



Mount Holly Chit Chat



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April 2019

Church Listing on back page "Who's Got It Locally?"

Town Library: Sat 9-1 Sun 2-4 Mon 10am-6pm Tue 9am-1pm Wed 2-6, P.O. Box 93, Belmont, VT 05730 Call 259-3707

Town Office Hours: Mon. to Thurs. 8:30 am – 4:00 pm Closed Fri. & Holidays Phone & Fax 259-2391



Town Treasurer's Office Hours: Mon 8:30 am – 12:00 pm Wed 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm and by Appointment 802-259-2391

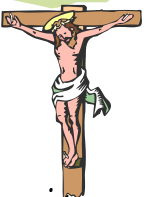
Town Lister Hours: Tuesdays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm and by Appointment 802-259-2391

Town Garage: 259-3179

Burn Permits: Call Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward 786-3408 or 259-2211

Transfer Site: Sat 8 am–2 pm & Sun 9 am–12 pm ~ Spring Hours Start Wed April 10th, 4-7pm Last Sun April 7th, 9am-12pm

1 st		<i>All Fools' Day</i>	
2 nd	MH Snow Flyers, Meeting 299 Greendale Rd. Forrest Residence	<i>Hans Christian Anderson 1805</i>	6:30 pm
	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library	<i>Washington Irving 1856</i>	7:00 pm
3 rd		<i>Martin Luther King Jr Assassinated 1968</i>	7:00 pm
4 th	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Fire Station	<i>NATO Ext. 1949</i>	
		<i>Booker T. Washington 1856</i>	
5 th			
Sat 6 th	Spring Mud Fling , Odd Fellows Hall		7:30 pm
Sun 7 th		<i>Metris System 1795</i>	
8 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building		7:00 pm
6 th		<i>Persian Gulf War Ends 1991</i>	
9 th	Mt. Holly PTSA Meeting, MH School	<i>Civil War Ends 1865</i>	4:30 pm
	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		9:00 am
	Selectmen's Meeting, Town Office		6:00 pm
10 th	LMHUUS Meeting, Black River High School		6:00 pm
	Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station		7:00 pm
	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
11 th	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	<i>Crow Season Ends ~ Persian Gulf War Official Cease Fire 1991</i>	7:00 pm
Sat 13 th	Bass Catch & Release, Trout & Landlocked Salmon Season Begins ~	<i>Thomas Jefferson 1743</i>	
Sun 14 th		<i>Pan-American Day ~ Titanic Struck Iceberg 1912</i>	
15 th		<i>Leonardo DaVinci 1452</i>	
	<i>Titanic Sank 1912 ~ America's First School For The Deaf Founded 1817</i>	<i>Wilbur Wright 1867</i>	
16 th			
17 th	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont		6:30 pm
18 th	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	<i>Paul Revere Midnight Ride 1775</i>	7:00 pm
19 th	Muskrat Season Ends ~ Crow Season Begins Fri, Sat, Sun & Mon Only ~	<i>Revolutionary War Began 1775</i>	
21 st		<i>Easter</i>	
22 nd	Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office		7:00 pm
	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	<i>Earth Day</i>	7:00 pm
23 rd	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>William Shakespeare b&d 1564-1616</i>	9:00 am
24 th	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>Professional Secretaries Day</i>	7:00 pm
25 th	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
26 th	Permitted Snow Goose Season Ends ~ John James Audubon 1785 ~ Arbor Day 1872		
Sat 27 th		<i>Youth Turkey Weekend Begins ~ Ulysses S. Grant 18th President 1822</i>	
Sun 28 th		<i>Youth Turkey Weekend Ends ~ James Monroe 5th President 1758</i>	
29 th		<i>Holocaust Remembrance Day</i>	
30 th		<i>Vietnam War Ends 1975</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	Health Officer - Tim Bickford	779-6429
Animal Control For Mt. Holly		C 802-353-8347	Vermont State Police	773-9101

Send ARTICLES to: Diana Garrow, 3379 Shunpike Rd., Mt. Holly, VT 05758 Phone 259-2314 or E-Mail to chitchat@vermontel.net

Check out Mt. Holly Web Site www.mounthollyvt.org

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April Birthdays: 1st - John Seward 3rd - Samantha Freedman 4th - Carol Pike 5th - Amanda Surething 8th - Bob Garrow * Jeff Carrara 9th - Eliza Hudak * TJ Milks 12th - Jean Palmer * Carlos Bickford * Tobi Macey 14th - Mallary Flanders * Melissa Garrow 16th - Paul Paul * Jamie Carrara 17th - Noah Koponen 18th - Robyn Lewis * Todd Bussino Sr 21st - Alaxander Bussino * Melissa Perry 24th - Vincent Turco * Eric Holt Jr * Eric Holt Sr * Beverly Stearns * Randy Hawkins 25th - Jeff Keller 26th - Nicolas Turco * Samantha Norton * John Puro 27th - Mary Ellen Jacobs 28th - Danielle McMahon * Lisa Hendee 29th - Cassie Wilkins * Michael Ely * Ian D.F. Miller

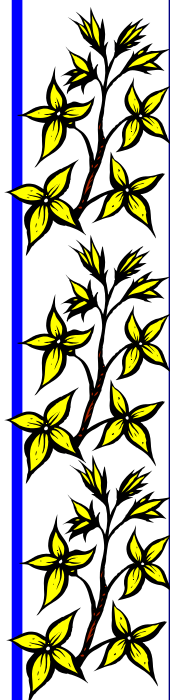


April Anniversaries: 16th - Dick & Nancy Tilton 18th - Randy & Tammy Hawkins

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.

Local Post Office Hours

Mount Holly		802-259-2796
Window	Mon – Fri	8:00 am – 10:00 am
	&	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
	Sat	7:30 am – 10:30 am
Lobby Hours:	Mon – Fri	8:00 am – 4:45 pm
Belmont		802-259-2790
Window	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 9:30 am
	&	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
	Sat	8:00 am – 10:45 am
Lobby Hours:	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 4:45 pm
East Wallingford		802-259-2829
Window	Mon – Fri	7:00 am – 11:00 am
	Sat	7:00 am – 10:00 am
Lobby Hours:	Mon – Fri	7:00 am – 4:45 pm
Cuttingsville/Shrewsbury		802-492-3585
Window Hours	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 10:30 am
	&	11:30 am – 2:30 pm
	Sat	8:00 am – 11:00 am
Lobby Hours	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 5:00 pm
	Sat	7:30 am – 11:00 am
Ludlow		802-228-7436
Post Master:	Dawn Howlett	
Lobby Hours:	Mon – Fri	6:30 am – 5:30 pm
	Sat	6:30 am – 11:00 am
Window Hours:	Mon – Fri	8:30 am – 5:00 pm
	Sat	8:30 am – 10:30 am



April 11, 1947 – Jackie Robinson the first African-American major league baseball player, played first base for the Brooklyn Dodgers.

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Albert O. Stukus

Albert O. Stukus, 68, died Feb. 19, 2019, at Mountain View Genesis Center. He was born Nov. 30, 1950, in Townshend, the son of Edward A. and Clovis E. (Crandell) Stukus. He graduated from Leland & Gray High School. Mr. Stukus married Joanne Davis June 8, 1997, in Mount Holly. He was a truck driver for St. Johnsbury Trucking Co. and Consolidated Freightways. He was a former member of Cairo Temple Shriners and a volunteer at Mount Holly Fire Department. Survivors include his wife and a son, Joseph Stukus, both of Rutland; two daughters Shelby Robbins, of Tinmouth, Colleen Stukus, of Denver, Colorado; a sister, Emily Underwood, of South Londonderry; three stepchildren Lisa Rose, Edward Lynch, both of Rutland, Robert Stocker, of Florence; several grandchildren, a great-grandson; nieces and nephews. Services and burial in Rawsonville Cemetery in Jamaica, will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to Mount Holly Fire Department. Arrangements are by Clifford Funeral Home



William H. Garrow III

William H. Garrow, III, 59, of Rutland died Friday March 1, 2019 at Rutland Regional Medical Center. He was born in Rutland on February 9, 1960 the son of William H. and Theresa Anne (Cullinan) Garrow, Jr. raised in Mount Holly. William was a graduate of Black River High School in Ludlow, class of 1978. He was an electrical contractor and employed in all aspects of building and remodeling. Surviving are his daughter, Phoenix Garrow and a grandson, Bronsun Garrow-Manning of Pittsford; his three sisters, Dawn Garrow of Georgia, Wanda Trinci of Belmont and Cindy Tuomisto of Ludlow; his former wife, Sharon A. Stickney, nieces and nephews. He was pre-deceased by his parents. Visiting hours were held Friday March 8, 2019 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. followed by a funeral service at 2:00 p.m. at Clifford Funeral Home in Rutland.

