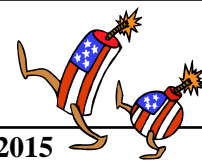




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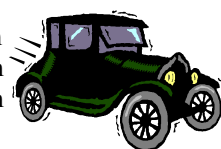
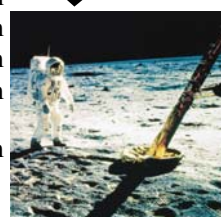
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E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10:00 am – Worship 11:00 am Evening 6:30 pm Phone 259-2831 www.ewbaptist.com
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Saint Patrick's Mass Wallingford Sat 4 pm Sun 9:15 am Rev Justin Baker, Ph. 446-2161
Annunciation Parish Mass, Ludlow, Sat 4 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am **Proctorsville** Sun 9:30 am, Rev. Romanus Igweonu Ph. 228-3451
Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce – Marji Graf 228-5830
Town Library: Sat 9-1 Sun 2-4 Mon 3-7 Wed 3-7 Mt. Holly Town Library, P.O. Box 93, Belmont, VT 05730 Call 259-3707
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Burn Permits: Call Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward 786-3408 or 259-2211

TRANSFER SITE: Wed. 4 pm – 7 pm & Sat. 8 am – 2 pm

1 st	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library	<i>Battle of Gettysburg, PA Began 1863</i>	7:00 pm
2 nd		<i>US Civil Rights Act of 1965 ~ US Army Air Corps Est. 1926</i>	
3 rd		<i>Battle of Gettysburg, PA Ended 1863</i>	
Sat 4 th	Mt. Holly 4th of July Parade	<i>Calvin Coolidge Born 1872 ~ Independence Day 1776</i>	11:00 am
	Chicken Barbeque , Benefit Colfax Lodge #21, Odd Fellows Hall		11:30 am
Sun 5 th	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station		7:00 pm
6 th		<i>First Airship Crossing the Atlantic 1919 ~ British Captured Ft. Ticonderoga 1777</i>	
8 th	Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station		7:00 pm
	Mt. Holly PTC Meeting, Mt. Holly School Library		3:00 pm
	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
10 th		<i>The US Frigate "United States" was Launched 1797</i>	
Sun 12 th		<i>Roman Emperor Julius Caesar Born 100 B.C. ~ Henry David Thoreau 1817</i>	
13 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building		7:00 pm
14 th	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>President Gerald Ford Born 1913</i>	9:00 am
	Selectmen's Meeting, Town Office		7:30 pm
	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	<i>William H. Bonney "Billy The Kid" shot by Sheriff Pat Garrett 1881</i>	7:00 pm
15 th	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont	<i>Apollo 18/Soyuz 19 US/USSR Linkup 1975</i>	6:00 pm
		<i>Rembrandt born 1606 ~ William H. Bonney "Billy The Kid" died Age 21, 1881</i>	
Sat 18 th	Fireman's Auction , Belmont Fire Station,	Preview 9:00 am Auction Start	10:00 am
	Baked Ham Supper , Benefit Mt. Moriah Lodge, Odd Fellows Hall		5:00 pm
20 th	Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office		7:00 pm
21 st	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	<i>Ernest Hemingway 1899</i>	7:00 pm
	MH Community Historical Museum Annual Meeting, Pot Luck Supper, Odd Fellows Hall		6:00 pm
22 nd	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
		<i>America The Beautiful Written By Katharine Bates 1893</i>	
23 rd	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
Sat 25 th		<i>C.I.A. Created 1947</i>	
Sun 26 th		<i>American with Disabilities Act 1990</i>	
27 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	<i>Bugs Bunny Cartoon Debut 1940</i>	7:00 pm
		<i>Korean War Ends 1953</i>	
28 th	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>World War I Began 1914</i>	9:00 am
	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations		7:00 pm
	Mason Meeting, Mt. Moriah Lodge, E. Wallingford		8:00 pm
30 th		<i>Henry Ford 1863</i>	



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Emergency Services

Mount Holly Fire Dept.	259-2700 or	911	Poison Control	(802) 658-3456
Mount Holly Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward	786-3408	259-2211	American Red Cross	802-773-9159
Mount Holly Rescue Squad	775-3133 or	911	Game Warden – Tim Carey	802-773-9101
Mount Holly Constable Paul Faenza	C 802-353-8347 P	802-786-4404	Health Officer - Tim Bickford	259-3664
Animal Control For Mt. Holly	C 802-353-8347 P	802-786-4404	Vermont State Police	773-9101

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July Birthdays: 1st -Jacilyn Turco. 2nd -Diana Garrow * Maurice Turco. 3rd -Wesley Hupp * Joshua Griffin. 4th -Jane Harrington. 6th -Morgan Collins * Stella Beauchain * Jackson David Mailhot. 7th -Hilary Perrino * Debby Marro. 8th -Mark Turco Jr. * Rhyann Devereux. 9th -Tanya Norton Davis. 10th -Joan Garrow * Corbin Chadburn. 11th Josh Manuel 1997. 12th Robert (Bob) Cram. 14th - Renee Audy Hesse * Vincent Guerrero. 15th - Hailey Gates 16th -Kyle Alberty. 17th Brandon Birdsall * Parker Turco. 20th -Christopher Brown * David Guerrero. 21st -Sean Covalla * Larry Manuel 1970. 22nd -David Crystal. 23rd -Ethan Devereux. 24th -Charles Stanley * Angelo Centini. 27th -Ginger Palmer. 28th -Caleb Palmer. 29th -Jamie Turco Fitzgerald. * Cathy Chadburn. 31st - Lance Bussino (1990)



July Anniversaries: 2nd -Howard & Karen Hill. 3rd -Angelo & Bessie Centini. (61st) 4th -Vernon & Stella Beauchain. * Dennis & Sally Bussino (1996). 5th -Bob & Cheryl Kapitan. 6th - Ed & Sylvia Smith (52nd) 8th - Amanda & Sebastian Frank. 12th -James & Mary Jane Osbourne. 14th -Wayne & Lizzie Emmons (53rd) 16th -Joseph & Betsy Keimig. 19th John & Theresa Cole * Patrick & Kimberly Chadburn (2008) 21st -Gary & Carol Pike. 22nd -Mark & Amy Turco. 24th - Beth & Kenny Hart (22nd) 27th - Al & Shannon Labozzo (24th) 30th - Maurice & Lori Turco.

If you would like to add or remove yours or a family members birthday and or anniversary from the list please send the information to me at the above address or e-mail me at chitchat@vermontel.net or call me at 802-259-2314.

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Belmont 802-259-2790

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& 2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
Sat 8:00 am – 10:45 am

East Wallingford 802-259-2829

Mon – Fri 7:00 am – 9:00 am
& 2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
Sat 7:00 am – 10:00 pm

Cuttingsville/Shrewsbury 802-492-3585

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& 11:30 am – 2:30 pm
Sat 8:00 am – 11:00 am
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Sat 7:30 am – 11:00 am

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Post Master: Dawn Howlett
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Mt. Holly School Board Meeting

The Mt. Holly school board met on Wednesday, June 3 at the Mount Holly Elementary School Gym. The board reviewed recent education legislation as well as the draft vision statement for the TRSU. They discussed the wood boiler proposal, as well as the food service options. The board also discussed the Food, Family and Fun night. The board also approved hiring a new PE teacher to replace Mr. Penassi who will be spending more time in one of his other schools. The board discussed the Proficiency Based Graduation Requirements and Personalized Learning Plans that will be required at the high school level. They discussed what could and should be done at the elementary school level to help students prepare for that transition.

The board approved the minutes of the previous meeting and discussed the status of the current budget.

The next meeting will be on August 5 at Black River High School.

Happy Sweet 16th Birthday

We would like to wish Hailey Gates a sweet 16th Happy Birthday on

July 15..

Lots of Love From,
Mom and Dad!!



Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group will meet at 6:30 p.m. on July 8, 2015 at Barbara Pallotta's, Tiffany Road, Belmont. We will be discussing the novel *Undressing the Moon* by Tammy Greenwood. Copies of the book are available at the Belmont Store. Please feel free to bring a friend or relative who may be visiting over the busy summer months.

NOTE, THE TIME IS A CHANGE FROM THE USUAL 7:00. Call Minga if you've any questions.

Found Syringes

We want to spread the word that there was another syringe found on the side of Route 103 near the blinky light.

People cleaning by the side of the roads or their mail boxes (like I was) or just walking the roads all still need to remain aware of these serious hazards.

Thank You, The Fitzgerald Household

A Message from your Constable

In reply to the newflash about found syringes, it is important to remind all residents that found syringes should not be placed in regular trash, without taking safety precautions. Syringes can be picked up by the shaft with a plastic glove and placed needle end down into a laundry detergent type plastic container. Mark the container, wrap duct tape around the cap, and then dispose of in the trash. If you find a large amount of needles or other paraphernalia, please contact your Constable at [802-353-8347](tel:802-353-8347), or notify the State Police at 773-9101. Paul Faenza Constable

Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations



Settings Start 5:00 pm

At

The Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

All You Can Eat - Served Home Style

Adults \$12 - Children 11 and Under \$6



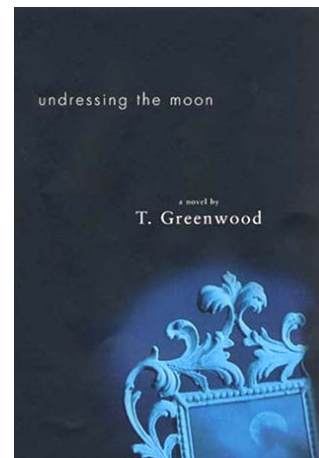
July 4 th	Town Parade Belmont, Step off at 11:00 am
July 4 th	Odd Fellows - Chicken BBQ 11:30 am
July 18 th	Mt. Moriah Masons - Baked Ham
August 8 th	Odd Fellows - Roast Pork
Sept. 5 th	Historical Museum - Baked Ham
Sept. 26 th	MHVFD Auxiliary - Roast Pork
October 10 th	MHCA - Roast Beef
October 24 th	Gill Home, IOOF - Baked Ham

Take Outs Available With All Dinners

More Info Call 802-259-2460



NOTE: Lake Street will be ONE WAY For All Suppers For Emergency Vehicle Access and ease of traffic flow. Thanks



Got Bees?

If you see a large mass of bees hanging from a tree limb or on a building it might be a honeybee swarm. They are just looking for a new home and are not aggressive. This is the time of year when we see bee swarms and they should not be disturbed or destroyed. They are valuable pollinators and I will be happy to come and rescue them for you (no charge). Call Jim at 259-2311.



First Annual Food, Family Fun Night Thank You

I would like to thank everyone that helped make Mount Holly School's first annual Food, Family Fun Night a wild success.

Southern Vermont Hydroponics ~ Vermont Martial Arts ~ Rutland County Sheriffs Department ~ The Good Food Bus ~

Mary Jane Osborne ~ Mount Holly PTSA members ~ Black River Produce ~ Jay and Nicole Ummel ~ Wonderfeet Kids ~ Museum ~ Billings Farm ~ Tamara Pachala ~ Vermont state Parks ~ Okemo Adventure Zone ~ Belmont Body and Soul ~ Vermont Croissant ~ Kula Co-op yoga ~ Karen Leonard Photography ~ The Coldwell Family ~ Hannah Wilson and Family ~ Rutland Co-op ~ Caravan Gardens ~ Garden Time ~ Mojo Café ~ Yogurt City ~ Tara Lichtensteiger ~ The amazing staff at Mount Holly School ~ All the families that came out and supported our wonderful cause

A special thank you to the Skiathitis family for all their hours in our gardens and their dedication to our Farm to School program. ~ Miss Danielle



Shrewsbury Historical Society Museum

The Shrewsbury Historical Society Museum, located on Route 103 in Cuttingsville, will be open for the season on July 5th, from 1 to 3 pm, and continue on Sundays, same time, until October 25th. This year we celebrate the 100th year the John C. Stewart & Son, Inc. Ford dealership has been in operation in the same family. We are also displaying the 6 foot tall metal sculpture by Patrick Farrow titled "The Castle Tree". Children of all ages will enjoy looking for the tree people, a house, barn, covered bridge, and many stairs tucked inside the tree's branches.

