

# Mount Holly Chit Chat

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March 2013

**Village Baptist Church** – Worship 9:30am, Pastor Glenn Davis 259-2440

**E. Wallingford Baptist** – SS 10:00 am – Worship 11:00 am Evening 6:30 pm Phone 259-2831 [www.ewbaptist.com](http://www.ewbaptist.com)

**St. Patrick's Mass**, Wallingford Sat 4 pm Sun 9:15 am Rev Justin Baker, Pastor & Rev James Dodson, Parochial Vicar Phone 446-2161

**Annunciation 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

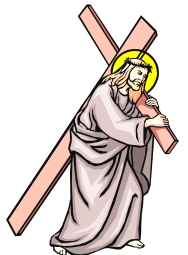
**Transfer Site: Sat. 8 am – 2 pm & Sun. 9 am – 12 pm**

1 <sup>st</sup>		<i>Peace Corps Founded 1961</i>	
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station	<i>Alexander Graham Bell 1847</i>	7:00 pm
		<i>"Star Spangled Banner" Made US National Anthem 1931</i>	
	V.F.W. Post #10155 meeting, Route 103, Ludlow		7:00 pm
4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Annual Mt. Holly School District Meeting</b> , Mt. Holly School Gym		7:00 pm
	<b>Annual Mt. Holly Town Meeting</b> , Mt. Holly School Gym		7:30 pm
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>VOTE</b> , Mt. Holly Town Office	Poles Open 10:00 am -	7:00 pm
	Annual Un #39 Reorganizational Meeting, BRHS Library		7:30 pm
6 <sup>th</sup>	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library	<i>Michelangelo di Lodovico 1475</i>	7:00 pm
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Hare/Rabbit Season Ends ~ Daylight Savings Begins</i>	
11 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	<i>Spring Snow Goose Season</i>	7:00 pm
12 <sup>th</sup>	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>Girl Scouts Founded 1912</i>	9:00 am
	Selectmen's meeting, Town Office		7:30 pm
	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mount Holly Grange		7:30 pm
	Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station		7:00 pm
	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
	Mt. Holly PTC Meeting, Mt. Holly School Library		3:00 pm
14 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Crow Season ~ Albert Einstein 1879</i>	
15 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Walleye Season Ends Ice Fishing for Trout, Salmon &amp; Bass Ends</i>	
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup>		<i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	
18 <sup>th</sup>	Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office		7:30 pm
19 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations		7:00 pm
20 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Muskrat Hunting Season ~ Vernal Equinox/Spring Begins</i>	
	Mt. Holly School Board, MH School		7:00 pm
	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont		7:00 pm
21 <sup>st</sup>	Two Rivers Supervisory Union Transition Board Meeting, Ludlow Elementary Gym		6:30 pm
22 <sup>nd</sup>		<i>Civil Rights March 1965</i>	
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>		<i>National Diabetes Alert Day</i>	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building		7:00 pm
26 <sup>th</sup>	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		9:00 am
	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
	Mason Meeting, Mt. Moriah Lodge, E. Wallingford		8:00 pm
27 <sup>th</sup>	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
	Two Rivers Supervisory Union Transition Board Meeting, RWSU Superintendents Office		5:15 pm
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup>		<i>Muskrat &amp; Beaver Trapping Season Ends ~ Easter</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	773-9159
Mount Holly Rescue Squad	775-3133 or	911	Game Warden – Greg Eckhardt	802-875-2112 773-9101
Mount Holly Constable Paul Faenza	259-4100	802-786-4404	Health Officer - Frank Bickford	259-2885
Animal Control For Mt. Holly <a href="mailto:mhconstable@yahoo.com">mhconstable@yahoo.com</a>		802-786-4404	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](mailto:chitchat@vermontel.net) Check out Mt. Holly Web Site [www.mounthollyvt.org](http://www.mounthollyvt.org)

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**March Anniversaries:** 3<sup>rd</sup> -Jerome & Natalie Brown (51) 5<sup>th</sup> -Matt & Eleanor Nowosad. 14<sup>th</sup> -George & Sue Covalla. 26<sup>th</sup> -Raymond & Linda Tarbell.

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](mailto:chitchat@vermontel.net) or call me at 802-259-2314.

## Local Post Office Hours

### Mount Holly 802-259-2796

Post Master:

Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 10:00 am  
& 2:45 pm – 4:45 pm  
Sat 7:30 am – 10:30 am

### Belmont 802-259-2790

Post Master: Jane Hill

Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 12:00 pm  
& 1:30 pm – 4:45 pm  
Sat 8:00 am – 10:45 am

### East Wallingford 802-259-2829

Post Master: Lynnette Devereux

Mon – Fri 7:00 am – 12:30 pm  
& 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm  
Sat 7:00 am – 10:00 pm

### Cuttingsville/Shrewsbury 802-492-3585

Post Master: Barbara Perkins

Mon – Fri 8:00 am – 11:00 am  
& 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm  
Sat 8:00 am – 10:30 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

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

2<sup>nd</sup> -Doris Nelson \* Donald Reiser \* Nicole Reiser. 3<sup>rd</sup> -

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## Update on Randy Bixby!

Howdy!

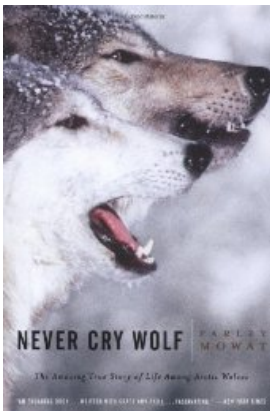
Once again I have gotten MANY requests on an update about my father, but I have been so busy I haven't been able to do so. My father came home on the 5th, though I felt and still do feel he wasn't exactly ready to come home it had been a month and he was sick of the hospital. It took a lot to get him inside, but with the help of many people we were able to do it. Now with the help of all the visiting nurses and many other people, my dad is once again on a very slow recovery. I would once again like to thank each and every one of you for all your support, all your thoughts and prayers. It really did help keep strong and positive. Thank you for all the cards that were sent to my father, and those who visited him while he was in the hospital. It really did make my Dad feel better, and I feel like it made him feel stronger and able to keep going. It is great to see how many people truly do come together to help out people who are sick or in need. It defiantly warms my heart knowing that there are so many supportive people out there. Thank you so much! :)

**P.S.** I would like to inform you all that my father is back in the hospital, he was home for ten days and then he started falling downhill. We don't know why this happened but it did. He is now in the Springfield hospital making another recovery.

Hopefully it will be much faster than last time, praying for the best. ~ Leslie Bixby

**Note, Following Address to send a card to Randy:**

Lawrence Bixby, 723 Summit Road, Mt. Holly, VT 05758



### The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group is reading Never Cry Wolf this month by Farley Mowat. The meeting is March 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at Minga Dana's, 1040 Straight Road, Belmont. Please call Minga at 259-2471 with any questions.

Happy Spring to everyone.

### Zumba at Mount Holly School Gym

Do you think exercising is boring? Well come and have some fun, and feel good! Join us for a latin-inspired, easy to follow, calorie burning, dance-fitness party. Feel the music and let loose! Wednesday evenings at 5:30pm with licensed Zumba instructor Brigid Faenza. Sessions are running until mid June. It's only \$45.00 for a six session punch card or \$10.00 for walk-ins. Bring a group of friends and a water bottle. For more information give Brigid a call at 259-4100 or email [bakerbrigid@vermontel.net](mailto:bakerbrigid@vermontel.net).



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## Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations



Settings Start 5:00 pm  
At



**The Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont**  
**All You Can Eat - Served Home Style**  
**Adults \$10 - Children 11 and Under \$5**

April 27 <sup>th</sup>	MHVFD Ladies Auxiliary – Roast Pork
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Colfax Lodge – Baked Ham
June 15 <sup>th</sup>	MHVFD - Roast Beef
July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Odd Fellows - Chicken BBQ 11:30 am
	Town Parade also that day Step off at 10:00 am
July 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mt. Moriah Masons - Baked Ham
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Odd Fellows - Roast Pork
August 31 <sup>st</sup>	Historical Museum - Baked Ham
Sept. 21 <sup>st</sup>	MH Rescue Squad – Roast Port
October 12 <sup>t</sup>	MHCA - Roast Beef
October 26 <sup>th</sup>	Gill Odd Fellows Home – Baked Ham



**Take Outs Available With All Dinners**

# **Apply Now for a Sponsorship to Camp**

## **ALFRED CROWLEY MEMORIAL KAMP FOR KIDS PROGRAM**

The Mount Holly Odd Fellows Colfax Lodge #21 invites you to submit an application for sponsorship to a camp of your choice this summer. If you live in Mount Holly and meet camp requirements, fill out an application. Based on community support of the Cow Flop Contest last July 4<sup>th</sup>, we can select up to four of you for camp this year!!! Applications will be at Mount Holly School and Belmont Store.

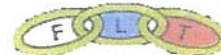
Applications must be submitted by April 1, 2013 to: Mount Holly Odd Fellows, P.O. Box 172, Belmont, VT 05730

### **Attention Dog Owners**

All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed by April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013. In order to obtain a license, a rabies certificate must be presented to the Town Clerk, along with the required fee. Owners of dogs found to be unlicensed will be notified in person or by registered mail that they have seven working days to obtain a proper license and a rabies certificate. If after that period the dog remains unlicensed, the town may issue a warrant to impound the dog, and cause it to be humanely destroyed and disposed of at the owner's expense.

The owners of any dog found running at large will be given a written notice to confine the dog on their property. If the dog is found running at large after notice has been given, or if the owner is unknown, the dog will be impounded. The owner will be entitled to reclaim any impounded dog upon compliance with the licensing requirements, and payment of impoundment fees within seven legal working days (\$35.00, plus board or any other costs incurred). After seven days the dog will be transported to the Rutland County Humane Society for adoption.

## **Colfax Lodge #21**



## **Mount Holly Odd Fellows ALFRED CROWLEY MEMORIAL KAMP FOR KIDS PROGRAM**

### **Application For Selection**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BOY/GIRL: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NO: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_

### **REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Applicant must be a resident of Mount Holly and meet camp requirements.
2. Please attach signed letter describing why you would like to be sponsored for a one-week stay at a Vermont summer camp.
3. What camp would you like to attend?

\_\_\_\_\_ Week \_\_\_\_\_

4. You should submit a letter of recommendation from a parent or teacher.

**Mail To: Mount Holly Odd Fellows  
P.O. Box 172  
Belmont, VT 05730  
ATTN: Kids Kamp Committee**

Parent or Legal Guardian **MUST SIGN HERE:**

X \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please note that our financial assistance per child cannot exceed \$150.00. Any over and above costs are parents' responsibility. Additional applications can be obtained at the Belmont Store. Applications must be submitted by **April 1, 2013**. Selections will be made and those selected will be notified.

**For more information call Harold Chadburn 259-3665.**

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# Travelin'

## Clothing & Accessories



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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.