Donald F. VanGuilder

Donald F. VanGuilder, 75, died March 7, 2019 at the home of Carol and Floyd VanGuilder in Rutland, after a long illness. He was born May 21, 1943, in Rutland, the son Perry and Bernice VanGuilder. He graduated from Black River High School in 1962. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was a machinist at General Electric Company. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and gambling. He is

survived by two brothers, Floyd VanGuilder and wife Carol of Rutland, and Brian VanGuilder of Piermont, N.H.; and one sister, Marilyn Pecor and husband Richard of Port St. Lucie, Florida; four nephews, David VanGuilder and wife Dawn of Clarendon, Damon VanGuilder of Rutland, Darren VanGuilder and wife Lisa of Chester, Virginia and Stephen Pecor of Colorado. At the request of the deceased, there will be no wake or funeral.

James L. Osborne

James L. Osborne passed away at his home March 10, 2019. A "Celebration of His Life" will be held this summer.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Mt. Holly Community Association.

Thank you to everyone who has been so kind and supportive. The Family of Jim Osborne



When: Saturday April 6th at 11 a.m.
Where: Mount Holly School Cafeteria

Tickets are \$25 and come with everything you need to complete this 16 by 20 painting!
Coffee, tea, and pastries from The Vermont Croissant Inc will also be provided.

A limited amount of tickets will be sold,
ticket sales end March 30th
Please contact Morgan at morganskiathitis@gmail.com
or visit the 6th grade classroom to purchase tickets!

All proceeds benefit the Mount Holly 6th grade class trip to Camp Keewaydin!



Join Bone Builders

Monday & Thursday Mornings
9:00 am

At Mt. Holly Community Center
For Weights and more information
Call Judy Nevin 259-2443

Mt. Moriah Mason's March 2019, Trestleboard
Sap Bucket Degree Saturday 3/30 10:30 AM (?)
Next meeting Tuesday 04/16th 8PM

This month is our annual meeting and some of us will be changing chairs for the ensuing year. Please try to attend this important meeting-it's our future!

The Sap Bucket Degree is coming right up and Mt. Moriah Lodge has the kitchen duties this year. There hasn't been a very good response to this degree for several reasons and it may be canceled until the spring of 2020. I will be notified by this weekend if we

will have a degree or not.

Once again it's time for our annual dues. The Secretary and Treasurer are asking you to please send them in by the end of March. You can make them out to Mt Moriah Lodge #96 and send them to 4280 Sugar Hill Rd. East Wallingford, Vt. 05742. If you have questions on the amount due, you can reach the secretary at 802-259-9400, or by e-mail at: sseward@vermontel.net. I have enclosed your dues notice if you receive your Trestleboard by mail. For those of you who receive it by email, the amount of your dues will be on the bottom of your Trestleboard. Some of you who have been a Mason for 50 years or more are exempt from dues.

We are still short of money for the two scholarships we pass out each year because Grand Lodge has stopped giving money to that program. If you would like to donate a sum of money to that program, or the Conservation Camp program, make your check out to the lodge and send it to the same address as above. Fraternally, Dave Seward, WM ~ Buster Seward, Sec'y

YOUR DUES ARE \$40.00 (Please disregard if you have already paid your dues.)

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**AN OLD STYLE ROAD
HOUSE DANCE HALL
JAMBOREE**

9:15 PM - DANCE TO CLASSIC ROCK OF AXIS



8:00 PM TO 9:00PM - WARM UP WITH MUSIC BY THE

JEB & FRIENDS

SATURDAY • APRIL 6TH

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BYOB

TICKETS \$10 IN ADVANCE* • \$12 AT THE DOOR

DOORS OPEN AT 7:30PM • BRING SNACKS

SPONSORED BY THE MOUNT HOLLY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

*** TICKETS AVAILABLE AT: THE BELMONT COUNTRY STORE**

Thank Yous,

The Venter Family loves this town, Mount Holly, and all the people in it. God has blessed us with good friends and wonderful neighbors. Thank you for all your cards and support as I go down this path of lung cancer. Our Florida children thank you also for all the love and support you have given this family.

Thank you, Thank you. Love, Carol and Dave Venter

Mount Holly Senior Stars Luncheon

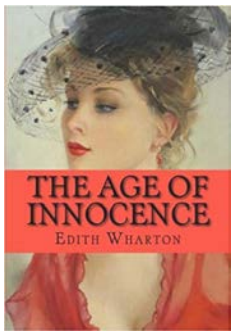
The Mount Holly Senior Stars will hold the last luncheon for this season on April 11 at Harry's Cafe. Many thanks to Trip and Deb for some wonderful meals!

Seating is limited so reservations are required. There are still a few places available and we can always create a back-up list to call if someone can't make it at the last minute. To get your name on the list for April, call Judy Nevin at 259 2443. The cost is \$5.00.

For those who have already signed up and paid, your payment can be refunded if you cancel before noon on Monday April 8th.

After April, the next luncheon for the Mount Holly Senior Stars will be in December 2019. For that luncheon, call Carol Ballou in the fall after October 15th.

Looking forward to good food and pleasant company. See you at Harry's Cafe! Carol Ballou, Judy Nevin, Mary Nortunen



Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group will meet on Wednesday April 10th at 6:00 pm at the home of Susie Hamilton on Headville Road. We are reading *The Age Of Innocence* by Edith Wharton. Please call Donna if you need a copy of the book or for more information at 259-2730.

Now that Spring has arrived, come join the Reading Group. Hope to see you at the next group gathering. Donna McDonald

Mount Holly Snow Flyers

The date for club meeting going forward will be - The First Tuesday of every month to be held at 299 Greendale Rd - the Forrest residence at 6:30 pm.

Monthly update -With the days getting longer and the sun warming things up, the end of the snowmobile season will soon be here. April 15th is the official trail closure date - BUT - until that time there is still riding available. Our trails in the lower elevations are starting to get sketchy, so ride with care if you venture out. There is still snow up in the higher elevations at this time.

Several club members have ventured north with outstanding results. The trails in Island Pond, New Hampshire & Maine are in very good condition and should be for some time. All things considered we've had a pretty good season, the snow may not have piled up like we were wishing for, but the snow we did get stayed. With our grooming efforts we were able to lay down a good base which we could work with and helped keep our trails in good condition. Our Newer Tucker has been a valuable tool this season, it took the grooming guys a couple time's grooming to get the hang of the new machine - but once they did - we were off and laying down smooth trails whenever possible. Now all we have to do is PAY for it!!

A decision was made to change the club meetings to the First Tuesday of the month & to be held @ 299 Greendale Rd at 6:30pm - members and guests are always welcome to attend. We are actively seeking any input from the club members as to what direction they would like to see the club to take, any activities you'd like to see, any comment you have, would be appreciated. You can always reach the club by email or the website. mounthollysnowflyers@gmail.com www.mounthollysnowflyers.org

March may be flying by - but there may be snow on the way!! Mount Holly Snow Flyers

Library News

New Books & DVDs Coming in March to MHTL!

DVDs: "A Star is Born" and "Green Book"

Adult Fiction: "Black Leopard, Red Wolf" by Marion James, "Connections in Death" by J.D. Robb, "Killing Commendatore" by Haruki Murakami, "Metropolis" by Philip Kerr, "The New Iberia Blues" by James Lee Burke, "Outside Looking In" by T.C. Boyle, "Redemption" by David Baldacci, "Run Away" by Harlan Coben, "Stone Bridges" by Carla Neggers, "The Third Victim" by Phillip Margolin, "Wild Card" by Stuart Woods

Young Adult Fiction: "Shout" by Laurie Halse Anderson

Children's Fiction: "The Case of the Buried Deer" by John R. Erickson, "Dragon Pearl" by Yoon Ha Lee, "Dragons and Marshmallows" by Asia Citro, "The Lost Forest" by Phyllis Root, "Monsters and Mold" by Asia Citro, "A Piglet Named Mercy" by Kate DiCamillo, "Prince of the Elves" by Kazu Kibuishi, "A Squirrely Situation" by Jacqueline Kelly

Picture Books: "The Little Guys" by Vera Brosgol, "Tomorrow Most Likely" by Dave Eggers, "Smile: How Young Charlie Chaplin Taught the World to Laugh (and Cry)" by Gary Golio

Looking for Board Members!: The Mount Holly Town Library needs a few more members for their Board of Trustees! Come help your community library with fundraising, planning programs and services, and more! Meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at the Library. Interested? Talk with one of our current board members (Donna McDonald, Linda McGrath, Cheryl Gantkin, Susan Hamilton, Andy Tanger, Minga Dana and Candace Neary) or email mthollylibrary@gmail.com.

Library Hours

The Mount Holly Town Library is open: Mondays 10:00am – 6:00pm, Tuesdays 9:00am – 1:00pm, Wednesdays 2:00pm – 6:00pm, Saturdays 9:00am – 1:00pm and Sundays 2:00pm – 4:00pm.

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY DOG LICENSE REMINDER

This is just a reminder to any dog owners that you will need to register your dog(s) by April 1, 2019 at the Mount Holly Town Office. Your rabies certificate must be current. The fees for licensing are as follows:

Dog or wolf hybrid neutered =
\$11.00

(male and female)

Dog or wolf hybrid unneutered =
\$15.00

The Mount Holly Town Office is open 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday. The phone number is 259-2391 if you have any questions.