HOW SAFE IS YOUR DOG IN A CAR IN WARM WEATHER?

Summer has arrived and sunny weather tempts dog owners to bring Rover

along on errands, to country fairs and on quick shopping trips. While we love the pet companionship, it's important to keep in mind a few facts about how quickly any vehicle can become a death trap for dogs on a sunny day.

* Dogs cannot sweat and rely on cooling through the pads of their feet and panting

* at 75 degrees a car can reach 100 degrees in TEN minutes

* at 85 degrees a car will reach 120, even with windows open several inches

* Shade offers little protection and moves as the sun does

* Contrary to popular belief, cracking windows open does little to help

* Leaving the engine running with AC on invites engine malfunction and stalling, turning the car literally into an oven

* Leaving your dog in a car on a hot day, even with windows open and drinking water, is against the law in Vermont.

A dog in distress will pant, pace and attempt to put its nose out of a cracked window. If you observe a dog locked in a hot vehicle that is behaving this way, treat it like the medical emergency it is and call 911. Overheating kills, so on sunny summer days your pet is safer at home!



Summer fun!

Fun. Funky. Funktional.

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96 Merchants Row, Downtown Rutland Facebook.com/TattersallsClothing

Mount Holly is for the Birds!

Visit the Mount Holly Historical Museum this season to see the beautiful bird art in the Perkins House Museum. We have bird houses made by a local craftsman and painted by local artists. We also have bird photos and other bird related art. All of these creative items will be part of a silent auction which will go on all summer. The auction will end on the Sunday of Cider Days. Funds raised in the auction will be used for the maintenance and operation of the museum.

Save the Date!

The Community Guild bazaar will be held on August 1st this year. We will be open from 9:00 to 2:00 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont. Guild members have been working hard all year making lovely hand crafted items. Our raffle will be drawn at the end of the bazaar.

Grant Awarded To Mount Holly For Lake Ninevah

The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) has awarded the town of Mount Holly a grant of more than \$14,000 to control the growth of invasive plants in Lake Ninevah. The town will contract with the Ninevah Foundation, as it has annually for the past 14 years, to ensure that the lake remains free of Eurasian water milfoil, a plant which has infested many of Vermont's lakes.

The Ninevah Foundation pays for trained scuba divers to survey Lake Ninevah twice a year and carefully remove any Eurasian watermilfoil plants. The Foundation also hires greeters at the state fishing access, to check boats so the plant doesn't "hitchhike" from other lakes, and to distribute brochures informing boaters about the milfoil problem.

"We are very grateful for the DEC's continuing support for our milfoil-control program," said Ninevah Foundation President Dano Weisbord. "The town of Mount Holly has received the agency's Aquatic Nuisance Control Grant-in-Aid consistently since 2001, and this is the largest award to date. It's thanks to these grants and the support of private donors that we can continue to conserve Lake Ninevah as one of Vermont's true natural treasures."

The Ninevah Foundation (www.ninevahfoundation.org) is dedicated to promoting the wilderness character and tranquil nature of Lake Ninevah and over 3,000 acres of surrounding lands in Mount Holly and Plymouth, Vermont.

For more information, please write to ninevahfoundation@gmail.com or call Mauri Small at (802) 259-2235 or (914) 548-7698.

Mount Holly Community Historical Museum

Annual Meeting & Potluck Supper

The Mount Holly Community Historical Museum annual meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, July 21st at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont. There will be a potluck supper and short business meeting for museum members, and the public is invited to attend a talk by Erik Hanson titled "All about loons" at 7:30 p.m. I will be the contact person at 259-2460. Dennis Devereux

Ninevah Foundation to Sponsor Wildlife Trapping Forum

The first of this summer's "Know Your Wild Neighbors" forums at the Mount Holly Town Library will focus on the responsible trapping of furbearing mammals in Vermont. The free forum on Wednesday, July 19 at 7:00 p.m. will be led by Chris Bernier, who heads the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife's Furbearer Management Program.

The program will cover how trapping contributes to the use and conservation of Vermont's furbearing animals, through wildlife population management and reintroduction, habitat management, and protection of endangered species. The forum will also encompass questions raised by opponents of trapping, and how the anti-trapping movement has helped promote more humane trapping techniques.

Bernier will explain what's involved in "best management" trapping and the principles of regulated trapping. Participants will also be invited to view and handle a variety of pelts, fur products and traps.

Judging from other recent programs on trapping that Bernier has presented around the state, the forum promises to be both informative and thought-provoking. "Whether you come to this event pro-trapping or anti-trapping, or neutral," he said, "I guarantee you will learn something new, and go away questioning some of your previous assumptions."

Chris Bernier has been a wildlife biologist with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department for 19 years, working on projects ranging from Atlantic salmon restoration in the Connecticut River watershed to research on bobcat habitat use. In 2011, he became leader of the Furbearer Management Program, and much of his recent fieldwork has focused on determining the distribution of American marten and Canada lynx throughout Vermont. (*update recent work?*)

The Ninevah Foundation (www.ninevahfoundation.org) is a conservation organization dedicated to promoting the wilderness character and tranquil nature of Lake Ninevah and over 3,000 acres of surrounding lands in Mount Holly and Plymouth, Vermont. The "Know Your Wild Neighbors" series is co-sponsored by the Wilderness Community, Inc., the Mount Holly Town Library, the Mount Holly Community Association and the Mount Holly Conservation Trust.

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Know Your Wild Neighbors Trapping Furbearing Animals

**Wednesday, July 22 - 7:00 p.m.
Mount Holly Library in Belmont**



Canada lynx

**Featuring Chris Bernier
Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department**

**Come learn how responsible trapping
contributes to the use and conservation of
Vermont's furbearing animals.**

**Sponsored by the Ninevah Foundation
(www.ninevahfoundation.org)
Wilderness Community, Inc.
Mount Holly Town Library
Mount Holly Community Association
& Mount Holly Conservation Trust**



Reinbow Riding Center

The Reinbow Riding Center at 430 Robinson Rd in Shrewsbury, has begun classes for the 2015 season. If you would like information on our therapeutic riding program and its many benefits, please contact Mary Jane Osbourne at 492-2226 or visit our website at

www.reinbowridingcenter.org

A big thank you to all who attended our volunteer training class. The donation of your time will help us fulfill our mission of helping those with special needs through therapeutic riding.



MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

Southern Vermont Natural History Museum

The Mount Holly School enjoyed a program on June 9th to introduce this year's Summer Reading program "Every Hero Has Story". Michael Clough, from the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum, gave an entertaining program with cartoon slides of animal heroes followed by slides of the real animal. He also brought the animals for kids to see and some they could even touch. Clough is a dynamic program host with a thorough knowledge of his subject. The Southern Vermont Natural History Museum is a great Vermont resource and we now have passes available at the Belmont General Store for free admission for two people that you can check out just like the Vermont State Park passes.

Edward Rubin Author/Photographer Program

We have had to reschedule Mr. Rubin's Program from July 15th to **Sunday, August 16th at 4 pm**. One of the movies he was scheduled to work on went into production much earlier than expected so when Hollywood calls you must go! We look forward to meeting him and hearing his experiences traveling around Vermont and the stories connected to his beautiful Vermont book. Stop in the library and check out the book "Vermont: An Outsider's View"!! This program is presented in cooperation with the Book Nook in Ludlow.

The Great Confusion: The 1913 Armory Show – Independent Film Screening

Wednesday, July 15th at 7:30 pm we will be viewing this critically acclaimed film that anyone who values and appreciates art should see. The following quote is taken from Two17 Films website. "From February 17 until March 15, 1913, thousands of Americans pushed their way through the doors of the 69th Regiment Armory on the east side of New York City while a battle was waging 'for or against' Modern Art for the first time. What they saw would annoy and infuriate some...and captivate, delight, and inspire many. What resulted from these four weeks of mass exposure to European artists such as Cezanne, Renoir, Van Gogh, and the upstart Marcel Duchamp (with his 'Nude Descending a Staircase'), as well as such Americans as Marsden Hartley, John Marin, and Charles Sheeler, changed how Americans came to understand their own times. By entering through the doors of an armory, they had entered through the doors of the Modern Era. This film features more than 60 works by American and European painters and sculptors and probes deeply into the history of how the show was organized. It provides fascinating glimpses into the backstage efforts of the American artists Arthur B. Davies, Walter Pach, and Walt Kuhn as they worked tirelessly to bring a new art to a new American audience." The film was written, narrated, and directed by Michael Maglaras whose work has received the high praise and has been likened to Ken Burns and Bergman. To see an excerpt of the movie go to <https://vimeo.com/66408225>. This program is in cooperation with the Book Nook and the library; donations will be gladly accepted to cover the cost of royalty expenses. If attendance is enthusiastic other art films and documentaries will be forthcoming.

The Rutland Youth Theater - ROMEO AND JULIET

This is the 9th year that the library has hosted the talented Rutland Youth Theater's touring Shakespeare troupe. This year they will present Romeo and Juliet on **Saturday, July 25th at 2 pm**. We hope young and old alike will take this opportunity to experience this timeless tragedy about two young [star-crossed](#) lovers whose deaths ultimately reconcile their feuding families. Join us for Shakespeare's much-loved play performed in beautiful downtown Belmont. Don't forget your chairs or blankets. Rain or shine.

4th of July Book Sale – Get Your Beach Books!

Saturday, July 4th the library will have their annual Independence Day book sale. More volumes are being added every day. Our next sale is Saturday, August 1st so please wait to bring more donations until after July 4th. Please join us and experience an outstanding Mt. Holly event. The 4th of July Parade coordinated by the Odd Fellows is an example of America's small town traditions at their best.

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Robert W. Beardmore Jr.

802-342-3507

Summer Reading Program - "Every Hero Has a Story"

When you get this Chit Chat edition there will only be a few days left to send your child to the program. The last week is June 30, July 1 and 2 from 9:30 to noon. I would like to express thanks to Emma Vastola and Mandy Vellia for running the program this year. Mandy's artistic talents produced a life size version of a Time Magazine cover. Each child's picture was taken peering out the cap and gown with the pronouncement "Future Person of the Year". We believe every child has the potential to become a hero or person distinguished by their deeds and ability. We have gathered an impressive collection of books related to this year's theme so stop in over the summer and check out these great stories that encourage and inspire.

Keep your child reading over the summer! The Time Magazine will be up over the summer so come by with your child and camera, they too can achieve greatness!

6th, 7th and 8th grade Summer Reading Assignments

We have an extensive collection of books that are on the teachers' lists. We can also get a book if your child may have one in mind that we don't have so please let us know! Some of your classmates have already been checking books out. Don't wait until the last week before school starts to complete your assignment. Do the assignment now and have a carefree summer with no pressure.

Echoed Yoga with Erin Shimp – Summer Schedule

Thursdays at 9 am, all Levels and all ages! Join us in the Community Room Lower level of the Mt. Holly Library. Drop in rate is \$15 per session or purchase 4 consecutive sessions for \$12 each. This yoga class will incorporate a variety of yoga philosophies, so whether you're a novice or a seasoned yogi you'll enjoy the experience. "Come let your body melt!"

Great Confusion: The 1913 Armory Show

The Mount Holly Town Library will be screening this critically acclaimed independent film on

Wednesday

July 15 at 7:30 pm

Why did the historical International Exhibition of Modern Art, known as the 1913 Armory Show in New York City cause such controversy?

Join us for this amazing production!