For more information please refer to the Mount Holly Dog Ordinance or 20V.S.A. Section 3581. Paul Faenza, Animal Control Officer

### **Mount Holly Neighborhood Watch**

Greetings to all Mount Holly residents, second homeowner and interested parties:

Our neighborhood watch has grown to over fifty members. We noticed an increase in daytime burglaries around the beginning of the year, but that has dropped off significantly since the second week of January. Thanks to everyone for reporting suspicious activity, and being diligent in watching their neighbor's property, especially those that are second homes. I attended the Rutland County Community Advisory Board recently which was hosted by Lt. Cacciatore of the State Police. Daytime burglaries are occurring throughout the county, and there have been some arrests. Lt. Cacciatore stressed the need for more community involvement, and spoke of our efforts here in Mount Holly.

I have looked into the cost of obtaining Neighborhood Watch signs; there are several vendors, with signs averaging about \$35.00 apiece. I would like to schedule a follow up meeting in March or early April. I should have a date by town meeting, look for the flyers. Anyone can join the group; please send an email to [mhconstable@yahoo.com](mailto:mhconstable@yahoo.com).

Please continue to report suspicious activity in a timely fashion, and thanks for your continued support. Paul Faenza, Mount Holly Constable





## My Dad's Windmill

"I bet I can build a windmill for the house. Wouldn't it be great to see by the light of a bulb rather than that old candle? What do you think, Mom?" asked 14 year old Richard H Dawley while his mother lay in bed at the Red Cross Clinic building on the Rutland Fairgrounds, Rutland, VT. He went on, "Well, I wonder what the city of Rutland is gonna do now that the parts have arrived. Don't they want wind power? I agree it will really be an eye soar atop that beautiful Grandpa's Knob. Well, I'm gonna walk up to North Main Street Extension to get a better look at it! Don't worry; I'll be with Uncle Roy and Aunt Margaret at her parent's house."

His mother, Flora Williams Dawley, returned home but he and his Uncle Roy would drive to Rutland almost every day to keep tract of the progress as the turbine debates continued.

He and his uncle were amazed at the monstrosity of those pieces. The blades alone filled the flatbeds. Those massive wind turbine parts were secured to the trucks awaiting their trip up to Grandpa's Knob. He had never seen such a caravan!

Richard's father, Harry G Dawley was a little leery about this new fangled invention his only son wanted to make. But; strong-minded Richard was determined to try with the help of his uncle. He lived with his uncle in Claremont, NH during his high school years at Stevens High which gave him the opportunity to get things going. Roy was a professional cabinet maker who also loved to build and fix small motors and clocks. Roy taught and inspired Richard's love

of electricity and repairing motors.

Roy constructed a beautiful, hard wood box to encase a generator Richard rebuilt. Bill Garrow, Sr had given him that old generator from a hup-mobile. Gunner Hill whittled out the spruce fins using an ax. It became a neighborhood project!

The next thing Richard had to do was to find a suitable place where strong winds would complete his venture. High atop a tall, sturdy spruce tree, quite far from the house, proved to be the best spot. He lightheartedly remembers how his father was a "little mad" when he found out the top of the tree was to be cut off. "You'll kill it for sure!" muttered his dad as he walked away in dismay.

The newly constructed project was securely anchored to the old tree trunk with an electrical wire running all the way to the bottom where an old battery awaited to be charged. Richard remembers the wind blowing and seeing the fins turning at high speed before he had even climbed down. Family and friends were just as excited as he was to see that little box with the spinning propellers!

When the battery was fully charged he carried it to his little workshop off the kitchen where he connected it to a small panel he had constructed. Finally, the wires he had run through the house were electrified! It produced enough amps for a camper/trailer size bulb to give off about 50- 100 watts. His battery would run up to 6 volts!

He remembers his dad being pretty happy to read by that light. It brightly shone while he wrote in his family diary each night. Having only one bulb meant moving it from room to room as needed. Every night, Richard would bring the battery back to the tree to be recharged.

His only wish was that his mom had lived to see his dream come true. Cancer took her just before it was finished the fall he started high school.

That windmill stayed in tack over 4 years until a hurricane destroyed it while Richard was away fighting in WWII. When he returned from the war he was happy to hear that electricity had finally made it to his hometown of Mt Holly. But to his surprise, there wasn't any electricity on his farm, though. Well, it just so happens when Central Vermont came to connect the Dawley farm his dad told them, "No, Richie do it when he gets home from the war."

So, that is how it was told to me one beautiful, sunny morning sitting at the long wooden table in the kitchen. At 87 years young, my dad loves to reminisce about his life on the family farm that was settled back in 1767. Being a 7<sup>th</sup> generation Dawley he has so many more to tell me. It is my pleasure to share this one with you. Love you, dad☺

A seventh generation Dawley, Richard proudly leans between Perry Green Dawley (2<sup>nd</sup> generation) and his wife, Dorcas' tombstones. Two of his great grandchildren, Dylan and Samuel Bearce were with him on that day as he pointed out the many, many stones of his ancestors.

Lovingly written by his daughter, 8<sup>th</sup> generation Dawley, Susan Flora Dawley LeBlanc who lives in the heart of Vermont's Northeast Kingdom where over 40 wind turbines reside on two mountain ridges.





## WE NEED YOUR VOTE

### Please vote YES on Article 10

The Black River Area Community Coalition (BRACC) supports the After School Program at the Mount Holly School and Girls on the Run. We support a SADD chapter at Black River High School, Host an After Prom Event, Teach Project Alert (a drug prevention program) to Middle School students, Host the Summer Youth Leadership Program, Teach Internet Safety to children and adults; offer community dialogues, parent workshops and elementary school tobacco programs (VKAT). You might not be familiar with our name, but many Mount Holly children have participated in our programs.

**Help us to continue serving the Mount Holly Community.**

### Summer Camp Decision for Mt. Holly Voters (DRAFT)

Mt. Holly voters are being asked to authorize an expenditure to help fund an innovative summer camp for teens. Camp Quest



is modeled after a highly successful program run by Rotarians in New Hampshire. A video about their Camp Quest asked two challenging questions: First, what would you do if you knew some children's decision to drop out of school was made as early as middle school? Second, what would you do if you knew there was potentially something that you could do to stop that from happening?

Responding to this challenge, Rotarians met with key people running the NH camp, talked with kids at BRHS and consulted with school officials as well as the recreation department and others. Now the Ludlow Rotary has committed itself, its members and its money to help these vulnerable youngsters. They have already obligated over \$5,000 to funding the camp in addition to major operational and staffing manpower. BRHS 9th and 10th graders will be able to enroll in Camp Quest for an extraordinary summer of fun, achievement and accomplishment.

Town Meeting voters are asked to approve Australian ballot initiatives for expenditures \$5,000 in Mt. Holly (and up to \$20,000 in Ludlow) to help fund this camp. If approved, Camp Quest plans to operate tuition-free five days a week from June 24th to August 9th for upcoming 9th and 10th graders in BRHS.

This camping experience emphasizes personal responsibility, project-based learning, recreation and fun. "Project-based learning" means learning about the Black River's ecology while paddling a kayak on the river as one example. Other enrichment learning activities that could be offered are as varied as music, book discussion groups and learning to referee or coach various sports. BRHS students already identified over 60 camp activities that interested them!

To enroll, campers will be asked to sign an agreement covering personal behavior and commitment. The camp will provide life-long learning opportunities for young teens to keep them engaged academically over the summer, expose them to new experiences, and to help prepare them for adulthood by teaching practical skills. Adults in the community will be encouraged to join the Rotary members in teaching some of those skills over the summer.

If the ballot measure is passed in Ludlow but not in Mount Holly, Mount Holly youth will have to pay tuition (expected to be about \$85/week) to attend the camp. If the measure does not pass in Ludlow, there will not be a Camp Quest this summer and no Mount Holly funds will be expended. This camp is distinct and separate from the After School and the Ludlow Summer Recreation programs. Funding for those entities has no impact on the Camp Quest initiative.

The thrust of the camp is to promote responsibility and learning while engaging teenagers in safe and enjoyable summer activities, which are designed to stretch them by trying new experiences. For more information contact Frank Heald, Rotary Chairperson, at 228-2841 or [tmanager@tds.net](mailto:tmanager@tds.net).





## THE EPIC STORY OF LOVE, SACRIFICE AND HOPE

Our experience tells us that people do not return from the grave. At the heart of our desolation when death strikes is the awful certainty that in this life we will not see our loved ones again. We attend funerals to honor their memory and grieve our loss, but we don't expect to be greeted at the door by the person who has died.

In light of that, it shouldn't seem surprising that Jesus' disciples were reluctant to believe that He had risen from the dead. Following the testimony of the women who'd seen an angel, an empty tomb, and Jesus Himself, "the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but *some doubted*."

Among those closest to Christ, who'd heard His remarkable teaching and witnessed His powerful miracles, some doubted that Jesus was actually alive again. Their honest doubts soon turned to joy and hope as they embraced the reality of their risen Lord.

What do we doubt about Jesus or the Bible today? Does our experience tell us that our past mistakes, present struggles, or future prospects can't be changed? As we anticipate Easter, let's take another look at the most remarkable events in human history, not only those that transpired that first resurrection weekend, but also the amazing scarlet thread that runs throughout the Bible which prepared the world for the sacrifice and return of Christ. And if you're wondering about or wrestling with issues of faith, we invite you to look at the cross and see what eternal love looks like.

We also want to offer an invitation for you to experience *The Bible* like never before. For two hours each Sunday evening, beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup> on the History Channel, millions will see the Bible come to life. This epic five-week series will conclude on Easter Sunday. We'd love to have you join us as we study the Bible with relevant messages that will parallel the miniseries and show you how much God really *does* love you. One look to Calvary can dispel your doubts.  
*Pastor Glenn*



*Join us for Free Easter Breakfast at 8:00 am  
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Two years ago, NeighborWorks instituted a contest among the towns in Rutland County. The town who achieved the highest number of winterization projects per capita won \$10,000 – and Mount Holly was the winner.

Efficiency Vermont has now used this model and has launched a *state-wide challenge* of weatherizing **3% of the homes** this year and 20% of the homes by 2020.

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## SUPPORT THE MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

Where is the one place all people in Mount Holly can come for inspiration, information, entertainment, and where they can easily explore new hobbies, careers, and share ideas? The answer is YOUR LIBRARY. The library is THE place that provides free books, DVDs, CDs, magazines, WI-FI, internet access, classes, and entertainment. We are a gathering place where families connect and friendships are made.

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## MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

### History of the Irish in Vermont - Visiting Speaker Vincent E. Feeney

On St. Patrick's Day, as we observe the festivities in places like Boston, New York and Chicago, it's easy to overlook the fact that at one time the Irish had a large presence in Vermont. On **Sunday, March 17th at 2 pm**, Vincent Feeney, Vermont author will speak on The Irish 'Wave' in the Green Mountains. Vincent Feeney is adjunct professor of history at the University of Vermont and is author of the book entitled **"FINNIGANS, SLATERS, AND STONEPEGGERS: A History of the Irish in Vermont"**. From the late 1840s and through the 1860s, thousands of Irish immigrants escaped the potato famine in their homeland and settled in Vermont. They arrived just as Vermont was undergoing a mini industrial revolution based on railroad construction, quarrying of slate and marble, and textile production.