Susan C. Covalla, Mount Holly Town Clerk

DOG & CAT RABIES CLINIC

Date: Saturday, March 30, 2019
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Place: Mount Holly Town Office
Cost : \$14.00 per rabies shot
Vet : Dr. Lisa Hickman

Mount Holly Community Association

With frigid temperatures and lots of snow still on the ground, it's hard to imagine that spring is on the way, but it will be here before we know it! To help us celebrate that "in-between" time we so fondly call "mud season", plans for the MHCA's **Spring Mud Fling** are well underway. On Saturday, April 6th, the doors will open at 7:30 pm and we will once again enjoy *Jeb & Friends* who will be there to warm up the crowd at 8:00 pm. **AXIS** will take the stage from 9:00 pm – 12:00 to rock the night away! This good time classic rock 'n roll band out of western Massachusetts features our very own Mount Hollyite...Tim Caira. Known for keeping the spirit and sound of the '60's and '70's alive, **AXIS** plays an eclectic mix of music from A – Z (Allman Bros. to Zeppelin) guaranteed to keep your toes tapping and keep you on your feet dancing! Tickets are \$10 in advance (at the Belmont General Store until 4:00 pm the day of the event), or \$12 at the door. It's BYOB...see you there!

In advance: now we're *really* going to ask you to think ahead...this time to summer! The planning for the annual **Garden Tour**, Saturday, July 13th, is well underway and we are currently soliciting the interest of Mount Holly gardeners in offering their gardens for the tour. We usually have seven/eight gardens on the tour and we look for a wide range...formal and manicured to wild and rambling. If you would like to exhibit your garden, or just volunteer to help organize in other ways, please contact Linda Miller at LindaDDMiller@aol.com who is in charge of the tour this year. Thanks so much!

Update: although there is still a couple of feet of snow on the ground here in Mount Holly, all of us at the MHCA are looking forward to the big thaw and the time when, *finally*, we will be able to begin the long awaited **well project**! Naturally, there is nothing to report at this time, other than the fact that we are anxiously awaiting the arrival of spring, so we can commence the work. Hopefully, there will be lots to report in the May Chit Chat...stay tuned!

Once again, **membership in the MHCA** for this past year was very strong and we are very grateful to all of you who have lent your support to your community association. In order for the MHCA to sponsor a dozen events throughout the year and to

maintain the beautiful historic building that houses the Library and the Community Room, it is essential that this membership stay strong. It is the major portion of our operating budget and we cannot do it without you! To clarify the duration of the membership year...each year's membership runs from July 1st to June 30th, so you can expect to hear from us again in June for 2019 – 2020! Thank you all and special thanks to Beth Latino, the Membership Chair, for all of her hard work this year!

Thinking Ahead: Elections for new members for the MHCA Board of Directors does not take place until the annual meeting in August. However, we wanted to encourage anyone who would like to become more active in the Mount Holly Community to contact Penny Coldwell (penelopecoldwell@gmail.com) or Carol DeVine (cgosedevine@yahoo.com) and let them know of your interest in participating more fully in the varied activities sponsored by the MHCA. Penny or Carol will be able to tell you a bit more about the work we do and how the nomination process works. Thanks for getting in touch and for your interest in the MHCA!

Calling all Gardeners!!

Would you like to open your garden for
the Mount Holly Community Association Garden Tour
on Saturday, July 13, 2019?

Show off your garden to friends and neighbors and visitors from afar.
All gardens are welcome...
Humble or grand, groomed or rambling.

Proceeds benefit the on-going restoration & maintenance of
The Mount Holly Library & Community Center Building

If you are interested, please contact

Linda Miller

LindaDDMiller@aol.com

259-3060

Mount Holly Elementary School

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Wednesday, May 15, 2019

9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392

For children who will be 3 years old
on or before August 31, 2019

Please bring the following:

1. A birth certificate
2. All immunization records

Children : Please come explore the Classroom.

Parents : Please plan to spend time completing
the registration forms.

Beardmore Excavating

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Robert Beardmore, Jr.

beardmoreexc@gmail.com

P.O. Box 101

Belmont, Vermont 05730

A Note of Thanks

Dear Editor:

Thank you, Mount Holly!

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to serve this town as a Select Board member and to work to keep Mount Holly the very special place it is.

I thank you for welcoming me, during the campaign, into your homes and offices and at the meetings of various organizations here in town. Thank you for allowing me to take a few minutes of your time there and at the dump to introduce myself. And thank you for sharing your thoughts and concerns with me.

To those of you who voted for me, I thank you, and I hope you will be pleased by the work I do for Mount Holly. For those of you who did not vote for me, I hope I might earn your support in the good work I do for the town over the next three years. I will do my best to listen to and to represent all voices here in town and to look after the best interests of Mount Holly.

Currently, I plan to be in the town office on Wednesdays from 10:00 am to 3:30 pm. If you have any concerns or issues you'd like to discuss, please stop in to see me, or call me at the town office at 259-2391; we can always set up an appointment to meet at a more convenient time for you. You can also reach me at home, 259-2529, during reasonable hours, or by email at matthewsinmountholly@gmail.com I look forward to talking with you, and I always welcome all great ideas for Mount Holly's future.

At the March Select Board meeting, we decided to use gender-neutral and gender-inclusive language in all aspects of local governing. We will use the terms Select Board member or Selectperson, rather than Selectman. Using such language shows our daughters, nieces, and granddaughters that they are included and that they have equal opportunities and equal access in our world. It also lets our sons, nephews, and grandsons know that girls and women are equals and equal participants in our world; one gender is neither better nor more worthy than the other.

With this in mind, please note the new Select Board email address of mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com

Please remember that the Select Board is your local governing board. We Select Board members are elected by you and we are accountable to you. If you are able, please attend the monthly Select Board meetings, currently held the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm at the town office. We welcome your thoughts and ideas to make Mount Holly a great community for all of us, and your voice matters.

Onward, Mount Holly! Wishing you and your family all the best – Jennifer Matthews



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We've Had Enough of Your Bullying !

As a young, skinny 27-year old, I did a memorial service at Rutland Hospital for a young nurse whose vehicle slid off into the river beneath the 103 Trestle on a snowy December night in 1980. That year I also watched the former pastor (Rev. Snyder) wither away with cancer and I performed the funeral for this dear saint. Since then I have stood at numerous gravesides with sorrowing families of the very young, the very old and Vermonters of all ages in between.

I've witnessed grief in all its forms, from stoic acceptance to uncontrolled weeping and wailing. There have been long painful illnesses, sudden unexpected attacks or accidents, and sorrowful suicides. It's *always* hard.

The common denominator has always been the bully...picking on a bereaved widow...jeering at an anguished mother...teasing a fatherless child.

Death. The bully on the block of life. He catches you in the hallway. He taunts you in the playground. He badgers you on the way home. "You too, will die someday." He's out to make you so afraid of dying that you'll never learn to live.

That's why you should never face him alone. He's too big for you to fight by yourself. That's why you need a big brother. Jesus

was the only one who has walked this planet and kicked the bully hard by raising several people from the dead. Then he gave the rest of us hope *eternal* by rising from the grave and proving that Death had lost its power. The knockout punch was delivered on that first Easter morning and that is the message I have shared with friends who are saddened by the loss of someone dear to them. Easter brings hope back to life with its joyous proclamation: "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said..." (Matt. 28:6)

From the cross He was saying, "I love you and I know the heartaches and the sorrows and the pain that you feel." Easter, however, points us beyond the tragedy of the cross to the hope of the empty tomb. I can't really explain what happens on this day. The simple fact is this: There is something altogether magnificent, therapeutic, and reassuring about Easter morning.

When Christians gather in everything from cathedrals to huts and lift their voices in praise to the risen Redeemer, the evil hosts of hell and the whimpering bully are temporarily paralyzed.

When pastors stand and declare the unshakable, undeniable facts of Jesus' bodily resurrection and that He assures *ours* as well, the bullying skeptics and cynics are

momentarily silenced. As we sing in unison we find our illnesses don't seem so final, our fears fade and flee, our grief over those who've gone on is diminished, our desire to press on through trials is invigorated, and our differences of opinion are eclipsed by our similar faith. Our identity as Christians is strengthened standing in the lengthening shadows of centuries of believers who've Always answered back in antiphonal voice: "He is risen, indeed!" The

cowering bully flinches because he knows his days are numbered. Alleluia! *Pastor Glenn*

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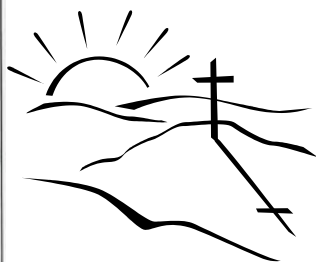
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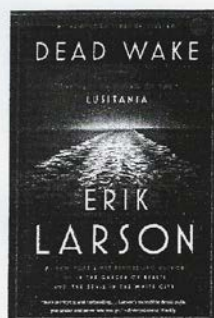
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DEAD WAKE:

The Last Crossing of the Lusitania

By Eric Larson

April 25th, 2019@7PM

Book Discussion

*"the Lusitania was one of the era's great transatlantic
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and Erik Larson tells it thrillingly, switching between
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of evocative characters . . ."*

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On another note: Saturday, August 17 is the date for Reinbow Riding Center's annual Summer Palooza, a fun-filled afternoon of music, games, BBQ, a Silent Auction and more! So mark your calendars it's a grand way to finish off your summer with a little old-fashion fun!