Anyone who values and appreciates art should see this film.

The movie features works by more than 60 American and European painters. The film probes deeply into the history of how the show was organized; examines the critical organizational efforts of American artists such as Arthur B. Davies, Walter Pach and Walt Kuhn; and explores the impact that the show had on collectors of art as well as ordinary citizens.

Written and produced by independent filmmakers [Michael Maglaras and Terri Templeton](#) whose work has received high praise and has been likened to Ken Burns and Ingmar Bergman.

This program is made possible in cooperation with
The Book Nook, Ludlow, Vermont and the
Mount Holly Town Library, 26 Maple Hill Road, Belmont Vermont
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Man on a Balcony (Portrait of Dr. Morinaud), 1912. Oil on canvas Albert Gleizes

For more information call the The Book Nook, 802-228-3283 or the Library 802-259-3707.

Donations will be gladly accepted to cover the cost of royalty expenses.

If attendance is enthusiastic other art films and documentaries will be forthcoming.



Mount Holly Community Association

No one is looking forward to summer more than the residents of Mount Holly! With that in mind, please don't forget to reserve your Thursdays in July and August for the **Music on the Green Series** that will begin on July 2nd. Performances will begin at 7:00 pm as always. A calendar with all of the performers for the season is included in a box announcement in this Chit Chat. We are all looking forward to some beautiful, balmy evenings with friends and neighbors. See you there!

Coming soon...don't miss the **Fourth of July Parade** to be held this year on Saturday, July 4th! Be sure to look for the MHCA float coming into town at the Belmont crossroads at 11:00 am. The Odd Fellows will be hosting their annual 4th of July chicken barbecue at the Odd Fellows Hall on the lake, so your lunch is taken care of! Reserve the date and we'll see you in the Belmont crossroads on the 4th!

Mount Holly Day!!

*Come join us for an old fashioned picnic
and fun and games
On the beach at Star Lake!*

*Sunday, July 12th
From 12:00 noon - 3:00 pm*

Sponsored by the Mount Holly Community Association

opportunity to explore the varied high altitude gardens in our lovely town and possibly get to know some of your neighbors, whom you may not know well, or may not even have met. Tickets and a map of the garden sites can be purchased at the Library & Community Center in the Belmont crossroads. Admission is \$12 for adults (children 12 and under are free). A few of the gardens welcome picnickers, so be sure to pick up a "Garden Tour Lunch" at the Belmont General Store, also in the Belmont crossroads.

Membership brochures for the 2015 - 2016 year will be in the mail in the early part of June. Please remember that the major source of revenue for the Mount Holly Community Association is membership! Without it we would not be able to provide you with the 12 outstanding events we sponsor each year, nor would we be able to maintain the lovely historic building at the crossroads in Belmont that is our Library & Community Center. Last year we raised more money in membership than we have ever done before. Please help us maintain this record breaking streak by returning your membership form as soon as you receive it...thanks so much!

Summer Calendar and Annual Calendar of Events: The calendar of summer events will again be included with the membership brochures as it was last year, so *be sure to save it when you receive it!* Also included is the calendar of events that are sponsored by the MHCA for the *entire* year. Both of these calendars will also appear on the Mount Holly website (www.mounthollyvt.org) and hard copies will be left in the General Store, the post offices, and the library. Thanks for looking out for them in the membership brochure!

Mount Holly Community Association Membership Drive 2015 - 2016

**Please Join to support...Music on the Green-
Mount Holly Day-
Garden Tour-Square Dance-Cabaret-Photo
Contest-Cider Days-
Roast Beef Supper-Halloween Party-Christmas
In Mount Holly-
New Year's Eve at Star Lake-Spring Mud Fling**

**And the maintenance of our historic
Community Center Building
Please Join today!!**

**(Brochures available in the library, the
General Store, the post offices and the Town
Office.)**

Mount Holly Day will be at Star Lake this year on Sunday, July 12th! The construction on the dam project at Star Lake is not scheduled to begin until August 1st, so our annual celebration of our town and neighbors will take place at the lake this year. A barbecue picnic will be provided by the MHCA, there will be a plethora of old fashioned children's games, as well as swimming in the lake. In addition, there will be plenty of information on hand about the dam construction and you will be able to find out more about what will be happening with our beautiful lake! Be sure to reserve that Sunday, July 12th from noon to 3:00 pm and join in with your friends and neighbors for a celebration of our great community!

Two weeks later, we will have our annual **Garden Tour** on Saturday, July 25th from 9:30 am - 4:00 pm. It is a wonderful

*9th Annual Mount Holly Garden Tour
We've been as busy as bees!
Come tour the high altitude gardens
Of real people with dirt under their nails
Saturday, July 25th
9:30 am - 4:00 pm*

Tickets sold at the
Mt. Holly Library/Community Center
On the Green in Belmont*

**Adults \$12/Kids 12 & under are free!*

In advance: please join us for the MHCA Annual Meeting, which will be on Wednesday evening, August 5th. Refreshments will be available at 6:30 pm and a brief meeting will be held at 7:00 pm. Election of new Board members will take place and we will be hanging the framed donor list for the "I Need a New Coat Campaign", as well as the donor list for the "Campaign for this Historic Building". So many people throughout our community supported both of these campaigns and the MHCA Board will be publicly acknowledging everyone who made the renovation of the Community Room and the exterior painting of our building possible. Please join us on August 5th! Also coming up is the annual **summer square dance!** Lou and Sue Flego will have you tapping your toes and kicking up your heels once again in the Belmont

crossroads. The square dance is on August 15th at 8:00 pm. The Belmont Store will be open for the duration of the evening. Don't miss the opportunity to join in the most fun event on the summer calendar!

Reminder: the **deadline for vendor applications** for Cider Days is August 31, 2015. Applications are available on line by contacting Morgan Skiathitis at morganskiathitis@gmail.com, or by phoning Morgan at 259-2755. Please get your applications to Morgan ASAP, as the event fills quickly.

If you have any questions about the MHCA, please contact one of our officers:

Penny Coldwell, Co-President penelopecoldwell@gmail.com

Carol DeVine, Co-President cgosedevine@yahoo.com

Kathy Leber, Secretary kleber@vermontel.net

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Mount Holly Community Association Annual Meeting

**In the Community Room at
The Mount Holly Library &
Community Center**

Wednesday, August 5, 2015

**Annual Meeting begins at 6:30 pm
Please join us for a short meeting with
refreshments before and after!**

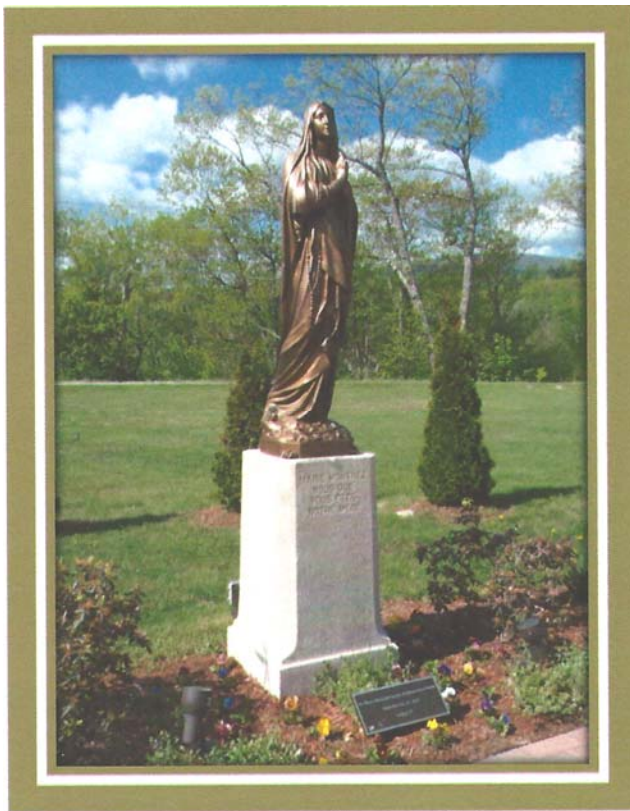


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St. Mary's Memorial Garden Annunciation Parish, Ludlow, Vermont

I can't be sure where I originated, or exactly when I appeared at St. John the Baptist Church in West Warwick, Rhode Island. I am mostly remembered as standing by the side of the convent that housed the Sisters of the Presentation of Mary who taught my children at St. John's School. While there, I also overlooked the schoolyard. Since the cornerstone of the convent, is dated 1933, and the convent was dedicated in 1934, I believe I must have arrived at St. John's around that time. A plate on the left side of my base is inscribed "INST CATH QUE. VAUCOULEURS." This may possibly have a connection to a foundry in France by the name of VAUCOULEURS founded in 1865 by a sculptor by the name of Martin Pierson.

Those were such wonderful years while I watched the children play during recess. Every year during the month of May, after lunch and recess, my children would line up by grade in front of me in the schoolyard to recite the rosary and sing Immaculate Mary (in French) as they returned to their classrooms.

Much has happened in the years the followed. In 1957, the school that I used to keep watch over across the schoolyard was considered outdated and razed in favor of a new, modern school to accommodate the increasing enrollment of students. To protect me, I was moved to the front of the convent.

In August of 2007, the convent was razed and I was moved to the side of the school where I was somewhat neglected. With lack of maintenance over the year, I became weathered, lost my luster, and

developed a little rust here and there.

On Saturday, January 7, 2012, thanks to the generosity of Rev. Andre McNair of Saints John and James Church (formerly St. John the Baptist and Saint James, now merged) I was donated and transported to Vermont where I was wanted for a memorial garden at Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Ludlow. With the cooperation and encouragement of Rev. Romanus Igweonu, Administrator, I was to be placed in St. Mary's Memorial Garden of Annunciation, in commemoration of St. Mary's Church of Mount Holly, which was destroyed by fire in the early morning hour of December 30, 2007. St. Mary's was not rebuilt and many of her parishioners are now communicants at Annunciation.

On Monday, April 23, 2012, after being snug in a workshop in Cuttingsville, VT, since January, I was transported to ART Research Enterprises in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, for a complete makeover. Although I am remember as being bronze, I no longer bore much trace of the color. At ART, my cast iron frame was treated with a chemical to remove the corrosion, sealed to receive a primer and a cold patina with bronze powder to represent bronze, and finished with a clear sealer. By Friday, I was ready to go back to Vermont.

On Sunday afternoon, April 29, 2012, with special blessings by Rev. Romanus Igweonu, and in the company of several former St. Mar's Parishioners, I was placed on my old, beautifully restored pedestal. An inscription on my pedestal reads: "Marie Montrez nous que vous etes notre mere." Translated from French: "Mary, Show us that you are our mother." I was then covered for protection while landscapers and parishioner prepared a memorial garden around me.

On Sunday, July 22, 2012, I was unveiled and dedicated in a special ceremony by the Most Reverend Salvatore R. Matano, Roman Catholic Bishop of Burlington. I am happy to be among the parishioners of Church of the Annunciation in Ludlow, VT. I am home. By Ann Doucette

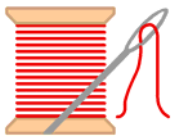
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The Community Guild at Work

Each winter the women of the Community Guild choose a winter project to help someone in the greater community. This year we made quilts for young adults who have aged out of the Foster Care system and are going to college. The quilts will be given to freshmen attending the College of Saint Joseph in Rutland this fall.

We delivered four quilts to the Maple Leaf Quilters Guild in May. The Maple Leaf Quilters are coordinating the project for the college.

The Guild always welcomes new members. Meetings take place on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month in the Old Fellows Hall from 9:00 to noon. Members work together on projects, plan for upcoming events and teach each other new skills at the meetings.



Mount Holly 2016 Calendar

ON SALE in Early July!!!