Mr. Feeney will give a fascinating account of the little known details of the Irish in Vermont. Prior to the Great Famine in Ireland, there were few Irish in Vermont, and they were largely Protestants from Northern Ireland. This abruptly changed when the 'Famine Wave' hit the Green Mountains with the influx of mostly Catholic Irish. His talk will consider several notable incidents relating to the growth of the Irish population and influence in Vermont. How many came to the Green

Mountain State? What was life like for these immigrants? In 1870, fully 35% of Rutland's population was Irish born or the children of Irish immigrants. Join us for this worthwhile program. Spend part of your St. Patrick's Day with us and sample some Irish soda bread and Irish libations!!! *Éirinn go Brách!*

This program is sponsored by the Mount Holly Town Library and is made possible by support from the Vermont Humanities Council through its Speaker Bureau program. It is free, accessible to people with disabilities, and open to the public.

**BIG NEWS! Library Automation:** Yes, it is finally happening. We have begun the process of putting the library collection on a computer system called Library World a web-based library automation service. Many of you may not know that the library has never had a card catalog or system for keeping track of the collection. There are some very dedicated volunteers who are helping with the data entry of the collection. My appreciation and gratitude to Joan Bradley, Katy Crane, Sandy Diamond, Pat Teter, Gini Marconi, Nancy Connor and Carol DeVine. They are making great progress. These folks are giving many hours of their time to help us complete what we believe may be a year-long task. This has all been made possible with the guidance, supervision and project management of Marianne McGee. Thank you Marianne you are my strength.

**Jon Clinch:** Thanks to the Book Nook in Ludlow and Jon Clinch for joining forces with the library to host a great author program this past February. Jon gave us a peek into his writing process and the background of his three award winning books. Jon writes from his home in Plymouth and has just launched his latest book, *"The Thief of Auschwitz"*. After writing his previous book, *"Kings of the Earth"*, he took a bold step and decided to sever his relationship with his publisher, Random House, and self-publish. We all enjoyed his anecdotes and tales. All his books are available at the library. Come check one out!!

**Love to Write? Join the Writing Group:** Calling all writing enthusiasts! This is the opportunity for folks interested in writing to interact with other writers. The next meeting will be Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:15. The group meets the third Thursday of the month. If you are interested in sharing your writing and in giving and receiving inspiration and recommendations from other writers you would be a welcome addition to the group. Wherever you are on your journey, however far you still have to go, writers of all backgrounds share their work, giving and receiving feedback in an atmosphere of mutual support. The focus of the group is to encourage participants to keep writing. Linda Lampert, Mt. Holly resident, has agreed to facilitate the group but all participants will guide the group. Linda has taught a variety of writing classes, most recently, memoir writing so she is excited to be a part of a less structured exchange. This is a chance to be exposed to different genres and a diversity of writings and people you might never have met. Be challenged, challenge others with your work and soon you will realize that although we are different, we all have a lot in common. Join fellow writers March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:15.

**Easter Plant Sale:** Each year the Mt. Holly Library Volunteers hold a plant sale the Saturday of Easter weekend. We will be selling small potted grape hyacinths, daffodils and primrose. These hardy plants can go into your garden in the fall for years of enjoyment. For only \$4 they make a great Easter gift or the perfect way to bring a bit of spring cheer to someone. Be sure to stop by early....we sold out by noon last year. March 30th between 10 am and 1pm we will set up at the Belmont Store and Shaw's in Ludlow. Many thanks to Tina Cohen for supplying the plants to us.

**Spiffing Up the Library!** Keep on the look-out for two beautiful new chairs that have been ordered. We are replacing the old upholstered chairs with some new wingback chairs in the reading area of the library. Come in and sit a spell have a cup of coffee and read a book in this warm and welcoming place!

**Reminder of the WEEKLY and MONTHLY Programs at the Library – Mark Your Calendars!**

- **Playgroup - Birth to 5 year olds – Every Tuesday 10 am ~ Folk Club – Every Monday – 7 pm**
- **Acupuncture – Fourth Tuesday of each month – 6:30 pm ~ Writer's Group – Third Thursday of each month – 6:15 pm**
- **Middle East Study Group – Second Thursday of the Month – 6:00 pm**
- **Library Board Meeting – Third Wednesday of the month – 7 pm**

**Library Open Hours: Saturday 9 am to 1 pm ~ Sunday 2 to 4 pm ~ Monday 3 to 7 pm ~ Wednesday 3 to 7 pm Or by Appointment!**



## MESSAGE FROM MONTPELIER

Legislative Report from Rep. Dennis Devereux

For Ludlow, Mount Holly, and Shrewsbury

There are a number of bills being proposed that address every issue one can imagine. Over three hundred have already been released in the House with at least another hundred coming in the next several weeks. One of the most interesting tries to make changes to our education funding system. H.164 moves us to an education tax based on income and per-pupil spending per town, combined with a fixed statewide residential property tax. This proposal would lower the current base residential rate, and simplify our tax system with a flat statewide rate. Instead of adjusting the tax rate for local spending, the flat tax rate for homestead property would be the same as for nonresidential property. This would eliminate the need for income sensitivity and the rebate program. The education tax would be assessed on a formula that looks at per-pupil spending, the statewide base tax, and a person's federally adjusted gross income. Every town would bill properties in the same manner as they do now for nonresidential properties. The income tax rate would be adjusted based on the spending in each school district. Anything that simplifies our education funding system would be an improvement, and I hope this receives some consideration.

The Pension Forfeiture Bill easily passed the Vermont House. It applies to financial crimes committed by people who are members of any state-funded pension plans, which includes state and municipal employees, and teachers. Unfortunately, the legislation does not give the authority to reach back to take any pension funds that were gained prior to this bill taking effect. However, the court and district attorneys still have the ability to negotiate with offenders in the criminal prosecution process.

The emphasis of this bill is to return pension benefits contributed by the taxpayer back into our pension systems. Offenders would only be entitled to their contribution, and even that might be subject to forfeiture in any settlement. Our committee strongly agreed that we should not reward someone that abuses the system, or steals public money.

H.188 is a bill that would make the mammoth tusk and tooth that were excavated in Mount Holly in 1848 our official state co-fossil. While this may not sound very important with all of the serious work in front of us, I can assure you that it does not take much time or effort. In 1993 when the Charlotte Whale fossil was adopted as our state fossil, many of us felt that the Mount Holly mammoth tusk and tooth should receive equal recognition. The mammoth fossils were found a year before the whale fossil, and this mammal actually walked on the land. It is likely that the whale got confused and took a wrong turn, and got grounded on the shore of Lake Champlain. Both were discovered during the building of the railroad bed. The mammoth fossils are now on permanent loan to the Mount Holly Community Historical Museum in Belmont Village where they are proudly displayed. I hope this bill, important to the people of Mount Holly, will easily go through the process, and we can soon call the Mount Holly mammoth tusk and tooth our state's terrestrial fossil.

I hope you will contact me concerning the issues important to you. I can be reached with a message at 800-322-5616 or at [ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us).



### To The Voters of Mount holly

For those of you who did not see last month's chit-chat, I am Tim Martin, and I am running for select board. My family has lived in the area for 2 centuries, and we will be here for many more. With such a strong sense of home comes a strong sense of community, that is why I have chosen to serve on both the Planning Commission and Fire Department, and also why I seek the position of selectman.

My background consists of heavy equipment repair and operation as well as construction, a valuable asset I will bring to the board. I have found great satisfaction in serving this town whether it is fighting for the rights of the town's people, saving lives and property as a firefighter or fixing our roads and infrastructure after a catastrophe like Irene. I will bring that same enthusiasm and experience with my service on the select board.

As for my goals, I would like to see the town of Mount Holly, continue to be a safe place to raise a family, become a more affordable place to live through exploring new avenues to reduce or lower taxes, to ensure Mount Holly remains a place where the property owner holds the right to their land, and most importantly retain our strong community.

I ask and thank you for your vote on Tuesday, march 5<sup>th</sup>. Sincerely, Tim Martin

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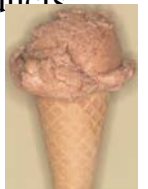
### March ~ Delights

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## NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

*By Senator Alice Nitka, Windsor County*

The week of January 27th was marked by many groups in the State House from all of the citizens who testified very respectfully re Death with Dignity to Ms. Heidi Baitz's 5th graders from Ludlow Elementary School who saw action on many fronts. Other groups in attendance ranged from anti industrial wind citizens to Bill McKibben of 350.org who in speaking about climate change called it, "the biggest challenge by far that humans have ever faced". What a contrast!

Hundreds of e-mails are being received regarding firearms, death and decriminalization of marijuana. All of the e-mails sent to me re GMOs got caught in the spam filter. Citizens feel passionately re these issues and I can't think of anyone I've heard from who is in the middle. It's impossible to respond to all of the communications.

An interesting event to see a local business in Websterville, VT Butter and Cheese after the Legislative closed for the day occurred. It was sponsored by VT Businesses for Social Responsibility and the company had recently expanded and will likely expand further due to the popularity of its award winning cheeses made from goats' milk. They have been in business since 1984 and at that time, one of the owners drove her pickup truck around to farmers who had a few goats collecting the milk. Today they have 48 employees and their own tank truck picking up milk. They could use more milk than is available. They thus are in the process of setting up their own goat farm in Randolph at a former dairy farm where they hope to assist and train other farmers who want to switch from cows to goats or start out with goats.

Senator Norm McAllister, a newly elected Senator from Highgate, (near the Canadian border), who formerly served in the House is a goat farmer who switched from cows to goats and is sending all of his milk to the Websterville plant. He and his wife Lena, operate Norm's Kidds as his wife calls their farm and according to Norm the switch was not as easy as he expected. They started out with about 500 goats and now are milking a little more than 100. There are approximately 250 more in various stages of development. He expects 40 to 60 kids to be born in about 6 weeks and they need maintenance when born in the cold as best I understand. Most goats have twin births. The management of a goat herd for milk purposes is complicated because of their reproductive cycle. Although Norm can sell all of the milk, it isn't so easy to find buyers for the meat. Since half of all the kids born are males and not of value for milk, he needs a source to purchase the meat. While VT has some ethnic populations who really appreciate goat meat, there is not enough of a population for him to make a profit. Last year, he was able to find a buyer on Craig's List who is located near an urban area and has a market for the meat. It's not easy being in the Legislature and trying to make a living farming at the same time; especially when the new kids arrive.

In the midst of the very serious Death with Dignity/Physician Assisted Suicide debate going on in the Senate, now in its third day, there was an eruption on the front steps of the State House of what seemed like a "flash mob". About forty women, many dressed in red for Valentine's Day suddenly arrived, danced in unison, sang, cheered and disappeared. The back drop for their performance was hundreds of Valentines on sticks that someone in the early hours of the morning had stuck in the snow on the steps of the venerable building. These women were demonstrating against domestic violence, I later learned.

The annual Sportsmen's meeting was held one evening this week in the cafeteria. It was well attended and a chance for legislators and sportsmen to mingle and discuss the various issues that are in the news. The deer herd is always a topic of interest, the fish hatcheries and this year legislation that has been introduced concerning guns. There was a lot to talk about.

