to flatten 1527 guns voluntarily given up by citizens of the western Mexican city of Culiac, then melted them and reformed them into shovels used to plant a tree, thus creating life rather than death. Thursday October 9, 6:00 PM – lecture by Jeff Danziger, New York-based political cartoonist. Helen Day Art Center, 90 Pond St., Stowe, 802-253-8358, www.helenday.com. Hours: Wednesday - Sunday, 12:00 - 5:00 PM, and by appointment.

MUŜÎC annual New Neighbors Coffeehouse presented by Young Tradition Vermont and the Young Writers Project, Friday, September 19, 7:00 PM, North End Studios, 294 North Winooski Ave., Burlington. Special guests Jeunes Musiciens du Monde (Young Musicians of the World) from Sherbrooke will perform traditional Celtic and Québec music, songs, and dances. This year the coffeehouse will also have six Young Writers reading from their work. Other performers include Tim Cummings and Ben Hyams (pipes and whistles); McKinley James and Isabel Oliert (cello and fiddle); the Zii Trees (original songs and ukulele); and Oliver, Loula and Yasi Zeichner. Interested in performing? Contact Mark Sustic, mark.sustic@gmail.com. Free admission; free pizza while it lasts! There may be social dancing, or a sing-along, or a jam session... you'll have to come to know for sure! For more information, www.northendstudios.org or www.youngtraditionvermont.org.

The Burlington Morris Ale, a gathering of eight Morris teams from the northeastern U.S., will take place in northern Vermont at several venues Saturday-Sunday, September 20-21. Morris dancing is a traditional English seasonal dance form with many traditions from around England. Morris dancers wear colorful costumes and dance to the sounds of accordions, fiddles, whistles, drums and bells. Autumn is a wonderful time to see these dances as we celebrate the harvest and the season. Team performances are on Saturday at the Shelburne Farms Harvest Festival, 10:30 AM – 1:00 PM, and at Church Street Marketplace in Burlington, 3:00 - 5:00 PM; and on Sunday at Ben and Jerry's in Waterbury, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM, and at Cold Hollow Cider Mill, Waterbury,

2:00 - 4:00 PM. Anniversary Open House, free classes, Saturday, September 20, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, North End Studio A, 294 N. Winooski Ave, Burlington. The studio will celebrate its third anniversary with a day of free classes, music, dancing, and cake. Schedule: 10:00 AM, One Stop Body Shock with Stephanie Shohet; 10:30 AM, Yoga; 11:00 AM, Green Mountain Music Together with Alison Mott; 11:45 AM, Nia with Suzy Finnefrock; 12:30 PM, Samurai Sword Workout; 1:15 PM, Zumba Fitness with Jen Skinner; 2:00 PM, East Coast Swing with David Larson; 2:30 PM, Free Cake; 3:00 PM, Woodbury Strings Slow Jam accompanies Adaptive International Folk Dancing. North End Studios' year-round schedule of events presents a wide range of concerts, theater productions, dance events, film showings, lectures, and much more. Studios A and B provide affordable rental spaces for artists, community organizations, and individuals and is an incubator space for teachers and others to present untested activities with limited financial risk. Non-profit organizations can use space at reduced rates or, in some cases, for free. In addition, North End Studio A offers gallery space for rotating exhibits by local visual artists. Handicapped accessible. The VT Performing Arts League, located at North End Studios, also presents the VT International Festival at the Champlain Valley Expo the first weekend in December. For more information, visit http://www.vermontinternationalfestival. com. For more information about North End Studios, call 802-863-6713 or visit www. northendstudios.org.

Vermont Symphony Orchestra's Made in Vermont Music Festival runs September 19-29 at locations throughout Vermont - at Johnson State College's Dibden Center in Johnson on Friday, September 19 at 7:30 PM; and at the BFA Performing Arts Center in St. Albans at 3:00 PM. The VSO's "Made in Vermont Music Festival" includes a concerto by Dittersdorf for an under sung pair of solo instruments - viola and double bass – and Holst's popular St. Paul's Suite. Beth Wiemann, a Burlington native, will join us to introduce the world premiere she has written for the VSO, Before the Snow. The concert concludes with Haydn's Symphony No. 85, nicknamed "La Reine" because its grace and power found favor with Queen Marie Antoinette. For information including tickets, 802-864-5741 x10, or http://www.vso.org/eventcatview. php?id=1.