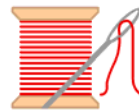
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Saturday, August 1, 2015

9:00 - 2:00

At Odd Fellows' Hall in Belmont

Handmade items ~
Quilts, Afghans, Lap robes, Baby items,
Embroidery, Crafts, Collectibles,
Place mats, Table runners, Jewelry, Bake Sale

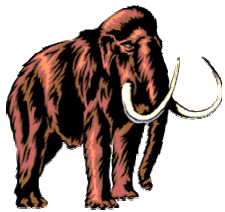
Come see our raffle quilt on display!

For more information contact Lynn Anderson at 259-2758 or Carol Venter at 259-2661

The Community Guild is a non-profit charitable organization.

The sale of our handcrafted and donated items is used to support charitable, educational and civic endeavors.





Mount Holly Community Historical Museum

Perkins House and The Will White Blacksmith Shop in Belmont

Open Saturday and Sunday 2-4p.m. July and August (special times noted on schedule)

July Schedule of Events

Saturday, July 4th	Town Parade and Barbeque at Odd Fellows Hall, Museum open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Sunday, July 5th	Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
Saturday, July 11 th	"1840s in Mount Holly" History Talk by Dennis Devereux 2 p.m.
Sunday, July 12 th	Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
Saturday, July 18th	Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
Sunday, July 19th	Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
Tuesday, July 21st	Annual Meeting...Pot Luck Dinner 6 p.m. at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont <i>Program to Follow</i>
"All Things Loons - stories about their natural history and conservation" by Eric Hanson, Vermont Loon Conservation Project (VLCP) Coordinator Vermont Center for Ecostudies.	
Saturday, July 25th	"Outsmart the Critters (Sometimes)" Talk by Jim Corven 3 p.m. Perkins House
Sunday, July 26th	Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.



Program Highlights

Tuesday, July 21st Annual Meeting...Pot Luck Dinner 6p.m at the Odd Fellows Hall...Program Following "All Things Loons - stories about their natural history and conservation" by Eric Hanson, Vermont Loon Conservation Project (VLCP) Coordinator Vermont Center for Ecostudies.

Loons are back and doing well in Vermont after nearly disappearing 30 years ago. Join Eric Hanson, VCE biologist and coordinator of the Vermont Loon Conservation Project explore this success story as well as all things loons. Loons are some of the most studied birds in North America in part because biologists, and anyone really, can observe them nearly every minute of every daylight hour (and a few biologists have done exactly that). Come hear what biologists have learned over the past 25 years following color-marked loons and how VCE conservation efforts have brought the loons back to Vermont. We'll share stories ranging from rescues of loons in distress to why loons conduct takeovers of each other's territory.

"Outsmart the Critters (Sometimes)" Program by Jim Corven, Professor of Biology & Mount Holly Gardener. Saturday, July 25th, 3p.m. at Perkins House.

Have you found that Nature likes to take advantage of your bounty and hard work? Nature's critters are hungry and they like to take their

share when we let our guard down. We'll talk about everything from birds to bears and how we can try to prevent them from damaging our yards and gardens. Let's try to understand how these good animals perceive and think so we can deter them using humane but effective techniques. Several effective items will be available for demonstration.

Calling all Vendors for Cider Days!

Cider Days vendor applications will be sent out July 15th with the application deadline August 31st. All past vendors will receive the application via e-mail. If you have not participated in the past, but would like to, please write morganskiathitis@gmail.com to add your name to the e-mail list. Vendor spaces are first come first serve, so send in your application ASAP.



Valedictorian

Joshua Robert Wasilewski:

Joshua Robert Wasilewski, son of John and Katie Wasilewski of Belmont, Vermont is the Mount St. Joseph Academy class of 2015 Valedictorian. He is also the proud recipient of prestigious scholarships such as the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal Award, The Rochester Institute Computing Medal Award, The Clarkson Leadership Award and the Worcester Polytechnic Institute Presidential Scholarship. He has been fortunate to represent MSJ at the 2014 Green Mountain Boys State, as well as being an active member of the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Seminars; he participated in the Governor's Institute of Engineering Program at UVM.

He is a member of the MSJ Student Government, The National Honor Society and the National Spanish Honor Society. Josh's passion is baseball; he has played for MSJ since his freshman year and has been a member of two teams who have played for the state Championship twice during this time.

He continues his participation in baseball during the summer months playing for the American Legion Lakes Region team. Joshua is the 2015 recipient of the University of Vermont Green & Gold Scholar Award and he will be attending UVM in the fall of 2015. He plans on pursuing a degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering and hopes to travel abroad where he can implement his knowledge and studies with local cultures.

Vermont Health Connect Deploys System Upgrade

Gov. Peter Shumlin announced this morning that the Vermont Health Connect system was successfully upgraded this weekend. The most notable update is so-called change of circumstance functionality, which will allow customer service staff to process requested changes more quickly.

The website came down Thursday night in preparation for the updates and is back online and available for customers to access their accounts. The system deployment took less than the 36 hours expected. A series of comprehensive verifications then began, and continue, to ensure that newly developed business processes work as expected.

"I appreciate the meticulous preparation that Optum's team and state staff put into this effort," the Governor said. "They worked around-the-clock to deploy the new system and kept downtime to a minimum. We still have work to do to ensure the Vermont Health Connect system supports the level of customer service that Vermonters deserve, but today's successful deployment is a major step in the right direction."

Prior to this upgrade, it was necessary to enter each requested change into as many as six different databases. That process was not only time-consuming but also led to data integrity issues, caused frustration for Vermonters who were unable to see desired changes reflected on their account in a timely manner, and led to a backlog of pending change requests. As of last week, approximately 10,200 customers were waiting for service requests to be completed.

The upgrades successfully deployed this weekend allow customer service staff to enter changes into one database, and then have those changes updated automatically in the others. This will greatly reduce the amount of time it takes to process a customer's change request and will allow Vermont Health Connect staff to more quickly eliminate the backlog of pending requests.

In order to ensure a smooth rollout of the new functionality some customer service teams will begin processing change requests immediately. At the same time, all staff will be thoroughly trained to make sure they are able to smoothly and accurately process backlogged requests and new requests from customers.

The deployment of change of circumstance functionality aligns with the [milestones for improved customer service](#) outlined by the Governor in March. The next milestone comes on October 1st when two things must happen.

First, customers who report a change to Vermont Health Connect by the 15th day of a month will see that change reflected on their next invoice.

Second, Optum must deliver the technology needed to enable a smooth 2016 enrollment and renewal process. In practical terms, this means that existing customers will have their 2016 health plan information reflected in all systems by the start of the year as long as they report changes by December 15. The contract for that renewal functionality was approved late last week by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, the branch of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services that funds and oversees the development of health insurance marketplaces.

Staff processed more than 21,000 renewal service requests this winter and spring – a crucial pre-requisite to being able to pull off this weekend's system upgrade. Staff will now be able to make account changes in a fraction of the time.

The following information is intended to help Vermonters understand what to expect in the weeks ahead.

Customers with new changes to report: Vermonters who have seen a change in their status should call the Customer Support Center or fill out a Change Report Form on the website.

The new functionality will decrease the amount of time it takes customer service staff to process changes. By October 1st, Vermont Health Connect will be expected to process changes that customers report by the 15th day of a month in time to be reflected on the next invoice, and changes reported in the second half of the month on one of the next two invoices.

Customers with urgent needs are asked to call the Customer Support Center at [1-855-899-9600](tel:1-855-899-9600) (toll-free).

Customers who have already reported changes: Customers with pending changes do not need to call, as their requested changes have been moved to the new system and will be processed in the coming weeks. Customers can expect to see changes previously requested within two or three bills. Scott Coriell – Governor's Office –



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Charleston: The Power of Christ to Forgive

The news was stunning. A heinous act of violence perpetrated in a house of God more than half a century after four AfricanAmerican girls died from a KKK dynamite blast at the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham. This time it was nine welcoming folks at a prayer meeting who lost their lives. Let's not forget their names because when one hurts we *all* hurt.

Sharonda ColemanSingleton (45) Sen. Clementa C. Pickney (41) DePayne Middleton Doctor (49) Tywanza Sanders (26) Cynthia Hurd (54) Daniel Simmons (74) Susie Jackson (87) Myra Thompson (59) Ethel Lance (70)

What was even *more* stunning was the statements made at the bond hearing of the shooter. Nadine Collier, daughter of one of the victims, was able to turn to him and say, "I forgive you." Felicia Sanders, who lost her son, said, "I hurt...but may God have mercy on you."

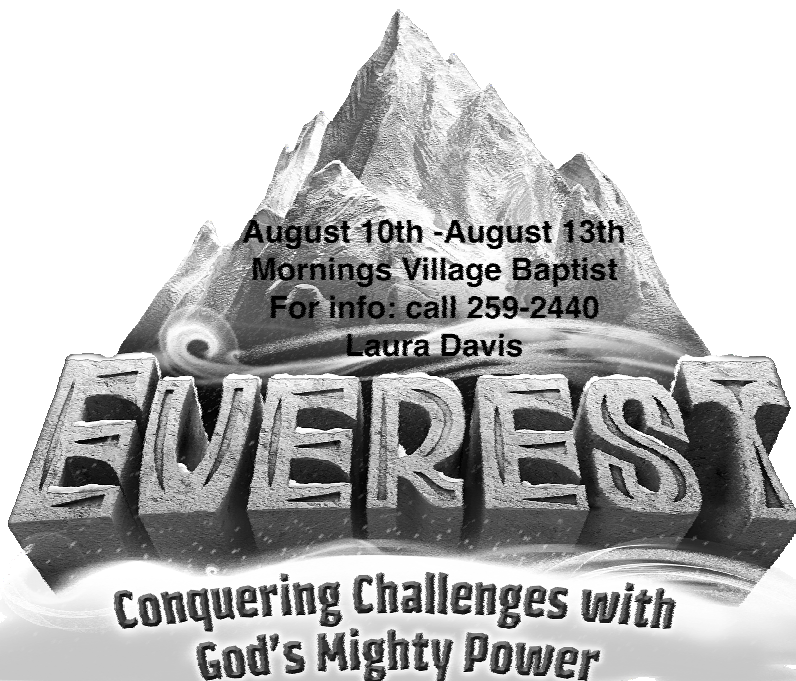
How many of us are capable of that? In our fallen world, it's somehow easier to comprehend the deranged cruelty of Dylann Roof than the unfathomable, uncompromising mercy of a Nadine Collier or a Felicia Sanders. No rage. No accusation. Just broken hearts undefended and laid out for the world to see. They sobbed as they spoke, but it was believers looking into the narrowed eyes of evil and explaining that there is a better way. Anthony Thompson, who lost his wife, spoke directly to her killer, "Repent. Confess. Give your life to the One who **matters most** Christ. So He can change you and change your ways."

Florist, Debbie Dills said, "Those people were doing what I had just done...studying His Word...and they lost their lives doing that." She is the one who spotted that unusual haircut on I74 and decided she had to get the plate number and tell someone about Dylann Roof.

Next time you're tempted to despair over our great nation, hear these voices and the gospel hymns sung outside of that South Carolina court room. Resist the temptation to politicize pain. Don't allow it to turn into a debate about a flag, or guns, or religious persecution. Weep with these dear folk and pray for this tragic young man. Don't forget that there are some wonderful, living examples of Christ-likeness still around. After all, the One with the resurrection power is the One who first prayed, "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

Cynthia Hurd's younger brother said, "Sunday will not be a sad day for me; it will be a celebration for me...for our

family because our faith is being tested. She was in the company of God trying to help somebody out. She was where she needed to be." This country could do with a few more families, built by love, who live the verse, "Don't be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Pastor Glenn The Village Church



BRACC Update July 2015

Make this summer a safe one for you and your teen. [Parent Up VT](#) is a great resource for parents and other family members who will have preteens or teens around this summer. Keep them safe by locking up your alcohol and prescription drugs, knowing where they are going and with whom, and making your house rules clear and consistent. Teens need direction and rules. For them rules are a sign that you love them.