Caption: *Do you think Mother Nature knows it's supposed to be spring? Will someone please tell her? Say hello to Phoenix sporting Spring colors and anxiously awaiting the end of a long winter and the start of another crackerjack Reinbow Riding Center season on Saturday, May 18.*

No Experience Needed

Do you Like Kids.....Like Horses.....don't know, but you're looking for something interesting or different to do with all your spare time, or just a little of your time? Come join us at Reinbow Riding where we give kids the chance for an equine experience they will never forget. It's not necessary to have horse experience, or kid experience for that matter, learn on the job. And we always need people that might like to help out with other aspects of our program like picture taking, videotaping, writing, handy work and grounds work, public relations and yes just general office help better known as paper jockeys. Not sure if this is for you? Just come hang out, see what we do and I bet you'll be hooked. So mark your calendars for the following date.

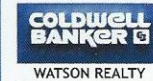
Volunteer Training and Orientation Day is Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m. at Beaver Meadow Farm, 2579 Eastham Road, in Shrewsbury. You can find the Volunteer application on our website (address below) as well as the Volunteer Handbook that will give you an idea of what Reinbow Riding does and why volunteers are such an important part of our program. And don't be bashful about dropping us an email or giving us a call if you have questions. If no one answers the phone, leave a message and we will get right back to you.

It may not look like it right now, but it won't be long before it's time for Riders Up! on May 18. We are already signing up riders for the spring/summer program. So get your participant applications in ASAP.



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Legislative Report From Rep. Logan Nicoll

For Ludlow, Mount Holly and Shrewsbury

The past two weeks have been especially busy. Thank you again for allowing me to speak ahead of your Town Meeting and my apologies that my schedule did not allow me to spend more time there. I have not heard much about your discussion after Sen. Nitka and I left, but if there are parts of that discussion that were especially important to you I do hope you are able to make it to a future coffee hour or otherwise call or email me with any comments. I know the lack of E911 service during power outages has been a major topic in Shrewsbury lately and came up during their Town Meeting, but one of the things I have most learned thus far is that even with our relative closeness each of our towns prioritizes different issues.

The major reason these past couple weeks have been especially busy is this past Friday, March 15th was “Crossover”, which means for a bill to be able to go forward this year it must have been voted out of the policy committee in the chamber where it started. So almost all of the bills that started in the house are on the house floor this week, with the exception of bills that have to go through a “money” committee. “Money crossover” is this Friday, March 22nd when all bills that had to go through a money committee have to be voted out of Appropriations and/or Ways and Means in the House, or Appropriations and/or Finance in the Senate to crossover to the other chamber for consideration this year. So now all of those bills will be on the floor next week.

In my committee we have worked on a few bills that I am excited about going into crossover. The bulk of our time the last couple weeks was spent writing a new bill addressing problems with childcare which is in some ways a combination of the many bills introduced this session that each sought to address different aspects of our current system. That new bill was introduced as H.531. If you have any questions or comments about that bill please bring them to a coffee hour, email or call me. I am very proud of the work that has gone into that on a quad-partisan effort, and happy that it achieved unanimous support of the committee, voted out favorably 11-0-0.

Now in the “post-crossover” half of the session, the committees will focus on the bills that passed the Senate in their topics of jurisdiction. For my committee that means mostly working bills that passed Senate through the Senate Health and Welfare committee, and following the progress of the bills we worked on “pre-crossover” as they make their way to and hopefully through the Senate. In the immediate future we are taking testimony on the “Tobacco-21” bill that passed the senate, S.86, which would raise the age to purchase/possess tobacco products and substitutes to 21 years old as part of our ongoing effort to address the dramatic increases over the past few years of nicotine addiction in our high schools, and even more frighteningly our middle schools.

Outside of my work in the State House and my committee I have been working with VTrans for the last few weeks to coordinate a public hearing on our roads, specifically about the project this past summer re-surfacing Route 103. That meeting will be **Monday, April 1st 6pm-8pm in the Heald Auditorium of the Ludlow Town Hall**. There will be at least two people from VTrans who were directly involved with our project, as well as representatives from Pike Industries (the main contractor). The meeting seeks to give VTrans and Pike an opportunity to explain what happened this past summer, what went right, what went wrong and what the current plans are for this spring and summer. There will be some prepared remarks by VTrans and Pike to start the meeting addressing the most common questions that they’ve heard and that I’ve heard from some of you, followed by some time for additional public questions.

Obviously this has been a major issue for most people in our district who drive these roads every day, and in some ways probably harder for the people who don’t regularly drive our roads and don’t know where the lines should be. But in that way also that much harder for us because we have to be on the roads with them. If you have any questions you would like addressed but won’t be able to make it that evening feel free to email me and I will send them to Pike/VTrans ahead of time to ensure they are addressed. The meeting will be recorded by Okemo Valley TV and broadcast the following week on their public access channel for those in their service area, but also posted on their website (okemovalley.tv) for everyone to have easy on-demand access later as well.

If you are not familiar with the Ludlow Town Hall, the Town Hall is just up the road from the stoplight in the village and the auditorium is on the second floor of the building, at the top of the stairs or the elevator. Coming from Mount Holly you would take a right at the stoplight and the Town Hall will be the first building on the right, a large brick building. There is limited parking at the Town Hall but there is a large public parking lot the town leases for public use behind “Brewfest Beverage Company”, which is a short walk to/from the Town Hall. From Mount Holly, that parking lot will be on your left 200 feet before the village stoplight.

Please continue to bring general questions and comments to my coffee hours when you can, I have really enjoyed the conversations I’ve had at the Belmont General Store. My coffee hours for the next month are:

Monday, March 25th 7-10am at BGS

Monday, April 8th 730-10am at Pierce’s Store

Monday, April 22nd 6-9am at Sweet Surrender

Monday, April 1st 6-9am at Sweet Surrender

Monday, April 15th 7-10am at BGS

Monday, April 29th 730-10 at Pierce’s Store

Hope to see you soon! Logan Nicoll, State Representative, Ludlow, Mount Holly, Shrewsbury lnicoll@leg.state.vt.us 802-345-8430



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NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

By: Senator Alice Nitka

In the State House there is large room we call the Legislative Lounge, a misnomer, as it is actually our work room with about 15 computers and additional work stations for under ten more people who use laptops or other devices. There is a lot of history in this room and it may have been a lounge at some point before my time. However, it played its most important roll when it was the location of the VT Supreme Court. The Supreme Court Justices presided here with their bench located in front of the fireplace. A photograph outside the door depicts the scene. At the time, all the statewide elected officials were housed in the building. In the Judiciary Committee, which was the Treasurer's office, a full story cement vault with double metal doors now serves as a closet. Who knows how much money or little it once held.

Judiciary matters were in the State House news this week with the passage in the Senate of S-105, "An Act Relating to Miscellaneous Judiciary Procedures". This bill speaks to the Juvenile and Adult Diversion statutes making them consistent with other proceedings. These programs are available to low and moderate risk offenders. In the adult program, the case does not become confidential until the program is completed. Other parts of the bill address a request from the Supreme Court re their new electronic filing system and perjury changes. The statute governing career criminals is repealed and there is now a single statute governing habitual criminals. Outdated statutory references to entities are updated. You may well remember The Weeks School in Vergennes where your parents threatened to send you when they didn't like your behavior, or the authorities did send you for certain behaviors or violations of the law. The statute is repealed as Weeks School was closed many years ago and now is the campus of the Northlands Job Corp. Some old terms are corrected such as

"ward", which today is correct as "person under guardianship". The bill also speaks to gathering accurate data with regard to the sex offender registry and compliance checks on these offenders. The Sentencing Commission and Dept. of Corrections also played a role in clarifying and modernizing these statutes.

Judicial Retention and voting is on the Legislative Calendar for a Joint Assembly on March 22. Judges seeking to be retained for a six-year term are: William Cohen, Robert Gerety, Kevin Griffin, Samuel Hoar, Elizabeth Mann, Megan Shafritz, Timothy Tomasi, Thomas Zonay and Magistrate Alicia Humbert.

Consider visiting your State House and listen to testimony in the committees. Contact me at home at 802-228-8432 or the State House at 1-800-322-5616 or anitka@leg.state.vt.us I am able to read all of your e-mails and appreciate you sending them, however the volume received makes it impossible to respond to all of them.