Another meeting was taking place the same night in a room adjoining the cafeteria that had four of our judges being reviewed for their job performance. Judicial retention is occurring at this time of year and a total of eight judges are up for retention. This occurs for each judge every six years. As Vermont's judges are not elected, (with the exception of our Probate and Assistant Judges), the legislature thus reviews their work and then votes whether to continue the judges in their positions. This includes reviewing the Supreme Court Justices who are also subject to the same process. It would be extremely rare for a judge not to be retained however there can be recommendations for judges to improve their skills in certain areas. This year judges seeking retention are: William Cohen, James Crucitti, Robert Gerety, Kathleen Manley, Timothy Tomasi, Barbara Zander and Thomas Zonay. A new judge appointed from our area is Kevin Griffin who is going through a different Senate process before he takes the bench.

With sugaring season fast approaching for most sugar makers, (I know some have started already) the issue of grading of syrup has come up again; actually it never went away. Joint Senate Resolution 14, is currently pending in the Senate. The resolution supports the Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets proposal to adopt an administrative rule to implement international maple grading standards in Vermont. All syrup sold by retail would carry a Grade A label and then be further described by a color and flavor description such as, "golden color and delicate taste". There is a plan to phase in the grades but the change is still controversial. Vermont, incidentally is the largest maple producer in the US and had approximately 3.3 million taps put out in 2012.

Our Legislative Pages, 8th graders who are chosen in a competitive process to work at the State House for six week sessions have been extremely busy delivering messages to lawmakers. If they were wearing pedometers, I'm sure they would be doing 5 or 6 miles a day inside the building. Wearing their green jackets and gray pants predominately, they are a pleasant group to have around, very polite and more confident every day they are here. It's not easy to learn the faces of 180 lawmakers and to distinguish some of them from one another as there are many with gray hair and glasses. Additionally many don't look at all like their bio photos in the Legislative ID book, since many have used photos from when they were younger, might have changed the color of their hair, lost hair, gotten glasses or gained the freshman fifteen with all the sitting and listening one must do.

The Pages are carrying fistfuls of messages these days about Death with Dignity or Patient Assisted Suicide as others call the proposed bill. There are phone trees being conducted around the state it would seem as the calls are all from one town or area and



then move to another town. This week the majority of calls were from citizens who opposed the bill. There are so many messages coming in that it is impossible to get back to all the callers. I appreciate people letting me know their opinions on this matter which is a divisive one for the public and legislators as well. Many persons have shared very personal stories and while other persons may have experienced similar situations, their conclusions for possible legislation have been very different. It is expected that there will be a vote on the Senate floor the week of Feb. 11th. Should the bill pass, it will go on the House to be reviewed there, possibly changed and voted on again. There would need to be a "true up" between the two bodies if they pass different bills. If the bill receives a "no" vote in the Senate, that will be the end of the bill.

At this time, we're a month into the session and approximately 225 bills have been introduced in the House and close to 100 in the Senate. Many more have been requested and the drafters who put the bills into legal language are swamped with requests. A sampling of some of the bills already proposed in addition to the budget, transportation and capitol bills are ones dealing with prescription drug monitoring, stream alternation, health care, energy, wind towers, beverage taxes, GMOs, mental health, child pornography, fire fighters, pre- kindergarten, elections, automated license plate readers, economic development, gun issues, marijuana, land lord tenant and on and on. Some of these bills will never see the light of day while others may develop into laws.

Contact me at home at 228-8432, the State House at 1-800-322-5616 or [anitka@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:anitka@leg.state.vt.us) or PO Box 136, Ludlow, VT 05149. Find schedules and bills at [www.leg.state.vt.us](http://www.leg.state.vt.us)



## Select Board election March 5<sup>th</sup>

### A Letter to Mt. Holly Residents from Ron Unterman

I am pleased to introduce myself as a candidate for the office of Select Board, and to present my view of Mt. Holly, a summary of my experience, and how I believe I can serve our Town.

I first came to Mt. Holly in 1954 when I was eight years old, and my family began spending all of our summers and holidays here. The Town's population was about half what it is today. There were 32 active dairy farms, and you knew everyone who drove down the road. I looked forward every day to walking over the hill to work on Bug and Eleanor Flanders farm for 50 cents an hour.

In 1971 my parents moved here full time and became active members of the Town, serving on the *School Board, Select Board, Fire Department, and Museum*. *I continued to spend my summers and holidays here until I also made it my permanent home.*

Over the past 60 years our Town's population has doubled and with it we have seen many changes.... new residents from varied backgrounds and other States, new homes on roads that were once Class 4, young families struggling to move into and remain in a Town with high tax rates, retirees trying to live on a fixed income, and a changing mix of new businesses.

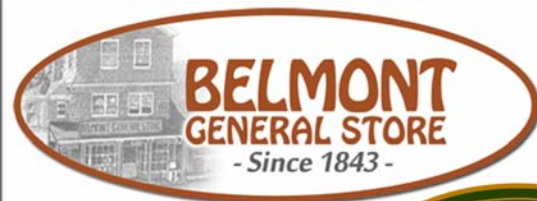
Our challenge now is to preserve the beauty and independent spirit of the Mt. Holly of decades ago by acknowledging and adapting to these changes. I love our Town, its history, its land, and respect the diversity of our varied opinions. I come from a tradition of reasoned discussion and compromise; I am a problem solver. I want to be your Select Board member to help bring together all of our viewpoints and to balance them as we address the issues facing our Town.

I am now retired and involved with many community organizations. Much of this time has been focused on working with Town residents and State agencies to protect and restore Star Lake. Before I retired, I had several jobs in Vermont including middle school teacher in Essex Jct., and a carpenter and general contractor here and in Massachusetts. I was a research scientist and manager at GE, have held jobs in the biotech and internet industries, and worked for a fund in Rhode Island that helps start-up companies create new jobs in the state.

I am married to Dottie Finnerty, a retired school teacher of 28 years. Her last teaching position was in Springfield. We have one son Casey, who many of you may know from his years working in Mt. Holly building Timber Frame Homes.

I look forward to working together with you to ensure that Mt. Holly continues to be a wonderful place to work, play, and raise our children and grandchildren. I would be happy to talk with you about my candidacy and welcome your questions and opinions.

.... and I ask for your vote on Election Day. Thank you, Ron Unterman [ron@unterman.com](mailto:ron@unterman.com) 259-2491



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## Mount Holly Town News

"The following minutes are considered 'draft' until approved, scheduled for the next Select Board meeting, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013."

**SELECT BOARD:** February 08, 2013 ~ Paul Nevin, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Raymond Tarbell and Jim Heald were present.

1. The minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 08 and the Special Meeting minutes of January 24 were reviewed. There were no corrections or additions and the minutes were approved.
2. Highways

- New Road and Bridge

Standards. The State has sent out new Road and Bridge standards, which will formally include the ANR standards. Adopting these standards should eliminate problems with FEMA in the case of disasters, such as Vermont is experiencing now regarding Irene damage. Mount Holly is current with the January 2011 standards, which are required for any Paving or Structure Grants for this year. The new standards are not required this year, which will allow more time for review before adopting. This was tabled until the next meeting.

- The town has received the State Highway Grant program information for this year. Mount Holly will apply for a paving grant, detail to be determined.
- Vtel: Bill Hinckley, Sr. Project Controls Manager for Vtel and Geoff Pagnotta of Finley Engineering presented information on Vtel's 'Fiber to the Home' project to replace all copper wiring with fiber optic cable, including to each home. Work in Mount Holly will begin soon; aerial cable work will start in a few weeks, with buried cable to start later. Geoff Pagnotta passed out project maps, showing the aerial and buried cable, stating that the cable will be 36" deep in 2" HDPE plastic pipe, with metallic sheathing which



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### MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

There is a vacancy on the Planning Commission for a term ending in November 2014. An appointment is expected to be made at the March 2013 Select Board meeting.

Interested individuals should contact the Select Board, at: PO Box 248, Mount Holly, 05758 or email [mthollysb@gmail.com](mailto:mthollysb@gmail.com) or phone 259-2391 by March 8, 2013. A letter of interest is requested.

The planning commission meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 pm.

Qualification for the new garage. This requests information from prospective builders about similar projects they have done, allowing the town to review and pre-qualify bidders who would be sent RFP (request for proposal) at a later date when the town is ready for that. This is a standard process for large projects, minimizing the number of full RFP responses which will need to be reviewed and evaluated. This will be posted in the Rutland Herald as soon as possible, with responses due by February 28 at 4:00 pm.

- Freeman Brook Road: The VTrans Mapping Unit has written to the town, indicating that they believe the road length was changed (slightly longer) during the bridge project back in 2002. They will be coming down in April to re-measure the road.
- RRPC is conducting a Complete Streets survey for VTrans to gather information on projects during the past year's construction season. This only applies to new roads and substantially reconstructed roads, not a repaving project which is what Mount Holly did. The form will be completed and returned.

- Garage: The Board agreed to post a Request for



- FEMA Update. Malcolm, from the VT Office of Emergency Management, called the town to ask about our PW3056, the Fowler Brook Road culvert, as they did not have a record of an extension on that project. The two large projects that are outstanding were reviewed with him and Ben Rose, head of the office. They agreed that our best plan is to wait for Tyler (Billingsley of Otter Creek) to develop the costs for meeting the ANR standards and then consider putting in requests to FEMA for an Improved Project.
- Jeff presented issues with the 2001 truck, to be discussed further at the April Select Board meeting.
- Unterman road update: Ron Unterman requested confirmation that the missing, non-discontinued road section is back on the Certificate of Mileage. The town expects it to be added back onto the road map, perhaps when the Freeman Brook Road update is done.

### 3. Report of Treasurer.

- David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated August 31, 2012 showing cash balances of \$2,439,849. The Town received slightly more State highway aid than budgeted. The town received an extra rebate on the energy

#### **Support for Your Library Is Support for the Community**

The local library is one of the most valuable assets in any community. They are a storehouse of culture, ideas and wisdom handed down through the ages. We reach out to patrons for suggestions and requests for materials. We process inter-library loans on a weekly basis and provide delivery service to homes. There are works of fiction and nonfiction, books for all ages to enjoy. There are books on CD, videos, music CDs and computers that are a link to the Internet. Voters in Mt. Holly have recognized the value of their library and supported it in the past through passage of our request for \$8,000. We strongly urge voters to continue that support and vote yes for the library.

years' worth of taxes.

- VLCT has notified the town that they are starting another reappraisal round for all properties insured thru the PACIF fund. The reappraisals will be done now thru December 2015.
- ### 4. External Audit:
- It was noted that although the financial numbers are all correct, there are some errors in the notes that accompany the statements in the town report. Corrected files have been received and an Update Sheet will be prepared for distribution at Town Meeting.
  - As requested, the invoice from the auditor has broken down the costs for the three entities: 2/3 of the total is for the town, 1/6<sup>th</sup> each for Fire and Rescue. As the total is under the budgeted amount, the town will cover all of it. Fire and Rescue should plan to pay for any additional costs to complete the 501(c)3 and 990 process.
- ### 5. Listers: The Board signed the annual certification of the April 1, 2012 grand list.
- ### 6. Planning Commission
- The town has received the resignation of Dennis Dieters. One person has already expressed interest in the position. The vacancy will be posted as usual (Chit Chat and post offices) before the position is filled.
- ### 7. Other Business
- AFLAC: Charles Johnson presented AFLAC voluntary employee benefit program. This is available to all employees, FT, PT or stipend. There is no cost to the town, the program is funded entirely by the employee thru payroll deductions; the town would forward the monies to AFLAC. The Board had no objection to presenting the information and directed him to set up a meeting thru the town clerk.
  - The Board signed two liquor license renewals and a tobacco license renewal.