Provide plenty of ideas to them about the fun they can have hiking, biking, swimming and playing games or cards without alcohol or drugs. Have meals together several nights a week and talk to them about what they are thinking and doing. Parent interest in their child's life is important to them in making them feel valued. Remember, a parent is still the most influential in keeping your child from drinking or using drugs. Talk to them about it and make your opinions clear.

For more information or to get involved with others in the community, contact us at: BRACC, 802 228-7878 or bracc7878@yahoo.com Everyone is welcome!!

PEGTV OFFERS FREE WORKSHOP FOR SHOOTING BETTER VIDEO

PEGTV, Rutland County's public access television station, is pleased to invite you to their free video workshop "Composition & Camerawork: Helpful Tips for Better Video". The workshop will be held Thursday, July 2 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. at the PEGV studios located in the Howe Center in Rutland on 1 Scale Avenue.

Local videographer Scott Switzer is our guest speaker and will share helpful tips he has learned from his successful 30 year career creating TV commercials, wedding and corporate videos. You will also be able to meet and mingle with other local video makers.

"We are excited to offer the community and our current producers the chance to learn how to enhance their skills so they can improve on the quality of their video no matter what the subject. We are hoping to offer more helpful and informative workshops in the future," says PEGTV Outreach Coordinator, Stacy Kent. This workshop is open to the public and light refreshments will be served. For more information please contact Daniel Appelt at (802) 747-0151.

PEGTV is comprised of Channels 15, 20 and 21 and is available throughout Rutland County to all cable and VTel subscribers. Streaming programming and video on demand services are also available online at www.pegtv.com.

Mount Holly Garden Club

The first Annual Peony Picnic on June 20 was a great success with many thanks to Nancy McKeegan & Dan Quaranto.

July 16 th , St. Gaudens	8 am Breakfast at the Sorenson's Home
Aug 4 th , Asian Dinner	6-9 pm at the Sorenson's Home
Aug 8 th , Hildene/Equinox	8 am Breakfast at the Sorenson's Home
Aug 27 th , Zen Gardens	8 am Breakfast at the Sorenson's Home

Perennial Pleasures High Tea, 8 am Breakfast at the Sorenson's Home

Call Georgiana or Steve Sorenson for more information at 802-259-3030

Mount Holly 2014 Photo Contest

Mount Holly in July is:
Boating on Lake Ninevah
Bike riding and hiking
Gardens filled with
vibrant flowers

So keep your eyes open
your camera by your side,
and capture the colors and fun
of summer in Mount Holly

Entry forms available early July at:
Belmont General Store, Mount Holly Library,
Belmont and Mount Holly Post Offices,
Town Office and on-line
on the Mount Holly website

**Mount Holly 2016 Calendar
Goes on sale in early July!!**

For more information, please contact
Janet Warren at 259-2007

The Mount Holly Photo Contest and Calendar are sponsored by
the Mount Holly Community Association. All proceeds help fund
activities in our community.





Mount Holly Town News

Minutes are "DRAFT" until approved at the next Select Board meeting July 14, 2015. NOTE: Most Select Board meetings are covered by LPC-TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, www.lpcvtv.org. Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

SELECT BOARD - JUNE 09, 2015 ~ The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Ted Crawford, chair. Ray Tarbell and Tim Martin were present. All stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: The Cider Days road closure item was postponed until the July meeting. There were a number of additions to the Agenda, one under Highways (winter sand bids) and several under Other (one regarding the Rutland Dispatch changes, and several notification items).

2. Minutes: The minutes of the regular meeting of May 12 were sent out before the meeting for review. David Johnson had noted that the bond payment request was from the Town of Ludlow, not the TRSU. Upon motions made and seconded it was VOTED: To approve the May 12 minutes, as amended. (3-0)

Regular Select Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Town Office. Items to be included on the Agenda are due by Noon the Thursday before the meeting.

State Rutland Dispatch center, consolidating 4 PSAPs into 2, as of September 15th. This will affect fire, rescue and constable dispatching. The agencies could continue to use the State center (which will be Rockingham) at little or no cost. The agencies could set up a local dispatch center (estimated annual operating cost of \$1.1 million), costs to be covered by the agencies using it. There is no default position; a decision must be made. Downside concerns have been loss of local knowledge (less of an issue now with GPS/mapping technology) and loss of local jobs (14 positions in the 2 closing centers will likely be accomplished thru attrition rather than layoffs). The Selectboard will be contacting the three Mount Holly agencies regarding this.

5. Highways The Town did not get a State paving grant this year, so paving will be done to the level in the budget. The board opened bids from Fuller (\$62/ton) and Pike (\$66.95/ton). Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To award the paving bid to Fuller. (3-0) Jeff noted that the handicapped space at the town office will be paved at the same time.

Bridge Inspection Reports were received from the State. This is the last year for hardcopy reports. The State will only put reports up on the online system. Jeff noted that the next bridge due for repair is the Austria House Bridge (Bowlsville Rd), in 2017. It may be cheaper to make Gates Rd or Bowlsville Rd passable for traffic during the bridge repair.

Road Foreman: Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To appoint Jeff Teter as Road Foreman for FY2016. (3-0) **Winter Sand:** Jeff had received quotes from Pike (9.44/yd), Markowski (\$10.50/yd) and Wallingford (9.31/yd). He recommended getting 1500 yds of sand from Pike (for quality), 500 yds of 3/8 stone to mix with it, and trucking to be done by Either (\$3.50/yd) for a total cost of \$29,520. Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To proceed with sand purchase and trucking as recommended by Jeff. (3-0)

Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

The Mount Holly Animal Control Officer is Constable Paul Faenza. He can be contacted 24hours/day at pager **786-4404**, or leave a message on his cell at **802-353-8347**.

The ACO handles calls concerning domesticated animals, and farm animals, to include animals running at large, animal cruelty, aggressive dogs, dog bites, etc. For more information or any questions concerning the Mount Holly Dog Ordinance, please contact Constable Faenza at mhconstable@yahoo.com.

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

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3. Rutland Regional Planning Commission – presentation on The Bus Minga Dana presented information on the Marble Valley Regional Transit District (The Bus), which celebrates its 40th anniversary later this year. The agency provides public transportation thru out Rutland County with connecting routes to Middlebury, Manchester, and Springfield, via Ludlow. The agency provided 700,000 rides in the last fiscal year, one-third of which were in and around Killington during the winter. Minga left copies of the schedules at the town office as well as contact information for her for any further questions.

4. Rutland Dispatch Center Don Patch updated the Board on the closing of the

6. Report of Treasurer David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated May 31, 2015 showing cash balances of \$1,311,589. Property taxes still outstanding are about \$41,000 for 17 properties. Tax sales are proceeding on 11, 3 are on a payment plan, and 3 cannot be acted upon this year due to foreclosure and/or prior years unredeemed. The Town received \$27,150 from FEMA for the December storm damage; we expect to receive the 12/5% ERAF portion from the State. Solid Waste revenue (label sales) is \$18,454 thru May; we will be below budget for the year. Appraisal services are over budget, with more to come. The Summer Road budget will be managed carefully due to the over budget on the Winter Road expenses. The Town sends an

additional \$666,000 above what is needed for our school to the State Education Fund. Ted Crawford felt this needed to be emphasized more, especially in regards to the small school grants being dropped.

Homestead Penalties – The State allows municipalities to levy or waive penalties for late filers of the Homestead Declaration which result in the incorrect tax rate (resident/non-resident) being applied on the property tax bills. Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To waive the late filing penalties for FY2016. (3-0)

Setting the Tax Rate – It appears that no special meeting will be needed; the tax rate can be set at the next regular meeting of the Selectboard. Bills are expected to be mailed July 27th, with the discount due date of August 30.

Propane Purchase – Upon review of proposals from Cota and Cota, there does not appear to be any advantage for the Town to purchase price protection for the coming year.

7. Star Lake Dam Reconstruction Project – Ron Unterman ~ Money: All necessary money is in place, and even beyond the expected amount, with donations from 265 people.

Permits: 1) The Army Corps permit has been received.

2) The Dam Safety permit is on track.

3) The Lake Encroachment permit application is in and seems to be okay.

Contract: Not yet signed, but the Notice of Award allowed Casella to order necessary materials ahead of time. Contract signing expected on June 15th, with August 3rd as the expected date of the start of construction. Casella will likely start taking trees down before then. **Canoes:** No one has yet taken any away. (All canoes at the beach area will need to be removed.)

8. Transfer Station: Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection: Saturday, June 27, 8am to Noon

Leaf and Yard Debris – Per Act 148, the Town must accept ‘leaf and yard debris’ at the transfer station starting July 1. (Leaf and Yard Debris means compostable untreated vegetative matter such as grass clippings, leaves, kraft paper bags and brush 1 inch in diameter or smaller.) Discussion noted that most people in rural towns mulch their grass clippings and/or have a corner of the yard where such materials are piled and essentially composted. Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To set the charges for leaf and yard debris as follows: **2 stickers per bag, 15 stickers per pickup truck (no extended side walls), 30 stickers for trucks larger than pickup size. No plastic bags; material brought in plastic bags must be dumped out into the designated area. (3-0)** This will be reviewed in 60 days.

9. Planning Commission: RR Transportation Council report – Nothing requiring Selectboard attention this month.

Appointments: RRPC – Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: to appoint Don Richardson as the Town’s Commissioner to the RRPC. There was no alternate appointed. RRTC – Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: to appoint David Hoeh as the Town’s Representative and Don Richardson as the Alternate Representative to the RRTC.

10. Cell Phone and Internet Access Ted Crawford reported that the pole on Healdville Rd is for fiber optics, not cell. AT&T has no plans to build a cell tower. VTel says that a tower is going up, but no carriers yet. He also noted that the Town’s 2001 Ordinance on Telecommunications is outdated both due to technology changes and regulations at the state level. Because we have no zoning, there is no local process allowed. Telecommunications issues are handled by the Public Service Board (PSB), although the town itself can go to the PSB.

11. Other Business: BCBS is seeking a 7.5% rate increase in health insurance premiums for 2016.

Aquatic Nuisance Grant – The Board signed the Grant Agreement, which is for Lake Ninevah.

Community First Aid Discussion Group – Don Richardson will be leading a series of discussions on first-aid related topics (based on participants’ interests) on Monday evenings starting in July. These will be at the church or the library (alternating). More information will be in the Chit Chat and Newsflash, or contact Don.

Town Office Water Supply – As part of getting a second opinion for a water problem at the rescue squad building, it was determined that there is a common source well for the three buildings (town office, rescue, fire). Testing showed there is no E.coli problem, just a bad smell that seems to be mostly at the rescue building, and related to the hot water heater. Jeff noted that is common in water heaters and is usually solved by chlorinating the tank.

New England Clean Power Link (the high voltage line planned to run under Route 103) – the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is available. Ted Crawford noted that there is an excellent short summary of the project.

VT Dept. of Forests, Parks & Recreation will be working on the Healdville Trail this year.

VELCO will be installing weather-tracking equipment on a tower on Okemo Mountain.

12. Executive Session At 9:01pm, upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To enter Executive Session for the purpose of wage review of highway employees. Jeff Teter was invited to join the session. At 9:17 pm the Board returned from Executive Session and upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To return to regular session. The Chair reported that the Board agreed to a \$.50 per hour raise for all highway personnel and to provide one additional week of vacation for 30 years of service.

13. The Board reviewed and signed the May orders for payment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion made, seconded and approved, at 9:20 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING ~ June 15, 2015, MOUNT HOLLY TOWN OFFICE, 7:00 pm

Mount Holly Listers Hours

The Listers are at the Mount Holly Town Office most Tuesdays 9:00am-12:00 pm or by appointment. Please call 802-259-2391 for any questions.