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Mount Holly Town News

The following Minutes of the Select Board and the Planning Commission are "DRAFT" until approved at their next meeting. NOTE: Most Select Board and Planning Commission meetings are covered by Okemo Valley TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, www.okemovaleley.tv. Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

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.

Selectboard Meeting Minutes (DRAFT) - March 12, 2019

Present: Mark Turco, Ron Tarbell, Jennifer Matthews, David Johnson, Sue Covalla, Clinton Woolley, Carol Garrow-Woolley, Peter Berger, Paul Barton, Annette Lynch, Carrie Dougherty, OkemoTV,

Mark called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were two additions

The February minutes were approved by motion (Ron), Second (Jennifer) and passed (3-0).

Reorganization

Selectboard Chair	Mark Turco
Tree Warden	Ray Tarbell
E911 Coordinator	Sue Covalla
Newspaper of Record	VT Journal
Town Attorney	Carroll, Boe, Pell
Asst Town Clerk	Nancy Connor Diana Garrow Derek Covalla
Asst Town Treasurer	Diana Garrow
Date/Time of SB Meeting	2 nd Tuesday of the month, 6PM
Two Public Places for Posting of agenda	Mount Holly Post Office Belmont Post Office

There was discussion about the selectboard clerk position, the meeting time, and monthly reports from commissioners to RRPC, RCSWD, TAC.

To Contact Mt. Holly Town Road Crew, call the Town Garage at 259-3179

Highway – The new truck has been ordered and should be arriving around August. The Freeman Brook Road Grants- In - Aid portion of the project must be completed by June 30, 2019. A piece of equipment will need to be rented to complete the job. The mower

will be discussed and will be addressed at another time. The Annual Highway Plan was signed. The new DER is Jennifer.

Treasurer Report – All budget items on the ballot passed. The board authorized David to write orders for payment. The Casella bill did not arrive before the meeting, so this part of the budget could not be discussed. The highway expenses will change slightly as there will be another salt delivery, however the winter road materials have stayed within budget thus far this year.

Mount Holly Listers Hours

The Listers are at the Mount Holly Town Office most Tuesdays 10:00am-2:00 pm or by appointment. Please call 802-259-2391 for any questions.

Transfer Station – The spring hours were set and will begin April 10, 2019 (Wednesday). The last Sunday of winter hours will be Sunday, April 7, 2019. The transfer station attendants will be attending an E-Cycles class this

spring with Clinton.

The Rabies Clinic will be held March 30, 2019 from 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. at the town office.

There is a lister opening, which will be advertised in the ChitChat. Letters of interested should be addressed to the selectboard. Theses can be mailed or dropped off at the office. Jennifer will assist the lister with finishing the file system they have started. The state mapping program was discussed. The contractor will be meeting with the listers Monday, April 18, 2019.

January 2019 Mount Holly Chit Chat Inc.

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

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Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

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Transfer Station Spring Hours

Wednesdays 4:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Saturdays 8:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

**The first Wednesday will be April 10, 2019.
4:00 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.**

**The last Sunday will be April 7, 2019
9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

**Remember To File Your Homestead
Declaration AND Property Tax
Adjustment Claim for 2019
Form HS-122**

The Migratory Bird Program was discussed. Mark will contact Ron Unterman before signing the document.

The selectboard entered executive session for personnel at 7:10 and returned at 7:42. No decisions were made. Respectfully Submitted, Carrie Dougherty, Selectboard Clerk

Planning Commission Meeting Minutes - March 18, 2019 – 7:00 pm

Present: Bill McGrath, Peter Berger, Jim Seward, Clinton Woolley, Nicole Lewis, Russ Garrow, Carrie Dougherty, OkemoTV
Bill called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

The minutes from February 25, 2019 were reviewed and accepted by motion, second and vote. (5-0)

The portable water permit for Hedgehog Hill was discussed. A building registration will be filed later.

The meeting time will remain at 7PM.

The April meeting will take place April 22, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. The motion was made by Nicole and seconded by Clinton. Pass (5-0)

Other Business: The Commission made a list of business for the clerk to conduct and have prepared for the next meeting.

The meeting ended at 7:15 P.M. by motion, second and (5-0) vote.

Respectfully Submitted, Carrie Dougherty, Planning Commission Clerk

April Selectboard Meeting
April 9, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

April Planning Commission Meeting
April 22, 2019 at 7:00 P.M.

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

NOTICE OF VACANCY LISTER Term expiring March 2020

A resident is needed to fill a vacancy on the Board of Listers.

The Listers are responsible for determining the value of all real property in town and for preparing the Grand List. The value is then used to set the tax rate necessary to raise the money needed to operate the town in the next year.

The town elects three listers, one a year, to serve over-lapping three-year terms. Carol Garrow-Woolley and David Johnson are currently serving as Listers. A third Lister will be appointed by the Select Board to serve until Town Meeting, or the next town-wide election, at which point that individual may run to complete the term to March 2022.

The ideal candidate will have a desire to serve the town, an interest in real estate, a knowledge of computers, and a willingness to learn and to attend Lister training courses. As this an elected position, interested individuals must also be registered voters here in town.

The Listers currently meet every Tuesday from 10:00 am to 2:30 pm at the Town Office. An additional day a week is occasionally needed. This is a paid position.

Interested individuals should send a letter of interest to the Mount Holly Select Board, either by mail to PO Box 248, Mount Holly 05758, or by email to mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com Any questions, please call the town office at 259-2391.

Rutland Regional Planning Commission Rep Needed

A resident is needed to represent our town, Mount Holly, at the monthly Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC) meetings.

The ideal candidate will have an interest in local and regional planning and a willingness to participate in Regional Board meetings with Mount Holly's best interests in mind.

The most important qualification is a desire to serve our town. Whether a pro or a newbie to planning, your desire to serve and to represent Mount Holly, while learning along the way, are what counts. (The helpful staff at RRPC and a variety of free trainings and workshops will also be available to help you out.)

Our RRPC Representative is our voice in regional planning decision-making. Our Rep is also our link to new initiatives, opportunities and resources that might be of benefit to the town.

The ideal candidate will be available to attend a minimum of two meetings a month. The Regional Board meets at 7:00 pm on the third Tuesday of each month (except for the months of July, August, and December) at the Opera House in Rutland. The Mount Holly Select Board meets at 6:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month at the town office; a report on the Regional Board meeting, and any pertinent information for the town, will be on the agenda.

Interested individuals should send a letter of interest to the Mount Holly Select Board, either by mail to PO Box 248, Mount Holly 05758, or by email to mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com before April 9th.

The Select Board plans to appoint the RRPC Representative at its next meeting on April 9, 2019.

Any questions, please call the town office at 259-2391.

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Transportation Advisory Council Rep Needed

A resident is needed to represent our town, Mount Holly, at the monthly Transportation Advisory Council (TAC) meetings.

The ideal candidate will have an interest in transportation safety and planning and a willingness to participate in monthly Council meetings with Mount Holly's best interests in mind.

The most important qualification is a desire to serve our town. Whether a pro or a newbie to transportation and road matters, your desire to serve and to represent Mount Holly, while learning along the way, are what counts. (The helpful staff at the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and a variety of free trainings and workshops will also be available to help you.)

Our TAC Representative is our voice in regional transportation decision-making. Our Rep is also our link to any new initiatives, opportunities and/or resources that might be of benefit to the town.

The ideal candidate will be available to attend two meetings a month. The Transportation Advisory Council meets at 5:30 pm on the fourth Thursday of every month (with the occasional exception) at the Opera House in Rutland. The Mount Holly Select Board meets at 6:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month at the town office; a report on the TAC meeting, and any pertinent information for the town, will be on the agenda.

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Mount St. Joseph Academy wins Boys Division II Basketball Championship

The Mount St. Joseph Academy boys' basketball team put it all together at the right time and claimed the Boys Division II Basketball Championship with a 49-44 win over Lake Region at Barre Auditorium on March 16.

The boys led throughout, holding a 13-11 lead after the first quarter and 23-17 at the half. After stretching the lead to double-digits, there were a few tense moments as Lake Region came roaring back in the fourth quarter to cut the lead to two.

Logan Montilla helped MSJ carry home the title by shooting 11 of 14 from the free throw line down the stretch to right the ship.

Montilla led MSJ scorers with 20 points.

Sophomore Maddox Traynor came up big early and chipped in 17 points in the winning effort. This is the Mounties first championship in boys' basketball since 2012. They finish the season 19-5.

The game serves as quite a send-off for MSJ seniors Montilla, Keaton Wright-Chapman, Claude Thebaud and Leo Carranza.

"This game capped what was a magical season for the Mounties," Athletic Director Dan Elliot said. "This group of kids came together, worked hard day in and day out, and dedicated themselves to team and defense. They are a true testament to the old saying, 'teams win championships.'"