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efficiency work done on the town office, leaving about \$3300 on the grant. Otherwise expenses are in line with the budget.

- Two properties will be up for tax sale on February 19, 2013. Both are for two

- The Town received the VT Fish and Wildlife goose depredation permit for Star Lake.
  - The Community Association currently has in storage 10 pews that came from the Library building. As they belong to the town, MHCA is requesting permission to sell them (2 people have expressed interest). The Board approved selling the pews, with any proceeds to go back into MHCA.
  - Fra Devine presented (for Annette Lynch) information on US Dept. of Agriculture's loan programs as a possible funding source for the new garage. Current rates are 3.125% for 20 years.
  - A resident expressed his appreciation for Paul's many years of service on the Board
8. The Board reviewed and signed the January orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

**PLANNING COMMISSION meets on the third Monday of every month at 7:30pm at the Mount Holly Town Office. Warned Public Hearings, if scheduled, usually take place prior to the regular meeting. Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and attendance is encouraged.** Minutes of Regular Meeting on February 20, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the Town Office: Present were Planning Commission members: Annette Lynch, Clinton Woolley, Tim Martin, and Paul Nevin, Also present was Ron Unterman and Don Stein.

Don Stern (surveyor) presented a minor subdivision application and preliminary plat for a subdivision into 2 lots of 4.26 acres owned by Julie Campbell on Tarbellville Road. All items on checklist were reviewed. A public hearing is set for 7:15pm on Monday March 20 when a final plat measuring 18"X24". and a copy of the waste water permit will be presented.

The Planning Commission put final signatures on the Nichols subdivision decision, final plat, and mylar. The mylar will be filed with the Town Clerk; the final plat and decision will be filed by the Planning Commission and copies of the decision sent to the subdivider and all interested parties.

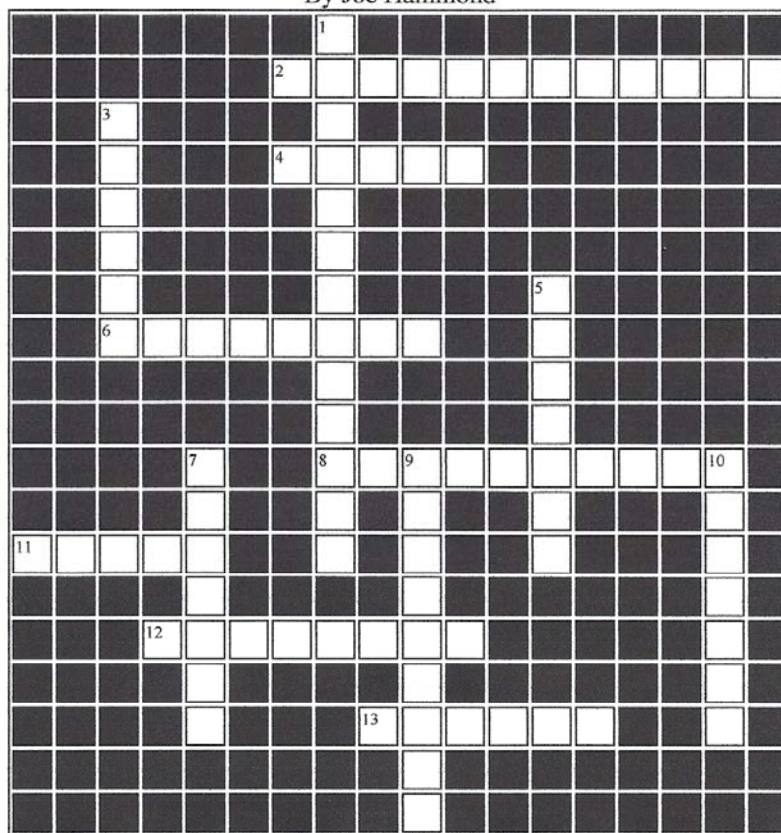
The Select Board will advertise for an Administrative Officer and also for a Planning Commissioner to replace Dennis Deiters (letter of resignation in public files of the Select Board). Commission meetings will be moved back to the third Monday of the month. Letters requesting ex-Planning Commissioners Steve Howard and Peter Smith to serve the Commission in an advisory capacity were approved.

The Rutland Regional Planning Commission will use part of new grant to update the Mount Holly Emergency Management Plan as a free standing entity – not an annex to the regional plan; the plan will be coordinated with the flood hazard regulations and changes being made by the State to flood-plain maps following Tropical Storm Irene. Decided to delay talking to Vermont League of Cities and Towns lawyers re draft revision of subdivision regulations until more work done on the revision of the Town Plan currently being worked on by the Working Group.

Noted: wastewater permits submitted to State of Vermont by Edward and Patricia McGowan and Katie and John Wasilewski; next Act 250 hearings for Okemo Timber Ridge project on Okemo Ridge Road; 2010 Census changes in Mount Holly: population down 0.3% and housing units up 13%. A motion was made to adjourn meeting 8:15  
Respectfully submitted by Paul Nevin

**WORKING GROUP of the Planning Commission meets on the second Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office. The Working Group includes everyone who attends a meeting.** Minutes of the meeting February 13, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. in the Town Office: present were

### Local Knowledge By Joe Hammond



#### Across

2. health program for ancient ones
4. canine welcome committee at local swimming area
6. local swimming hotspot
8. hall where social events take place
11. general store canine welcome committee of the past
12. local boxing family
13. local Olympic athlete

#### Down

1. Ancient Mt. Holly Resident
3. go here if you are hungry
5. local cheese company
7. \_\_\_\_\_ the conqueror or canine protector of Hedgehog Hill
9. ubiquitous politician
10. beloved past church upon the hill

**Answers on page 17**



# **ROAST PORK SUPPER**

**April 27, 2013**

**Settings 5:00 P.M. till Gone**

**Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont, VT**

**Benefit**

**MT. Holly Volunteer Fire**

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planning commission members Annette Lynch, Clinton Woolley, and Paul Nevin. Also present was Lester Lampert. Meeting was called to order at 7:30.

The Working Group continued to work on the revision of the Mount Holly Town Plan. It finished the grading and comments made by the Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC) in its state mandated "enhanced consultation" review. The following items were discussed: town policy re creating new roads; connections with public transportation; water quality; preservation of scenic roads, waterways, and views and the definition of "significant" – to be discussed with the Regional Planning Commission - the best definition may be for the Town to actually name those items it wants to preserve. A similar problem is found in the preservation of "important" historical sites and structures. (and the definition of "important"). The few RRPC comments on Plan's sections on Air Quality, Wildlife, and Land Resources, Renewable Energy Resources, Sound Forest and Agricultural Practices, and maintenance of recreational opportunities were reviewed. Under affordable housing: strengthening the Town Plan regarding accessory housing – often for more senior residents, and noting the needs of the elderly for access to Health Services and Elderly Care. The Working Group strongly recommended that the section on Child Care include the needs of after-school students

Meeting adjourned at 9:10p.m. Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul Nevin

## **Voting By Ballot**

Ludlow Town Hall & Mount Holly Town Office

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 – 10:00 am to 7:00 pm

The legal voters of Union School District #39, consisting of

Ludlow Town School District and Mount Holly Town School District, are hereby warned to meet at the Town Office in Mount Holly and the Town Hall in Ludlow from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, for the purpose of voting by Australian Ballot. The business to be transacted to include:

Article I: Shall the Union School District #39 approve \$3,674,133.00 necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning

July 1, 2013?

## **Annual School District Meeting**

Black River High School- Library

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 – 7:30 pm

The legal voters of the Union School District #39, consisting of Ludlow Town School District and Mount Holly Town School District, are hereby warned to meet in the Black River High School Library in the Town of Ludlow, Vermont on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at 7:30pm to transact at that time business not involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot. The polls will open on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at the Town Office in Mount Holly and the Town Hall in Ludlow from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm for the purpose of voting by Australian Ballot. The business to be transacted at this meeting includes the following:

Article I: To elect a moderator.

Article II: To elect a clerk.

Article III: To elect a treasurer.

Article IV: To hear and act on the reports of the Union #39 School District officers for the year ending June 30, 2012.

Article V: Shall the voters of the Union #39 School District approve setting its annual honorarium for each of its School Directors at \$1,200.00?

Article VI: Shall the voters of the Union #39 School District approve setting the annual honorarium for its School District Clerk at \$100.00?

Article VII: Shall the voters of the Union #39 School District authorize its Board of School Directors to place 50 % of all unencumbered funds into a Reserve Fund for the purpose of defraying unanticipated operational expenses?

Article VIII: Shall the voters of the Union #39 School District authorize its Board of School Directors to borrow money, pending receipt of payments from member districts as provided in Title 16, Chapter 11, S 711, by issuance of notes of money orders, payable not later than one year from date, for the purpose of paying its expenses?

Article IX: To act on any other business proper to come before said meeting.

**WARNINGS**  
**MOUNT HOLLY TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**ANNUAL MEETING and VOTING BY BALLOT**

The legal voters of the Town School District of Mount Holly, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Mount Holly School in said Mount Holly at 7:00 pm on Monday, March 4, 2013, to transact at that time business not Involving voting by Australian Ballot or voting required by law to be by ballot.

The polls will open on Tuesday, March 5, 2013, at the Town Office Building in said Mount Holly from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm for the purpose of voting by Australian Ballot. The business to be transacted to Include:

**ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING AND INFORMATION HEARING**

Monday, March 4, 2013 at 7:00 pm  
Mount Holly School Gym

- Article I: To act on the reports of the Town School District Officers for the year ending June 30, 2012.  
Article II: To allow the Board of School Directors to borrow money as necessary in anticipation of taxes.  
Article III: Shall the voters of the Mount Holly School District approve setting its annual honorarium for each of its School Directors at \$500.  
Article IV: Shall the voters authorize the Board of School Directors to make available the school district's facilities and equipment to such individuals or organizations for such use at such time as the Board deems in the best interest of the district?  
Article V: To transact any other necessary and appropriate business.

**VOTING BY BALLOT**

Tuesday, March 5, 2013 from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm  
Mount Holly Town Office

- Article I: To elect a Town School District Moderator. Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 16 S 562, Powers of Electorate (2)  
Article II: To elect a Town School District Clerk. Vermont Statutes Annotated, Title 16 S 562, Powers of Electorate (3)  
Article III: Shall the voters of the Mount Holly School District appropriate \$1,721,130>00 necessary for the support of its school for the year beginning July 1, 2013?  
Article IV: Shall the voters of the Mount Holly School District authorize its Town School District Officers to place all unencumbered funds into a Reserve Fund for the purpose of defraying operational expenses?  
Article V: To elect officers for the ensuing year.  
Mount Holly School Board of Directors: David Venter, Board Chair ~ Tina Cohen, Board Clerk ~ Robert Herbst, Board Member ~ William Nye, Board Member ~ Gabriel Vastola, Board Member

**WARNING**  
**ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**  
**MARCH 4, 2013 AND MARCH 5, 2013**

The legal voters of the Town of Mount Holly, Vermont, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Mount Holly Elementary School Gym at 7:30 pm in the evening, Monday, March 4, 2013 to act on the following articles, viz: 2 & 13.