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Saturday July 18th, 2015

10:00 am

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We will be auctioning off firewood, appliances, household goods, tools, gift certificates to area businesses, and much much more.

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY LADIES AUXILARY
Bring A Comfortable Chair

Members present: Clinton Woolley, Michael Valente, Bill McGrath, Jim Seward, Tim Martin (8:05pm) and Nicole Griffin
Public Present: Caitlin Persa, Jason Day, Phil Leonard, Tim Whaler, Don Richardson, Rhonda Rivers, Ted Crawford, David Hoeh, Ron Unterman, Raymond Tarbell, Marcy Tanger, Roland Marx, Robin Decormier, Marianne Johansson, Pam Myers, Don Eatmon, Joe Freen, Alec McCallen, Bridgid Sullivan and LCPTV Annette

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm

OLD BUSINESS: Clinton Woolley made a motion to accept the minutes as read; Michael Valente seconded the motion; the motion was carried by all.

NEW BUSINESS: Jason Day of Starwind Tubines LLC was given ten minutes due to Planning Commission work load, and is rescheduled to speak at another time. The Planning Commission had a miscommunication and Star Wind Turbines are NOT building 100 Turbines but are contracted from Green Mountain Power to have up to 100 KW of power on the property they have contracted.

As stated in the presentation the turbine would have a height of 50, 80 or 103 feet tall depending on the mph. The blades go from 11-14 mph and are 12- 35 ft. The noise levels have been tested in the Colorado site with a .44 decimal at 200 feet. They also have been working with ANR to discuss the bird and bat study. Bat were of high concern since they are

endangered in Vermont. The Planning Commission and Star Wind Turbines are communicating about a scheduled presentation for residents to come and see what the Turbines are about.

BCR's

Leonard Family Trust- New Garage: Diane Hill –New garage: Joseph and Nancy Rosato- Enlarging existing porch- Tim Martin- Replace trailer with new home: Bruce Paquette- replace existing home. All Approved by Commission.

Waste Water Permits

Julie Campbell: Replace failed septic system.

Town Plan: The Planning Commission continues to amend the the Town Plan. Each member has a section to revise. The planning Commission work on the housing affordability section and demographics of the town. Also fair market values. We also address the maps that were in the 2003 town plan and getting them updated to current ones. The planning commission is hoping to have a pre-draft done to edit at the next planning commission meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Clinton Woolley made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Michael Valente and the motion was carried by all. Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Other: Town Plan Adjournment ~ Nicole Griffin, Mount Holly Planning Commission Administrative Assistant

Transfer Station News – July 2015

This is the next installment in a continuing series of articles to keep you informed of the transfer station changes required by VT Act 148, establishing universal recycling of solid waste. This Act has provisions that will be implemented over several years, which include changes regarding recycling, composting and pricing of solid waste collection.

Leaf and Yard Debris – Per Act 148, the Town must accept 'leaf and yard debris' at the transfer station starting July 1, 2015. (Leaf and Yard Debris means compostable untreated vegetative matter such as grass clippings, leaves, kraft paper bags and brush 1 inch in diameter or smaller.) Clean wood (trees, stumps, brush larger than 1 inch in diameter, untreated wood including untreated dimensional lumber) WILL NOT be collected at the transfer station. The Town encourages residents to utilize other sites for these materials, such as composting facilities, stump dumps, farms. At the June 09 meeting, the Selectboard set the charges for leaf and yard debris as follows: 2 stickers per bag, 15 stickers per pickup truck (no extended side walls), 30 stickers for trucks larger than pickup size. No plastic bags; material brought in plastic bags must be dumped out into the designated area.

Construction and Demolition Debris (C&D): Please note that the town **does not accept C&D debris**. Your contractor should take care of C&D disposal for you. For DIYers, the transfer station will accept a "small" amount, defined as a bag or two. If you have more than that, you need to find another disposal site. RCSWD on Gleason Road in Rutland accepts C&D, with lower charges if the clean wood is separated out. Hubbard Bros. on Cold River Road in Rutland Town also accepts C&D debris.

Previously noted changes starting July 1, 2015:

- Municipalities must implement variable rate pricing that charges by volume or weight of the waste collected. Be sure to purchase your stickers ahead of time!
- Recyclables are banned from Vermont landfills. The Zero-Sort compactor at the Transfer Station accepts more types of recyclables than the old system did, **at no charge**, however, not everything can go in the Zero-Sort. **The following items are NOT ALLOWED in the Zero-Sort:** Plastic bags or wrapping, window glass, mirrors, light bulbs, dishes, Pyrex, ceramics, paper towels, facial tissue, Styrofoam, paints, oils, hazardous material, needles, syringes, VCR tapes, CDs/DVDs, scrap metal, pots, pans, batteries, hard cover books, clothing/textiles, wood/lumber, 3-ring/spiral notebooks.

Note that **no cash** is accepted at the transfer station. Purchase your stickers ahead of time, either at the town office (\$2.00 each) or at the Belmont General Store (\$3.00 each). Contact the town office for a copy of the rate schedule. More information on recyclables can be obtained at casella.com/ZeroSort.

While we may not agree or like these changes, changes are coming and the Town will do its best to help prepare you ahead of time and to help adjust to the changes at the Transfer Station. Watch for more Transfer Station News!

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

The Select Board seeks an individual to be the town's Emergency Management Coordinator. The EMC is responsible for coordinating with the State Emergency Management Office, preparing and updating the town's Emergency Operations Plan and is responsible for setting up an Emergency Operations Center during an emergency (such as Irene in 2011). A full description is available at the Town Office.

**** NOTICE ****

Canoes and Boats at Star Lake Beach

The Dam reconstruction project is expected to begin on August 3rd

The construction area will include the boat storage area at the north end of the beach property.

All boats need to be removed from the beach recreation area by July 15th.

Boats that remain after that date are subject to removal and disposal by the Town.

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PLANNING COMMISSION CONTINUES WORK ON TOWN PLAN

The Mount Holly Planning Commission (PC) held its regular monthly meeting on Monday, June 15. Besides posting the agenda for the meeting on three notice boards around town (as required by the Open Meeting Law), the Commission is to be heartily thanked for also posting its agenda on the Mount Holly Flash.

After initial business, Commissioner Mike Valente and Administrative Officer Nicole Griffin presented the results of their research on housing and demographic data and the problems of deciding which Census and/or other data sources to use. It appeared, throughout the night's work, that the PC wants to produce a report containing only Mount Holly data; although one commissioner noted that county and state data can be useful for comparison purposes.

The PC reviewed chapters on Economic Activity, Recreation and Transportation, occasionally assigning individual commissioners to obtain additional data or new maps; but the PC concentrated primarily on excluding what was not “relative” to Mount Holly: for example, forestry information was considered more appropriate for a forest plan rather than a town plan - even one that includes silviculture.

The chair declared the PC was ready for each commissioner to write a first draft of his assigned sections before the July 20 meeting. The commissioners made final rapid review of the 2008 Town Plan to ensure that unnecessary charts and graphs were removed. I found it hard to follow the commissioners’ quick decisions; but I did note that historical material was removed as being more appropriate for a museum - even though an historic preservation plan is a required part of a town’s plan. Also, Vermont law requires maps showing “Facilities and Utilities” and “Future Land Use”; yet, both of these were removed.

The reasons for the PC’s decisions appeared to be related to the knowledge or opinion of individual commissioners. The PC agreed with one commissioner, who declared that without zoning, Mount Holly had no commercial or industrial businesses. One commissioner proposed removal of the Yale Forest from the town’s conserved land, as it was private and could be sold. Another commissioner declared that it could not be sold – so it was left on the map. On the same map of conserved land the Forest Legacy parcel was removed as “no one knows if it ever happened”; yet the Mount Holly Conservation Trust could inform the PC that the parcel is now in permanent conservation.

It was difficult for this observer to understand what the PC hopes to accomplish in its work on the Town Plan. It appears to be going beyond “readoption”, which requires that plan updates be supported by documented changes in the town’s circumstances. It seems that the PC is editing the current Town Plan to produce a leaner review/description of the town and its plan. However, in the editing process certain sections of the plan required by Vermont Statute have been - at least temporarily - removed.

See

www.mounthollyvt.org
for 2008 Mount Holly
Town Plan; for Vermont
Statutes governing town
plans Google “VSA Title
24, Chapter 117”; see
lpctv.org for video of
Planning Commission
meeting. Annette Lynch



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JULY 2 - GYPSY REEL These famous globe trotting Celtic Musicians come home year after year to treat their neighbors, friends and loyal fans to an evening of great music, entertainment and dancing on the Green.

JULY 9 - TONY LEE THOMAS Amazing rock, folk, blues, funk featuring Belmont's own Jenny Porter. Tony's Band will deliver an evening of outstanding music that's not to be missed!

JULY 16 - SALT RIVER REVIEW Versatility is not enough to describe what this group has to offer. Five vocalists as well as multi- instrumentalists makes for an entertaining evening rich with music and song.

JULY 23 - SCOTT FORREST Voted as one of Nashville's upcoming songwriters Scott's mixture of jazz, Brazilian and pop influences has been featured on "A Prairie Home Companion".

JULY 30 - JAMIE WARD "Mr. Piano Man" returns for an evening of fun and entertainment. This master of the keyboard is a wizard of jazz, blues and vocals and one of Mount Holly's most enduring personalities.

AUG 6 - TIM CAIRA Known affectionately as "Belmont's Balladeer", Tim invites you to sing along as he returns to The Green with his familiar voice and an inventory of classic tunes and personal favorites

AUG 13 - CASEY SOLOMON A perennial favorite, this unforgettable vocalist from New York will treat her growing fans to an evening of enjoyment with her distinctive voice and unique Cabaret singing style.

AUG 20 - LIMBO LOUNGE BAND Brand new to our concert series, this eight piece band will lift your spirits in the traditions of West African, Brazilian, Caribbean and Jazz compositions.

AUG 27 - MT. HOLLY FOLK CLUB It's a love of music that brings local musicians together to share their songs, talent and techniques. Now they'll share them with us! A great finale to our concert season!

Bram to host Free Fashion Show "Walking Women"

On Saturday, June 27th at 7 PM the Black River Academy Museum will host a **free fashion show** in collaboration with the Ludlow Women's Club and Tina's "fun things to wear" boutique located on Depot Street. The Women's Club will provide the cat-walk "walkers" while Tina's will provide the fashions.. The fashion show will compliment the museum's current exhibit, "Walking Women" which features works on paper collected and curated by John Stewart of the Amity Art Foundation. As the show's title suggests, Stewart has prints or paintings from artists all over the world depicting women walking.

The door prize for the fashion show is an outstanding painting by a Croatian artist and can be seen at Big Eyes Bakery now and at People's Bank this coming week. Big Eyes Bakery is generously donating refreshments for this fashion event.

Earlier in the day a 5K Walk will be held at the museum, 14 High Street. Registration is at 10 AM and the fee is \$20 per person (seniors and students, \$10). The 5K Walk, fashion show and exhibit will all take place at BRAM, 14 High Street, Ludlow, VT. Please note that the **museum exhibit and the fashion show are free** and that there is a registration fee for the walk.

For further information please contact our director, Georgia Brehm at: glbrehm@tds.net, call the museum at 802-228-5050 or visit our web site, www.bramvt.org.



Habitat For Humanity Of Rutland County, Vermont

The Rutland County Habitat for Humanity affiliate is planning a ground-breaking event to celebrate their first home – a house rehab in Fair Haven at 30 West Street. To kick off this project the board has announced a "Building Block" party on June 27 from 10 – 3:00 PM.

Anyone interested in lending a hand or well-wishers just looking to share in the excitement are invited to stop by and enjoy the complimentary BBQ or help build the yard shed. Festivities will include; standard BBQ fare, balloons for the kids and live music for entertainment – a little work and a little fun to commemorate our "1st build"!

