



Mount Holly Chit Chat

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June 2013

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

E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10:00 am – Worship 11:00 am Evening 6:30 pm Phone 259-2831 www.ewbaptist.com

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

Annunciation Parish Mass, Ludlow, Sat 4 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am **Proctorsville** Sun 9:30 am, Rev. Romanus Igweonu Ph. 228-3451

Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce – Marji Graf 228-5830

Town Library: Sat 9-1 Sun 2-4 Mon 3-7 Wed 3-7 Mt. Holly Town Library, P.O. Box 93, Belmont, VT 05730 Call 259-3707

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

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

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

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

Sat 1st **Brigham Young, Mormon Leader 1801**
Sun 2nd Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 7:00 pm

US Citizenship Granted to All American Indians 1924

3rd **Astronaut Edward White 1st American to Walk in Space 1965 ~ Sally Priesand, 1st US Woman Rabbi 1972**

5th Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library **1st Hot-Air Balloon Flight 1783** 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

6th **D Day Normandy 1944**

7th **Bass Catch & Release Season Ends**

Sat 8th **VT Free Fishing Day Statewide Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass Season ~ US Bill of Rights by James Madison 1789**

10th Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building 7:00 pm

11th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 9:00 am

Selectmen's meeting, Town Office 7:30 pm

Fire Dept. Drill, Mt. Holly Fire Station 7:00 pm

12th Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 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

13th Fire Dept. Work Detail, Fire Stations Mt. Holly & Belmont 7:00 pm

14th **US Army Founded 1775 ~ Flag Day ~ 1st Non-Stop Transatlantic Flight 1919**

Sun 16th **Father's Day**

17th Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office **Bunker Hill Day 1775** 7:30 pm

Pan-AM 1st Airline for Around-the-World Flights 194

18th Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont 7:00 pm

Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Stations **Sally Ride 1st US Woman in Space 1983** 7:00 pm

Mason Meeting, Mt. Moriah Lodge, E. Wallingford 8:00 pm

20th M.H. Republican Committee Meeting, Mt. Holly Town Office 7:00 pm

Two Rivers Supervisory Union Meeting, Green Mountain High School Library 6:30 pm

21st **Summer Solstice – Summer Begins**

Sat 22ⁿ **GI Bill Signed into Law 1944 ~ Pledge of Allegiance Recognized by Congress 1942**

24th Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building 7:00 pm

25th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont **Korean War Began 1950** 9:00 am

Fire Dept. Work Detail, Fire Station 7:00 pm

26th ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 7:00 pm

RWSU meeting, Superintendent's Office 7:00 pm

27th **Helen Keller 1880**

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Emergency Services

Mount Holly Fire Dept.	259-2700 or	911	Poison Control	(802) 658-3456
Mount Holly Fire Warden ~ Jim Seward	786-3408	259-2211	American Red Cross	802-773-9159
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Mount Holly Constable Paul Faenza	802-245-4452	802-786-4404	Health Officer - Frank Bickford	259-2885
Animal Control For Mt. Holly	mhconstable@yahoo.com	802-786-4404	Vermont State Police	773-9101

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

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June Anniversaries: 6th -Maurice & Ann Doucette (54th) 12th -Clinton & Carol Woolley. 14th -Mike & Mary Beth Dawley. 20th -Donald & Jean Gates. 25th -John & Katie Wasilewski (22nd)

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MHS Yearbook Form

Attached is an order form for the Mount Holly School 2013 Yearbook. If you are interested in placing an order please complete this form and return with payment by **May 30th**.

2013 Yearbook Order Form

If you would like to order a copy of this year's yearbook, which contains a page for each class, please fill out this form and return it **with payment by May 30th**.

No books will be ordered without payment. The payment, **\$16.00**, is a little less than the actual cost of the book, so we cannot afford to over order.

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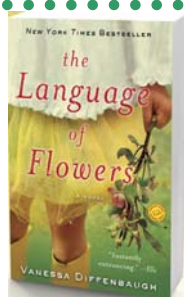
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Mt. Holly School Board Meeting

The Mt. Holly school board met on Wednesday, May 8 at the Black River High School with the LES and U39 boards. Mr. Williams updated the board on the Two Rivers SU meetings and the Hot Lunch program. The World of Difference student group presented information to all the boards about their program and engaged the boards and the public in a self-exploration activity.

The board discussed limited elementary school choice as well as possible solar energy solutions. Mr. Hutt Vater reported on some proposed changes within the special education staffing. The board also approved a new contract for Mr. Hutt Vater for the next school year. They also approved minutes from the prior meeting.

The next meeting will be on June 5, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at Ludlow Elementary School.



Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group is reading **The Language of Flowers** by Vanessa Diffenbaugh for our June 12th meeting. We will meet at 7:00 at Barbara Pallotta's on Tiffany

in Belmont. We would love to have new members join us. Please call Minga Dana at 259-2471 if you have any questions or need further

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BRACC Up Date

BRACC held its 8th Annual After Prom Event on Saturday, May 18th at the Spring House at Okemo Mountain Resort. Over 35 students attended, and enjoyed a couple of hours of swimming, wally ball and refreshments. A variety of gift cards and Timber Ripper tickets were won by those students who stayed until midnight. Huge thanks to Bruce Schmidt & John Boehrer of Okemo Mountain Resort. The event would not have been possible without the support of the Okemo Community Challenge Grant, The Black River High School Booster Club, Father William P.

Hackett Council 7324, Knights of Columbus, Village Pizza and the Ludlow Police Department. A special thanks to our chaperones, and the parents who promoted our event to their children.

Constable Update

Summer is almost upon us; our Farmer's Market will be opening, concerts on the green, dinners at the Odd Fellows, parades, and other community events. Please be careful when driving, watch out for children, walkers, horseback riders and visitors. Make it a point this year to get to know your neighbor, especially if they are not full time residents.

Share contact information, and let them know about our Neighborhood Watch Program. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 24th, 7pm at the school.