On Tuesday, March 5, 2013 to vote by Australian ballot at the Mount Holly Town Office, polls will be open from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm to voted on the following articles, viz: 1,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11 & 12. Articles may be discussed Monday evening.

- Article 1: To elect all Town Officers as the law directs. (Australian Ballot)  
Article 2: To act on the Auditors' report.  
Article 3: Does the Town vote the following budget for fiscal year 2013-2014, to be raised by tax?  
    A. General Fund & Solid Waste Fund                   \$394,350.  
    B. Highway Fund (net)                                 \$296,400.  
    Total A & B (Australian Ballot)                     \$690,750.  
Article 4: Does the Town vote \$74,000. to be raised by tax or the fiscal year 2013-2014, for future capital expenditures? (Australian Ballot)  
Article 5: Does the Town vote to the Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. an operating budget of \$46,000. for the 2013-2014 fiscal year, and lease purchase payment of \$36,900. for a total of \$82,900. to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)  
Article 6: Does the Town vote the Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad, Inc. for the 2013-2014 fiscal year budget, to be raised by tax?  
    A. General Budget Fund                                 \$15,000.  
    B. Vehicle and Equipment Replacement Fund         \$15,000.  
    Total A & B (Australian Ballot)                     \$30,000.  
Article 7: Does the Town vote \$8,000. for the Mount Holly Town Library, to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)  
Article 8: Does the Town vote the following for Community and Social Services totaling \$10,435., to be raised by tax?



A. Mount Holly Chit Chat	\$2,000.
B. Mount Holly Barn Preservation Assoc.	100.
C. BROCC Community Action in Southwestern Vermont	550.
D. Rutland Mental Health Services	1,302.
E. Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Assoc. & Hospice	1,313.
F. RSVP & The Volunteer Center	100.
G. Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging	400.
H. Regional Ambulance Service, Inc.	620.
I. Vermont Adult Learning	500.
J. Black River Good Neighbor Services, Inc	1,000.
K. Vermont Assoc. for the Blind & Visually Impaired	150.
L. Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District	250.
M. Housing Trust of Rutland County	500.
N. NeighborWorks of Western Vermont	300.
O. Northern VT Resource Conservation & Development Council	100.
P. Rutland County Parent Child Center, Inc.	500.
Q. Vermont Center for Independent Living	100.
R. Green Up Vermont	150.
S. American Red Cross	500.



Article 9: Does the Town vote \$600. for Ludlow Public Cable Television (LPCTV) to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)

Article 10: Does the Town vote \$3,000. for Black River Area Community Coalition (BRACC) to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)

Article 11: Does the Town of Mount Holly vote to fund the after-school program at the Mount Holly School in the amount of \$6,000. in FY2014, to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)

Article 12: Does the Town vote \$5,000. to join with Ludlow Rotary Club Fund to implement a summer program for Middle School students (Quest Program) to be raised by tax? (Australian Ballot)

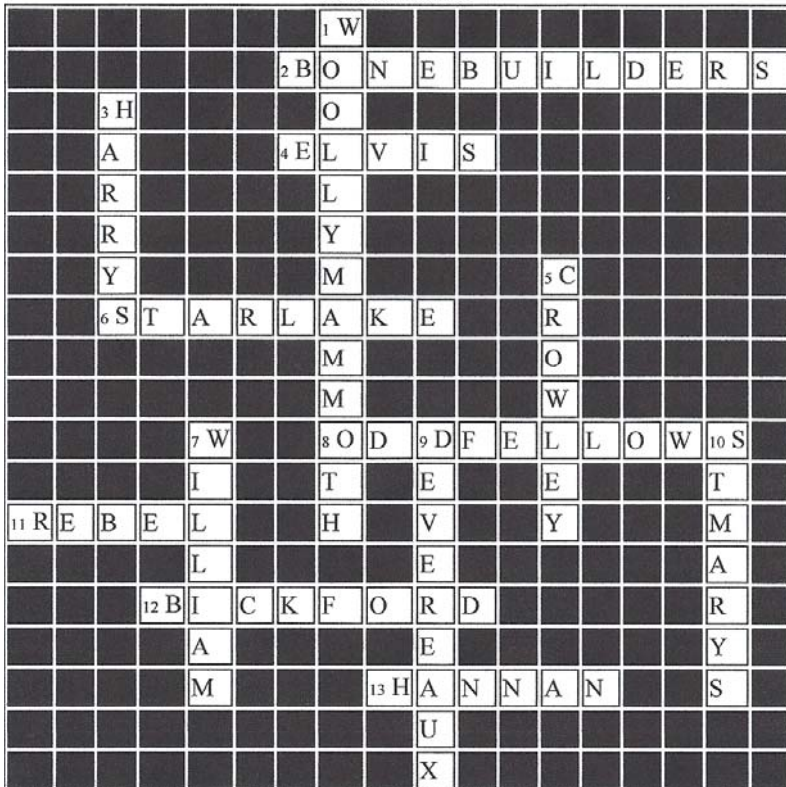
Article 13: To transact all other necessary and proper business.

Dated at Mount Holly, Vermont this 24<sup>th</sup> day of January AD, 2013. Town of Mount Holly Select Board – Paul Nevin ~ Raymond Tarbell ~ James Heald



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## ***"Hugo", A Child's Movie for Adults, Plays in Ludlow, March 2***

FOLA's next movie is "Hugo" on Saturday, March 2 at 7 PM at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium.



Throughout his extraordinary career, Academy Award-winning director Martin Scorsese has brought his unique vision and dazzling gifts to life in a series of unforgettable films. "Hugo" is the astonishing adventure of a wily and resourceful boy whose quest to unlock a secret left to him by his father will transform Hugo and all those around him, and reveal a safe and loving place he can call home.

"Hugo," an enchantment from Martin Scorsese, is the children's movie that you might expect from the director of "Raging Bull" and "Goodfellas." It's serious, beautiful, wise to the absurdity of life and in the embrace of a piercing longing. No one gets clubbed to death, but shadows loom, and a ferocious Doberman nearly lands in your lap.

Gracefully adapted by John Logan, the movie involves a lonely, melancholic orphan, Hugo (Asa Butterfield), who in the early 1930s tends all the clocks in a Parisian train station. Seemingly

abandoned by his uncle, the station's official timekeeper (Ray Winstone), Hugo lives alone; deep in the station's interior, in a dark, dusty, secret apartment that was built for employees. There, amid clocks, gears, pulleys, jars and purloined toys, he putters and sleeps and naturally dreams, mostly of fixing a delicate automaton that his dead father, a clockmaker (Jude Law), found once upon a time. The automaton is all that remains of a happy past.

Hugo has been repairing the automaton with mechanical parts salvaged from the toys he has stolen from a toy store in the station. All that he needs now to bring the windup figure to life — it sits frozen, with a pen at the ready, as if waiting for inspiration — is the key that will open its heart-shaped lock. After assorted stops and starts and quick getaways, Hugo finds the key during an adventure involving the toy-store owner and his goddaughter, Isabelle (Chloë Grace Moretz). A beloved, wanted child, she brings Hugo into her life, which is how he discovers that the cantankerous shopkeeper with the white goatee and sad, watchful eyes is Georges Méliès (a touching Ben Kingsley).

The movie is free and open to all; donations are appreciated. For additional information, call 228-7239 or [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us) for a movie preview.

## **"Skin Deep", a Romantic Comedy**

The Marble Valley Players will present "SKIN DEEP" at the West Rutland Town Hall Theater over two weekends. This warm-hearted, romantic comedy by Jon Lonoff is about a lovable, lonely heart named Maureen Mulligan who gives romance one last shot on a blind date with sweet, awkward Joseph Spinelli. She's learned to pepper her speech with jokes to hide her insecurities, while He's almost dangerously forthright, saying everything that comes to his mind. They both know they're perfect for each other, but will they be able to make it work?

The cast of endearing and quirky characters, played by Gena Wener, Patrick Shortle, Tiffany Arnold and Brent Merrill, and directed by Gary Thompson, will keep you laughing and smiling from beginning to end. Don't miss it!

Tickets are \$15 and are on sale now at the Paramount Regional Box Office, 30 Centre St., Rutland, VT. 775-0903. or on line at [www.paramountlive.org](http://www.paramountlive.org) and also at the door before performances. Show dates are **Friday and Saturday, March 15, 16, 22, and 23 at 7:30PM** and there will also be a **matinee on Saturday, March 23rd at 2:00PM**.



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## Vermont Symphony Orchestra Presents "Three for Two" Concert in Rutland

The Vermont Symphony Orchestra will present three double concertos to showcase music director, Jaime Laredo, and his former student, Jennifer Koh in Rutland on Sunday, March 10. The program includes Bach's Concerto for Two Violins, an old friend, joined by a serene work from the iconic minimalist Philip Glass. A new work by David Ludwig honors the turning times of the year and the program concludes with Mozart's intensely emotional Symphony No. 40. Curtis Institute fellow, Vinay Parameswaran, will conduct the three double concertos, while Laredo will lead the Mozart. The concert will be performed at the Paramount Theatre as part of the Sunday Matinee Series at 3:00 p.m. It will also be presented on Friday, March 8 at the Bellows Falls Opera House at 7:30 p.m., and on Saturday, March 9, in Burlington at the Flynn Center at 8:00 p.m. as part of the 2012/2013 Masterworks series.

Awarding-winning violinist Jennifer Koh is recognized for her intense, commanding performances, delivered with dazzling virtuosity and technical assurance. Born in Chicago, she made her debut with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at age eleven. She earned a degree in English literature from Oberlin



Jennifer Kohby

College and went on to study at the Curtis Institute, where she worked extensively with Jaime Laredo. Koh has performed with leading orchestras around the world and has appeared with the VSO several times. She lives in New York City with her husband, pianist Benjamin Hochman.

The Orchestra will perform a new work, entitled *Seasons Lost*, by VSO New Music Advisor, David Ludwig. David Ludwig's choral work, *The New Colossus*, was performed at the morning worship service preceding the President Obama's Inauguration in January. Ludwig's music has been described as "arresting and dramatically hued" (*The New York Times*) and noted for "A yearning, poetic quality" (*Baltimore Sun*). The *Chicago Tribune* says that he "deserves his growing reputation as one of the up-and-comers of his generation." *Seasons Lost* was co-commissioned by the Curtis Institute and the Delaware and Vermont symphonies. The award-winning young composer comes from several generations of musicians. His grandfather was the pianist Rudolf Serkin. Ludwig serves on the composition faculty of the Curtis Institute.

A pre-concert discussion, "Musically Speaking," moderated by *Rutland Herald* Arts Editor Jim Lowe

will be held at 2 p.m., free for members of the audience. The discussion will feature Jaime Laredo, Jennifer Koh and Vinay Parameswaran providing insight into the music, composers, and musicians.

Again this year, the VSO will collect food items at its concert in Rutland as part of the national "Orchestras Feeding America" project. Audience members and the public may bring a non-perishable food item to the Paramount Theatre lobby on March 10. Suggested food items include boxed dry goods, canned goods and soups, cereal, pasta, rice, and peanut butter...please no glass, perishables or clothing. The project is also accepting cash donations. All food and cash contributions collected will be donated directly to the local branch of the Vermont Foodbank and donors will receive "Bach Bucks," good for a discount on a future VSO concert.

