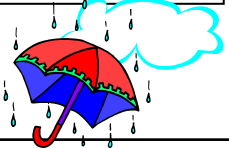




# Mount Holly Chit Chat



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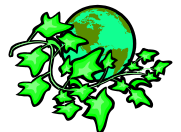
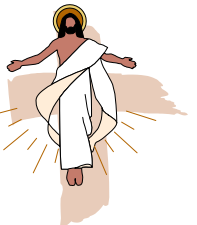
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**Annunciation Mass**, Ludlow, Sat 4 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am **Proctorsville** Sun 9:30 am, Rev. Romanus Igweonu Ph. 228-3451  
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**Burn Permits:** Call Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward 786-3408 or 259-2211  
**Transfer Site:** Sat. 8 am – 2 pm & Spring/Summer Hours start Wednesday April 9<sup>th</sup>, 4 pm to 7 pm

	1 <sup>st</sup>		<i>All Fools Day</i>	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library	<i>Hans Christian Anderson 1805</i>	7:00 pm
		Mt. Holly School Board Meeting, Ludlow Elementary School		7:00 pm
		Union #39 School Board Meeting, Ludlow Elementary School		7:00 pm
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Two Rivers Supervisory Union, MH School Gym	<i>Washington Irving 1856</i>	6:00 pm
	4 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Martin Luther King Jr. Assassinated 1968 ~ NATO Est 1949</i>	
Sat	5 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Booker T. Washington 1856</i>	
Sun	6 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station	<i>Persian Gulf War Ends 1991</i>	7:00 pm
	7 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Metrics System 1795</i>	
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		9:00 am
		Selectmen's meeting, Town Office		7:30 pm
		Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station	<i>Civil War Ends 1865</i>	7:00 pm
		Mt. Holly PTC Meeting, Mt. Holly School Library		3:00 pm
		Mount Holly Grange		7:30 pm
		ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont		7:00 pm
Sat	12 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Trout &amp; Landlocked Salmon, Bass Catch &amp; Release Season</i>	
Sun	13 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Thomas Jefferson 1743</i>	
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	<i>Titantic Struck Iceberg 1912</i>	7:00 pm
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	<i>America's 1<sup>st</sup> School for the Deaf Funded 1817</i>	7:00 pm
			<i>Leonardo DaVinci 1452</i>	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont	<i>Wilbur Wright 1867</i>	7:00 pm
	17 <sup>th</sup>	M.H. Republican Committee Meeting, Mt. Holly Town Office		7:00 pm
	18 <sup>th</sup>		<i>The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere 1775</i>	
Sat	19 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Muskrat Hunting Season Ends ~ Revolutionary War Began 1775</i>	
Sun	20 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Happy Easter</i>	
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office		7:30 pm
	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>Earth Day</i>	9:00 am
		Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station		7:00 pm
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	<i>Professional Secretaries Day</i>	7:00 pm
			<i>William Shakespeare b&amp;d 1564-1616</i>	
Sat	26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Roast Pork Supper</b> for MHVRDA, Odd Fellows Hall	<b>Youth Turkey Weekend</b>	5:00 pm
Sun	27 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Youth Turkey Weekend Ends ~ Ulysses S. Grant 18<sup>th</sup> President 1822</i>	
	28 <sup>th</sup>	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	<i>James Monroe 5<sup>th</sup> President 1758</i>	7:00 pm
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	<i>Holocaust Remembrance Day</i>	7:00 pm
	30 <sup>th</sup>		<i>Arbor Day 1872 ~ Vietnam War Ends 1975 ~ Crow Hunting Season Ends</i>	

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Mount Holly Constable Paul Faenza	802-245-4452	802-786-4404	Health Officer - Tim Bickford	259-3664
Animal Control For Mt. Holly <a href="mailto:mhconstable@yahoo.com">mhconstable@yahoo.com</a>		802-786-4404	Vermont State Police	773-9101



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**April Birthdays:** 1<sup>st</sup> - John Seward 4<sup>th</sup> - Carol Pike 5<sup>th</sup> - Amanda Surething 8<sup>th</sup> - Bob Garrow \* Jeff Carrara 9<sup>th</sup> - Eliza Hudak \* TJ Milks 12<sup>th</sup> - Jean Palmer \* Carlos Bickford \* Tobi Macey 14<sup>th</sup> - Mallary Flanders \* Melissa Garrow 16<sup>th</sup> - Paul Paul \* Jamie Carrara 17<sup>th</sup> - Noah Koponen \* Trinity Nye 18<sup>th</sup> - Robyn Lewis \* Todd Bussino Sr 19<sup>th</sup> - Joseph Bourgeois 21<sup>st</sup> - Alaxander Bussino \* Melissa Perry 24<sup>th</sup> - Vincent Turco \* Eric Holt Jr \* Eric Holt Sr \* Beverly Stearns \* Randy Hawkins 26<sup>th</sup> - Nicolas Turco \* Samantha Norton \* John Puro 27<sup>th</sup> - Mary Ellen Jacobs 28<sup>th</sup> - Danielle McMahon \* Lisa Hendee 29<sup>th</sup> - Cassie Wilkins \* Michael Ely \* Ian D.F. Miller



**April Anniversaries:** 1<sup>st</sup> - Albert & Brenda Cavoto 16<sup>th</sup> - Dick & Nancy Tilton 18<sup>th</sup> - Randy & Tammy Hawkins

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

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### Mount Holly 802-259-2796

Post Master:

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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

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## Jean I. Garrow



Jean I. Garrow, 76, of Shrewsbury, died Sunday, March 9, 2014, at Rutland Regional Medical Center. She was born in Belmont March 4, 1938, the daughter of William and Esther (Reed) Wortman.

Jean was educated in Mount Holly schools and was a graduate of Black River High School. On January 24, 1959, she married Edward R. Garrow also from Mount Holly.

She enjoyed gardening, canning, yard sales, gambling and naughty jokes and was a member of Theta Rho Girls Club.

Surviving are her husband, Edward, of Shrewsbury; a daughter, Christine Billings and husband, Craig, of Pittsford and their daughters, Renee Audy Hesse and husband, Bob, and their son, Cameron, of Rutland, Lynnette Audy of Massachusetts and Ariel Billings of Pittsford; two sons, Edward R. Garrow Jr. and wife, Ginny, of Cavendish and their two daughters, Ginger Hinkley and husband, Jason, of Claremont, N.H., and their children, Jack and Kord Hinkley, and Desiree Garrow and companion, Cory Sweet, and Eric Garrow of Shrewsbury; a brother, Tim Wortman and wife, Patricia, of Virginia; and a sister, Joan Ciufio and husband, Salvatore, of Ludlow.

She was predeceased by her grandson, Jacob Billings, and by a sister, Ina Evans.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, March 15, 2014, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the [Moose Club](#) on Center Street in Rutland. Arrangements are under the direction of Clifford Funeral Home in Rutland.

Contributions may be made to Cairo Temple Shriners, 51 Washington St., Rutland VT 05701; or to Jacob Billings Agriculture Scholarship Fund, c/o Clifford Funeral Home, 2 Washington St., Rutland, VT 05701.

## Ruth H. Johnson



BERNARDSTON, Mass. - Ruth H. Johnson, 86, of Northfield Road, Bernardston, died Friday, March 7, 2014, at home, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born in Rutland, Vt., on January 15, 1928, the daughter of Clifford and Eureka (Flanders) Pratt. Ruth was educated in Mount Holly, Vt., schools and was a graduate of Black River High School, Ludlow, Vt., class of 1945. Early in life, she worked as a telephone operator for New England T&T in Mount Holly and Brattleboro, VT.

She was married on May 31, 1947, to Frederic Johnson in Mount Holly. She was a former member of the Mount Holly Grange, the Belmont Community Church and the Rebekahs in Mount Holly. In Bernardston, she was a member of the United Church of Bernardston, and its Women's Fellowship, and a member of the friends of the Mass. Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. She loved her family, flower gardening, reading, music, dancing and traveling.

She is survived by her husband of 68 years, Fred; and her son, James W. Johnson and his wife Millicent of Mount Holly, Vt.; and a daughter, Rita Johnson of Bernardston, Mass. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Ericka Smith and her husband Ryan, Eureka Biczko and her husband Eric, and Jeremiah Johnson; and her great-grandchildren, Amber, Dakota and James Biczko; several nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was held Friday, March 14, 2014, at 11:30 a.m. at the United Church of Bernardston. Rev. David Neil, interim pastor, officiated. Burial will be at the convenience of the family.

Donations in her memory may be made to The United Church of Bernardston, PO Box 503, or the Bernardston Fire Dept., 18 Church St., or the Bernardston Police Dept., 256 South St., all at Bernardston, MA 01337.

Kidder Funeral Home, 1 Parker Ave., Northfield, Mass., is in charge of arrangements.

## Forrest Wheelock



EDGEWATER, Fla. - Forrest Wheelock died Thursday, Feb. 27, 2014, in Edgewater, Florida.

He was born April 9, 1935, in Rockingham, Vermont. He grew up and was educated in Healdville, Mount Holly, Vermont, and graduated from Black River High School in 1954.

He worked for many years at Dakin Mills in Ludlow, Vermont. His last 15 years of employment were at General Electric in Rutland, Vermont.