I recently attended the Community Advisory Board Meeting at the State Police Conference Room. Lt. Chuck Cacciatore, Rutland Commander and Lt. Craig Hanson, Rutland County Sheriffs Office spoke about law enforcement efforts in the county. Lt. Cacciatore reviewed each town's crime activity for the past four months; discussed the efforts of law enforcement to integrate mental health services into their patrol division; current staffing and a renewed effort by probation and parole to keep tabs on recently released inmates. Lt. Hanson spoke about current staffing in the Sheriff's Office, and how they are being deployed throughout the county. The group also discussed the prevalence of heroin, prescription drugs and the recent legislation concerning

the decriminalization of marijuana, and how law enforcement will respond to these important issues. I spoke about our Neighborhood Watch, and thanked Lt. Cacciatore for his troop's immediate responses to the recent marijuana grow operation on Shunpike Road. As always, if you have any questions or would like to talk about crime related issues in town, please do not hesitate to contact me. Pager 786-4404, Cell 245-4452, Email mhconstable@yahoo.com

Notice

New Supervisor Needed

The Mechanicsville Aquaduct, organized in 1849 serves three Belmont Village properties, needs a new Supervisor beginning July 1, 2013. The position is compensated as need requires. Please contact David Hoeh, 259-2274 if you are interested in this position



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If you have been thinking about weatherizing your home, this is a good time to call NeighborWorks of Western Vermont. Incentives from Efficiency Vermont are normally up to \$2,000, but to encourage more people to complete home energy improvements, there are additional \$500 incentives being offered for improvements completed by August 31, 2013. Please realize that contractors may get backed up as the deadline draws near.

NeighborWorks H.E.A.T. Squad can help you make the improvements that will qualify you for the Efficiency Vermont Incentives. It all starts with a \$100 energy audit. Call NeighborWorks now if you are interested in an energy audit and/or would like help with your energy improvements **(802) 438-2303 x 227**.

If you have any questions about this program or would like a brochure or more information, please feel free to contact NeighborWorks at **(802) 438-2303 x 227**. {Remember there is a state-wide competition for towns this year in which Mount Holly is competing. As you may know, Mount Holly won the county-wide competition and used the over \$10,000 prize money to weatherize the town office and is doing other projects as well. Please call Marcy if you have questions about either competition 259-2344.} Join your neighbors who are saving money and have a warmer house!

Save the Date Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner with Silent Auction

On June 29th, Father William P. Hackett Council 7324, Knights of Columbus is having a Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner and Silent Auction Fundraiser at Church of the Annunciation's Parish Center, in Ludlow. Cost is \$10.00pp. We are trying to raise money for Heartbeet Lifesharing, a community for adults with developmental disabilities. Located in Hardwick on a 150 acre farm, Heartbeet Lifesharing is a community where everyone, regardless of ability, can find meaning, dignity and reverence for life. Long-term co-workers, adults with special needs and volunteers who come for a year of service learn, play, and work together. Community members care for and grow with each other, celebrating the myriad joys and challenges of life.

Mount Holly 2013 Photo Contest

Summer is almost here and everyone loves the summer photos in the Mount Holly Photo Contest and Calendar!

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

And don't forget to enter your summer photos in the 2013 Photo Contest!

Mount Holly 2014 Calendar

Look for notices about the 2014 Calendar It will be out sometime in July!

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

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

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In January, the community suffered a loss when one of its new homes was destroyed by a fire.

The Knights of Columbus have chosen to support Heartbeet, because of the wonderful opportunities it has provided former Ludlow resident Brittany Garafola. Brittany, who has Down's syndrome, is the daughter of Kerryann McQuade and Jeff Predom. We are seeking donations for our silent auction; please contact Paul Faenza at pfaenza47@yahoo.com. For more information please visit www.heartbeet.org

Thank You From The Family Of Charles Garrow

The family of Charles Garrow would like to Thank Mt. Holly Vol. Fire Dept., Mt Holly Vol. Rescue Squad, Mt. Holly Vol. Fire Dept. Auxiliary and everyone else that helped with the food for our father's funeral.

Thank You all for your kind words and the beautiful flowers arrangements.

Words cannot express our appreciation for the love and support you have shown us after the passing of our dad. We are deeply grateful.



Dear Karen. ..

"Dear Karen" is a monthly column in the Chit Chat written to address your life questions and dilemmas with sensitivity, common sense, encouragement and a touch of humor when possible. Karen has a background of more than 31 years as a columnist, educator, counselor, wife, mother, and care giver. Please email your letters to Letters2Karen@aol.com, or mail to Karen Brook, PO 212, Belmont, VT 05730. We want to hear from you!

Dear Karen,

My husband and I and our 12 year old daughter moved into this area not very long ago due to a transfer in my husband's job. We had never been to Vermont and things are really different here from where we used to live.

We like our new home and people (including our daughter's new school) are very welcoming, but my daughter feels completely like a fish out of water and is having a hard time making the adjustment. She misses her friends but we are generous in letting her call them often and she is on Face Book all the time. Our older daughter is away at college on the west coast and won't even be with us this summer. I am worried about our 12 year old who has gotten really shy after having been popular and outgoing with friends who are good kids back where we lived before. In July she turns 13 and I know this is a crucial time for her. Do you have any ideas about how we can help her get back to her old self without smothering her or driving her away?

Sincerely, New in Vermont.

Dear "New",

Thank you for your email, and congratulations on your move to a beautiful state! It takes courage and a positive attitude to transform something so life changing and challenging as a total geographical move into something that's a new adventure. How you and your husband approach embracing your new community and making new friends are important examples for your daughter as she goes about this, too. In addition to your move, your daughter is making yet another transition as she embarks on her teenage years, beginning with her 13th birthday in July. What a great opportunity to either regain some traditions you had as a family or begin new ones! Also, as she has moved to a new area and culture with new people, your daughter is also becoming a new person herself. While she will still have the foundation upon which she was raised, the advent of her teen years will become the framework for your daughter as she grows into adulthood.