"Orchestras Feeding America" is a national food drive organized by the League of American Orchestras, representing America's professional,



Jennifer Kohby & Juergen Frank

volunteer, and youth orchestras. This is the fifth year of the program in which 250 orchestras from all over the country have collected over 400,000 pounds of food. The food drive demonstrates the collective power of America's orchestras in undertaking a project designed to help feed the hungry in their local communities. Food collected by the VSO will be distributed to Vermont Foodbank partners around the state, to help ensure that all Vermonters have enough to eat.

Concerts by the VSO are made possible in part by the State of Vermont and individuals, businesses and foundations throughout Vermont. Vermont Public Radio is the co-sponsor for the 2012/2013 season. Trapp Lager is the official lager of the VSO. The Sunday Matinee Series is co-sponsored by Green Mountain Power Corporation and the *Rutland Herald*. This concert is sponsored by People's United Bank, with underwriting from Betsyjune Bennett. Additional support is provided by the Lintilhac Foundation.

Single concert tickets range from \$9 for students to \$30, available in person and online from the Paramount Theatre Box Office at 802-775-0903, or [www.Paramountvt.org](http://www.Paramountvt.org).

On April 6 the VSO and the Paramount Theatre are co-presenting an added Saturday evening concert, "Songs of Freedom." The VSO Chorus, under the direction of the ever-youthful Robert De Cormier, will be joined by De Cormier's longtime friend, Peter Yarrow (of Peter, Paul and Mary fame). The uplifting program includes American spirituals, Civil War songs, and songs of

the Civil Rights era. Tickets, ranging from \$29.50 to \$49.50, are available from the Paramount Theatre at [paramountvt.org](http://paramountvt.org) or (802) 775-0903.

For additional information, please call the office at (800) VSO-9293, ext. 10, or visit the website at [www.vso.org](http://www.vso.org).

Koh and Laredo screenshot



Parameswaran



## FOLA Begins Rehearsals for the Follies of 2013 With Dance Lessons



Pictured is a group of area folks who thought it would be fun to produce a musical revue for the Ludlow/Black River area at the beautifully-restored Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium. Little did they know that, in the process of selecting and learning Broadway melodies, they would also be learning basic stage dancing steps and movements. All of this is thanks to the professional experience of the Follies Director, Tesha Buss. Tesha, among her other professional dancing and musical experiences, appeared in the Broadway long-running hit show, "Cats" and provided choreography assistance to the Weston Playhouse for several

seasons. Now Tesha is teaching some very inexperienced, but nonetheless avid, performers how to dance as well as sing. Some of the songs that will be featured in the FOLA Follies of 2013 include (but are not limited to) "Once in Love with Amy", "All I Ask of You", "Memories", "On a Clear Day", "Brush Up Your Shakespeare", and "September Song". In the photo above, Tesha is teaching the cast of the Follies the dance steps to the Follies opening number, "Let Me Entertain You" from the musical 'Gypsy'. Pictured from left to right are David Almond, Linda Thomson, Joey Blane, Kevin Kuntz, George Thomson, Aiyera Fortin, Lisha Klaiber, and Andy Ohotnicky. With her back to the camera, as she explains one of the intricate dances movements to the cast, is director Tesha Buss. Shown playing the piano is Cindy Wooton who will provide the musical accompaniment for the show. The FOLA Follies of 2013 will debut at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium on Saturday, March 23 at 7 PM. For information about the show, see [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us) or call 228-7239. Photos of follies rehearsal on stage 2 with Cindy at piano):



## BRAM Updates Museum With Kitchen and ADA Restroom

Following its major elevator wing project, Black River Academy Museum (BRAM) is now in the process of constructing a modern kitchen facility and making its restroom ADA-compliant so that the entire building will now satisfy ADA access requirements. The kitchen and restroom construction is being done by Wright Construction of Mt Holly. The warming kitchen has already had cabinets installed and will see the installation of a dishwasher, refrigerator, and stove later this month. Pictured above are, from left to right, Anita Alic, BRAM board member, and Georgia Brehm, BRAM's director, as they view the newly-installed cabinets. The kitchen will serve the needs of the frequent events at the museum requiring a warming kitchen. Work on the restroom is also in progress and is expected to be completed soon. The addition of an ADA

restroom along with the warming kitchen will help to serve the increased visitor traffic that is projected for the museum. Following the completion of these two projects, BRAM will enlarge its gift shop area. For additional information, call 228-5050 or [director@bramvt.org](mailto:director@bramvt.org).

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## ***Cavendish Fire Dept Helps Good Samaritan Deliver Food to BRGNS***



This past Monday, Carmine Gucia, a long time Cavendish resident and supporter of Black River Good Neighbor Services (BRGNS), was on his way to delivering groceries he had purchased for the BRGNS Food Shelf, when his car overturned on an icy Route 131. The Ludlow Ambulance, Weathersfield Police, and Cavendish Volunteer Fire Department all responded to the scene of the accident. Carmine was extricated from his vehicle and, fortunately, was able to walk away from the accident. He was examined by the ambulance personnel and declined medical assistance. He was most concerned that the groceries he was delivering to BRGNS' Food Shelf would be lost. For a man who had recently celebrated his 90th birthday, his concern about the groceries reflected his habit of bringing groceries to BRGNS every month. According to Audrey Bridge, BRGNS Director, "He has been bringing food monthly to the foodshelf for as long as anyone can remember but we are sure for more than a decade. He is such a very

thoughtful guy, always remembers something sweet for 'the kids' as he says". Pictured above are Captain Patrick McLean and Chaplain Abraham Gross of

the Cavendish Volunteer Fire Department in front of Cavendish Fire Engine 2 who decided to honor Carmine's concerns and deliver the food items to BRGNS. Photo of Carmine Gucia with Jim Fuller, past BRGNS President, is also attached



## ***PEGTV Offers 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Courcelle Scholarship***

PEGTV, Rutland County's public access television station, will again award a scholarship of \$1,000 to a Rutland County high school senior who has exhibited a high level of proficiency and interest in the video arts and intends to pursue studies in the communications field at an accredited college, university or trade school.



The 15th annual PEGTV Courcelle Scholarship honors the memory of Joe Courcelle for his pioneering work for public access television in Rutland. Joe Courcelle was an active member of the original board of directors, a dedicated independent producer and an integral part of the establishment of Rutland's PEGTV.

A special selection committee will review the applications and interview potential candidates. Applications have been sent to Rutland County high schools for distribution to interested candidates and are due by May 1, 2013.

Anyone interested in receiving an application may contact their high school guidance office or call Chris McCormack, Channel 20 program coordinator, at PEGTV at (802) 747-0151.

PEGTV is comprised of Channels 15, 20 and 21 and is available to all cable subscribers throughout Rutland County. Streaming programming, video on demand services and hyper-local weather forecasts are also available online at [www.pegtv.com](http://www.pegtv.com)

***Joe Courcelle was an original PEGTV board member and dedicated independent producer.***

## ***Connecticut Students Enjoy Sitting in Coolidge-era Classroom***

Some young students from the Connecticut Experiential Learning Center in Branford, CT enjoyed sitting in the classroom that President Calvin Coolidge may have sat in prior to his graduation from Black River Academy in 1890. The students had an opportunity to see what it was like to write with a quill pen rather than a ballpoint they're used to now. All of this was included in a tour of the building that houses the Black River Academy Museum (BRAM). The CT Experiential Learning Center is a school that provides small class size with exceptional hands and realistic world learning experiences.



## Local Mt. Holly Resident to Walk 39.3 Miles to End Breast Cancer

### At the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer

Set To Participate In Weekend-Long Avon Walk in New York City on October 19/20, 2013



She is IN IT TO END IT! Samantha Spoth, 35, of Mt. Holly will join thousands of women and men in the upcoming [Avon Walk for Breast Cancer](#), New York City raising funds and awareness that will help defeat breast cancer and support those facing the disease. Samantha will participate in the non-competitive event, which offers the option of walking a marathon (26.2 miles) or a marathon and a half (39.3 miles) over the weekend of October 19/20, 2013. This is her first time participating in the Avon Walk, and she is training hard and raising funds in preparation for the event.

Samantha was inspired to take part in the Avon Walk New York City after being diagnosed in 2011 with Stage IV Inflammatory Breast Cancer. After testing positive for the BRCA1 genetic factor, she wants to be sure there is a cure should her daughters ever find themselves staring at the face of this disease. The ripple effects of breast cancer extend far beyond those who succumb to it and it needs to stop. 1 in 8 women are at risk for breast cancer.

"Thanks to thousands of people like Samantha, we are able to save lives by providing significant funds for vital breast cancer research as well as access to care, screening, support services and education," said Carol Kurzig, president of the [Avon Foundation for Women](#), the public charity that produces the Avon Walks. "For the past decade, tens of thousands of dedicated women and men took personal action to help others through the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer. The Avon Foundation for Women is 'in it to end it' for the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer's 10<sup>th</sup> Birthday season in 2012. We are truly inspired by our participants' passion and enthusiasm."

The Avon Walk NYC is one of nine weekend walks taking place in 2012. The complete 2012 Avon Walk for Breast Cancer schedule includes: [Houston](#) (April 21-22), [Washington, DC](#) (May 5-6), [Boston](#) (May 19-20), [Chicago](#) (June 2-3), [Rocky Mountains, CO](#) (June 23-24), [San Francisco](#) (July 7-8), [Santa Barbara](#) (September 22-23), [New York City](#) (October 20-21), and [Charlotte, NC](#) (October 27-28).

Samantha has set a fundraising goal of \$5,400. To support Samantha's fundraising campaign, donations can be made at [http://info.avonfoundation.org/site/TR/Walk/NewYork?px=6911971&pg=personal&fr\\_id=2250](http://info.avonfoundation.org/site/TR/Walk/NewYork?px=6911971&pg=personal&fr_id=2250). Funds raised by Samantha and the thousands of other Avon Walk participants are awarded by the Avon Foundation for Women, a 501(c)(3) public charity, to help make sure anyone facing a breast cancer diagnosis gets the care they need regardless of their ability to pay, and to help fund breast cancer research. For a complete list of Avon Foundation for Women funding, visit [www.avonfoundation.org](http://www.avonfoundation.org).

The Avon Walk series, the Avon Foundation's largest fund-raising event, comprises nine non-competitive weekend fund-raising walks for all fitness levels that require a significant commitment from participants. Each walker is required to raise at least \$1,800 in donations and to prepare physically for the event, which offers the option of walking a marathon (26.2 miles), or a marathon and a half (39.3 miles) over a weekend. Among the walkers' ranks in 2011 were men and women of all ages, from nearly every state and several countries, including more than 1,800 breast cancer survivors. This large, diverse group was united by their shared desire to eradicate breast cancer and help those touched by the disease.