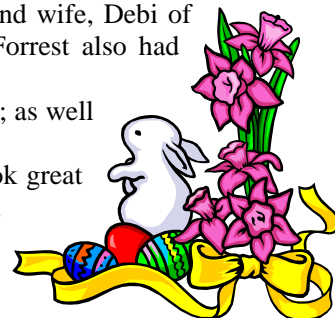
He is survived by his wife of fifty years, Constance Wheelock of Edgewater, Florida; a brother, Alfred Wheelock of Peoria, Arizona; a sister, Phyllis Gibbs of Mechanicsville, Maryland; and four children: Gerri

Pinney and husband, Bob of Rutland, Vermont; Ronnie Link of Castleton, Vermont; Bob Link and wife, Debi of Edgewater, Florida; and Sharon McGowan and husband, Patrick of Princeton, Massachusetts. Forrest also had fifteen grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

He was predeceased by three brothers: Lowell Wheelock, Herb Wheelock, and Elmer Wheelock; as well as two daughters: Karen Baker-Buskey and Tammy Wheelock-Fredette.

Forrest was a kind, gentle, loving family man who was respected by all who knew him. He took great pride in the upkeep of his home. He loved playing horseshoes and cribbage. He will be truly missed.

A memorial service will be announced at a future date.





## Mt. Holly School Board Meeting

The Mt. Holly school board met on Wednesday, March 5 at the Black River High School Library with the LES and U39 boards. The boards discussed the recent budget votes throughout the supervisory union, and the impact those budgets have on each town's tax rates. The board reorganized and Mr. Venter was re-elected board chair and Ms. Cohen was re-elected board clerk. The board approved the minutes from the previous board meeting. They also discussed the artist (dancer) in residency and the positive impact she has been having on the students. Mr. Hutt Vater reported on the status of the security upgrades at the school. He also reported on the NECAP results. Ms. Waite noted that this year, with the new higher requirements for No Child Left Behind, very few schools in Vermont will achieve AYP this year.

Ms. Waite reported that she has received tentative approval for use of Consolidated Federal Grant funds for the Foundation Search program that will help all of the schools apply for grants more efficiently. The board discussed the upcoming VSBA conference and the governance bill the legislators are currently discussing. The board discussed the possibility of reducing tuition slightly to try to attract more Plymouth students to the Mt. Holly School. The board also discussed the U39 annual meeting and possibly having U39 representatives at the Mt. Holly annual meeting.

The next meeting will be on April 2, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Ludlow Elementary School.

## VT Department of Health online survey for residents 18 to 25

The Black River Area Community Coalition encourages all Vermont residents ages 18-25 to complete the following survey, which asks questions about alcohol and drugs.

This survey is being conducted by Pacific Institute for Research and Evaluation in partnership with ADAP at the Vermont Department of Health and is designed for Vermont residents between the ages of 18 and 25. The survey is completely anonymous, takes about 10 minutes to complete and asks questions about perceptions and use of alcohol and other drugs. The purpose of the Young Adult Survey is to assess alcohol use and prescription drug misuse among young adults aged 18 to 25 as part of the evaluation of the Vermont Partnerships for Success Grant. The survey will be open at least through mid-April and will repeat in 2016. To encourage participation, respondents will be eligible to enter a drawing for a cash prize of either \$100 or \$250. At the end of the survey respondents are given the option to click on a link to enter the drawing on a separate website. The survey itself collects no personally identifying information and survey responses cannot be linked with contact information entered on the prize drawing site.

The survey is online and can be accessed at <http://ncweb.pire.org/vtsurvey/>. We also have a Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/vermontyas](http://www.facebook.com/vermontyas). Please "like" our Facebook page and encourage any of your contacts and/or community partners to spread the word and complete the survey if they are eligible. Paul Faenza

## Mt Holly Town Library

The Mount Holly Town Library will host a Vermont Humanities Council program, "VERMONT FOLK ART" on Sunday, April 6th at 4 p.m. The event will be held in the Library--26 Maple Hill Road in Belmont.

The slide presentation and lecture will be presented by Jane Beck, founder of The Vermont Folklife Center. She will be looking at the artistry of Vermonters, their stories and their connection to Vermont and its culture. Ms. Beck has dedicated her life to capturing examples of traditional Vermont art and educating people to appreciate it in terms of a real culture. The lecture touches on the informal process of learning a traditional art, life crises that spur the creation of folk art and the emotional bond that exists between the maker and the receiver of a folk art object.

Free, open to the public, and accessible to people with disabilities. Contact Joan McCallum at (802) 259-2318 for information

## Colfax Lodge Update on the Building Foundation Fund

The members of Colfax Lodge #21, IOOF, want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all who have contributed toward our foundation project at the Odd Fellows Hall. We have received over \$16,000 toward our goal of \$25,000. Without your generous donations, it would not be possible to plan what we hope will be the start of our project. There is still time to make a tax-deductible donation. If you have any questions, please call Harold at 259-3665, or Dennis at 259-2460

Mount Holly Elementary School

## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION & SCREENING

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

12:15—4:00 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392



For children who are 5 years old  
on or before August 31, 2014

Please bring the following:

1. A birth or baptismal certificate
2. All immunization records

Children must attend for screening.

Parents : Please plan to spend time completing  
registration forms.



A visiting day for future Kindergarten  
children will be scheduled in August.

Mount Holly Elementary School

## PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Tuesday, April 29, 2014

9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392

For children who are 3 years old  
on or before August 31, 2014

Please bring the following:

1. A birth or baptismal certificate
2. All immunization records

Children must attend for screening.

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



## Please Help Get The Word Out....Share...Share....Share!

### Five LES Students Create Original Music for OPUS 28



Music-COMP has a new campaign with Kick starter, the crowdfunding platform, to raise funds for the Opus 28 concert which will feature student compositions performed in concert by professional musicians. Right now 5 students at Ludlow Elementary School, 2 students at Mt. Holly Elementary, and 1 student from Black River High School are posting their compositions-in-progress

to the Music-COMP online mentoring for feedback from professional composers. Later this month, the mentors will select about 24 works for the Opus 28 performance to be held in Ludlow on April 30th.

We need your help. Visit this link and view a video with our students. After you hear from them, we hope you'll want to back the project. Every pledge amount receives an exciting reward. Next we hope you'll share the link with friends, colleagues, and family so they can view the video too. This is how crowdfunding works - share and link and spread the word!<http://kck.st/1kvP894>

Our goal is \$8800 by March 25th. We're close to \$2000 right now and need to reach or exceed the goal by Tuesday the 25th at 11:59 pm or we get nothing. Help our students realize their dream of professional musicians performing their original music. Constance D. Wilcox, Music Educator, Please note I have a new email: [constance.wilcox@trs.u.org](mailto:constance.wilcox@trs.u.org)  
Ludlow Elementary School,  
Mt. Holly School, Black River High School – Middle School [802-228-5151](tel:802-228-5151) (Ludlow Elementary School) [802-228-4721](tel:802-228-4721) (Black River High School) [802-228-5026](tel:802-228-5026) (Fax) From: Bixby, Leslie



In anticipation of the state-wide musical composition program sponsored by Music-COMP in a program called OPUS 28, five Ludlow Elementary School Students, along with a member of the Mt Holly Elementary School, are preparing their own original musical compositions in the hope that they may be selected for the Wednesday, April 30 OPUS28 concert in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium. The students, with the help of music teacher Constance Wilcox and the on-line musical composition computer program, 'Inside Music' and 'Noteflight' located on the web, are busy creating their own compositions that will be submitted to Music-COMP. Statewide, over 80 students are in the process of doing the same. Ultimately, about 24 of these compositions will be selected for the April 30 concert in Ludlow. The compositions will be played by professional classical musicians,

some members of the Vermont Symphony Orchestra. In 2012, Ludlow also hosted the OPUS 24 concert in the town hall auditorium. FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) will assist Music-COMP in arrangements for the concert. Selected student compositions will be played at the concert. The students are helped by the on-line computer programs as well as their local music instructor and on-line mentors who help students evaluate their compositions. In order to fund this large project, Music-COMP has launched a kickstarter effort to raise fund to underwrite the cost of this concert and its preparation. The kickstarter web site for contributions is (all photos courtesy of Constance Wilcox)

First Picture above are five of the Ludlow Elementary School students participating in the OPUS 28 program competition. From left to right, they are: Erik Heitsmith, grade 5, Grace Livingston, grade 6, Jonathan Oakes, grade 5, Katy Buckley, grade 6, and Rosie Saccardo, grade 5.

Left Picture shown above working on their musical compositions on the computer are, from left to right, Grace Livingston, grade 6, Erik Heitsmith, grade 5, and Jonathan Oakes, grade 5.

Right Picture as they work with their musical compositions on the Internet are, from left to right, Natasha Fortin, Mt Holly Elementary School, Rosie Saccardo, grade 5, and Katy Buckley, grade 6.



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9:00 PM TO MIDNIGHT  
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BELMONT, VT  
DOORS OPEN AT 8:00

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THE MOUNT HOLLY LIBRARY  
PEOPLES UNITED BANK, LUDLOW

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## Mount Holly Community Association

Spring?? Who said spring?! We may think that this snow will never disappear, but spring is coming, no matter what we say, and so is the **Spring Mud Fling!** This is the dance event of the season and, given the amount of snow we had this winter, there will be a record amount of mud to kick off our boots and what better place to do that than the Spring Mud Fling?! Be sure to mark your calendars for Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup> when the doors of the Odd Fellows Hall will open (at 8:00 pm) for the most loved event of the season. Fry Daddy will once again take the stage at 9:00 pm for an evening of foot stomping and kicking up your heels. The party is BYOB and will go on until midnight. Admission is \$10 in advance (tickets at the library & the Belmont Store), or \$12 at the door. See you there!

In advance: it's hard to think about gardens when the snow is still lying on the ground, but the MHCA is always planning in advance for the numerous events that it sponsors every year. Right now our annual

**Garden Tour** is in the works and we will be looking for volunteers to exhibit their own gardens, or to simply volunteer to participate in a variety of ways to make the Tour a success. If

you might be interested in showing your garden, or in volunteering to help organize, or if you just want to learn a little bit more about it, please get in touch with Linda Miller at [LindaDDMiller@aol.com](mailto:LindaDDMiller@aol.com) who is in charge of the tour this year. Thanks so much!