To minimize your daughter's anxiety about all these new and unknown places and people, it's important to minimize yours. No doubt you have been overwhelmed with all the tasks involved in making a new home, including unpacking and decorating your new house. This is a good time to enlist your daughter's assistance in sharing some of the unpacking in order to have something as a backdrop of tasks to reinforce your relationship with her and listen as you invite her to share what she thinks of the area, school and people she is meeting. While you both are apt to reminisce about the people in the pictures you unpack, it's also good to listen for clues about your daughter's interests and dreams. Your new home state is rich in opportunities to begin new hobbies or nurture old ones. While she is at school, try doing some online searches about her interests and where they are planted and growing in Vermont. You might also ask people you are meeting about what kinds of things their kids are doing. There are state and local websites and newspapers with information about all kinds of activities for families and kids. If, for example, your daughter is interested in horses, you are in horse nirvana here if she would like to take riding lessons, have a chance to work with horses or in camps with horse riding components. The same is true for different kinds of crafts, arts, music, sports and more! Another good thing about these kinds of interests is that when someone pursues them, they also meet people who have the same interests in common. Whatever her interests are, you might print out some things you find which could provide a chance to talk about them and how she could sample them. As your daughter moves toward the end of the school year into the summer, this is an excellent time to make sure all three of you have regular family dinners together as part of your ongoing routine. This gives everyone a chance to talk about new possibilities as well as listen to concerns, worries and loneliness for old friends, as well as to keep communication flowing as a family. Perhaps this summer might be a time when a friend of your daughter's might come for a visit? Over the years you've become used to the dance of listening, supporting, encouraging and knowing when a nudge in a necessary or wanted direction is helpful, while also knowing the importance of not pushing too hard. This "dance" will continue to be an important component in your relationship as your daughter grows into young womanhood. I wish you the very best of luck as you make these transitions together! Feel free to email me for more specific suggestions if that would be helpful. Vermont is a wonderful state where every generation can flourish!

Baked Ham Supper

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Dear Friends and Neighbors:

On May 14th a small group of Mt Holly citizens presented the Select Board with a letter from their attorney threatening to sue the Board if they did not immediately stop working on the plan to replace the town garage. This group of “eleven” (who engaged the attorney) have not been happy with the way the School Board and Select Board (our elected officials) have proceeded with plans to replace the garage. They have asked the same questions and made the same complaints repeatedly. The School Board and Select Board have patiently responded to these individuals time and time again and while doing so have continued to plan the replacement of the garage in a manner that best serves the town. Because these few selfish individuals did not get “their way” they have decided to sue!

For well over 200 years the democracy of small communities such as Mt Holly has been based on the town’s ability to put forth ideas, argue them from all perspectives, put it to a vote and accept what the majority ruled. In some cases, individuals/organizations that did not prevail, petitioned the town for a revote and the matter was resolved. Never has a group of people who did not get their way ever threatened to sue our town.

As Town Moderator for well over 20 years I have witnessed very significant issues argued intelligently and emotionally by our citizens. Act 60, Withdrawing from the Rutland Supervisory School Union, the addition of class rooms to our school and the original proposed gym expansion to name a few. People felt very strongly about these issues and emotions ran extremely high. But once the discussion was over and a vote was taken, the neighbors who differed on which direction to take on these issues continued to respect each other and worked to move the town forward.

On the evening of May 14th this deep-rooted tradition of democracy was threatened. If this group has its way, our form of government will never be the same. Now, if the minority opinion (and in this particular case the extreme minority) does not prevail, if they do not get the answers they want to hear and if the process that led to the decision is not acceptable to them...they will sue! Do we want a future of lawyers deciding what is best for the town? Do we want a large dollar amount budgeted each year for legal fees? Do you want our elected officials having to worry about being sued when they make a decision on behalf of our town?

What makes this situation even sadder is what this small group of people is upset over...the replacement of our town garage. This is such a basic “no brainer” issue. The condition of our town garage is so deteriorated it is beyond repair and must be replaced. We must put into perspective how basic/fundamental the replacement of our town garage is. We, the tax payers, own the property (school property) which is ideally suited for this garage. We do not have to purchase the land and there is a possibility for a joint effort with the school to generate electricity via solar panels. The parcel will perc so the new garage will finally include a bathroom for the road crew (a luxury they have never had). The garage will be located right next to the Salt Shed and will remain in close proximity to the Municipal Office, Rescue Squad, Fire Department and the School. All of our town facilities will continue to be located within a stone’s throw of each other, clustered for convenience and easy access. For some completely illogical reason, the group of eleven feels that the town should spend time and money conducting a land search and an analysis of alternative site options. This is just one of fifteen unnecessary studies/analysis/estimates that this group is demanding.

I remember when we needed to replace the Fire Station in Mount Holly. A group of citizens brought their own tools, and under the supervision of Miles Richards and Bug Flanders, the existing Mt. Holly Fire Station was built. Nobody was paid and no expensive studies drove up building costs. The building is doing fine decades later. While a volunteer project is no longer feasible, replacing a town garage should not require multiple studies and analyses. Now, just as the Select Board is ready to present the town with the actual plans, the costs, contractor, etc. and then put it to a vote for approval of a bond for the construction...after four plus years in public planning, a small group of people who did not get their way demand that this process be stopped and if it goes forward they will sue!

Now that our collective blood pressure has reached an all time high, let’s take a moment to look at what this group is accusing our elected officials of doing...what their crimes are. They are accusing our Select Board of being in violation of Vermont’s Open Meeting Law and violating the Policies of the 2008 Town Plan. Are you kidding? The discussion of the town garage has been in public for almost five years! Go back and read the minutes of all these meetings (published in the Chit Chat)... Select Board meetings, School Board meetings and Planning Commission meetings. I believe there has been more public discussion of this project than all of the discussion on any public building projects completed in Mt Holly since our town was founded. If our Select Board is guilty of anything, it is being far too patient and forgiving of this group of eleven.

Let’s look at a few of the questions the group of eleven claim have gone unanswered. These have been printed in the Chit Chat on two occasions and have been responded to several times.



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Question: Why is the new garage needed?

Answer: Once again the condition of the town garage is so deteriorated it is beyond repair! It is truly that simple!

Question: How will the cost of the new garage be paid?

Answer: Unless there is some rich soul in the community who wants to pick up the tab, the garage will be paid through a bond...just like all other capital projects!

Question: How will the new garage uses impact the school activities and traffic flow?