West looks East - on Friday, October 10 at 7:30 PM at the Episcopal Cathedral, 2 Cherry St., Burlington, the 8 Cuerdas duo, composed of American soprano Sarah Cullins and Colombian guitarist Daniel Gaviria, branches out from its classical Latin American and Spanish repertoire to showcase composers who have found inspiration across seas and continents. Selections from Britten's Songs from the Chinese and Castelnuovo-Tedesco's Divan of Moses-Ibn-Ezra, as well as works by Carlo Domeniconi and David Leisner, allow these musicians to explore the connections that music and poetry forge between cultures. The program also includes audience favorites like Villa-Lobos' Bachianas Brasileiras no. 5 and Rodrigo's Aranjuez, Ma Pensée. Accessible; free parking. For information including tickets and cost, 802-864-0471 or 802-864-7183, Martin Poppe, Poppe@ CathedralArts.org.

The Music of J.S. Bach: Arias and Orchestral Works - on Sunday, November 23 at 3:00 PM at the Episcopal Cathedral, 2 Cherry St., Burlington, the Capital City Concerts' Bach Festival Chamber Orchestra performs the music of J.S. Bach including the Concerto for Violin and Oboe in C minor, BWV 1060, and the Orchestral Suite No. 2 in B minor, BWV 1067 for flute and strings. Internationally renowned soprano Hyunah Yu, whom The Baltimore Sun praised for her "lovely voice with diamond purity," will sing arias with orchestral accompaniment. Accessible; free parking. For

information including tickets and cost, 802-864-0471 or 802-864-7183, Martin Poppe, Poppe@CathedralArts.org.

Heavenly Light - on Sunday, December 7 at 3:00 PM at the Episcopal Cathedral, 2 Cherry St., Burlington, the 40-voice Vermont Choral Union, Jeff Rehbach, director, sings of hope for peace and heavenly light shining through darkness. The program presents 13th-century polyphony from medieval Europe; soaring Renaissance counterpoint by Josquin, Gabrieli, and Tallis; resonant settings of Orthodox and Roman liturgies for the Advent and Christmas seasons; and chorales and carol settings from the time of Bach through the Edwardian era. The program includes Poulenc's exquisite Quatre Motets pour le temps de Noël, a new work written for the Choral Union by Vermont composer Michael Close, and carols sung a century ago by British and German troops during the Christmas truce in the early months of World War I. Accessible; free parking. For information including tickets and cost, 802-864-0471 or 802-864-7183, Martin Poppe, Poppe@CathedralArts.org.

Cathedral Arts presents free, informal noontime concerts on Tuesdays, 12:00 - 1:00 PM at the Episcopal Cathedral, 2 Cherry St., Burlington. Bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea provided. October 7: Fall Reflections -Vermont Virtuosi: Laurel Ann Maurer; flute; Karen Luttik, clarinet; Claire Black, piano. Michael Webster's Carmen Rhapsody; Dolly Suite Op. 56 by Gabriel Fauré; Thomas L. Read's If Winter Comes and David Gunn's Euphonicum Tangeturis. October 21: Reed, Rosin and Pedal - Wesley Christensen, clarinet; Laura Markowitz, violin; Melody Puller, piano. A selection of works from Romantic to modern, featuring Serenade for Three by Peter Schickele, written for this unique combination of instruments. November 4: Autumn Piano Potpourri - Greenfield Piano Associates. Members of Greenfield Piano Associates perform piano classics by composers of the 19th and 20th centuries. November 18: Chamber Concert - Kevin Lawrence, violin; Peter Brown, cello; Robert Rachlin, piano. Works by Beethoven, Turina, and Brahms. December 2: Catamount Winter Concert - UVM Catamount Singers, Erin Grainger, Director. The University of Vermont's select choir presents a concert of seasonal works. This concert begins at 12:15 PM. January 13, 2015: Young Artists Concert This annual showcase recital presents gifted young Vermont musicians. January 27: Sharing Our Songs – Area singers and pianists present a program of classical song, including art song, musical theater, and opera arias.