Once again the **membership** rolls for the MHCA were very strong this year and we again surpassed the amount of money raised through membership fees. Membership is our single highest source of revenue and, thus, the major support for all of the activities sponsored by the MHCA. In addition, as discussed in the February Chit Chat, the MHCA is also responsible for the maintenance of the lovely building, which houses the Library and the Community Room. The ongoing expenses for this building are met primarily through our membership and we are very grateful to all those who have joined us to support this historic building. To clarify the duration of the membership year...each year's membership runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup>, so you can expect to hear from us again in June! Thank you all and special thanks to Madeleine Fay, the Membership chair, for all of her hard work this year!

On Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, the artists who have been participating in the **drawing classes** coordinated by Madeleine Fay held their first art show and reception. It was a lovely evening during which a number of the artists displayed their work and discussed how and why they became involved with the Saturday morning classes. Participants included experienced artists, as well as people who had never taken pencil to paper, or brush to canvas ever before. It was truly inspiring to see their enthusiasm for their own work and for each others. Congratulations to all of the participants...Madeleine Fay, Amber Kaemmerlen, Pat LaBella, Sue Presson, and Barbara Roberts! Special thanks to Madeleine Fay for starting the classes and shepherding them through their first couple of years. Madeleine asks us to remind you that the classes are on-going every Saturday morning from 10:30 – 12:00 noon in the Community Room. All are invited to join!

Speaking of art shows, one of the intended uses for the **Community Room** was as a gallery space. If there is anyone who would like to make use of it for their own work, to display a personal collection, or to sponsor a show for another artist, please contact Carol DeVine ([cgosedevine@yahoo.com](mailto:cgosedevine@yahoo.com)), or Penny Coldwell ([penelopecoldwell@gmail.com](mailto:penelopecoldwell@gmail.com)). We are looking forward to having more displays in the future!

## TEXAS HOLD'EM Tournament

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**SATURDAY** April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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You may take unused and expired pills and gel caps any day to the Ludlow Police Department, on West Hill Rd. to the permanent Take Back Box (provided thanks to an Okemo Community Challenge Grant). The box is located in the lobby, and operates similar to a mailbox. Just open the slot and dump in your pills. No questions asked. It is available 7 days a week from 8am to 4pm. For more information on the proper disposal of liquids or sharps, please call the BRACC office at 228-7878. Keep your active prescriptions at home in a locked cabinet or unusual place (other than the medicine cabinet) so you do not become the unwitting supplier for children, grandchildren or others who visit you.

**On April 22 at 7:00 we will host a Town Hall discussion on Underage Drinking at Ludlow Town Hall, 37 Depot Street.** April is Alcohol Awareness Month. Steve Waldo from the Vermont Department of Liquor Control will speak about recent trends and enforcement efforts. A discussion will follow. We continue to educate youth about the dangers of using alcohol. Find out how to make it clear to your youth that you expect them to be alcohol free until they are 21. It is the law. Join us for the latest information and a lively discussion.

On April 30 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. there will be a SAFE

## Black River Area Community Coalition (BRACC) Update March 19, 2014

**Thank you Voters of Mount Holly** for your support at the polls!! We appreciate your financial and moral support for ongoing efforts to reduce the use of alcohol and other drugs by our vulnerable teens.

**Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 26:** Senator Patrick Leahy's recent committee hearing in Rutland about the growing opiate epidemic in Vermont generated even more press on this issue. Abuse of prescription drugs is a major part of this issue. Make sure you are not contributing to this problem. Take all expired or unneeded prescriptions pills, capsules or tablets to the **Prescription Drug Take Back Day on April 26 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.** Get rid of them now. Take Back Day



### April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2014 VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH EASTER SERVICES

**Please join us for:**

6:00 a.m. - Easter Sunrise Service will be held at R.C. and Lynn Anderson's home at 68 Tiffany Road, Belmont. It will be followed by a breakfast at The Village Baptist Church, Belmont.  
9:30 a.m. - Easter Morning Worship Service at The Village Baptist Church in Belmont

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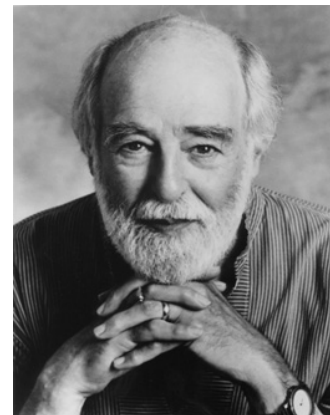
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### Robert DeCormier to be honored at the Vermont State House

Mount Holly resident, Robert DeCormier, will be recognized for his long career in music with a Resolution at the Vermont State House in Montpelier on Tuesday, April 22nd. The day begins at 10 a.m. in the House Chamber with the reading of any legislative resolutions. My hope is that many from our area will try to be in attendance. Please understand that we have a huge parking problem in Montpelier while the Legislature is in session. There is parking available with shuttle service to the State House about every 15 minutes. After you get off the interstate at Exit 8, and just beyond the first stoplight, move into the left lane and look for a sign that reads "parking and shuttle to the state house complex." The total drive from our area via Route 4 in Killington byway of Routes 100 and 107 including the interstate from Bethel takes about one hour and forty-five minutes. If you have questions, contact me at 259-2460 or [ddevereux@leg.state.vt](mailto:ddevereux@leg.state.vt).

meeting (Substance Awareness for Educators) at the Ludlow Community Center. The meeting will focus on the results from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey that was recently conducted by the Department of Health. We will look at local and state trends around a variety of topics ranging from alcohol and drug usage, vehicle usage, sexual activity, and other health related activities. The younger the age of onset, the more at risk a young person is for later addiction to alcohol and other drugs. Help your children and grandchildren navigate the risks they face by talking to them early and often about your expectations of them. All are welcome to attend.

BRACC--promoting a healthy involved community, supporting all youth in safe environments.



## MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY – Lots going on in April!

### Thanks to the Mount Holly voters for approving the Library's request for funds!

**Jane Beck, Vermont's Distinguished Folklorist – Presents Program** ~ Jane Beck, founder of the Vermont Folklife Center, has had a career of amazing accomplishments in the field of Vermont history by documenting it, preserving it and presenting it back to its people. On **Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm** Dr. Beck will present a slide presentation and lecture looking at the artistry of Vermonters, their stories and their connection to Vermont and its culture. Ms. Beck has dedicated her life to capturing examples of traditional Vermont art and educating people to appreciate it in terms of a real culture. She has put together more than 30 folk art exhibits which have included a wide range of materials, from textiles to carvings, and from whirligigs to miniatures—all exquisitely crafted within informal traditions and practices passed down the generations. Don't miss the opportunity to hear this foremost authority on Vermont and its people. This Vermont Humanities Program is free and open to the public.



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**Steven Haywood Yaskell Presents a Program on The Sun's Receding Activity?** ~ On **Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm** Mount Holly resident, Steven Haywood Yaskell will give a talk and slide presentation on Grand Phases On the Sun: A "Happening" Phenomenon? at the Mount Holly Town Library. What most of us know about the Sun we learned many years ago in school. Since the beginning of time native people have been fascinated by the Sun, a subject today so complicated it is studied in institutions of higher learning all over the world. Mr. Yaskell's talk will concentrate on the work that Dutch Hale and Janssons medal-winning solar astronomer Cornelis de Jager has done studying solar variation showing projected lower solar activity cycles. He will explain the Sun's regular 11 and 22 year activity cycles indicating a stronger or weaker sun and how these cycles are sometimes suddenly drawn out or shortened, a phenomenon that could be occurring right now, and to underscore the Sun's very dynamic nature. Mr. Yaskell vetted papers for the Journal for the History and Heritage of Astronomy at James Cook University, the Astronomical Society of the Pacific's Mercury, and for more popular journals (Sky & Telescope and Astronomy Now). His talk is drawn from his most recent book Grand Phases of the Sun (available at the library). Join us for this thought-provoking program. Free and open to the public, for more information call 802-259-3707.

**Downloadable Audio Books and eBooks** ~ Since 2012 the library has offered downloadable audio books through One Click Digital Recorded Books. It's easy to do by downloading the OneClickdigital app to your device. All titles are available for download with the app. OneClickdigital Media Manager is free software allowing patrons to download audio books to your computer and transfer them onto your portable devices. Along with the Media Manager, you can use the free OneClickdigital app to download audio books directly to your iOS, Android, Kindle Fire, or Nook devices, and you also have the option to download to zipped files onto a computer. After you have

obtained your personal Mount Holly Library membership number you can login using the credentials you created by going to the Vermont OneClickdigital website. You can access your checkouts, browse and check out titles, and download directly to your device using the app. The great news is that in April we will also start offering **eBooks** as well. OneClickdigital eBooks are available for download using Adobe Digital Editions. ADE is free software used for viewing eBooks on your computer. The software is compatible with both Windows and Mac personal computers. Along with Adobe Digital Editions you may also download the OneClickdigital eReader app from Google Play and iTunes. And don't forget our computer intern will be at the library to help you.

**The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Plant Sale Fundraiser** ~ On Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup> (the day before Easter) at 9 am we will set up at the Belmont Store and Shaw's in Ludlow. As in other years we will have small potted grape hyacinths, daffodils and primrose. For only \$4 they make a great Easter gift or the perfect way to bring a bit of spring cheer to someone. Our sale has been so successful in the past and some people have been unable to come by on Saturday so we will be doing advance sales on Friday, the 18<sup>th</sup> between 2 and 4 at the Library. Stop in on Friday or early Saturday for best color and plant choices. The sale ends when plants are gone on Saturday (around noon in the past)!