Answer: An absurd question. Unless the school plans a field trip to visit the garage there will obviously be no impact on school activities! Traffic flow?? Obviously the town vehicles using the garage will drive up and down the road. Do we really need to pay for a traffic study to determine this?

Question: What other sites have been considered that might serve the proposed uses as well or better than the site near the school?

Answer: Let's see, we have a site that will cost nothing to use, will perc so finally the town employees can have a bathroom (please feel free to experience the porta potty next to the existing town garage on a day that is below zero or above 80 degrees to understand this need), is located next to the other town facilities, etc. So let's ask the Select Board to spend more time and money trying to locate a comparable or better site??? Absurd!

Question: What will happen to the existing garage?

Answer: It will be dedicated to the Mt. Holly Historical Society and forever preserved. Only kidding but just trying to point out how ridiculous these "unanswered" questions are.

I urge all citizens of Mt Holly to attend the next Select Board meeting and show your support for and encourage the Select Board to continue their efforts to replace the Town Garage. Please do not let a few misguided individuals with their own selfish agenda destroy the democratic traditions of our wonderful community. Threatening to sue if you do not get your way is not how it is done in Mt Holly. Instead of a costly lawsuit, we need to put the replacement of the Town Garage to a final public meeting, followed by a town vote. Sincerely, Ted Crawford

Hello to my townsfolk,

I am greatly concerned about an incident that has occurred in town that I am finding most townspeople are not aware of. On 5/14/13 a small group of some of the members of our town came to the MT Holly Town Selectmen's Meeting and basically threatened to sue our Selectmen unless the Selectmen met the group's demands about the planning process of a new town maintenance building. Have we gone from people having differences in opinion to people trying to use intimidation to force their opinions on our town? I find this very troubling and unethical.

What I have

Calling all Gardeners

Mount Holly Elementary School

is asking all local gardeners to consider
growing a row of produce or herbs
to donate to the school's cafeteria

and farmer's market stand

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please contact Karen Leonard 802-259-6045

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Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations



Settings Start 5:00 pm

At

The Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

All You Can Eat - Served Home Style

Adults \$10 - Children 11 and Under \$5

May 25th Colfax Lodge – Baked Ham
June 15th MHVFD - Roast Beef
July 6th Odd Fellows - Chicken BBQ 11:30 am
Town Parade also that day Step off at 10:00 am

July 20th Mt. Moriah Masons - Baked Ham
August 10th Odd Fellows - Roast Pork
August 31st Historical Museum - Baked Ham
Sept. 21st MH Rescue Squad – Roast Port
October 12^t MHCA - Roast Beef
October 26th Gill Odd Fellows Home – Baked Ham



Take Outs Available With All Dinners

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

observed happening with this process is that our elected town Selectmen have been trying to address the need to replace our deteriorated town maintenance building. They have been working to find a cost effective and common sense approach using the resources here in our town. They have been taking the time needed to collect information and take the steps necessary to make an adequate presentation to their townsfolk so that we can have an informed discussion. I have watched this process and have seen their focus to be what they find is in the best interest of our town. Along the way, there have been differences in opinions, as there will be among people. Our Selectmen have considered the options and have continued to focus on a course they find to be in the best interest of the town as a whole.

At this point I ask my townsfolk to support our Selectmen and at least speak up. They need to know we are there for them as they are there for us. Then, let us come together as a town and let our Selectmen present the information they have collected and have a discussion. My hopes would be that we can do this in a peaceable manner. And remember, ultimately as a town we will be voting on this issue. Thank you, Pat Teter

Friends, Family and the whole town of Mount Holly and Ludlow,

First of all I wanted to say Thank You, for all your best wishes, cards and donations we received.. I've been working on how to say what we feel about the gratitude you've shown us. While down on my back for three months it allowed me lots of time to think of what is important in life and all the things we take for granted. Many times when I was feeling depressed I would be handed cards and flowers. I guess you can't know how great it made my wife and I feel.

We also wanted to give a special thanks to Diana Garrow and Marcy Tanger for putting together the fundraiser. Never thought I'd have one for me. Thanks to everyone who donated and came to it. We are Speechless.

All of us will never be able to look at Mount Holly the same again. Home sweet home will ring true from now on. So many people to thank and not enough time to do it. I guess the best way to say it is "Thank You" Thank you seems like a real sort of simple thing to say but we find it truly says it all.

Before I came home from the hospital the first time we wanted to let everyone know that the Mount Holly Snow Drifters got together and built a wheelchair ramp with lumber donated by LaValley's Lumber. Kirk and Mike built the ramp (**A real blessing**) It's so hard to put down in words the love that has been shown to us in so many ways . What a great town to call home.. So again, again and again...Thank You All!!!
With Our Love, Randy, Phyllis, Josh and Leslie.

MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY

BOOK NOOK IN STORE BOOK FAIR ~ Friday, June 14th through Sunday, June 23rd The Book Nook in Ludlow, Vermont will hold an "In Store Book Fair". When you purchase a book 20% of the sale will go to the Mt. Holly Library. You can also purchase a book for the library from a wish list and 20% of that sale and the book will go to the library. Stop in The Book Nook and see their amazing selection of books. Isn't it time to stock up on books for the summer? Don't forget to mention that you are supporting The Mt. Holly Library.

CLASS TRIPS TO THE LIBRARY ~ On May 7th Mt. Holly Pre-school visited the Mt. Holly Playgroup. 17 babies and toddlers had a rollicking time trying all the different play stations followed by circle time with songs and stories. A healthy snack was enjoyed and each

child received a "goodie" bag to take home! On May 17th the 4th graders came to do research on the history of the library and its building. We allowed for some time to construct some very cool Lego creations before lunch of pizza and ice cream. In the afternoon grades 1st through 3rd joined them for a program of songs and movement with acoustic guitarist Linda MacFarlane. On May 21st the Kindergarten came to read to Jenna and Spencer, two handsome English Cocker Spaniels, trained as R.E.A.D. Dogs and owned by Joan Bradley. Children had an opportunity to experience all the great books, puzzles, creative toys and games in the library. We read stories and played an energetic game of "The Old Grey Cat"! This is a class of healthy eaters so they quickly consumed the pizza, healthy snacks and ice cream before returning to school with the gift of a new chapter book!