Choral Services at St. Paul's Episcopal Cathedral, 2 Cherry St., Burlington. – Information: 864-0471. Tickets available at the door and in advance at Flynn Regional Box Office, 802-863-5966 or www.flynntix.org; or Hopkins Bookshop in the Cathedral, 802-658-6223. Accessible. Free parking at the Cathedral or two hours free in city lot at Macy's. Choral Evensong on Sunday, October 12, 5:00 PM; Sunday, February 15, 2015, 5:00 PM. Evening Prayer in the style of the Community of Taizé, at 7:30 PM, Sundays November 2 and January 18, Monday March 30, Sunday June 7. Candlelight, chanted prayer, meditation, silence, in the manner of the French monastic community. The Great O Antiphons of Advent, Sunday, December 14, 5:00 PM. This festive candlelit service features Advent hymns and carols, choral music, readings of prophecy and fulfillment, and prayers. Judith McManis' silk chancel hangings deepen the experience. The Cathedral's Music Director, Mark Howe, conducts.

THEATER/FILM

The 39 Steps, Thursdays – Sundays, September 18 - October 19, Lost Nation Theatre, Main St., Montpelier. A Hitchcock masterpiece + a juicy spy novel + Monty Python + romance + oldtimey stage-craft x a ridiculously talented cast of 4 = *The 39 Steps*. A man with a boring life meets a woman with a thick accent who says she's a spy. When he takes her home, she is murdered. Soon, a mysterious organization called The 39 Steps is hot on the man's trail in a nationwide manhunt that climaxes in a death-defying finale A fast-paced whodunit for anyone who loves the magic of theater! Nonstop laughs with over 150 zany characters. For information including dates/ tickets/cost, www.lostnationtheater.org/ or 802-229-0492.

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The Music Man, September 25 – 28 and October 2 – 5, Hyde Park Opera House, 85 Main St., Hyde Park. Fast-talking traveling salesman Harold Hill plans to con the people of River City, Iowa into buying instruments and uniforms for a boys' band he vows to organize – despite the fact he doesn't know a trombone from a treble clef. His plans to skip town with the cash are foiled when he falls for Marian the librarian. Classic tunes include You Got Trouble and 76 Trombones. For information, www.LCPlayers.com or email info@lcplayers. com; for tickets, tickets@lcplayers.com.



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Fun Friday at **Browns River** Middle School

Students and staff members at Browns River Middle first assembly of the school year on Friday, September 12. Principal Kevin Hamilton greeted students and tested their knowledge of the school community C.A.R.E.S. theme (C for cooperation, A for assertion, R for responsibility, E for empathy, and S for selfcontrol) Teacher Tamara Pless led the game show for all to enjoy. Students cheered on their grade team as they answered questions about our school community expectations and activities "Spell empathy and define this word," said Pless, as the grade level contestants worked together to answer their questions in 10 seconds. The game was a hit with students and the winners of the game were 8^{th} graders in first place and 7^{th} grade in second place. Winners got to dump a big bucket of ice water on principal Kevin Hamilton and vice-principal Elaine Archambault in the afternoon!

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CHITTENDEN EAST SUPERVISORY UNION #12

CESU Proposed School District Unification Vote on November 4, 2014

Dear Community Members,

Over the course of the past 11 months, the Chittenden East Voluntary Merger Planning Committee (VMPC) has been studying and discussing unifying Chittenden East Supervisory Union's (CESU) eight school districts into one unified school system. As part of its work, the VMPC has prepared a Report and Articles of Agreement outlining the framework of a proposed unified school district. The report and articles were submitted to the Vermont State Board of Education on July 29, 2014. After review and an affirmative recommendation from the Vermont Agency of Education, the State Board of Education approved the report and articles on August 19, 2014. The action of the State Board of Education established a date for the electorates of Bolton, Huntington, Jericho, Richmond, Underhill Incorporated and Underhill Town School Districts to vote on unifying CESU's eight districts. This vote will take place in conjunction with the state and federal elections on November 4, 2014. Per state statute, the unified school district can look different depending on how many towns approve the unification article. If the unification article passes in all of CESU's member municipalities, a Unified Union School District will be formed. If the article passes in a majority of CESU's municipalities (i.e. four out six), a Modified Union School District will be established. Under a Modified Union School District, one or two towns that do not pass the unification article will continue an independent elementary district and have proportional representation on the new Modified Union School District Board.