Habitat for Humanity International granted affiliation status to **Habitat for Humanity of Rutland County, VT Inc.** (HFHRC) in 2014.

Chris Heintz, Board President says "We are so thrilled to get started with the real task of creating affordable housing in Rutland County. The process to get here has taken longer then we anticipated but we are excited to be starting our first home. With any luck we will have our first family in a rehabbed home by the fall of 2015".

The current house on site at 30 West St. will be salvaged but stripped for renovation and a full makeover both inside and out. A partial foundation repair, new plumbing, new roof, energy efficient appliances and windows, as well as, insulation plus repairs throughout will provide a qualifying family with a very affordable, interest-free mortgage on a 1,200 sq ft. home. The West street neighborhood will benefit from the improved aesthetics to a home that is currently an eyesore and in desperate need of some TLC.

Anyone seeking information on how to apply for family selection or interested in joining the project or assisting with Habitat for Humanity should call 802.747.7440. www.RutlandHabitat.weebly.com RutlandHabitat@gmail.com By Deborah Morse, Publisher New England Business Journals

"Transforming People's Lives and Our Community by Creating Affordable and Decent Housing"



Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce June Chamber Corner Submitted by Marji Graf, CEO

We held our annual meeting on May 13 at Newbank Conference Center. Thank you to Heritage Deli for catering, thank you to our speaker Kerry Seacrest for our uplifting talk about living in community and we welcomed 5 new members to the Board: Jules Lavoie from the Hartness House in Springfield; Julie-Lynn Wood, Golden Stage Inn, returning for a second 2 year term; Emmett Dunbar from Anjali Farm in Londonderry; Terry Bane from Imery's in Ludlow and Marilee Spanjian from the Inn at Weathersfield. UPDATE: Jules Lavoie resigned. Margaret Vincent replaced Jules.

Kim Dixon from Insights held another email marketing training on May 14.

Our guests this month on lpctv are Tesha Buss, Chair of our Energy Committee and Joe Evans from Table 19 in Springfield.

We presented Mark Williams of Mr. Darcy's Bar & Grill the Member of the Year award for his outstanding service to the chamber and community.

We thanked Donald Dill, Brian Halligan and Layne Herschel for their 4 years of service on the board.

We're gearing up for our Home Garden & Recreation Show on May 23 at the Ludlow Community Center from 10am-4pm. Please come and support your local businesses!! Food, vendors, music, family fun.

We have an exciting trip scheduled for next May 6-13, 2016. It is the 100th anniversary of the National Parks and we will be heading to the Southwest. An 8-day tour from Scottsdale Arizona to Las Vegas for only \$2499 per person, leaving from Boston. Details can be found on our website; www.YourPlaceInVermont.com

Cavendish Announces 2015 Summer Concert Series

Again this year the Cavendish summer music series will be presented on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 on the Proctorsville Green. The lineup begins July 1st with the wide-ranging band Gypsy Reel, followed on July 8th by the always-popular Chris Kleeman. Then, on July 15th the multi-talented Sensible Shoes will play and on July 22nd we'll hear from Rutland's great Voodoo Alien Blues Band. On July 29th a newcomer to Cavendish, the Green Brothers Band will appear, and on August 5th another newcomer, the "hair tossin', cello wielding sultry songstress" Sarah Clanton will light up the late afternoon stage. Rounding out the series on August 12th is Vermont's answer to New Orleans – the great Cajun band Yankee Chank.

The Cavendish Community and Conservation Association will again coordinate the series. All concerts are free and open to the public, so grab your lawn chair, a picnic and a cold drink, and join your friends and neighbors to enjoy plenty of rollicking good music from the gazebo.

The summer concert series has a long history in Proctorsville and many area residents reserve Wednesday evenings to listen to the live music. As always, the concerts will be held unless severe weather threatens. In case of rain, alternative plans will be announced on the Cavendish Facebook page. If you would like to help, we would like to hear from you. Call Robin at 226-7736 to volunteer or for more information on the concerts.

Weston Playhouse Theatre Company & The Downtown Grocery: Redefining "Dinner and a Show"

This summer, Ludlow's acclaimed Downtown Grocery turns five. To celebrate, chef/owners Rogan and Abby Lechthaler are bringing its seasonally-inspired, bistro vibe to Weston. Guests will enjoy top-flight food as an accompaniment to Weston's world-class theatre in the brand new West Town Eatery, located downstairs at the playhouse. "It is such a perfect opportunity," says Abby Lechthaler, "to expand our reach, and to serve a community that's near and dear to our hearts."

Chef Rogan, a Weston native, cut his culinary chops at prestigious venues likes Boston's Ritz Carlton and Mistral, while his Downtown Grocery cuisine has received accolades from the Wall Street Journal, GQ, and Yankee Magazine. At the West Town Eatery, Rogan's passion for locally-sourced and house-made ingredients will combine with Abby's irresistible southern charm to make a perfect opening act.

With some modest but calculated renovations, the West Town experience relies upon an engaging, knowledgeable staff and a menu that meets the caliber of Weston's performances. "Dinner before a show should be a positive, energetic, creative, and memorable experience."

The chef's cuisine can be described as light, bright, and seasonal, from scratch. "There couldn't be a better time to introduce a new menu to the Weston Playhouse restaurant," says Abby. "The summer produce is gorgeous and our focus will be on what's of the moment – creative, exciting, and light enough to leave guests feeling ready to take their seats."

And when the curtain comes down, there's cabaret: an hour of stand-up comedy and live music, featuring Young Company actors and MainStage talent. "A bit raucous and cheeky, with an affordable admission," entertainment will be accompanied by Rogan's delicious desserts and savory late night snacks, with a selection of large format beers, carafes of wine, and specialty cocktails. Yankee Magazine calls it the "best place for a nightcap" in Southern Vermont and the Lechthalers will meet that mark, and more.



Dinner seatings are available from 5:30 pm Tuesday through Saturday, in accordance with Weston's MainStage performance schedule. Special events include three Sunday suppers, and the cabaret. All reservations can be made through the Weston Box Office by calling (802) 824-5288. This season's performance schedule is available at westonplayhouse.org.

Old Americans Month May 2015

Rutland City Mayor Christopher Louras declared May 2015 as Old Americans Month in Rutland City. He presented the proclamation to Mark Scott and Doug Jones Managers of Meals on Wheels of Rutland County on May 22, 2015 before the Mayor went on his normal Friday Meals on Wheels delivery route in Rutland.





20th Annual Mogul's Sports Pub Charity Fundraiser

On Thursday June 4 Robert "Sal" Salmeri owner of Mogul's Sports Pub presented Mark Scott and Doug Jones from Meals on Wheels of Rutland County with a \$1,000 check from the 20th annual Mogul's Sports Pub pork roast and charity fundraiser that took place on Sunday April 19. Also Pictured is Courtney Anderson Community Services Manager from The Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging. Sal and wife Maggie believe "Meals on Wheels is very important in our community and there is a big need out there for meals. It is also important to keep Meals on Wheels in the public's mind to raise more awareness."

Vermont Symphony Orchestra Presents Picnics, Pops, and Fireworks At Riley Rink at Hunter Park in Manchester

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The annual Vermont Symphony Orchestra Summer Festival Tour presents, rain or shine, in Manchester at Riley Rink at Hunter Park on July 2. Music lovers can celebrate the long-awaited coming of summer with picnics, pops and fireworks. On Thursday, July 2, the Orchestra will continue its summer tour of the state. "We start getting calls about our Summer Festival Tour around February," says Marketing Director Amy Caldwell. "This tour has become a Vermont summer tradition, and we love bringing an evening of great music and fireworks--paired with our fans' perfect picnics--to spectacular outdoor settings across Vermont." The concert begins at 7:30 pm and gates open at 5:00 pm for picnicking.

As if a summer's evening in Vermont weren't magical enough already...under the baton of principal guest conductor, Anthony Princiotti, the VSO conjures up a dreamscape of enchantment.

Wizards, witches, and trolls, oh my! Our musical sorcery spirits you to Middle Earth--and then safely back to your picnic spread. As always, the concert concludes with the spectacular 1812 Overture, marches, and fireworks.

To celebrate 80 years of beautiful music in beautiful venues throughout Vermont, we have commissioned seven Vermont composers to write 80 second fanfares which will open each of our full orchestra concerts. Peter Hamlin will be the featured composer with his piece The Ghost of John Philip Sousa. Tickets: flynnitix.org Mountain Top Inn in Chittenden (802) 483-2311 Kamuda's Country Market in Pittsford

The complete list of dates and venues includes:

Wednesday, July 1,	7:30 pm,	Mountain Top Inn, Chittenden
Thursday, July 2,	7:30 pm,	Riley Rink at Hunter Park, Manchester
Friday, July 3,	7:30 pm,	Grafton Ponds Outdoor Center, Grafton
Saturday, July 4,	7:30 pm,	Shelburne Farms, Shelburne
Sunday, July 5,	7:30 pm,	Trapp Family Lodge Concert Meadow, Stowe
Thursday, July 9,	7:30 pm,	Suicide Six Ski Area, South Pomfret
Friday, July 10,	7:30 pm,	Okemo Mountain Resort Jackson Gore Inn, Ludlow
Saturday, July 11,	7:30 pm,	Three Stallion Inn, Randolph

For thirteen years TD Bank has graciously served as the title sponsor of the VSO's Summer Festival Tour. The summer season sponsors are VPR, Vermont PBS, Avalon Tents, and Trapp Lager. The Chittenden concert is presented with generous support from The Mountain Top Inn & Resort, Baker Distributing, Kenlan, Schwiebert, Facey & Goss, P.C., Virginia Russell & Charles Kimmel, Robert and Victoria Young, and members of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra 251 Club.

If you would like more information or would like to schedule an interview, contact Amy Caldwell, Marketing Director at (802) 864-5741 ext. 16 or mailto:amy@vso.org.



"Philomena" Next FOLA Movie at Ludlow Auditorium, July 11

The next FOLA movie offering will be the award-winning "Philomena", starring Judi Dench, on Saturday, July 11, at 7 PM at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium.

Philomena is a 2013 drama film directed by Stephen Frears, based on the book *The Lost Child of Philomena Lee* by journalist Martin Sixsmith. Starring Judi Dench and Steve Coogan, it tells the true story of Philomena Lee's 50-year-long search for her forcibly adopted son, and Sixsmith's efforts to help her find him. The film was co-produced in the United States and the United Kingdom.

The film has been recognised by several international film awards. Coogan and Jeff Pope won Best Screenplay at the 70th Venice International Film Festival. It was also awarded the People's Choice Award Runner-Up prize at the 2013 Toronto International Film Festival. The film was nominated in four categories at the 86th Academy Awards: Best Picture, Best Adapted Screenplay for Coogan and Pope, Best Actress for Dench, and Best Original Score for Desplat. It was also nominated for four BAFTA Awards and three Golden Globe Awards.

The film tells the story of Philomena's search, with Sixsmith's help, for her lost son. London journalist Martin Sixsmith has lost his job as a Labour government adviser, and is contemplating writing a book on Russian history. He is approached at a party by the daughter of Philomena Lee. She suggests that he write a story about her mother, who was forced to give up her toddler son Anthony nearly fifty years ago. Although he initially opposes the idea of writing a human interest story, he eventually meets with Philomena and decides to investigate further.

After having sex with a young man at a fair in 1951, Philomena became pregnant and was sent by her father to Sean Ross Abbey in Roscrea in Ireland. After giving birth, she was forced to work in the convent laundry, seven days a week, for four years to pay off the cost of her stay. One day she discovered that the nuns had given her son to a couple for adoption, without warning or a chance for Philomena to say goodbye. Philomena kept her lost son a secret from her family for nearly fifty years, but she visited the convent periodically to try to find him.