YOGA CLASSES ~ Jen Coleman has been teaching Kripalu Yoga classes professionally for 6 years and here in Mt. Holly for 2 years. Classes are appropriate for beginner to moderate levels of ability. Emphasis is on breathing, sustaining posture and fluid gentle movement with music. The **4:30 Monday class at the Mt. Holly Library will change to Wednesday at 10:30 on June 19th** and continue at that time through the summer. Sign up for all 4 weeks at \$10 per class or \$12 per class for drop-ins. For more information and to sign up call Jen at 802-775-6301.

MUSIC AND SONG – FRIDAY, JULY 5TH AT 7:00 pm ~ A talented musician and a seasoned performer, Stephen Coronella is endorsed by the Vermont Arts Council and has performed in schools and libraries all over Vermont. He will present a high energy interactive and fast paced concert of songs and stories featuring the theme of digging for treasure. Inspired by literary

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Please Save These Dates All Games Start at 1:00 pm

Saturday, June 1, 2013
Saturday, August 10, 2013
Saturday, October 12, 2013

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VERMONT HUMANITIES

COUNCIL EVENT – SAVE THE

DATE ~ A Sense of Place: Vermont's Farm Legacy - July 27th at 2:00 pm The character of a place is shaped by its cultural heritage and folk life. In Vermont the cultural legacy of farming has strongly influenced the identity of Vermonters and it is these distinctive traditions, which have persisted even with the decline in farm numbers, that help make the state unique. This lecture, by Gregory Sharrow, explores the fabric of farm culture in the past and probes its relationship to the world of Vermont today.

GREEN UP DAY ~ Thanks to Marianne McGee for her help with processing Green Up Day participants. We had an enthusiastic crew of trash collectors and good turnout for the lunch provided by the Belmont Store. Thanks Kevin!! Owen Fairbanks, a first grader, won the basket of summer fun. Green Up Vermont is the charitable organization responsible for Green Up Day and is asking for your support. Your donation will also support the educational litter awareness program which targets kids grades K-2. The program's goal is to shape good litter behavior in young people, and teach them the importance of civic pride and good land stewardship. Pre-addressed envelopes and decals are available at the library if you wish to donate to Green Up Vermont.

FREE BOOKS FOR KIDS BIRTH TO FIVE ~ The Ludlow Rotary and The Imagination Library, a foundation started

by Dolly Parton, have teamed up to provide a book a month for your child. The program fosters a love of reading among preschool children and their families by providing them with the gift of a specially selected book each month. By mailing high quality, age-appropriate books directly to your home children will be excited about books and can feel the magic that books create. This ensures that every child will have books available in their home. Come to the library and we will give you a card to fill out and mail into the Imagination Library!

LIBRARY AUTOMATION ~ We aren't quite ready to go live. Joan Bradley continues to be our star data entry specialist. We estimate she has cataloged about 90% of the books. A great debt of gratitude goes to Joan! As we prepare to input our patrons we find that patron addresses and phone numbers are very inaccurate. Please don't take offense if we know you very well but ask for your current information. This is an important part of the process. Thank you for your patience while we institute this new system it will be worth the time and effort for the library and you!

NEW BOOKS BAGS WITH SNAPPY LIBRARY LOGO ~ The library is selling beautiful sturdy canvas books bags. The perfect way to help save the environment and support the library. These roomy bags are off white with dark green trim and a new matching library logo in green. We think they are quite handsome and only \$12! Stop in and pick one up!

- **Playgroup** – Every Tuesday 10 am - Birth to 5 year olds
- **Folk Club** – Every Monday – 7 pm
- **Yoga** - Every Wednesday at 10:30 am (starting June 19th)
- **Acupuncture** – Fourth Tuesday of each month – 6:30 pm
- **Writer's Group** – Third Thursday of each month – 6:15 pm
- **Middle East Study Group** – Second Thursday of the Month – 6:00 pm
- **Library Board Meeting** – Third Wednesday of the month – 7 pm
- **Six Summer Reading Programs** – Every Thursday Starting June 20th – 9:30 am to Noon

THE MT. HOLLY LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM

Continuing the reading habit during vacations helps students maintain the skills learned during the school year. Vocabulary is enriched and reading horizons broadened when children keep reading year-round. And, best of all, reading is fun!! Each year the Mt. Holly Library holds six free weekly sessions that include story times, crafts, games, special events and a snack. The program is open to elementary school age children residing in Mt. Holly and their guests. The program's goal is to motivate children to read books from the library or their own home and experience some new things in a relaxed atmosphere. Each child who participates in the program receives a reading record, on which to write the books he/she reads, and prizes. We hope you will encourage your child to participate in this year's Summer Reading Program.

The program is from 9:30 - Noon the following Thursdays: June 20, June 27, July 4, July 11, July 18 and July 25!

Special program Friday, July 5th at 7:00 pm - Stephen Coronella will present a high energy interactive concert of songs and stories

If you know for sure you will be coming we would prefer to get a registration form but if you are unsure of your schedule, know that your child can participate in any of the six Thursdays by just showing up

Return this form to the Mt. Holly School office before school ends, stop by the library or mail to:

Mt. Holly Town Library, PO Box 93, Belmont, VT 05730 or email:

mthollylibrary@gmail.com

My child/children _____

(Child's name and age)

(Child's name and age)

would like to participate in the summer reading program.



Parent's name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____

Email _____

MOUNT HOLLY LIBRARY BOOK SALES 2013

Saturday & Sunday, May 25th and 26th

Saturday & Sunday, July 6th and 7th

Saturday, August 3rd

Saturday & Sunday, October 12th and 13th

All book sales are from 10 am to 4 pm!