As specified in state law, elections of board directors must take place on the same date that the unification article is voted. Community members interested in serving on this new union school board can pick up petitions at their local town office. Residents of the following school districts can find petitions at these locations:

School District School Director Positions Petitions Available at:

Bolton: One 3-year term

Bolton Town Office, CESU Website

Huntington: One 2-year term

One 3-year term Huntington Town Office, CESU Website

Jericho: Two 1-year terms One 2-year term

One 3-year term Jericho Town Office, CESU Website

Richmond: Two 1-year terms One 2-year term



One 3-year term R i c h mond Town Office, CESU Website

Underhill ID: 2-year terms

Underhill ID Elementary School, CESU Website

Underhill Town: O n e 1-year term

One 3-year term Underhill Town Office, CESU Web-

For more details on the work of the Voluntary Merger Committee, contact information for committee members and dates

> and locations of community forums, please go to www.cesu. k12.vt.us and click on Voluntary Merger Discussion.

Send us your news! **Email us at** mtgazette@ earthlink. net or call **Brenda** at (802)453-6354

ENGAGEMENTS



SHELMANDINE - BEAMS

This past winter, on a very cold and snowy day, Stephen Beams proposed to Marikje Shelmandine in the middle of the Valentine's Day Blizzard atop Sugarbush Ski Resort. He successfully remained strapped into one ski, while on bended knee, and popped the question with his mother's engagement ring. They both celebrated later that evening with a surprise engagement party the groom had secretly organized

Marikje is the daughter of Laurel and Arthur Shelmandine of Jericho, VT, and graduated from Pratt Institute and Concordia University. She currently is employed with It's Arthur's Fault! Sauces & Marinades.

Stephen is the son of Katherine and Irving James Beams of Richmond, VT. He graduated from University of Maine, Portland, and works at J.B. Aero & Son Fabric Airplane Maintenance &

The couple is planning a September 2015 wedding.

OBITUARIES



Ralph Varney Young of Jericho, home to be with the Lord on Friday, August 29, 2014, following a day surrounded by his family and friends. He was 88 years old. Ralph was born on December 30, 1925 in Starksboro, VT to the late Luthera and Russell Young. He played baseball

at Bristol High School, where he graduated in 1944. He later attended the Agricultural School at Randolph Technical Center. Ralph proudly served his country in the U.S. Army in Italy during World War II, with his service ending in 1946. On April 11, 1948 he married Elsie Trudeau in Bristol. Together they shared a love for their family, friends, church, and the outdoors. Whether Ralph was feeding the birds, cutting flowers from his garden to share with others, spending time with family and close friends, or listening to his baseball games by the window, he appreciated the simple things in life. In his early years, he was an avid deer hunter. Later, he found just as much joy simply looking for them with loved ones. Ralph worked at UVM for many years and particularly enjoyed working in the poultry department. He continued to work until retiring from Curtis Lumber two years ago. His grandchildren also have fond memories of him selling Knapp Shoes at the

Champlain Valley Fair. Ralph was known for his strong work ethic, faith, and for always putting others before himself. Ralph was an active member of the Church of the Nazarene, serving in multiple positions. He was also involved in several organizations helping those in need. He was a proud member of the VFW. Ralph is survived by his son, Mark Young; daughters, Nancy Young and Linda Wheel; grandchildren, Stephanie Walp (husband, Brian), Tonya Waldron (husband, Jeramiah), Anthony Wheel (wife, Natasha), and Matthew Wheel (wife, Katie); and great-grandchildren, Aaron and Joshua Walp, Kyla and Kovar Waldron, and Annalise Wheel. He is also survived by his sonin-law, Roy McDonald; sister, Doris Cousino; sister-in-law, Betty Ferris (husband, their families; and his wonderful friend, Dale VanLeuven. Ralph was predeceased by his wife, Elsie Trudeau, in 1997, and daughter, Elaine McDonald, in 1999. Ralph was a kind, gentle, strong, hard-working man who always brought joy and love to those around him. He valued life, always putting others and his country first. He was truly a Godly man. He will be deeply missed by many, especially his family and close friends. Visitation was on Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2014 at the Church of the Nazarene in Williston. A service honoring Ralph's life followed, with friends and family staying for a reception at the church. A procession led to a military burial at Lincoln Cemetery in Lincoln, VT.

GMBC summer bike rides

All riders with the Green Mountain Bicvcle Club must wear helmets and obey the rules of the road! Please do not ride two abreast if there is traffic in either direction. For mornings with questionable weather, please call the ride leader to make sure the ride is still taking place. Ride leaders are obligated to go to the starting point and provide maps, but may choose not to ride if the weather is miserable. Riders below the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent. E indicates an easy ride, M is for moderate, and S is for strenuous.