**Yoga Is Back!!** ~ Jen Coleman would like to start offering classes beginning Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:30. Participants will sign up for 7 sessions. The first block of classes will end June 9<sup>th</sup> (skipping Memorial Day). She is willing to hold the classes if a minimum of 8 people commit to the 7 week session. Jen has been teaching Kripalu Yoga classes professionally for 7 years and here in Mt. Holly for 3 years. Classes are appropriate for beginner to moderate levels of ability. Emphasis is on breathing, sustaining posture and fluid gentle movement with music. Each class is 75 min. long, and the cost is \$105 for the 7-week session. Call Jen @ 775-6301 to sign up!!

*Many Thanks to all for your Anniversary notes, phone calls and visits. It was a joy to hear from all of you. You people make a beautiful community!*

*Love,  
Ray & Clarise*





**Computer Help** ~ Good news! Karen Steever will be available through June at the Library on Sundays from 1 to 4. You may walk in or sign up for a specific time. She has already helped many patrons. We have public computers at the Library and an important service she can provide is help filling out employment and school loan applications and other documents that are now required to be completed on line. Any help she provides is kept in strict confidence.

**Green Up Day– Saturday, MAY 3<sup>rd</sup> -Vermont's Annual Rite of Spring** ~ Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> is Green Up Day. Put on your boots, get together with your family, invite some friends and clean up Mt. Holly. Each year the Library hosts this important state-wide event. **Come to the Mt. Holly Library starting at 9:00 am** to pick up your road assignment and trash bags. After registering at the Library you have Saturday and Sunday to complete trash removal. Leave the bags by the side of the road and the town road crew will pick them up Monday morning. If you are not able to come on Saturday and need to pick up bags sooner or have any questions contact me at 259-2823. As in past, we will provide a free lunch at the library from 12 until 1 for anyone who helps beautify Mt. Holly. Help continue this 44 year tradition. Keep our town GREEN & CLEAN and add to the 40,000 bags of trash cleaned up annually in Vermont.



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### HEY, KIDS DON'T MISS THESE GREAT OPPORTUNITIES AT THE MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

#### **Win a Magazine and Posters About the Movie "Divergent"**

The Divergent trilogy is a series of three young-adult dystopian/science-fiction books. A Chicago society set in the future is divided into five factions, each dedicated to the cultivation of a particular virtue--Candor (the honest), Abnegation (the selfless), Dauntless (the brave), Amity (the peaceful), and Erudite (the intelligent). On an appointed day of every year, all sixteen-year-olds must select the faction to which they will devote the rest of their lives. For Beatrice, the decision is between staying with her family or being who she really is--she can't have both. So she makes a choice that surprises everyone, including herself.

The Library has all three volumes of this exciting trilogy by Veronica Roth in the collection. The movie Divergent was released on March 21<sup>st</sup>. The Library will have a drawing for "The Collector's Edition of Us" a magazine all about the movie with 3 posters. Any student that comes in to check out any one of the three books in the trilogy will be entered in the drawing which will be held on May 26<sup>th</sup>.

**FREE Baby Sitting Course at The Mount Holly Library** ~ Calling all kids age 11 to 15. **Sunday, May 11 from 10 am to 4 pm** The **American Red Cross** babysitting course will be held. This **FREE** course teaches kids how to supervise children and infants, perform basic child-care skills such as diapering and feeding, choose safe, age-appropriate games and toys, handle bedtime and discipline issues, identify safety hazards and prevent injuries, care for common injuries and emergencies such as choking, burns, cuts and bee stings, communicate effectively with parents and find and interview for babysitting jobs. Each child takes home cool training materials: Babysitter's Training Handbook, Babysitter's Training Emergency Reference Guide and Babysitter's Training CD-ROM. A pizza lunch will be provided. The course will be held with a minimum of 8 students and a maximum of 12 students. **Sign up now** and reserve your spot by calling Lynne Herbst at 802-259-3707 or stopping by the library.



### **Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary**

The Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department Auxiliary is having a raffle and if you would like to buy any thicketts please feel free to contact me, my phone number is 802-259-2791 or you can cut out the ticket below and mail it to me with your money. If you would like to buy a whole book I will mail the other half of the tickets back to you. They are \$1.00 per ticket or 6 for \$5.00. If you pay by check please make it payable to the MHVFDA. My address is P.O. Box 203, Mt. Holly, VT 05758.

I would like to Thank Everyone that helps supports us all year long and the business that donated the all the great prizes that we have for our raffle. Sincerely, Carol Garrow-Woolley, President MHVFDA

#### **MOUNT HOLLY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. AUXILIARY RAFFLE**

The Drawing Date is July 9, 2014

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\$1.00 per Ticket or 6 for \$5.00

#### **OTHER ITEMS TO BE ADDED**

- 1) 2 - 1 Day Lift tickets for 2014-2015 season from OKEMO
- 2) 1 Wrist Band for Adventure Park at OKEMO
- 3) \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Killarney in Ludlow
- 4) \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Brewfest Beverage
- 5) Harry's Gift Certificate
- 6) Breakfast or Lunch for 2 at the Hatchery
- 7) \$25.00 Gift Certificate from Mountain Metal Craft
- 8) 2 Framed Pictures
- 9) \$25.00 Gift Certificate for Cuttings in the Ville
- 10) Gift Certificate for a Massage from Belmont Body and Soul Shop



## Brent and Della Thompson of 318 Sharon Lane, Mount Holly

### Are Pleased To Announce The Following Achievements Of Their Daughter, Kathleen Thompson:

December 20, 2013 – Kathleen Received a B.A. Degree from Castleton State College (majoring in Music and Business Administration).

January 23, 2014 – Kathleen was named to the dean's list at Castleton State College (for Fall, 2013).

March 27, 2014 – Kathleen is due to complete Basic Training for the Vermont Army National Guard.

Oh my, how the time flies by when we look back ... sliding in the mud with her "Barney pajamas" while brother Andy played little league baseball ... tap dancing and ballet ... swimming at Star Lake (May through September) ... her first ride in the station wagon "school bus" ... Mighty Mites T-ball ... talent shows at Mt. Holly Elementary School ... Halloween costumes and trick or treating ... using our bed as a trampoline ... selling lemonade at the dump ... helping dad build her tree house ... girls little league basketball ... Brownies ... hanging out with Stephanie Hekler ... fear of leprechauns and frogs ... summer recreation program in Ludlow ... chorus with Ms. Wilcox ... singing with the honor chorus of the ACDA at Carnegie Hall in New York City ... winning six State Championship medals (three for soccer and three for softball) ... voice lessons with Lise Messier in Weston ... singing opera at the Weston Playhouse ("Noye's Fludde", "The Magic Flute", "Hansel and Gretel", "The Little Prince") ... learning to drive a standard shift car ... going to the Rutland State Fair every year ... playing rugby at Castleton ... singing her senior voice recital at the Castleton Federated Church ... These are but a few of our fondest memories.

For all the joy you have brought to us and to so many others, we Salute you Kathleen! Mom, Dad, and Andy

Photo of Kathleen taken at her Senior Voice Recital held at the Castleton Federated Church on April 21, 2013 by Kathryn LeBlanc of York, PA



## Weight Watchers

Are you interested in losing a few pounds before summer? Weight Watchers is now here in our community! Open to everyone that lives or works here. At the Ludlow Community Center, Thursdays 4:30 -5:00pm. This is a 12 week session, beginning March 27th. Cost \$156.00 (\$13/session) we need 15 people to start a session.

For more information please call Deb Lacroix at 558-9828 or email [deblacroixww@gmail.com](mailto:deblacroixww@gmail.com)

## Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group



Please come join us and alleviate some of those winter time blues! The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group will meet on April 9th at Mary Anderle's, 2475 East Clarendon Road, North Clarendon, VT 05759. Meeting time is 7:00 pm. We are reading and discussing *Homestead* by Rosina Lippi. Copies of the book are available from Jane at the post office.

Also, our March meeting was cancelled due to bad weather so we will be discussing *A Girl Named Zippy* by Haven Kimmel as well. Copies of this book are available at the post office too. Please call Mary Anderle for directions at 772-7550 or Minga Dana for information at 259-2470.



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## Mt. Holly Sno\*Drifters

Hello Snowmobilers,

It is hard to believe how much snow we still have, looks like we will be riding until the end of the season. Trails are officially close April 15<sup>th</sup> state wide. Please abide by the rules that VAST and the state have in place. Thanks to all the landowners and volunteers for



another great season. When the snow is gone and everything dries out we will be checking the trails for trash and taking signs down. If you would like to help with the end of the season clean up,

please call me at 259-2900 or email [MHSnowdrifters@aol.com](mailto:MHSnowdrifters@aol.com).

At our last meeting a discussion ensued about purchasing the Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) and selling our two skandic grooming sleds and frenchie drags. All members present at the meeting voted to purchase the UTV if the financial piece works



out.

We want to thank everyone for attending our BBQ on March 8<sup>th</sup> and showing your support. The turnout we had was incredible, we not only sold out of food and had to purchase more, but we sold out of the new Sno\*Drifters sweatshirts. What a beautiful sunny day, with a camp fire, kids finding treasures on the trails and riders from all over, some I haven't seen in five or more years.

I have been listening to other sled heads that live in this community, wondering why we are not getting more local club members and volunteers and now I know why. I am asking all of those snowmobilers to come to our next meeting on Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM at the Belmont fire station to participate and hopefully become involved. We are all about teamwork, collaboration and listening to each other trying to come up with the solutions that best fit our club. Come let your voices be heard. We are in this together!!!! Happy Spring, Mary Alberty, Secretary



## Roast Pork Supper



**April 26, 2014**  
**5:00 p.m. Till Gone**



**Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont**

**Benefit Mt. Holly Fire Dept. Auxiliary**

**Roast Pork Supper**

**Mashed Potatoes W/Gravy, Veg., Rolls  
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# Mount Holly has once again won a competition for achieving the highest percentage of completed home energy efficiency upgrades in our region under the Vermont Home Energy Challenge!!!