Samantha will start her Walk weekend with an opening ceremony early Saturday morning, and then spend most of the day walking. Both walkers and volunteer Crew spend Saturday night at the "Wellness Village," featuring two-person pink sleeping tents, hot showers, prepared meals and support services. On Sunday, all walkers set out on the route again, with their final miles culminating in an impactful closing ceremony, including the presentation of local grants so funds immediately benefit deserving medical centers and breast cancer organizations in the community.

For more information or to register for an Avon Walk for Breast Cancer, visit [www.avonwalk.org](http://www.avonwalk.org) or call 888-541-WALK.



### AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPTIONS FOR SENIOR VERMONTERS

Spring is a popular time to think about moving. Several types of housing are available for Vermont Seniors who are thinking of moving into something more convenient and affordable. Most common is Senior Subsidized Housing where rent is not more than 1/3 of the household monthly income. To qualify for an apartment, one must be either disabled or age 62+, and have an income that does not exceed certain limits. Income limits vary from one apartment complex to another, based on regulations. There is no limit on savings or money made from selling a home, but interest income is counted as part of monthly income. There are often waiting lists of six months to 2 years for Senior Subsidized Housing. In order to increase one's chances of finding an opening when it's time to move, it is recommended that folks apply early and to several different complexes.

Other types of apartments for Seniors have either market rents or 'affordable' rents, with different or no income or age requirements. For more information and a list of subsidized and other Senior housing in Rutland or Bennington counties, call the Senior HelpLine at 786-5991 or 1-800-642-5119. The Senior HelpLine is a free service of the Southwestern Vermont Council on Aging, serving Rutland and Bennington counties since 1974. Web site [www.svcoa.org](http://www.svcoa.org); email [seniorhelpline@svcoa.net](mailto:seniorhelpline@svcoa.net).



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March 1966 coming home on Easter Sunday from at St. Mary's Church at Winslow corners and Route 103. Today Old Turnpike Road and Route 103. Pictured Dan Turco, daughter Diana, back seat neighbor Jody Vanderwoude, son Bruce, son Joseph and on horseback cousin Gary Martin. Dad hitched up the ponies to pick us up with the wagon and mom, Shirley took the picture.

### Mount Holly Community Association

On Thursday evening, March 7<sup>th</sup>, The MHCA is welcoming the up and coming band, *After the Rodeo* to the library stage in the Community Center. Many of you have heard them before at the annual summer music festival, Music on the Green, here in Mount Holly. We are sure you also know that one of its key musicians is our very own Patrick Melvin! *After the Rodeo* has had many wonderful successes since we last heard them at Music on the Green, so we are very pleased that they have scheduled this time to share with us next month. The concert will begin at 8:00 pm and tickets will be \$10.

Save-the-Date!!! On Saturday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, Fry Daddy will once again be taking the stage at the Odd Fellows Hall for the annual **Spring Mud Fling**. The doors open at 8:00 pm and Fry Daddy will keep your feet tapping from 9:00 pm until midnight. Don't miss this ritual welcome to spring in Mount Holly! Tickets are \$10 in advance (at the Belmont General Store or the Mount Holly Library), or \$12 at the door. It's BYOB...see you there!

The drawing classes will continue on Saturdays from 10:30 – 12:00 noon throughout March and April in the Community Room. Many thanks to Madeleine Fay for organizing this very successful activity on behalf of the MHCA. Oh, have we mentioned recently...the classes are free!! All are welcome, no matter your level of skill...beginner, or expert. Hope to see you there!

The **Community Room** continues to be a favorite venue for small parties and was rented quite a bit this winter. If you are looking for a lovely room in which to have a party for up to 50 people, please contact Carol DeVine (259-2562), or Lynne Herbst, our librarian (259-3703). . If you are a non-profit organization, the room is free. Otherwise, there is a minimal charge...\$15/hour for MHCA members and \$25/hour for non-members.

We must apologize for missing the February edition of the Chit Chat. Following is the most important piece of that short entry...the thanks for New Year's Eve!

**New Year's Eve at Star Lake**, sponsored jointly by the Sno\*Drifters and the Mount Holly Community Association, was an outstanding success! Literally hundreds of people enjoyed the hot cocoa and mulled wine, provided by the MHCA, and the bon fire and incredible fire works display, complements of the Sno\*Drifters. We would like to extend many thanks to Curt and Mary Marechaux and all of the Sno\*Drifters, who made the spectacular fireworks display possible. Also, many thanks to Robin Nelson, Jess Alberty, and Mike Smelser of the MHCA for providing the refreshments and the magically lit backdrop for the celebration. It truly was a night to remember!



The Okemo Valley finished hosting another round of successful winter carnivals. Thank you to Liz Crowley and her team for all the work and effort that went into Lovin' Ludlow Winter Carnival and thank you to Julie Pollard and her committee for putting together another great Chester Winter Carnival!

The Chamber was exhibiting at the Boston Globe Travel Show during storm NEMO. Fortunately, everyone had cabin fever and came out the last day of the show. We went through all of our guidebook boxes, members' brochures and giveaways by 1:30!! We also spoke with media to get press for our area.

The Chamber is busy at work creating our first ANNUAL Regional Guidebook! It will be from May 2013 – May 2014! Our goal is to cross promote all seasons. We will feature seasonal sections with events in each section and an expanded service directory. If you know of a business that would like to be in this new guidebook, please call the Chamber by the 3/15 deadline. The books will be distributed by Memorial Day throughout businesses in the Okemo Valley, at welcome centers, in the Iron Adventure Run bags, in wedding bags, and mailed out for visitor requests.

We are now accepting vendor applications for our Southern Vermont Home & Garden Show on April 6 & 7 at the Ludlow Community Center. If you know of anyone that would like to exhibit or teach a seminar, please let us know. This event is free for the public.

Thank you to Country Girl Diner in Chester for hosting our February mixer. The food and camaraderie was outstanding!

**Dates to remember:**

Tuesday, February 26 at 9am, please join us for a free breakfast at Crow's Bakery and Opera House Cafe in Proctorsville. We want to hear from the community how the chamber can meet your needs and fill you in on upcoming events. We will be hosting these community breakfasts in each town throughout the year.

Thursday, February 28 at 9am, please join us at Inn Victoria in Chester for a new member orientation and refresher course. Learn how to take advantage of the chamber benefits and advertising opportunities. All are welcome to attend.



***BRAM Names New Tower for Richard B. Nye***

The Black River Academy Museum of Ludlow, at its January Board meeting, unanimously voted to name the new elevator and fire stairs tower for Richard B. Nye for his extraordinary support of the project that he envisioned over ten years ago. Nye had the foresight to realize that the museum needed to be accessible to everyone with an elevator and ground floor entrance. Ten years ago he urged the Board to start a capital campaign for an elevator, housed in a separate tower in order to maintain the integrity of the museum's interior and to house the fire code mandated second egress.

Then in 2007, Nye challenged the board to raise the money for the tower with an initial \$100,000 donation. "Richard inspired us all" said Anita Alic, Capital Campaign Chair, "and continued to do so right through the successful completion of the campaign and the tower last year".

The tower and fire stairs were completed in 2011 and the elevator was installed in 2012. A ribbon cutting ceremony took place in June, 2012 and Nye was, appropriately, the first elevator rider. As the overall capital campaign

ultimately exceeded its goal, the museum is now in the middle of a project to provide an ADA compliant rest room and a small warming kitchen.

"Richard Nye's vision, leadership and personal contributions have led to a reinvigorated organization that is now poised to serve the entire



Okemo Valley region and we are pleased to name the tower for such a generous person" said Alic. Bram Tower Left: Black River Academy Museum's New Tower ~ Elevator Celebration Right: Elevator Celebration, June 2012, Georgia Brehm, Richard Nye and Anita Alic

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Attendance is encouraged to employers with worksites of any size, human resource professionals, employees, and virtually anyone interested in worksite wellness! The investment is \$75.00 per person; \$50.00 for employees coming from a worksite that applied for a 2012 Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports Worksite Wellness Award; and \$100.00 for registrations after March 9, 2013; no walk in registrations will be permitted. An engaging, timely and diversified agenda awaits attendees! CEUs are available. For more information call: Barbara Murray TODAY at 802-863-7270 and / or to register go to: <http://vermontfitness.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/2013-Registration-Form3.pdf>.

Excitedly, the key note speaker, Dr. Bill Hettler, co-founder of the National Wellness Institute (NWI), a driving force in health promotion and wellness for more than thirty years. As a pioneer he defined (and defended with zeal) the wellness concept as it emerged. Dr. Hettler will speak on the six dimensions of wellness that help individuals and organizations strive for optimal health. [http://www.nationalwellness.org/?page=Six\\_Dimensions](http://www.nationalwellness.org/?page=Six_Dimensions)

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### **Local Resident Reaching Professional Goals In College**

Good Morning,

My name is Melanie Blais and I am currently in my 5th year (out of 6 years) at Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences (ACPHS). I am a local Mt. Holly resident and I currently work at a local pharmacy in Rutland Vermont. I graduated from Black River High School as the valedictorian in 2008. I just wanted to make my community aware that despite coming from a very small town I am making my community proud by achieving great accomplishments in college.

Last week my team (consisting of myself and 2 fellow pharmacy students) competed in the 3rd Annual Student Pharmacist Compounding Competition sponsored by Medisca. The goal of this competition is to provide an educational experience for the student pharmacist and to increase their exposure to the pharmacy compounding industry overall. This competition has 4 parts; the compounding classic where my team and I had to develop formulations, prepare, present and document 3-non sterile compounded medications, the regulatory challenge where my team responded to issues

related to standards of practice, the quality compounding, and clinical expression where we had to provide reason and rationale for a compounded medication, therapeutic/ clinical recommendations, and monitoring criteria. We came in first place and now are going to Gainesville Florida to represent ACPHS at the National Student Pharmacist Compounding Competition March 22-March 24.

In addition, last week I also competed in the final round of patient counseling in the APhA-ASP National Patient Counseling Competition that is sponsored by CVS Caremark. I found out today that I won and will also be representing ACPHS at the APhA Annual convention in LA March 1-March 5. "The goal of the APhA-ASP National Patient Counseling Competition is to encourage student pharmacists in their efforts toward becoming better patient educators. The competition is designed to reflect changes that are occurring in practice, to promote and encourage further professional development of the student pharmacist and to reinforce the role of the pharmacist as a health care provider and educator." (APhA National Patient Counseling Competition website) Thank you for your time, Melanie Blais **Website:** Medisca Student Pharmacist Compounding Competition: <http://www.spcc.medisca.com/medisca.aspx>  
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Picture of my compounding team (I am on the far left):

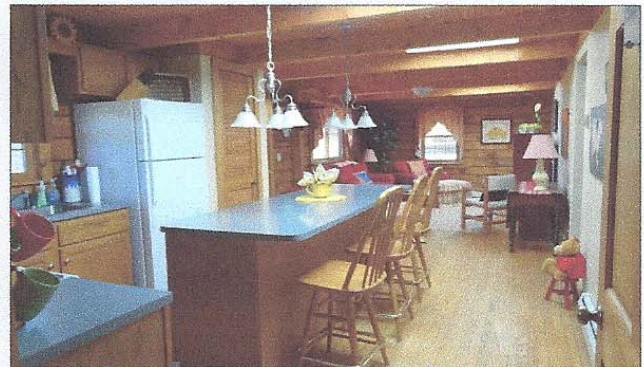


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