Waterfalls, Waitsfield and Sunday. September 21. Enjoy a scenic tour through the countryside of Waitsfield and Warren with a visit to Moss Glen Falls. Turn around at the falls for a 35-mile (M) ride or continue up Middlebury Gap with a stop at Texas Falls before turning around for a 60 mile (M/S) ride. A stop at the Warren Store is always popular and the general store in Hancock provides an additional respite for those on the long ride. Meet 9:15 AM, Waitsfield Elementary School (on the left traveling south on VT Rt. 100). For those coming from the Burlington area, we suggest carpooling at the Richmond Park and Ride at Exit 11 off I-89. Leader Leslie Carew, 802-865-2805 / carew@ champlain.edu; co-leader Debby Clemons, 802-899-2981 / debby.clemons@gmail.com.

East of Eden, Sunday, September 28. Ride 50 or 60 (M/S) miles through the rolling hills around Eden with your choice of a long, gradual climb up VT Rt. 105 or a shorter, steeper route up to Jay Peak. Meet 9:45 AM, Eden Elementary School, VT Rt. 100, about ½ mile south of VT Rt. 118. Leader Brian Kinsman, 802-872-7169 / kins11320@comcast.net; co-leader Phyl Newbeck, 802-899-2908 / phyl@together.net.

CHMS leads by example By Mark Carbone, Principal Camel's Hump Middle School

What a great opening to the school year! I am

pleased to share the latest goings-on at Camel's This summer, CHMS was one of 48 schools

nonored at a ceremony in wasnington, D.C. as a Green Ribbon Schools for "exemplary efforts to reduce environmental impact and costs, promote better health, and ensure effective environmental education, including STEM, green careers, and civics." U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan touted Camel's Hump Middle School as a leader in this effort using the school's solar array and resulting decreased electric bill to illustrate.

The new after school program Part 2 has joined the CHMS community, expanding the present offerings with more enriching and fun opportunities for students. The *Part 2* program offers a safe environment for kids to develop and grow socially, academically, physically, and artistically after the school day is over. For more information about the program, visit http:// part2kids.com/.

We are excited about the upcoming Punkin' Chuckin' on Saturday, October 25, 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Come and witness pumpkins in flight! The contest will include expert to novice divisions. We hope that you and your family will

join in the fun and support the continuation of the PROSPER Program, a seven-week program for 6th grade students and their families to assist both through the challenges of adolescence.

Last year, CHMS offered a successful pilot program, in partnership with UVM Extension PROSPER Partnerships (this year sessions of this important program are planned) now with the support of MVP. In October, the board of the PROSPER program will be hosting a Friday Food Affair to share dinner and conversation with neighbors.

Camel's Hump Middle School continues to look for parent and community volunteers to help in the education and success of our students. We are hoping to expand our after-school opportunities. What would you like to share with kids - yoga, crafts, science experiments - some funding is available. Math and reading volunteers are needed to support math and literacy development skills. Math volunteers will help with basic calculation and computation skills. Literacy volunteers will assist with reading fluency and comprehension. Training is provided and schedules are flexible.

Please consider volunteering. For more information, please call 434-2188 or email mark. carbone@cesuvt.org.
The next CHMS/MMU school board meeting

will be held Thursday, October 9 at MMU. The public is welcome, and encouraged, to attend.

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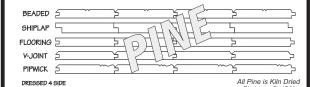
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Thursday, October 9

Critter Construction (preschool program), 9:00 – 10:30 AM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Information – 802-

Saturday, October 11

Dare to be Square Dance, 7:30 – 10:00 PM, American Legion, Main St., Montpelier, VT. Kick 'Em Jenny, a six piece old-time band from Vermont, play a variety of instruments including twin fiddles, banjo uke, guitar, bass, and banjo. They intersperse their 'volcanic' rockin' old-time fiddle tunes with traditional songs and harmonies. \$5 admission.

Arts and Crafts Open House, 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Fall Festival! If weather and construction permit, enjoy outdoor meadow games, craft tables, and more. Volunteers welcome! \$5; members free. For information, 802-434-2167, museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

Bird Monitoring Walk, 7:30 – 9:30 AM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Information – 802-434-3068.



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