Mount Holly Community Association

It was an absolutely beautiful sunny day for this year's **clean up at Star Lake!** Fifteen eager volunteers showed up to prepare the beach and lawn for the upcoming summer season. The lawn and beach were raked and those pesky holes, which seem to keep re-appearing every year, were filled. An additional job this year was rototilling the sandy area of the beach. Not only did it allow us to remove all of the weeds and grass more easily, it churned up all the sand, so it is no longer packed down. It will be a welcome site for all of you sand castle builders out there, both young and not so young! Many thanks to Penny Coldwell, Philip and Katy Crane, Fra and Carol DeVine, Madeleine Fay, Joe and Marianne Johannsson, Calvin Kelley, Abe Leber, Mary and Philip Leonard, Jim Osborn, Brigid Sullivan, and Ron Unterman for all of the hard work they put in on a beautiful Saturday morning! We think we've included everyone, but many apologies, if we missed any of our volunteers!

Membership brochures for the 2013 – 2014 year will be in the mail in the early part of June. Please remember that the major source of revenue for the MHCA is membership! Without it we would not be able to provide you with the 12 outstanding events we sponsor each year, nor would we be able to maintain the lovely historic building at the crossroads in Belmont that is our

Library & Community Center. Last year was another record breaker for membership with 146 families joining to support the MHCA, making this the third year in a row that we have exceeded the membership of the year prior. Please help us maintain this record breaking streak by returning your membership form as soon as you receive it...thanks so much!

Summer Calendar of Events: Please take note that the summer calendar that the MHCA has put out for the past six years or so, will not be printed and mailed separately to Mount Holly residents as it has been in the past. The calendar will be included with the membership brochures, so **be sure to save it when you receive it!** The calendar will also appear on the Mount Holly website (www.mounthollyvt.org), and hard copies will be left in the General Store, the post offices, and the library. Thanks for looking out for it in the membership brochure!

The Community Room on the lower level of the Library & Community Center building is as busy as it can be. Every week it is used for Bone Builders, the children's play group, drawing classes, yoga classes, the card and game parties, the list seems endless. If there is an activity that you would like to see take place there, or if you would like to rent it for a special party, just contact Carol DeVine (259-2562), Penny Coldwell (259-2760), or our librarian, Lynne Herbst (259-3707).

The newest event in the Community Room is an **Afternoon with King Pede**, the card and game party that has been held every other Saturday from 2:00 – 4:00 PM, hosted by Clar and Ray Dana, along with Bill Seward, who have been teaching the participants the old Vermont card game called King Pede. Now that the nice weather is upon us and everyone is out in their gardens throughout the weekend, we thought we would suspend the afternoon for the summer months and pick up again when the weather turns cold in the fall. When we resume, there will be an announcement in the Chit Chat, as well as on the Newsflash. Many thanks to the Danas and Bill Seward for getting this started and for helping the beginners to learn this challenging game!

Upcoming events: No one is looking forward to summer any more than the residents of Mount Holly! With that in mind, please

7th Annual Mt. Holly Garden Tour

*We've been as busy as bees!
Come tour the high altitude gardens
Of real people with dirt under their nails*

*Saturday, July 20th
9:30 am – 4:00 pm*

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

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

Mount Holly Community Association Membership Drive 2013 – 2014

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

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

**(Brochures available in the library, the General Store,
and the post office.)**

don't forget to reserve your Thursdays in July and August for the **Music on the Green Series** that will begin on July 4th. The music gets going at 7:00 pm, so there will be plenty of time for you to get to any area fireworks shows that you might like to attend on the 4th. A calendar with all of the performers for the season will be out later in June. We are all looking forward to some beautiful, balmy evenings with friends and neighbors. See you there!

The annual celebration of our town, **Mount Holly Day**, will be here before you know it! This year it will take place on Sunday, July 14th, from noon to 3:00 pm. Come and enjoy an old fashioned picnic at Star Lake, along with a number of old-fashioned games for the children and the young-at-heart. Look for more details in the July Chit Chat.

Also in July, don't miss the annual **Garden Tour**, this year to be held on Saturday, July 20th from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm. It is a wonderful opportunity to explore the varied high altitude gardens in our lovely town and possibly get to know some of your neighbors, whom you may not know well, or may not even have met. Again, further information will be in the July Chit Chat.

MESSAGE FROM MONTPELIER

Legislative Report from Rep. Dennis Devereux

For Ludlow, Mount Holly, and Shrewsbury

The revenue sources proposed by the Governor in early January raised many eyebrows. His ideas to change the earned income tax credit (EITC) that helps families with children, and place a tax on break-open tickets were troubling. The amount to be raised by taxes is a moving target as the spending proposals in the budget come into focus. The Vermont House passed, without my support, the Miscellaneous Tax Bill that was seeking to raise \$27 million by taxing soft drinks, bottled water, and candy, and also increasing taxes on cigarettes, meals, and income. It raised the income tax by collapsing the highest two income tax brackets, so that people now in the second highest bracket would end up paying the highest rate. There was little support to change the EITC program or tax break-open tickets as the Governor wanted.

The senate version only raises \$10.2 million because they had the luxury of a later look and received news that there would be about \$16.8 million more than anticipated from the state income tax. They were looking at taxing satellite TV service, break-open tickets, bottled water, and then increasing taxes on liquor, and limiting itemized deductions for mortgage interest. There was little in common between the two bodies, so a compromise was needed to work out the differences in this must pass bill.

The Governor has been adamant that there would not be any broad-based taxes passed. Both versions included increases in income and sales taxes, so he continued to voice his dissatisfaction with the legislature. He feels this is "not the time" to raise taxes, but we do know that the time will come when more than \$1.6 billion will be needed to pay for the Governor's health care reform program.

My position has been that you do not need new revenue if you control spending as each of us does with our own pocketbook. What is concerning for me is that some of these proposals this year will use one-time money, leaving us with a large gap to fill next year. We are already hearing about a projected shortfall when the same tax ideas will again find a new life. We will also see if the income tax code adjustments talked about will indeed help most Vermonters. For me, it came down to the fact that the Misc. Tax and the Appropriation Bills did not raise new taxes, create any new programs, and lowered the growth of spending. I was also glad to see there is an \$8.2 million buffer created against the impact of the federal sequestration. In the end, this was a responsible budget.

I look forward to discussing the issues with each of you as we await the start of the second year of our session next January. Please contact me with your questions or concerns at ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us or 802-259-2460.

NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

By Senator Alice Nitka, Windsor County

I'm writing these notes on Friday evening, the 10th, in the midst of floor action with rules being suspended, roll calls occurring, bills being ordered to lie but then taken up later, amendments being authored on the floor and Conference Committee reports arriving regularly. The hope earlier today had been to adjourn the session on Saturday, 5/11, whatever the hour might be or on Sunday morning, sometime after midnight. Never is there a plan to work on Sundays so at least that was a given. Nothing else is predictable today. If we don't get all the work done we will need to be here at least part of the week of 5/13 which was what was planned at the start of the session. The pages, our 8th grade messengers, who work here four days per week for six week periods really hope we will be here another week. They love their jobs and are getting their first real paychecks so naturally they would like another one.

The Senate and House staff who reconstitute, digest, organize and format the daily calendars and journals for each day must work every night to do this for the action that has occurred during the day. They put all of this on the WEB but must also get it printed. The print shop in Middlesex works during the night printing these and putting them into booklet form. Some of the "smaller" jobs can be done in the State House in our own copy room which has copiers the size of small railroad cars. The Secretary of the Senate, John Bloomer, an attorney from Wallingford and elected unanimously by Senators of all political parties is in charge of all this work. Secretary Bloomer is a former Senator himself who represented Rutland County in the past as did his father, his mother and many other ancestors. He is the Senate parliamentarian who interprets the rules from Mason's Manual whenever a question or action requires it, advising the Lt. Governor who makes the final decision, as the presiding officer in the Senate. They have been very busy today as Senators are striving to get bills passed in these last days and making all kinds of motions. One unusual ruling was needed on, "A point of Order" that had the Majority Leader seeking to have a Senator of this own party silenced for speaking "tediously" (a term in our rules) for going on too long. The Senate President, Phil Scott ruled the request as, "not well taken" as is the terminology and allowed the lengthy and somewhat interesting diatribe to continue. The speech had no impact and the bill in question passed.

In the House and Senate chambers, the men wear suits or coats and ties thus it was quite amusing when one influential Senator returned to the floor after some difficult negotiations on one of the Conference Committees on which he is serving. He looked wrecked! He had his tie half off and askew, the neck of his shirt undone and was about to find out that one of his own bills might not be moving. Such is the work in the final days!

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

The Far Team rides again!!

This will be our 3rd year to ride in the Prouty, this is the big fund raiser for Norris Cotton Cancer Center, held this year on July 13. The money goes to research and patient services. We pledge \$500 and always far exceed this amount with your generous support. If you would like to join our team, give me a call, which would be fabulous! Check out the Prouty web site www.TheProuty.org thank you very much, Fern Melvin, team captain, 259-2748 or melvin@vermontel.net.

Mount Holly Community Guild

The Mount Holly Community Guild bazaar will be Saturday, August 1 at the Odd Fellows Hall. Pictured is the quilt that will be raffled off. Tickets will be available in June.





Mount Holly Town News

The following minutes are considered 'draft' until approved, scheduled for the next Select Board meeting June 11, 2013. NOTE: Most Select Board meetings are covered by LPC-TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, www.lpctv.org. Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

SELECT BOARD - May 14, 2013 ~ Jim Heald called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm. Raymond Tarbell and Tim Martin were present.

1. The minutes of the regular meeting of April 09, the special meeting minutes of April 16 were reviewed. There were no corrections or additions and all of the minutes were approved. It was noted that minutes of the Special Meeting of April 29 and May 01 were incomplete and will be approved at the next meeting.
 2. Highways
 - Jim Heald postponed the highway matter until later in the evening.
 3. Report of Treasurer
 - David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated April 30, 2013 showing cash balances of \$1,787,902. He noted that next month the education funding is due, so the balances will be considerably less. There is about \$94,000 in outstanding delinquent property taxes, although David did not have an update from Peter Perrino. Otherwise, income and expenses are in line with the budget. Solid waste expenses are below budget; highway equipment repairs are a bit above budget, mostly due to the loader repair early in the year.
 - David discussed hiring a bond attorney, which would be needed to proceed with bonding. The Board did not make a decision on this matter.
 4. Insurance
 - Delta Dental insurance rate lowered 1%, starting July 1.
 - Health Insurance changes

As the town has less than 50 full time employees, the Town will be required to use the Vermont Health Connect exchange being set up by the State. All plans must cover 10 essential health benefits, but the details of the services (e.g. 3 visits vs. 4 visits for a particular benefit) and the provider networks will not be known until the end of July. The premium rates for the different plan levels have been posted on the exchange.
- Employers (the Town) will need to make several decisions: a) to continue to offer health insurance or drop it; b) the contribution amount and c) whether employees can choose from all plans on the exchange or only those from one selected carrier. VLCT (Vermont League of Cities and Towns) recommends that towns do the analysis for continuing or dropping coverage. A tool to assist with that decision will be available on the exchange in a month or so. The Town will need to set up information on the exchange in October, employees choose a plan in November, and coverage starts January 01, 2014.
5. Star Lake Dam restoration – engineering proposals

Ron Unterman reported on the restoration project. Three proposals have been received for the engineering/design portion, ranging from \$40,000 to \$110,000. The Board decided to have FOSL review the proposals and come back with a recommendation. FOSL and Mount Holly Conservation Trust will be funding the project, but the town may need to sign the contract, as the Town is the property owner. There will be no cost to the town (if the current funds are not enough, the rest will be raised thru grants and/or fundraising). FOSL hopes to have the design phase completed by Dec 01, put it out for construction bids in early winter and start construction next summer.
 6. Solid Waste:
 - We received a small amount of income from the recycling this month (\$9.35).
 7. Planning Commission:
 - The Administrative Officer position remains vacant. The position will be reposted in the Chit Chat.
 - The review of the Town Plan is on schedule.
 - The PC contacted the Lutheran Synod regarding Blue Spruce House. There is a new contact person, who happens to be in Rutland. He will be invited to the June working group meeting.
 - A VLCT lawyer who has done a legal review of the subdivision regulations has recommended that the town split the PC work into two, establishing a Development Review Board to do the quasi-judicial work. He will hopefully come to the June PC meeting.
 - The new director of the RRPC is Chris Hughes. This is good time for the town to identify any needs for help from the regional planning commission.
 - Flood Resiliency Program – Ron Unterman attended and reported that there is a change to the State Emergency funding from a 50/50 split with the town to 70/30. The 50/50 split can be kept if the town meets certain requirements, including adopting the latest State version of Road and Bridge Standards. The group offers help to towns to determine what to do.
 - Emergency Management Plans are being rewritten. Mount Holly is on the list to get help.
 8. Other Business