## Energy saving statistics for 56 completed homes in Mount Holly-(includes two competitions)

These homes combined are **saving 19,792 gallons of fuel per year**, 9 cords of wood, 1,470 kwh for electric heat\*

\*the wood and kwh above refer to individual homes in the group since they use only those fuels

At \$3.80/gal of fuel= **\$75,210 per year** on fuel costs **saved**

12,403 kWh per year (or at \$.15/kWh= \$1,860) **saved**

193,377 lbs. of carbon dioxide **saved**



Town Office energy efficiency improvements were completed with the previous prize money and the air leakage was reduced by 36.6%.

**These are some of your neighbors who have weatherized their homes in town-Join us!**

**Several have also done phase two of their work and others have added a heat pump or solar.**

Penny and Peter Coldwell  
 Mary Alberty  
 Marji and Bill Graf  
 Rhonda Rivers and Don Richardson  
 Joan and Alec McCallum  
 Jane Hill  
 Paul and Jan Sullivan  
 Craig and Dot Tomkinson  
 Emily Clifford  
 Stephanie Stouffer  
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 Ray and Clar Dana  
 Madeleine Fay  
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 Stephen and Lorraine Harrigan  
 Janet and Paul Warren  
 Fred Garrow and Gene Jennings

## **Congratulation On 40 Years Mount Holly Chit Chat**

*From*

*Walker*

*& Mary*

*Connor*



**The price of a home energy audit is still \$100 for most homes and incentives up to \$2,000 are available from Efficiency Vermont depending on the measures installed.** NeighborWorks H.E.A.T. Squad can help you make the home energy efficiency improvements that will qualify you for the Incentives. It all starts with an energy audit which analyzes the efficiency of your home and makes prioritized recommendations. Call the NeighborWorks Heat Squad to schedule an energy audit as the first step to a more comfortable, energy efficient home. Call Lori at (802) 438-2303 x 227. So join your neighbors and call today!







## NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

*By Senator Alice Nitka, Windsor County*

Educational television certainly has changed since it was launched in Vermont 47 years ago by the state. Today it reaches beyond broadcast borders with new media efforts such as the web, video on demand, live web streaming and interactive chats. There are six broadcast channels around the state as well as options for cable, DISH Network, and Direct TV Satellite. Stations they have are VT Public Television, VPT Create, VPT World and a new service starting in May called VPT 2. The new station will likely have a new name when it begins and will compliant VPT. I'm not sure exactly what that means but I do know they are in the process of obtaining a new Satellite truck to bring viewers more local content programming which is what the public is requesting. The public also wants more children's materials that can be used in schools. Presently VPT provides 53 hours per week of children's educational programs. Teachers can use a wide variety of free online video content along with lesson plans and materials aligned with the VT academic standards.

Nationwide, the Public Broadcasting Company reaches 109 million people through TV and 28 million on line. PBS is the 8th most watched network in the country. ("Downton Abbey" may have helped ratings). CBS is in the number one spot and the Disney Channel is in the 7th spot. On VPT there is a great deal of focus on topics of interest to VT residents in addition to their focus on lifelong learning. VPT has a 15 member Community Council with representation from nearly all of VT's counties. They are also served by a 15 member Board of Directors. Prior to 2011, VPT was affiliated with UVM but today no longer has this affiliation.

VPT has a projected budget for Fiscal Year 2015 of \$6,260,000 and anticipate revenues in a similar amount. Almost 3 million dollars comes from contributions "from viewers like you" as they say with the next biggest chunk coming from license agreements. The state budget contribution is expected to be 558,600 dollars this year. This amount is lower than what the station received in the 1975 budget. Corporation for Public Broadcasting grants are projected to be close to 1 million dollars. Salaries and benefits are the stations highest expenses.

Many bills are moving around so if you are trying to follow a particular bill you can see its status on the web or feel to give me a call. Contact me at home at 228-8432, the State House at 1-800-322-5616 , [anitka@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:anitka@leg.state.vt.us) or PO Box 136, Ludlow, VT 05149. Visit in person at the State House here in Montpelier.



## MESSAGE FROM MONTPELIER Legislative Report from Rep. Dennis Devereux For Ludlow, Mount Holly, and Shrewsbury



The pace of our work has increased dramatically since returning from our town meeting week break. Committees are rushing to finalize bills before the March 14th deadline, but many will still receive extensions. Some acted on recently include bills on Lyme disease to better document its treatment, victim's compensation for enforcing restitution payment obligations, and the expansion of driving a vehicle under the influence to include diminished capacity or impaired from any drug.

A couple of important water quality bills that require us to meet the higher EPA standards must pass. One has to do with shoreline development, and the other with the amount of phosphorous being released into Lake Champlain. The final versions of them have yet to be worked out with the Senate.

Our Committee on Government Operations finished and presented to the whole House bills dealing with the use of parking meter fees for improvements other than just parking lot repairs. We also passed bills to allow our military veterans a path to receive service experience credit for certain professions when they retire, and established a statewide policy on the use and training for electronic control devices. Those law enforcement officers using tasers will need to be trained, and mandatory reporting is required.

An important bill that our committee has considered for some period deals with certification levels of all police officers. The Law Enforcement Advisory Board (LEAB) reported that there should no longer be differences in authority between part-time and full-time officers. These part-time certified officers are valued, and there should be three levels of law enforcement certification based on the level of training completed. The new tiered system is supported by the LEAB, the Vermont Criminal Justice Training Council, the Commissioner of Public Safety, and the Police Chiefs and Sheriffs' Association. The bill gives the Council the ability to approve training programs for each level's scope of practice, set annual in-service training requirements, grandfather officers so they can continue to practice, and adopt rules prior to the effective date of the new structure.

The Committee on Commerce passed a Worker Adjustment Notification bill to help the State prepare in advance of layoffs or a plant closing. It would provide help to begin 60 days prior to the event with an application for federal grants for retraining opportunities. The bill would also require 45 days' notice to any municipality.

Please contact me about the issues, and you can reach me at 802-259-2460, or with a message at [ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us).



## Congratulations to Alexis Palmer & Brandon Stevens

Pictured are Brandon Steven and Alexis Palmer who won the 2013 Scholarships awarded by The Community Guild. Both students attended Mount Holly School and now Alexis attends Community College of Vermont (CCV) and Brandon attends Johnson State College.

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## Mount Holly Town News

Minutes are "DRAFT" until approved at the next Select Board meeting April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2014. NOTE: Most Select Board meetings are covered by LPC-TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, [www.lpctv.org](http://www.lpctv.org). Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

**SELECT BOARD - February 11, 2014** ~ Jim Heald called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Raymond Tarbell and Tim Martin were present.

Jim welcomed everyone and requested that speakers identify themselves and keep remarks civil and short.

1. The minutes of the regular meeting of January 14, 2014 and the special meeting of January 23, 2014 were reviewed. There were no changes or additions. Upon motions made and seconded and with no further discussion, it was VOTED: To approve the minutes of January 14 and January 23.

2. Highways

- \* Jeff Teter was not present, as he is at the Olympics in Sochi (Go Hannah!).

### Reminder From Mount Holly Listers

Don't forget to file your **Homestead Declaration Form HS122** with your Vermont Tax Returns

Chris Pratt, Carol Garrow-Woolley, Nicole Griffin

- \* FEMA – Sawyer Hill Rd culvert: Several emails/discussions with State Emergency Management people have indicated that ANR and FEMA may allow the current installed culvert to stand as emergency repair work. A letter was drafted, using some proposed language from them, to ask FEMA to de-obligate the funds for the culvert upgrade and consider the project complete. Upon motion made and seconded, with no further discussion, it was VOTED: To forward the letter as proposed to State officials for their agreement, and forwarding to FEMA.
- \* New Garage: Jim Heald read a letter he had received dated Feb 2 regarding an offer of land along Route 103 from the Dunwoodys. (A copy sent to the town office was not received until Feb 10). He expressed concern regarding the wetness of the land, but Dunwoodys stated that a Rutland engineer firm says it's not a wetland. Jim noted that a lot of time and effort has been spent in getting to the current status on the project, and it is going to the voters on March 4, as proposed on the school land. If it is voted down, then the Board will have to look at Plan B (but no idea what that is). There was no disagreement from the other Board members on his statement. Lester Lampert stated he was afraid the town would end up losing the school if the garage was built near it. Annette Lynch said no detailed budget had been provided at the public meeting. She felt there were a number of items that were not included in the \$600,000 amount, such as a chimney for the furnace. Annette provided a list of questions, which Jim said the town would try to clarify before the garage meeting.
- \* Annette also requested that due diligence be done on the Dunwoody property before town meeting and compare it with the other property and the school land. Jim Heald restated that the Dunwoody offer was only received yesterday. He said that the town had looked at the petition property (Ballou) on Hedgehog Hill Rd and found that the land has a beaver dam, mostly hilly and on a back road that heavy equipment cannot use in the spring. Peter Smith felt that looking at Google Earth, the garage would take up more room than the school. Minga Dana said that if one of the bids had come in a day late as she had heard, that the other party could protest the whole process. David Hoeh stated that he had always viewed the Dunwoody property as the perfect location. He thought some people might be willing to offer donations to offset the cost of the land. David Josselyn noted that the school site will allow an in-ground septic system and felt that the Dunwoody property would require a more expensive mound system. There were several statements regarding sand pile safety. Ray Tarbell said we need to go thru the process from where we are, with the March vote.