The Town of Wallingford

Is accepting applications for Summer Recreation Program Co-Director and Camp Counselors; Elfin Lake Concession Workers and Lifeguards

The four week summer recreation program features morning activities of crafts, hiking, gardening, cooking and sports. After lunch, daily swimming, beach activities at Elfin Lake and field trips. Lifeguard certification preferred.

Elfin Lake concession workers run the concession stand seven days a week throughout the summer. Elfin Lake lifeguards are on duty five hours a day seven days a week.

Applications available on the Documents page of the municipal website www.wallingfordvt.com or call Contact the Town Administrator at 446-2872 or townadmin@wallingfordvt.com



PEGTV Video On Demand: New and Improved

PEGTV is pleased to announce the release of its new Video On Demand Player. Visit pegtv.com on any device to experience the new video player and watch community programming anywhere.

"PEGTV is keeping pace with how folks on the go want to watch local media," said Tom Leypoldt, Executive Director of PEGTV. "Our upgraded video player is much more compatible with mobile devices and will allow viewers to enjoy our content wherever they go."

PEGTV is comprised of Comcast Channels 15, 20 and 21 and VTel channels 163, 164, and 165 and is available throughout Rutland County to all cable subscribers. Streaming programming, hyper-local weather forecasts, and video on demand services are also available online at www.pegtv.com. Amber Dumas Patch, Marketing & Communications Coordinator 802-747-0151



President; Brigid Faenza, Rotarian (and chef); and Scott Stearns, FOLA Chairman. LRC meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fun and fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont.



Spaghetti Dinner & Chocolate Extravaganza

To benefit the sixth grade class
of Ludlow Elementary School, Dana Farber & Tedy's Team

When: March 28th
Where: BRHS's gym
Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Spaghetti Dinner \$7.00 per person or \$25.00 per family

Chocolates will be sold separately by the pieces



Ludlow Rotary Supports FOLA Movie Series

At its recent meeting, held at the Big Eyes Bakery in Ludlow, the Ludlow Rotary Club (LRC) presented FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) with sponsoring support for FOLA's three movie series featuring the work of Peter Sellers. The series will feature "The Mouse that Roared" (April 13), "Return of the Pink Panther" (April 27) and "Being There" (May 11). The films will be screened in the Heald Auditorium in town hall. The movies will start at 7 PM. The opening film on April 13 will begin with a reception at 6 PM which will feature a presentation about Sellers and his film career by Vermont film historian, Rick Winston. Food will be served during the reception. Other film sponsors include The Book Nook, Big Eyes Bakery, and Marylou Scofield, Attorney at Law. Pictured above are, from left to right, Paul Faenza, Rotarian; Brigid Sullivan, LRC

* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP *

At The Annual Cleanup Morning

At the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont
Includes some washing and drying of dishes
Saturday, April 13th at 9 a.m.
Call 259-2460 for more info.

Senator Alison Clarkson's Legislative Update

One of the biggest challenges for a State Senator is attending Town Meetings. The Windsor County District encompasses 26 towns and is the largest county in Vermont. I treasure Vermont's Town Meeting tradition and its form of direct democracy. As a relatively new Windsor County Senator – visiting Town Meetings gives me additional insight into the character of the towns we represent and local priorities. My goal is to get to as many Town Meetings as possible. But this is tough to accomplish when they are all held during one of three times and there is so much distance between towns. For example, Windsor and Rochester both conduct their Town Meetings on Monday night – both start at 7 pm and they are a fair hike apart. We have meetings on Saturday (5), Monday night (8) and Tuesday (13).

This year I managed to make it to 10 Town Meetings and heard some pretty robust conversations about a multitude of local issues from merging fire departments to the cost of Welcome signs. Now that I serve on the Senate Committee on Government Operations, many of these discussions relate to the work we are addressing in Committee. Vermont, along with the rest of the country, faces a crisis in our ability to recruit volunteers to serve in our fire and emergency medical service departments. Even towns with professional departments are facing recruitment challenges. We are exploring incentives, training, reimbursements and possible regional pilot programs to help solve this problem.

Town Meetings also remind me how important the partnership is between our towns and our state government. In Vermont, Towns are creatures of the Legislature. We are a 'Dillon State' which means that the Legislature, which created towns, has to approve changes to Town law through a Charter Change. While many Charter Changes pass each Session – it doesn't make for flexible or nimble responses to local needs. As a result, our Committee is exploring piloting a program which would enable more independence for towns. S.106 proposes to establish the Municipal Self-Governance Commission to review, recommend and report on proposals for expanded municipal self-governance. It envisions authorizing 10 pilot municipalities to enact any ordinances which aren't contrary to State or Federal law.

At our best, we work together - our Towns and our State - to support our citizens, our communities and our environment. We work together enabling democracy in our precious small state. We work together on projects often too big to manage alone – on transportation, education, strengthening our village centers and downtowns, building our workforce, preserving our historic places, protecting our environment, taking care of those in need, and protecting the public safety of our people. Town Meeting week has been a wonderful reminder of that partnership.

When the Senate returns from the Town Meeting recess on March 12th, we will finish up work on the bills we've been crafting for the last 8 weeks as we face the mid-March 'cross-over' deadline – the halfway mark in the session when we must get bills to the House if they are to be enacted this Session.

I appreciate hearing from you. I can be reached by email: aclarkson@leg.state.vt.us or by phone at the Statehouse (Tues-Fri) 828-2228 or at home (Sat-Mon) 457-4627. To get more information on the Vermont Legislature, and the bills which have been proposed and passed, visit the legislative website: legislature.vermont.gov

Exciting News! Shaw's GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag Program

We are excited to announce that Black River Good Neighbor Services Food Shelf has been selected to be a part of Shaw's GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag Program, which is designed to make it easy for customers to contribute to their local community while supporting the environment.

For the entire month of April, each time a reusable GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS bag is purchased at Ludlow Shaw's, \$1 will be donated to Black River Good Neighbor Services Food Shelf, unless otherwise directed by the customer through the Giving Tag.

We appreciate the support you give, which has allowed Black River Good Neighbor Services to maintain the work we do in our community. Shaw's GIVE BACK WHERE IT COUNTS Reusable Bag Program is a great way to continue to support our cause while working to eliminate single-use paper and plastic bags.

Imagine if each one of our supporters purchased just ONE bag! Please spread the word and pass this exciting news on to your friends and family.

Thank you so much for your continued support. Krey Kellington, Food Program Administrator, Black River Good Neighbor Services

Roast Turkey Supper



Saturday May 4th, 2019
Starting at 5:00 pm

**Benefit the MHVFD
Auxiliary**

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

Roast Turkey Supper

**Mashed Potato w/ Gravy Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce,
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**Adults \$12.00
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More Info Call 259-2460

Ludlow Rotary Welcomes Two GM Students

At its recent Tuesday lunch meeting at DJ's Restaurant, the Ludlow Rotary club (LRC) welcomed two seniors from Green Mountain Union High School. While the intent of the meeting was to prepare mailings for the LRC's annual Penny Sale, scheduled for Saturday, April 27 at 6 PM at the Black River High School gym, the club members welcomed the opportunity to meet with two seniors from Green Mountain. Pictured above are, from left to right, Keegan Ewald; Mary Crowley, LRC President; and Evan Church. Keegan plans to attend college to study in a pre-dental program while Evan is interested in studying medicinal plants at the University of Michigan. LRC meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fun and fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont.



Ludlow EMS Coordinator Speaks to Rotary Club

Carl Matteson, Coordinator of the Ludlow Emergency Services, recently spoke to the Ludlow Rotary Club (LRC) regarding the work of that group in providing ambulance services to the Ludlow, Cavendish, Proctorsville, and Plymouth communities. He noted that in the past year, ambulance services were provided over 800 times.

In describing the areas services, he indicated that Ludlow represented the largest volume of calls. However, contrary to common beliefs, he indicated that Winter ski season accidents were not the most frequent calls. Noting that the area serviced has seen a major increase in the "graying" of the area's population, service of non-skiing incidents represent the most frequent usage of the ambulance services.

Carl also stressed that from the 1990's through the past year, the EMS had been a totally self-funded organization, requiring no taxpayer support. However, with increased demand for the services and fewer volunteers to participate in the EMS, the cost of running the EMS was climbing while revenue supporting it was slowly

declining.

Picture above are, from left to right, Carl Matteson and Barbara LeMire, LRC President. LRC meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fun and fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont.



There is still room more exhibitors in the.....

The Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce invites you to show off your business at the Chamber Business Show 2019. The 2019 Business Show will be held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, 4-7pm at the Holiday Inn in Rutland.

Click here, don't miss your opportunity to promote your business at this well attended event. The Chamber's Annual Business Show is a great way to get in front of hundreds of potential customers and market your business to gain the



customers you need. This is an excellent networking opportunity and a good way to build business contacts.

New this year.....based on exhibitor feedback.....the first hour of the Business Show will be reserved for exhibitors to network.