The movie is open to everyone and is free; donations are appreciated to underwrite the cost of the movie. Free popcorn is supplied by Berkshire Bank and water by FOLA. For more information, call [802-228-7239](tel:802-228-7239) or email info@fola.us. Ralph Pace



Opening Day for Black River Academy Museum

Starting on June 6th BRAM will resume its normal hours for the season, noon to 4 PM, Tuesday through Saturday and by appointment.

Our permanent exhibits include a replica of Main Street during the late Victorian era and a home from the same period, both located on the first floor. The second floor houses the permanent Finnish display which explores the Finnish settlement in the Black River Okemo Valley area. Artifacts donated by the Finnish-American Society highlight the important tools and implements that they chose to bring with them and those they made here. A small stage is also on this floor and will be used for various programs this season.

The third floor houses the permanent display of a replica one-room classroom with desks in graduated sizes. The WW I display will also be displayed on the third floor at the beginning of July.

This year the museum is opening with a very special contemporary exhibit, "The Walking Woman", curated by John Stewart of the Amity Foundation. Paintings and prints of women walking have been collected from all over the world. A very special portion of the exhibit was created by fifteen artists from the creative workshop "Brod" in Slavonski Brod, Croatia, all of whose works are included.

On Saturday, June 27th "The Walking Woman" exhibit will be celebrated with a 5K walk which starts and ends at the museum at 10 AM. The registration fee is \$20 (seniors and students \$10).

Continuing the "walking" theme, the Ludlow Women's Club will present a fashion show of clothing and accessories from Tina's *fun stuff to wear*. Models will parade down the *cat walk*. Music will be provided by singer/songwriter/recording artist Elle Sera before and after the show, when refreshments by Big Eyes Bakery will be served. The fashion show will end with a drawing for a door prize for a beautiful painting by Jasminka Mazur from Croatia. Both the exhibit and the fashion show are free, but as noted above there is a registration fee for the 5K walk. For further information please call the museum at 802-2228-5050, email at glbrehm@tds.net or visit the museum's web site. From: **Anita Alic**

Painting by Jasminka Mazur, from Croatia, to be awarded to the lucky door prize ticket holder.



Member of the Month - USA Solar Store

The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that USA Solar Store has been chosen as the July Member of the Month. Criteria that was used by the membership committee:

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Marji Graf, CEO, Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

Family-friendly and tons of fun, JUNIE B. JONES THE MUSICAL Opens in Weston

First grade's a big deal, and nobody's captured it better than best-selling children's author Barbara J. Park. Park's spritely, sassy protagonist, Junie B. Jones, is everyone's favorite first grader, and she comes to life on Weston Playhouse Theatre Company's second stage next week!

An hour-long, family-friendly production that the New York Times calls 'spirited entertainment' for all, **JUNIE B. JONES THE MUSICAL** has 'enough rock, R&B, and doo wop satire' to keep even adults entertained 'til the finish. Malcolm Ewen directs Weston's Young Company, an ensemble of seven undergraduate students hand-picked from the country's top musical theatre programs. Together, Ewen and his cast and crew re-create several of Park's Junie B. vignettes, including "Boss of Lunch," "One-Man Band," and "Top-Secret Personal Beeswax Journal," treating guests to an afternoon of light-hearted family fun. "**JUNIE B. JONES THE MUSICAL** is a delightful look at Junie's adventures in starting first grade," says Ewen, "and she's an engaging character to whom all children and parents can relate."

Crafted by the esteemed writing team of Marcy Heisler and Nina Goldrich, **JUNIE B. JONES** has been nominated for two Lucille Lortel Awards (Outstanding Musical and Outstanding Choreography). Since 2014, it has seen two national tours and is currently one of Theatreworks USA's most popular children's productions. With several scripts and scores to their credit, "Junie B. Jones" among them, Heisler and Goldrich are poised to make their Broadway debut with the modern day fairy-tale, "Ever After." The two have also provided original songs for The Disney Channel, Disney Theatricals, PBS, and Nickelodeon. It's safe to say, kids (and parents) love their stuff!

JUNIE B. JONES THE MUSICAL runs June 25 through July 12 at Weston's intimate OtherStages (982 Route 100S.) Show times are Tues-Thurs at 4:00, Fri & Sat at 1:00, and Sun at 3:00. The performance runs for approximately one hour without intermission. Tickets are just \$15 for adults, \$8 for kids, and can be purchased by calling (802) 824-5288 or by visiting westonplayhouse.org.

Photo: Cast of **JUNIE B. JONES THE MUSICAL** rehearses 'You Need Glasses,' one of several stories included in the hour-long production.



A Message from The Animal Control Officer

All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed in the State of Vermont. If you have not obtained a license yet, please visit the Town Office as soon as possible. You will need an up to date rabies certificate, and will pay between \$10-12 if neutered, or \$14-18 if unneutered.

Each dog shall wear a collar or harness with the current license attached. A dog that is visiting from out of state must wear a collar or harness with a current license from its home state attached.

A reminder that Mount Holly has a leash law, and dogs must be restrained from running at large.

A dog is considered to be restrained from running at large when it is kept upon the property of its owner, or is kept within an enclosure, or is kept on a leash or is under the immediate control of its owner. At this time of the year, we have many folks out walking on the roads, riding horses or walking their dogs. Please keep your dogs secured on your property.

I bring your attention to Vermont Statute Title 20, Chapter 193; section 3545 Right to kill domestic pets. We have had several issues in the past year of dogs wounding, killing or worrying domestic animals (cow, horse, etc) or fowl. Although it may seem a harsh penalty, an animal owner can kill a dog if they feel it is reasonably necessary to prevent injury to the animal or fowl which is the subject of the attack.

We have a new dog ordinance which is on file at the Town Clerk's Office.

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RAVNAH Hospice Seeking Veterans to Share Their Stories

RAVNAH Hospice has recently launched “Veterans’ Voices”, a program that honors current active duty and former military members – and the families who support their service. It gives veterans, service members, and military families a chance to share their stories about their lives and their experiences, and leave an enduring legacy behind.

We record participants as they are telling of the accounts of their lives, pivotal moments and everyday memories. Once recorded on DVD, we preserve these recordings, give each participant a DVD and archive a copy at the Folk Life Center in Middlebury, VT if desired by the family. Their stories, told in their own voice, can be shared with current and future generations.

Recording the stories, experiences and sacrifices of veterans is important for the historical record. In doing so, we honor their voices, strengthen their experience and let veterans and service members know that we are listening and can better understand their veteran experience.

To learn how to participate or to get more information contact Ann LaRocque at 770-1516 or email larocque@ravnah.org or John Campbell at 770-1683 or email jcampbell@ravnah.org

Seeking Focus Group Participants for Study on End-of-Life Care

The Visiting Nurse Association of Chittenden and Grand Isle Counties, in partnership with the VNAs throughout Vermont (including RAVNAH), is leading a study to examine end-of-life care in Vermont and to understand Vermonters’ current experiences. The study is being commissioned by Madison-Deane Initiative, the education arm of VNA’s End-of-Life Care services which carries a mission to transform end-of-life care through education, collaboration and inspiration.

The study is seeking Vermont residents over the age of 35 who have experienced the death of loved one in Vermont within the past five years to participate in focus groups. You do not need to have prior experience with any VNA or home health services. The focus groups for this area is scheduled for Friday, June 26 at 10:30 am and will be held in the Rutland area. It will last 90 minutes.

RAVNAH believes that the results of this study will inform health care providers about the care Vermonters desire for themselves and their loved ones at the end of life.

Community Health Clinics – July, 2015 July Blood Pressure/Foot Care Clinics

The cost of the foot clinic is \$10. For more information please call 775-0568.

Wednesday, 7/01/2015,	Wallingford,	Wallingford House,	10:30 am
Thursday, 7/02/2015,	Rutland,	Parker House,	10am
Wednesday, 7/08/2015,	Rutland,	Templewood Court,	10am
Wednesday, 7/15/2015,	Rutland,	Sheldon Towers,	9am
Wednesday, 7/15/2015,	Rutland,	Linden Terrace,	11am
Thursday, 7/16/2015,	Rutland,	Maple Village,	10 am
Wednesday, 7/29/2015,	Rutland,	Godnick Adult Center,	12:30pm
Thursday, 7/30/2015,	North Clarendon,	North Clarendon Community Center,	12:30pm

Please call 802.770.1536 if you have any questions.

RAVNAH also offers Cholesterol Screenings for \$30 every month:

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SMALL WIND TURBINES: PLANNING COMMISSION PROMISES A LONGER PRESENTATION

On Wednesday, June 10, the Mount Holly Planning Commission (PC) posted its agenda on the Mount Holly Flash. It announced “a short 30-45 minute presentation” by Jason Day of Star Wind Turbines LLC to inform town residents about small wind turbines: their size, benefits of ownership, and the company’s plan to install 100 wind turbines in Mount Holly.

Over 25 citizens attended the Commission’s meeting (see video on lpcvt.org) on Monday, June 15. The Commission chair Bill McGrath, announced that due to the PC’s work load, Mr. Day’s presentation would be limited to 10 minutes with an agreement to reschedule (the date for a rescheduled “full” presentation was not announced).

Mr. Day spoke for about 5 minutes and then took about 10 questions from the audience and PC. Because of time pressure, questions were limited. However, it was clear that small wind turbines, which have just become available and are still being tested, raise complex engineering, legal, environmental, and aesthetic concerns that Mr. Day attempted to answer in the time allotted. Unfortunately, there was no time to discuss the energy saving and “off the grid” benefits of small wind turbines.

It appears that many Mount Holly residents and landowners are eager for information about these promising small wind turbines and want to be involved in any plan to erect turbines in the town. Annette Lynch



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Rutland Area VNA & Hospice Hires Director of Hospice & Palliative Care



Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) is pleased to announce the appointment of Nicole Moran, MSN, RN, as Director of Hospice and Palliative Care for the newly formed VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region (VNAHSWR). In her role, Moran will oversee both the hospice and palliative care programs for VNAHSWR's three agencies: Bennington Area VNA & Hospice (BAVNAH), Dorset Area VNA & Hospice (DAVNAH) and Rutland Area VNA & Hospice.

Moran brings more than 10 years of experience in nursing and clinical management. Most recently Moran held the position of ICU and Life Safety Unit Clinical Manager at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center (DHMC), where she was responsible for ensuring standards of care, serving as a clinical resource, and developing staff. Prior to her position at DHMC, Moran served as the Intensive Care Unit/Progressive Care Unit Clinical Manager at Rutland

Regional Medical Center (RRMC), where she was responsible for supervising and developing staff, as well as implementing educational programs.

Her new position marks a return to hospice care for Moran, who previously worked as a Nurse Case Manager for RAVNAH. "Since returning to the organization I have an overwhelming feeling that I am back home again. Throughout my nursing career I have always been passionate about palliative care and hospice. Looking at death and dying as an opportunity to celebrate life and by welcoming whatever comes next is extremely gratifying. This work is more rewarding than anything I have done in my career and it is a privilege to provide these services to the community that I call home", said Moran.

"We're thrilled to have her back", said Ron Cioffi, RAVNAH CEO. "Nicole is passionate, dedicated and extremely knowledgeable. She will be a strong addition to our team as we continue to grow our Hospice and Palliative care programs across both Rutland and Bennington Counties."

Moran received her Associate of Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Arts in Natural Science from Castleton State College and her MSN from Sacred Heart University. She was born and raised in Rutland, and is married to her husband T.J. of seven years. They enjoy an active lifestyle filled with hiking, swimming, boating and spending time with their two children, Brogan and Rory.

About VNA & Hospice of the Southwestern Region

The VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region is comprised of three Medicare-certified, non-profit home and community health care agencies, including Rutland Area VNA & Hospice (RAVNAH), Dorset Area VNA & Hospice (DAVNAH) and Bennington Area VNA & Hospice (BAVNAH).

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