3. Treasurer's Report

David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated December 31, 2013 showing cash balances of \$2,459,272. Notable income items were the receipt of the 3rd quarter State Highway aid and FEMA/state payments for the Fowler Brook Rd culvert and July storm damage. There were no unusual expense items highlighted.

4. Listers:

The listers have given the Town a list of properties owned by the Town that are on the grand list as tax-exempt. The state is requiring that all tax-exempt properties have replacement insurance costs or statements why they are not insured to be added to the grand list. Four of the properties are buildings which the Town does insure at replacement cost. The others

### Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

The Mount Holly Animal Control Officer is Constable Paul Faenza. He can be contacted 24hours/day at pager 786-4404, or leave a message on his cell at 245-4452.

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

- \* The Town received notice of the annual State Paving and Structures Grant applications. The Board agreed to file for a paving grant; grant applications due April 11, 2014.
- \* Healdville Road – Question regarding the 1970's curve relocation

This item was tabled until March. VLCT will be contacted to ensure the proper process is followed. The town will also need legal assistance to draw up the paperwork for the transfers.

## MOUNT HOLLY TRANSFER STATION

**SPRING/SUMMER HOURS  
EFFECTIVE  
APRIL 9, 2014**

**WEDNESDAYS, 4 pm to 7 pm  
SATURDAYS, 8 am to 2 pm**

**Last Sunday is March 30  
First Wednesday is April 9  
Closed Sunday April 6**



appear to be open land. Locations of the properties will be reconfirmed with the Listers.

#### 5. Transfer Station:

The State sent a letter regarding Act 148, the Universal Recycling Law passed last year. This law calls for a phased-in ban on landfill disposal of listed recyclables, leaf and yard debris, clean wood debris and food scraps. The only 2014 deadline concerns recyclables, which the Town already does. Further information will be coming, presumably with help from the Rutland County Solid Waste District.

#### 6. Planning Commissions

**ERAF Funding.** The Town received notice of new requirements regarding the State ERAF funds. (This is the state share of emergency funding for situations like Irene.) There are four criteria that need to be met; two need to be looked at. The Town needs to annually file an updated local emergency operations plan and also update the Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. The Board requested a copy of the notice be sent to Anna McGee, our Emergency Management Coordinator, who is working on these two items.

#### 7. Other Business

- \* **Solar Energy Update:** Don Richardson reported on a meeting he had with Same Sun Solar in Rutland where technological advances and current financial incentives were discussed, including GMP's net metering and community power generation programs.
- \* **Quest Program:** There is no funding request on Mount Holly's ballot this year, but Brigid Sullivan reported on the success of last year's program and encouraged eligible Mount Holly students to consider joining it this year (cost last year was \$50 per week).
- \* **Copier:** Sue Covalla reported that the copier in the town office needs an estimated \$1000 in repairs. This copier is no longer eligible for a service contract. She plans to purchase a new copier (about \$3800), with funds set aside in her records fund. The company will take the old copier away and dismantle it.
- \* **Rutland Regional Transportation Council:** David Hoeh reported on the RRTC meeting where a list of proposed State road repair projects in the area was presented. Bowlsville Bridge, Route 140 and Route 155 are on the list, but not high priority. Parts of many roads in the region are listed as poor or very poor. The meeting mostly covered rail expansion. New bus service linking Rutland with Burlington and White River Junction is expected to start mid-March.
- \* **VLCT's Local Government Day** at the State Legislature is February 19, 2014.
- \* The Board recognized and welcomed the Rutland Herald correspondent who was present

#### 8. The Board reviewed and signed the January orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.  
Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

**SELECT BOARD - March 11, 2013** ~ The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Tim Martin, who agreed to be acting chair for this evening. Raymond Tarbell was present and Jim Heald was absent. It was noted that Ray had taken the Oath of Office shortly before the meeting started.

1. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: Under reorganization, set regular meeting schedule was added. There were no other additions.
2. The minutes of the regular meeting of February 11 were reviewed. There were no corrections or additions and the minutes were approved.
3. Reorganization
  - Upon motion made and seconded, it was  
VOTED: To appoint Jim Heald as Select Board Chair.
  - Upon motions made and seconded, it was  
VOTED: to make the following appointments for this year:

Tree Warden: Ray Tarbell

E911 Coordinator: Sue Covalla

Newspaper of Record: Rutland Herald

Fire Warden: Jim Seward

Town Service Officer

Law Firm for Tax Sales:

Select Board Clerk:

Becky Reichler

Sue Crawford

Rhonda Rivers

- Susan Covalla appointed Joan McCallum and Barbara Ludwig as Assistant Town Clerks. David Johnson appointed Diana Garrow as Assistant Town Treasurer.

- Upon motion made and seconded, it was

VOTED: To set the regular meeting schedule as second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm.

#### 4. Highways

- The Annual Highway Financial Plan to the State was presented and signed. This provides the State information on the highway budget as passed March 04.
- Paving Grant. Jeff Teter reported that the town is unlikely to receive a grant this year, but the Board stated we should apply anyway. If other towns don't apply we might still get one. Jeff will work on getting this together. This is due April 11. Paving Grants from the State can only be used on Class 2 roads.



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- Healdville Road 1970's curve issue. This issue was presented last month and tabled. Due to Rhonda's accident, VLCT was not contacted regarding the proper process until late last week and they have not yet responded. The Board decided to table this again pending information from VLCT.
  - Jeff Teter discussed an extended warranty for the grader. This issue had been discussed and voted at a previous meeting, although the date was not confirmed. The Board re-voted taking an extended warranty for 84 months/3000 hours for \$5250.00. Jeff will get the papers and one of the selectmen will sign once they are available.
5. Report of Treasurer
- David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated February 28, 2013 showing cash balances of \$2,193,616. There is about \$101,000 in outstanding delinquent property taxes, which is normal at this time in the year. There are also some prepaid property taxes for next year. There were no significant revenues for the month. The county tax amount is known, and is a little less than budgeted. Solid waste expenses are under budget overall. Otherwise, income and expenses are in line with expectations.
  - Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To authorize the Treasurer to put on the orders and pay certain items: payroll taxes and withholding payments, regular wages, postage, property tax refunds and school advances per the schedule reviewed annually.
  - Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To authorize the Select Board Clerk to write orders and the Treasurer to pay said orders.
6. Solid Waste:
- Summer Hours: Summer hours will start on Wednesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> and continue through the summer. Wednesday, 4pm to 7pm, Saturday 8am to 2pm, NO Sunday hours for the summer. The last Sunday will be March 30th. The Transfer Station will NOT be open on Sunday, April 6th.
  - Upon motion made and seconded, it was VOTED: To appoint Jeff Teter as the town's representative to the Rutland County Solid Waste District (RCSWD). No alternate was named.
7. School Mowing – request for bids will be posted in the April Chit Chat and around town, as usual
8. Rabies Clinic – will be held at the Town Office on Saturday, March 26, 10am to noon.

### TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Mount Holly is accepting bids for mowing the Mount Holly School grounds and playing fields for the 2014 season. The contract includes a one-time brush hogging around the perimeter of the grounds in late August.

If you are interested, please submit a bid for the entire season, including the brushhogging, along with a Certificate of Insurance.

Bids should indicate 'Mowing Bid' on the envelope and be submitted by **4 pm on Monday, April 07, 2014** to

Select Board, Town Office, P.O. Box 248, Mount Holly, VT 05758

### 9. Other Business

- A group of residents asked the Board to consider allowing some of the town's road to be open to travel by ATVs. Bruce Turco noted that people cannot travel legally on a town road to get from one property they own to another property they own further down the road. Don Patch presented a proposal with rules to go with it for the Board to consider. He noted these rules were consistent with the state statute covering ATVs. Ray asked how these rules could be enforced. Other members of the group noted that several other towns have opened their roads to ATVs, notably Benson, and Reading. An ATV Club member noted some of the rules a club operates under. Don Richardson noted several problems/concerns with ATVs on the town roads over by Lake Ninevah.

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- The Board decided to table this item to another meeting.
- Ron Unterman presented an update on the Star Lake Dam project. The permit application is in to the State, with some minor issues to be corrected going forward, including proper shoreline encroachments for the two dry hydrants. They will now move on to Phase 3, which is to put the project out to bid, proposal review and construction. Timeline is end of April or early May for picking a contractor, with construction starting after July 1, per state rules. The Board agreed that the town is in favor of continuing with the project.
  - David Hoeh reported on the most recent meeting of the Rutland Regional Transportation Council, held February 27. The State continues to review High Risk Rural Roads and look for low cost options to improve problem areas, such as signs and guard rails. Part of that review includes looking at roads with crashes between 2009 and 2013. These include Freeman Brook Road and Healdville Road.
10. The Board reviewed and signed the February orders for payment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers



**MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION - Regular Meeting 3-17-14** ~ Members present: Clinton Woolley, Michael Valente, Jim Seward, Nicole Griffin - Administrator

Public Present: Chris Leister, Lisa Bixby. Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Clinton Woolley  
OLD BUSINESS: Michael Valente made a motion to accept the minutes as read; Jim Seward seconded the motion; the motion was carried by all.

NEW BUSINESS: Chris Leister-Presented a draft survey map for Patch hill road property; discussion referred to Mylar, subdivision application and fees for the client's property. Chris stated he would present the application, pay for fees with the Mount Holly town Clerk. Confirmed the public hearing will be warned for 7:00pm on 4-21-14.

Tilly letter: Property owner requested a new letter to be signed by Tim Martin-Chair of Planning Commission. Due to Tim Martin's absence the letter was tabled.