The event is open to the public. There will be a \$5 admission fee. Parking and shuttle service are free. For more information call 802-773-2747 or email

**Okemo Valley Chamber Celebrates Ribbon Cutting Ceremony with
 New Member:
 Jenkins Builders**

Okemo Valley, VT: The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce (OVRCC) recently celebrated one of its more recent members, **Jenkins**

Builders of Mount Holly Vermont, with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

Jenkins Builders is a family owned and operated full service contractor business serving Southern Vermont. They specialize in high-end residential renovations and additions. Their services include:

- Remodeling kitchens, bathrooms, master suites and more.
- They provide fire and water restoration services as well.
- They also provide low maintenance outdoor decks and fencing solutions.

Jenkins Builders offers full service building and maintenance solutions. To learn more, go to their website at www.jenkinsbuild.com.

The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is a member driven business association serving 11 communities in South Central Vermont including Ludlow, Plymouth, Shrewsbury, Mount Holly, Cavendish, Weathersfield, Chester, Andover, Weston, Londonderry and Grafton. The region is known as a 4-season recreational destination home to Okemo Mountain Resort and the Scenic Route 100 Byway.

Not yet a member of the OVRCC? Interested in joining like Jenkins Builders? Businesses can easily sign up to be a new member right online on the chamber's website here:

<https://www.yourplaceinvermont.com/join-the-chamber/online-application/>

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce, www.yourplaceinvermont.com 802-228-5830



Black River Independent School Talks to Ludlow Rotary



Members of the Black River Independent School Committee (BRISC) spoke to the Ludlow Rotary Club (LRC) recently at its weekly luncheon at DJ's Restaurant. The committee is in the process of creating an independent 7-12 school, called Black River Academy, that will replace the existing Black River Middle and High School scheduled to cease operations in June, 2020. The BRISC representatives noted that their current focus is on fund-raising so that they may open in the fall semester following the close of the public school. They noted that area towns are eligible for school choice which means that the new school will be able to earn tuition dollars for students, thus

providing a smooth transition from the current public school to Black River Academy. As for the location of the new academy, it is the hope of BRISC that they may use the existing high school facility augmented by use of the Ludlow Community Center for physical education and cafeteria purposes. The vision of BRISC is "to keep the education of our children local and lead Black River Academy into a sustainable future". Picture above are, from left to right, Suzanne Garvey, LRC; Marissa Selleck, BRISC Treasurer; John Bannon, BRISC Co-chair; Suzy Buckley, BRISC; Jill Tofferi, LRC; and Mary Crowley, LRC President. LRC meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fun and fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont. Ralph Pace



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PLUMBING, HEATING, A/C — REPAIR AND NEW CONSTRUCTION

VTrans and Pike Industries to Address Area On Status of Route 103, April 1 in Ludlow

Through the efforts of Logan Nicoll, the Rutland-Windsor-2 representative in the Vermont House, representatives of VTrans, the Agency of Transportation, along with key individuals from Pike Industries, will appear in the Heald Auditorium at Ludlow's Town Hall, on Monday, April 1 from 6 to 8 PM, to discuss the status of Route 103.

The Route 103 paving project was left incomplete last year creating a number of driving problems. The key issues resulting from this, according to Nicoll, are: "Large sections that lack proper lane markings, new pavement becoming dislodged and peeling up in areas where the paving was completed with temperatures below recommended road construction levels, large sections of the project that were left scarified through the winter, and poorly designed line painting at intersections that lead to traffic inadvertently driving in the wrong lane, most notably at the intersection of Route 103 and Route 131"

Based on current projections, the Route 103 paving project will have to be completed during the coming paving season. It remains to be seen as to how much of the paving done last year will have to be removed.

According to Nicoll, VTrans will be represented by Wayne Symonds, Director and Chief Engineer of the Highway Department, and Jerry Reed, Construction Engineer. Other VTrans people may also participate. As of press time, it is not known who will represent Pike Industries. However, Nicoll was advised by VTrans that Pike will send senior management who have oversight of paving in Vermont.

Nicoll, who represents Ludlow, Mt Holly, and Shrewsbury in the Vermont House, stated that this will be "an opportunity for VTrans and Pike Industries to explain the paving project this past summer/fall and what their current plans are for this summer. There will be an explanation of the current situation to answer the most common questions I have heard from around our district with sometime after for public questions."

The meeting is open to all interested persons. There will be a question period following the VTrans presentation. For information, call 802-

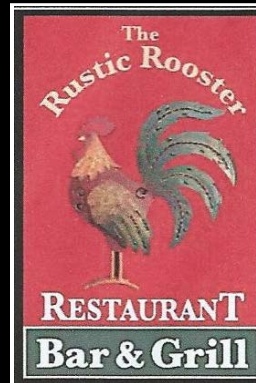


When: Saturday April 6th at 11 a.m.
Where: Mount Holly School Cafeteria

Tickets are \$25 and come with everything you need to complete this 16 by 20 painting!
Coffee, tea, and pastries from The Vermont Croissant Ile will also be provided.

A limited amount of tickets will be sold,
ticket sales end March 30th
Please contact Morgan at morganskiathitis@gmail.com
or visit the 6th grade classroom to purchase tickets!

All proceeds benefit the Mount Holly 6th grade class trip to Camp Keewaydin!



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MEETING BALLOT - MARCH 5, 2019

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: To vote for a person whose name is printed on the ballot, mark a cross (X) in the square at the right of that person's name. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the person's name on the blank line in the appropriate block and mark a cross (X) in the square at the right.

For Town Moderator for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE ANDREW TANGER <u>267</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For Town Grand Juror for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE PAUL FAENZA <u>258</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For Town Clerk for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE SUSAN C. COVALLA <u>282</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For Trustee of Public Funds for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE DAVID H. JOHNSON <u>255</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For Town Treasurer for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE DAVID H. JOHNSON <u>266</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For Cemetery Commissioner for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE DENNIS DEVEREUX <u>271</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For Selectman for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE PETER BERGER <u>125</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For First Constable for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE PAUL FAENZA <u>258</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For Lister for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE JENNIFER MATTHEWS <u>248</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For Delinquent Tax Collector for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE PETER PERRINO <u>253</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
For Auditor for 3 years Vote for not more than ONE TIFFANY NORTON <u>243</u> Write-In... <input type="checkbox"/>	For Town Agent for 1 year Vote for not more than ONE KRISTOPHER COVALLA <u>266</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	For LMHUUSD School Board for 3 years Vote for not more than TWO CHRISTOPHER GARVEY, Ludlow <u>172</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	(KATHERINE (KATIE) HOLLEBEEK, Mt Holly) <u>250</u> Write-In... <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Town Meeting Results
1058 Registered Voters and
293 Voted
Photos by
Joe Hammond



Article 9
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$8,735, for Community and Social Services, to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 188 NO ☐ 95

Article 10
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$3,000, for Black River Area Community Coalition (BRACC) to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 181 NO ☐ 104

Article 11
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote to fund the Afterschool Program at the Mount Holly School in the amount of \$6,500, in FY2020, to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 198 NO ☐ 86

Article 12
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$650, for the Okemo Valley TV, to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 151 NO ☐ 133

Article I
(School Warning) Shall the voters of the River Valley Technical Center School District approve the sum of \$2,787,913, to defray current expenses for the ensuing fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, and to pay outstanding orders and obligations?
YES ☒ 165 NO ☐ 113

Article I
(School Warning) Shall the voters of Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District, approve the School Board of Directors to expend \$7,380,848, for the ensuing fiscal year?
YES ☒ 165 NO ☐ 116

Article II
(School Warning) Shall the voters of Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District authorize the School Board of Directors to move money into escrow to pay the balance of the outstanding bond at Black River High School in the amount of \$136,256.7?
YES ☐ 168 NO ☐ 112

Article 3
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote the following budget for fiscal year 2019-2020 to be raised by tax?
A. General Fund 236 YES ☒ NO ☐ \$402,350.
B. Highway Fund (net) 238 YES ☒ NO ☐ \$365,100.

Article 4
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$30,850, for the Grader lease payment fund and \$65,000, for the Asset / Equipment fund for a total of \$95,850 to be raised by tax for the fiscal year 2019-2020, for future capital expenditures?
YES ☒ 234 NO ☐ 52

Article 5
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote to the Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. an operating budget of \$55,500 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, and lease purchase payment of \$45,000, for a total of \$100,500 to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 245 NO ☐ 41

Article 6
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote to the Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc. for the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget, to be raised by tax?
A. General Budget Fund YES ☒ 251 NO ☐ 36 \$15,000.
B. Vehicle & Equipment Replacement Fund YES ☒ 227 NO ☐ 51 \$15,000.

Article 7
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$12,000 for the Mount Holly Town Library, to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 200 NO ☐ 85

Article 8
(Town Warning) Does the Town vote \$2,000, for the Mount Holly Chit Chat, to be raised by tax?
YES ☒ 236 NO ☐ 49

Leave Your Dust to Us Cleaners of Mount Holly

Dust is the enemy! Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce (OVRCC) celebrates a ribbon cutting with new member Leave Your Dust to Us Cleaners of Mount Holly.