Leonard/Lynn Cripinelli Building Construction registration form reviewed by the planning commission members in attendance and signed by Clinton Woolley-Vice-chairman

David/Sylvia Freeman copy of letter from state of VT referencing WW-2589 replacement Wastewater system application  
CORRESPONDENCE: Environmental Conservation letter requesting Planning Commission address and contact information

ADJOURNMENT: Michael Valente made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Jim Seward and the motion was carried by all. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 by Clinton Woolley-Vice-Chairman

### To the Editor,

I hope that the construction of the new Town Garage brings increased attention to the safety of the sand pile: for the Town's Road Crew who work on and around the pile and for pedestrians and children who may wander too close.

In 2001, the U.S. Department of Labor, Mine Safety and Health Administration issued Safety Manual Series SM 27, "Stockpiling Safety" for those working around piles of granular material – such as sand. The Manual emphasizes the "unstable" nature of such piles and says: "A person can become entrapped in material that is only knee deep and suffocate in material that is only chest deep. When buried to the chest, the material closes in as the person breathes in and out, packs tightly, and eventually makes breathing impossible."

The manual advises that no pedestrians be allowed on or near stockpiles and cautions workers to be aware that when on the ground undercut or over-steepened slopes can suddenly collapse and that when on the top of a pile they can be engulfed when the edge unexpectedly falls away or when material hiding a cavity gives way and collapses under a body's weight.

Knowledge about safety builds upon years of experience with accidents and deaths and also as the value of preventive measures is documented. We are lucky that no incidents have occurred in our Town's past, but now, being knowledgeable, we should take appropriate steps to make sure that our future is not marred by the horror of an avoidable death. Annette Lynch

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## Captains Courageous



SOMEONE HAS SAID THAT *"life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away."* The movie, *Captain Phillips*, is one of heart-pounding, rising tension that surges, near the end, to one chaotically intense climax that literally leaves you gasping for breath. You, like the brave Vermont captain who was abducted by Somali pirates in the spring of 2009, need a few moments to let the adrenaline coursing through your system to subside. Tom Hanks puts forth a stellar performance as the captain of the huge commercial vessel hauling humanitarian goods to aid impoverished Africans. The entire harrowing experience is brought to the screen by director Paul Greengrass (*United 93*).

The real Captain Phillips worked with Stephen Taity to pen a first person account of the actual events, *A*

*Captain's Duty*, which Billy Ray used to write the screenplay. It's fascinating how the male-dominated tale is bookended by two women, a la the Resurrection. The opening scenes show his wife (Catherine Keener) caressing her husband's neck and asking for reassurance, "We're going to be OK, right?" The powerful closing scene features an actual navy medical corps woman reassuring the captain, as he struggles with post-traumatic stress that he is going to be alright.

Captain Phillips, pirate Captain Muse (Barkhad Abdi) and the U.S. Navy Captain, Frank Castello (Yul Vasquez), although very different in style, each present a fascinating study in leadership as they take responsibility for what their crews *are* and *aren't* able to do in the crisis.

The film wrestles with the dark side of a Somalian mafia raking in millions of dollars using desperate, brutal pawns to do the dirty work. In a deeper sense, it touches on the current "drug epidemic" in our state and the desperate, destructive decisions that individuals make to murder and steal. Rather than an economic or political question, this is first and foremost, a *spiritual* one. For this reason, it was disappointing to see the omission of the Christian faith of Captain Phillips from the film.

In an interview following his deliverance which occurred appropriately on Easter Sunday of 2009, Captain Phillips explained: "There is power in prayer and it *did* help me. When I talked to God and prayed, I did not pray for escape. I prayed for strength and patience. I prayed that God would let me have the strength to continue and to know when to escape and the patience to wait for that time." The man's Christian faith helps us to understand his actions in the moment of attack when he willingly laid down his life to protect his crew. (*"Greater love has no man than this, then to lay down his life for his friends. " John 15:13*)

This Easter, take some time to remind yourself of the sacrificial moment when the God-man willingly laid his body down on a Roman crossbeam to take your punishment and deliver you from *eternal* death and hell. Then picture him rising from that tomb and in a heart-pounding climax, appearing to his disciples as the Master of surprises. *That* ought to take your breath away. Have a joy-filled Easter! *Pastor Glenn Davis*

### Easter Worship 9:30 AM Village Baptist Belmont

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### International Musician To Perform In Mount Holly

A concert featuring vocalist, musician and songwriter Amanda Rogers will be held on Saturday, March 29, at the Mount Holly Community Center.

Amanda Rogers is as resourceful as she is versatile when it comes to her craft of songwriting. Drawing from both the whimsical depths of her mind and the tangible world around her, *WILD* speaks of Amanda's many recollected stories while navigating life with an "old soul of a gypsy" and the precise moments of finding true love, home, and balance. With Amanda's penchant and ability to write catchy hooks and addictive melodies, the result is an album reminiscent of the classic songwriting from the 50's, 60's, and 70's, splashed with the raw-edges and fearlessness of the 90's. The very nature of this album is "wild". Amanda will be on tour this year, so don't miss this opportunity to hear her and welcome her back to Mount Holly. The concert begins at 7:00 P.M. The Mount Holly Community Center is located across the Village Baptist Church green in Belmont, Vermont.



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## National Craft & Home Decor Retailer Hobby Lobby Celebrates Grand Opening of its Rutland, VT Store

Hobby Lobby Stores, a privately held national retail chain of craft & home decor stores, opens in Rutland, VT, with a ribbon cutting ceremony and official grand opening celebration on **Monday, March 24, at 9:00 a.m.** The Rutland store is Hobby Lobby's first location in Vermont. John DeRose is the store manager of the 47,000 square-foot retail facility located at S. Main Street and Curtis Avenue.

The store's grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony is open to the public. Local dignitaries, ambassadors from the Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce and other business leaders will attend the celebration.

"Hobby Lobby is quickly becoming a household name throughout the country. We look forward to meeting the area's demand for craft and home decor shopping with our unparalleled service, value and selection," stated John Schumacher, Assistant Vice President of Advertising.

Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., headquartered in Oklahoma City, OK, began as Greco, a miniature picture frames company in 1970. When David Green moved his business from the family's garage to a 300 square foot retail space in 1972, Hobby Lobby was founded. Today, Hobby Lobby has **nearly 600** stores across the nation that average 55,000 square feet in size. This major Oklahoma City-based private corporation offers more than 70,000 crafting and home decor products in its stores. Departments include floral, fabric, needle art, custom framing, baskets, home accents, wearable art, arts and crafts, jewelry making, scrapbooking and paper crafting supplies. Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. All Hobby Lobby stores are closed on Sunday.

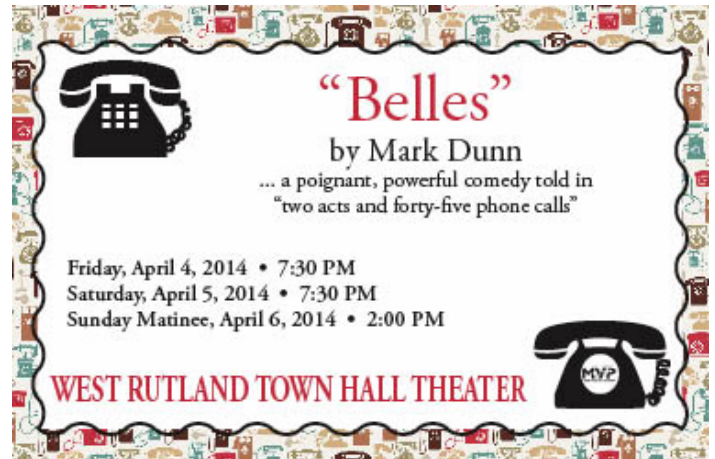
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### "BELLES"

"Belles" by Mark Dunn is a poignant, powerful comedy told in "two acts and forty-five phone calls". The play is an ensemble piece set in the late 1980's, back when phones were plugged into the wall and the only cell phones were in a bag! If you remember those days or if you have siblings, you will enjoy watching Marble Valley Players' presentation of "Belles".

The play visits six southern sisters, who, over the course of a weekend, seek to bridge the physical and emotional distance between them via the telephone. In the process, they try to come to terms with their dysfunctional family history.

The gold standard among Mr. Dunn's many plays about southern women, Director Nancy Manney compares this play to her previous production of "Steel Magnolias". "I have tried to do shows in the past that reflect human trials and tribulations, especially those that concern women. Of course, I want that to be done with humor, because I believe that all that we live,



whether good or bad, has to be lightened up!" To this end, Nancy has cast six veteran actresses for these wonderful characters who are sure to put the "FUN" in dysFUNCTIONal!. They are Michelle Gillette, Julie Redington, Jen Sanford, Judi Tompkins, Gena Wener, and Beth Wolven.

Performances are Friday and Saturday, April 4th and 5th at 7:30PM and a Sunday Matinee, April 6th at 2:00 PM, all at the West Rutland Town Hall Theater. Tickets are \$15 and are sold at the door on performance dates; on line at [www.paramountlive.org](http://www.paramountlive.org); or at the Paramount Regional Box Office, 30 Center St. Rutland. 775-0903.

### Mark your calendar for March 29

#### The FOLA Follies of 2014

Just a reminder that in two weeks, on Saturday, March 29 at 7 PM in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium, FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) will spotlight its second annual FOLA Follies, a musical revue featuring the voices (and some dancing) of area thespians performing some of the great musical numbers from Hollywood films (and elsewhere).

The FOLA Follies of 2014 is open to everyone and is free; donations are appreciated. For more information go to [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us) or call 802-228-7239.

The cast has been rehearsing for this event for the past four months and is ready to offer you a wonderful evening of great popular music. It's going to be a fantastic evening of great music - so mark your calendars now! Thanks, The FOLA Follies Team

Pictured is Tesha Buss, she prepares the cast of the FOLA Follies of 2014 for dance step sequences for the special opening number for the Follies at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium on Saturday, March 29 at 7 PM. Included in the cast members above are Bob Kottkamp, Sherri Geimer, George Thomson, Andy Ohotnick, Aiyanna Fortin, Anne Garnder, Lisha Klaiber, Linda Thomson, and Niki Olesky.



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### Weston Playhouse Classes Begin in Ludlow Auditorium

The first class of an introduction to the theater began this past Monday when the students from grades 4 through 6 gathered in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium to participate in the first of seven classes on the theater and acting. The classes, instructed by Susan Haefner, long-time Weston Playhouse favorite and Broadway actress, were sponsored by FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) and setup by the Weston Playhouse. Pictured above is Susan Haefner, on the far left, as she introduces the students to basic acting methods. A second class, with area students in grades 7 through 12, followed. These classes are underwritten by grants from the Okemo Challenge Committee, the Ben & Jerry Foundation, and FOLA.



### Join FOLA and Help Us Sustain Our Mission

Every year we ask those who have shown an interest in FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium), to consider becoming a member of FOLA to help us continue in our goal of providing entertainment and other events in the beautifully restored Ludlow Auditorium in Town Hall for area residents, property owners, and visitors.

As a result of this membership help, FOLA has been able to continue providing movies and musical events as well as public affairs forums on current issues. Additionally, FOLA has purchased a new electronic movie screen and projector that makes the viewers feel as if they were in a commercial movie theater. Check out our web site, [www.fola.us](http://www.fola.us), to learn more about our activities.

To make this all possible, FOLA depends on the continuing membership dues to underwrite much of its activities. FOLA is also initiating a capital program to completely replace the existing seating in the Auditorium with far more comfortable seating.

We hope you will consider becoming a member of FOLA – and we look forward to your comments on how FOLA may improve the programs and services it provides in utilizing the auditorium. For your convenience, a membership form is attached below or use our online application found at [www.fola.us/membership.htm](http://www.fola.us/membership.htm). Thanks for your help, Sincerely, Ralph Pace, Chairman

#### FOLA

Membership: Individual \$25 \_\_\_\_ Family \$45 \_\_\_\_ Business \$100 \_\_\_\_ Additional Donation \_\_\_\_

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Please return to: Treasurer, FOLA, 1 Whispering Pines, Ludlow, VT 05149

### March Member of the month

Marji Graf, CEO of Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is happy to present Mark Verespy of The Killarney with March Chamber of the Month award.

Criteria used was:

- \*Business Growth year over year
- \*Attends education programs
- \*Attends and hosts mixers
- \*Current on dues
- \*Donations
- \*Volunteers time
- \*Advertises/promotes and participates in Chamber's guidebook and co-ops
- \*Ambassador for the Chamber and the Region



### Dear Mt. Holly Community,

On behalf of the Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad, THANK YOU for showing your support and voting yes on the town ballot for our budget requests.

We are thankful also to the Fire Department and Town Crew for all their assistance throughout the year.

We have had a challenging year for various reasons, including members obtaining full time jobs, leaving Mt. Holly, or other personal reasons. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering for our small squad, please call or come to a meeting.

We could really use help and would love to have additional members in any capacity. We are looking forward to another year of serving our community and we would love to hear from you! Thank you, Kristin Veysey, President



## Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

By Marji Graf, CEO

April is a busy month at the Chamber and around the Region.

**April 2 & 3 is our Industry conference at the Equinox in Manchester.** VTIC stands for Vermont Travel Industry Conference and is open to everyone.

### Conference Highlights:

- **Networking Mixer - A Taste of the Shires** Join us pre-conference at the Manchester Welcome Center to sample local fare provided by The Perfect Wife, The Barrows House, The Dorset Inn, Gringo Jack's and Upper Pass Lodge. *Sponsored by Manchester and the Mountains Regional Chamber of Commerce and Vermont Gay Tourism Association*
- **What's New and Relevant in Social Media** Keynote Address by Sree Sreevanisan, Chief Digital Officer, Metropolitan Museum of Art
- **From Customers to Evangelists: The Magic of Surprise in Guest Service** Keynote Address by Christina Miranda, Principal, Redpoint Marketing PR, Inc.
- **Farm to Table Dinner Event** Enjoy an assortment of local foods, paired with Vermont wine, beer and spirits!
- **Personal Skills for Professional Success** Keynote Address by Daniel Post Senning, Spokesperson and Business Etiquette Expert, The Emily Post Institute
- **Guest Service Rapid Fire Case Studies Panel** Watch industry experts think on their feet as they come up with the best way to react in a potentially sticky situation in this fun, fast-paced, un-scripted session geared toward answering your guest service challenges!
- Sessions on **research, partnerships, agri-tourism, marketing and customer experience**, as they relate to Vermont's travel and tourism industry!
- Presentation of **SMART Award for Creative Marketing in Tourism, Vermont Travel Person of the Year Award, and Vermont Chamber Hospitality Awards** (previously presented at the Hospitality Gala).

**Still need to register? Rates increase after 3/31; register now to save!** Multiple registration options are available: full conference, student, one-day only, Wednesday evening awards and dinner only, and more! Register [www.vtic.org](http://www.vtic.org)

Next, on **Friday, April 4, Constant Contact** (email marketing) will be coming to Newsbank Conference Center in Chester for 2 sessions. This is free and open to the public: **Session 1 is from 9am-10:30am.**

### Email Marketing: Simple Strategies for Success

**Session 2 is from 1:30-3pm. How to grow your business with email and social media; simple marketing strategy for small business & nonprofits.**

The best part is attendees who do not yet have a constant contact account and sign up and pay prior to this session and will receive a free Website Match and a free ½ hour consultation with Insights, LLC. If you already have an account and want a personal evaluation email [jodi@insights-llc.com](mailto:jodi@insights-llc.com) in advance with your user name and password PRIOR to the session. Or call 802-241-1331 or 802-249-8263. Please bring a laptop (not a tablet) to the session.

**Saturday & Sunday, April 5 & 6 is our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Southern Vermont Home & Garden Show at the Ludlow Community Center.**

Everyone will want to attend this show and start thinking and planning for Spring. There will be lots of show specials for sale!!!

**Travel with the Chamber: DID YOU KNOW....**you can travel at discounted rates through our Travel with the Chamber program?! We're offering a trip to Tuscany this year, departing on October 20, 2014 for 9 days and staying in one hotel. If you book by April 1<sup>st</sup>, you save \$100! Payment due by July 2. Call the Chamber for details.

We will also be offering another popular trip to China on April 9<sup>th</sup>-17, 2015. Payment must be made in December, 2014. More information can be found on our website; [www.yourplaceinvermont.com](http://www.yourplaceinvermont.com) under ABOUT US, Travel with the Chamber tab. This is our 4<sup>th</sup> trip to China with raving reviews.

**Save the dates: May 7<sup>th</sup>** is our Annual Meeting at Harry's Restaurant at 12n in Ludlow. We will be having a panel discussion regarding business resources that are available.

Our Golf Tournament is Tuesday, **September 23** at Okemo Valley Golf Club. Thank you to our golf committee: Julie Bowyer, Mark Verespy and Brian Halligan





FREE ADMISSION

**April 5 & 6, 2014**  
**Ludlow Community Center**  
**Saturday 10 am-4 pm • Sunday 10 am-3 pm**

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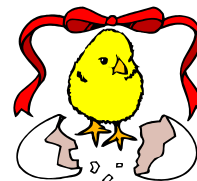
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Thursday 4/03/14	Parker House, 129 Church St., Rutland	10:00 am
Thursday 4/03/14	Bardwell House, 142 Merchants Row, Rutland	12:30 pm
Wednesday 4/30/14	Godnick Adult Center, 1 Deer St., Rutland	12:30 pm



We also offer Cholesterol Screenings for \$30 every month **\*\*Foot Care is \$10\*\*** Clinics held at the Rutland Office are the 1st Monday - call 775-0568 for an appointment. Clinics held at the Dorset Office are the 3rd Wednesday - call 362- 00 for an appointment.

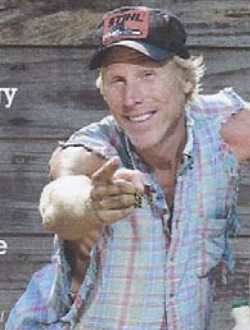
## Annual Wallingford Bike Safety Day: Rides Again On May 17th, 2014

On Saturday, May 17th, from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM, The Wallingford Community Bike Safety Day, will host it's **16th Annual** event, at the Wallingford Elementary School. This fun, interactive and collaboratively sponsored event always has something for all ages; from free helmet fitting to an obstacle course, and from bike safety inspections to 911 rescue vehicle / law enforcement interactions, Etc. In addition, (as a tradition), there are always terrific prize give-a-ways, face painting, refreshments and much more; because of the generous support of sponsors & volunteers. As a piece of history, the "Bike Safety Day" was started in the late 90's, by Wallingford's Brad Kelley. Over the years he enlisted the aid of Rotary, many local businesses, and volunteers to fund, facilitate and diversify this project. To date, major sponsors are the Wallingford Rotary & the GE Volunteers, rallied by Rodney Ward. The event is modeled from a program initiated by the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute and New England Medical Center, Boston, MA. For more information and / or to get involved contact Rotarian Co-Chair, Adrian Eisler [aeisler1@its.njn.com](mailto:aeisler1@its.njn.com), and / or Co-Chair Rodney Ward at [Rodney.ward@ge.com](mailto:Rodney.ward@ge.com) 802.446.3672



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

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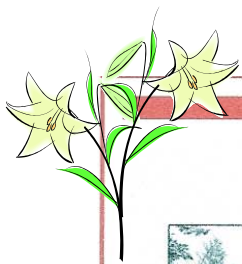
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