Left to right: Carol Lighthall OVRCC Executive Director, Leave Your Dust to Us Co-owners Carol Palmer & Janet Farrington, and Diane Stockton-Breese OVRCC Member Services Director.



NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

By: Senator Alice Nitka

While many innovative changes are taking place around our state one can look out of the State House front windows and see the tall ancient smokestack that has served the capital complex for generations. Cord wood, oil and wood chips were burned in the old boiler with the material coming in by train to the siding or by trucks. The new biomass -fired boiler burns wood chips and heats the surrounding state buildings as well as downtown Montpelier. The same stack is still being used. We used wood in the "old days" and we are still using locally sourced wood or at least nearby today. I was reminded of all of this when I noticed a wood chip hauling truck trying to turn into the driveway which is directly across from the State House. Interestingly, in the same line of sight were our electric charging stations with four cars attached. The electric car also has an old history that might match that of the smokestack as in 1900, thirty-eight per cent of the cars on the road were powered by electricity.

Another old Vermont product, Hemp, is making a big comeback and in a report from the Dept. of Agriculture, there were 450 registered farmers growing hemp as fiber, food/forage and oil seed crops. There are approximately 3000 acres devoted to hemp. The largest grower I'm aware of is in Rutland County and plants 275 acres. The conversion of hay and corn fields to hemp fields is expected to increase due to the explosion in popularity of cannabidiol products. These products better known CBDs are legal and don't have the same properties as marijuana. They are frequently used to treat arthritis, insomnia and many other maladies. Their users report finding relief. One can find them sold in local stores now that hemp is legal under the federal 2018 farm bill. The new state Agriculture and Environmental Laboratory which was recently completed on the campus of Vermont Technical College in Randolph is set up to do testing of hemp products for safety and content. They will also be able to test medical marijuana for the medical dispensaries.

The Agency of Agriculture's budget was presented to the Appropriations Committee this week. Proposed spending is \$26,485,000 and covers all divisions from farming to food safety to weights and measures, (accuracy of store scales, gas pumps, etc.), to animal health to the expensive clean water initiatives. The Agency isn't as high profile as it was in the past when we had more dairy farms but there is a great appreciation for Vermont products and the agency now promotes all types of farming in addition to dairy.

Consider visiting your State House and listen to testimony in the committees. Contact me at home at 802-228-8432 or the State House at 1-800-322-5616 or anitka@leg.state.vt.us I am able to read all of your e-mails and appreciate you sending them, however the volume received makes it impossible to respond to all of them.

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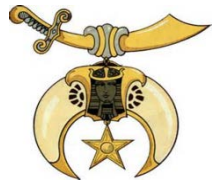
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Community Health Clinics

April Blood Pressure/Foot Care Clinics

Wednesday, 04/03/2019,	Wallingford, Wallingford House,	10:30am
Thursday, 04/04/2019,	Rutland, Parker House,	10am
Thursday, 04/04/2019,	Rutland, Bardwell House,	12:30pm
Wednesday, 04/24/2019,	Rutland, Godnick Adult Center,	12:30pm

The cost of the foot clinic is \$10. Please contact 802.770.1536 to find a clinic near you. No appointment necessary.

Cholesterol Screening: Wednesday, 04/03/2019, Rutland, Rutland office of VNAHSR, 8:30am

The cost is \$30. Call 802.770.1536 for more information.

Bereavement Support Meetings: Rutland – Every Tuesday at 6pm at Grace Congregational Church. The Reverend Andrew Carlson, office chaplain for the Rutland VNAHSR office, will facilitate. Call 802.770.1613 for more information.

Bereavement support meetings are free and open to the public.

Ostomy Support Meeting: The Vermont Ostomy support meeting will be held Saturday, April 13th from 10:30am - noon at the VNA & Hospice of the Southwest Region, 7 Albert Cree Drive, Rutland. For more information contact Kate Lawrence, MSN, RN, CWOCN, ET/WOC NURSE at 802.770.1682 or email kate.lawrence@vnahsr.org.



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Mount Holly Chit Chat Inc., 3379 Shunpike Rd., Mount Holly, VT 05758

The Mount Holly Chit Chat, a membership organization, has been incorporated as a non-profit organization in the State of Vermont, dedicated to providing all members of the Mount Holly community with information on Town events and issues. Membership is open to anyone who lives in, works in, or owns property in Mount Holly and who has made an annual membership donation. Membership donations help bring the Chit Chat to you every month.

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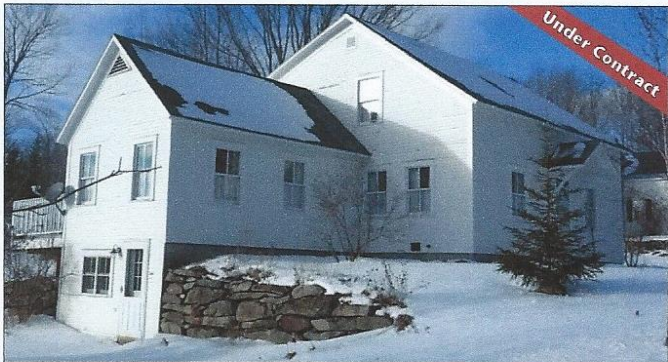
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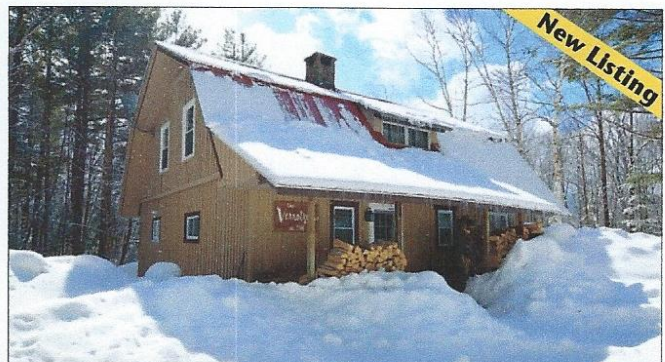
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BELMONT **MLS: 4716959** **\$249,000**

Carefully Rebuilt Post & Beam Antique Cape. 3 bed/3 bath sunny Village home with large deck, finished basement and sauna. This home is much larger than it looks! Walk to Star Lake, snowmobile right from your home.



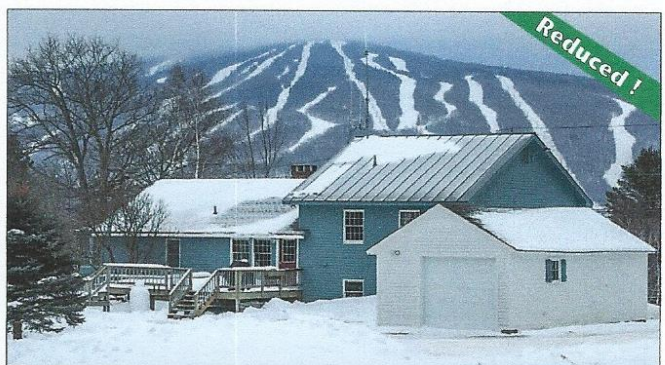
MOUNT HOLLY **MLS: 4738826** **\$269,900**

Live Life In Your Cabin In The Woods! 3/4 bedrooms, new kitchen, open floor plan, beautiful pine floors, plus additional Guest Cabin - all on 4 acres. Walk to Village of Belmont and Star Lake - 15 minutes to Okemo.



WALLINGFORD **MLS: 4739441** **\$499,000**

1800's 4 bed/5 bath Farmhouse including 1-bedroom in-law apartment. High quality renovation and views to the South and West. 2-car garage and 3-stall horse barn on this 21 acre parcel. Located close to Ludlow & Manchester.



LUDLOW **MLS: 4704089** **\$449,000**

Country Home with Views of Okemo Trails. 3 bed/4 bath South-facing home located just minutes from Okemo. Oversized garage and garden shed are placed nicely on this open 1 acre lot.

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Rev Thomas Mosher 228-3451

Belmont Village Baptist Church-Worship 9:30am, Coffee Hour 10:30

Pastor Glenn Davis vbch.weebly.com 259-2440

E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10 am, Worship 11 am, 6:30 pm

Pastor Kevin Miner www.ewbaptist.com 259-2831

First Baptist Church, Wallingford, SS 11am Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm

Pastor Dave Bentley 446-2020

Lighthouse Independent Baptist Church, Rutland SS 11am & 3pm

Until May 11am & 6pm 779-0300

Ludlow Baptist Church, 9:30 am SS, 10:30 am Music Fellowship,

11 am WS, 6:30 pm Evening PS, Wed 6:30 pm PM & BS

Pastor Jerry Scheumann jfscheumann@gmail.com 603-439-0803

St. Patrick's, Wallingford, Mass Sat 4 pm, Sun 10 am

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Shrewsbury Library, Cuttingsville 259-2803

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Smith Maple Crest Farm, Grass-Fed Beef Cuts Fresh/Frozen 492-2151
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Clifford Funeral Home 773-3010

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