TOWN OF MOUNT HOLLY

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SAFETY FIRST ALWAYS

- Aquatic Nuisance grants: Lake Ninevah received \$7500; Star Lake did not receive one. Ron asked for the town's assistance again with weed removal, as FOSL will do the harvesting again this year, even though there is no grant money. The Board agreed to help.
 - Timber Creek at Okemo: Additional information was received, including a final site plan.
9. Highways
- Jim Heald offered his compliments on the painting and signage on the gate to the salt shed. This gate will be kept locked on nights and weekends.
 - Paving Grant – Jeff heard that we did not get a grant this year and noted that we had received a large one last year as a possible reason.
 - New Garage.
 - a. Jim Heald reported that he had been asked to meet on May 04 with a group of concerned citizens in Belmont. He listened to their concerns and felt they had some thoughtful ones.
 - Improved communication between the Select Board and citizens: Jim requested that the Select Board agendas be posted on the Newsflash.
 - Establish a non-voting two-member advisory committee to the Select Board.
 - Initiate the process to increase the size of the Select Board from 3 to 5. Jim noted that if this was voted on the March 2014 ballot, the Board would not increase in size until the March 2015 election. Dave Venter noted that the School Board had done this a few years ago and it has worked out well and made it easier for the Board to operate.
- The Board did not take any action on these items at this time.
- b. Dennis Dieters presented a letter from an attorney representing a group of concerned Mount Holly citizens. The group believes that the Board is “in violation of Vermont’s Open Meeting Law and the Policies of the 2008 Town Plan”, and is “consequently... without authority to proceed with the Town Garage Project unless the violations are first cured to the satisfaction of the citizens of Mount Holly”.

Jim noted that the letter has a response date of May 24. The Board members need time to review the letter thoroughly and confer with counsel, and could not take any action tonight. It would probably require a Special Meeting for the Board to make a decision in order to meet the response date. Dennis suggested the Board could request extra time.

Jim felt that there is more work to be done, he suggested that the project be tabled, thank the people who have worked to make the progress to date and regroup, without making the contractors wait or hold to their bids with all the opposition. Ray made a motion to table the project and Tim seconded. Discussion followed.

Ray felt that the town would be passing up the best building you're ever going to get at the cheapest price, but if that's what people want, then so be it.

Ted Crawford felt he'd been blindsided by this; current loan rates are low, many people feel the board as done due diligence on the project; and wondered if the opposition to this is from a small group or really from the majority of people in town. He urged the Board to let the town know about this before voting to stop it.

David Hoeh said questions were raised at the School Board meeting, and there are four items outstanding on the school lease and that would prevent the project going forward, not just the letter.

The Board was urged again to take the time to respond to the demands in the letter and not vote on it tonight. Ray withdrew his motion so the Board could take the time to think on the letter and how to respond to it. Dennis Dieters suggested that the Board take the time to determine what to do and how to respond to the letter.

The Board was asked by Dave Venter if the School Board should continue working on the lease and the Board confirmed it should. Dave asked for a copy of the letter if the School Board was mentioned; he was given a copy at the end of the meeting.

10. The Board reviewed and signed the April orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED ON MOUNT HOLLY'S BEHALF

Like most small town, Mount Holly depends on the generosity and willingness of its citizens to get involved with many activities and organizations that benefit the Town. There are currently a number of opportunities available. These positions are volunteer, with the exception of the Administrative Officer. If you are interested in any of the following, please contact the Select Board, at P.O. Box 248, Mount Holly, 05758 or email mthollysb@gmail.com or phone 259-2391. A **letter of interest** is requested for all of them.

RUTLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE and ALTERNATE

The Select Board seeks individuals to be the town's representative and alternate to the Board of Supervisors of the Rutland County Solid Waste District. Over the next several years, you will help the town understand and implement new recycling initiatives, including composting, which were enacted by the legislature last year as Act 148.

The representative and/or alternate attends the regular monthly meetings of the RCSWD and reports back to the Select Board. The RCSWD meets in Rutland on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

The Administrative Officer is primarily responsible for administering regulations of the Town that pertain to the Town Plan and land development, such as Sub-Division and Flood Hazard Regulations. This includes working with property owners applying for subdivisions. A complete job description is available at the Town Office. Candidates should be comfortable working on a computer and be detail oriented. Hours are somewhat flexible, average 10-15 hours per month, and are compensated at \$10.00 per hour. The Planning Commission meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:30 pm.

Interested candidates should plan to meet with the Planning Commission at their regular meeting. An appointment to the position will be made at the following Select Board meeting.

RUTLAND REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION RUTLAND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE and ALTERNATE

The Select Board seeks individuals to be the town's representative and alternate to the Rutland Regional Planning Commission and its related group, the Rutland Regional Transportation Council. As the names suggest, these groups work on regional issues for the 27 municipalities in Rutland County and provide assistance to towns with planning issues. This includes updating the Town Plan, which is required periodically, and Mount Holly is working on this now.

The representative and/or alternate attends the regular monthly meetings and reports back to the Select Board. The RRPC meets in Rutland on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm. The RRTC meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm. More information can be found at the RRPC website, www.rutlandrpc.org.

Town of Mount Holly NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Agreeably to the provisions of Title 32, Section 4111 Vermont Statutes Annotated, notice is hereby given that the undersigned Listers within and for the Town of **MOUNT HOLLY** have this day completed the abstract of individual lists of persons, co-partnerships, associations, and corporations owning taxable property in said Town on the first day of April 2013 that they have this day lodged the same in the office of the clerk of said town for the inspection of taxpayers; that on the **31st of May 2013 between the hours of 1:00pm and 5:00pm; 1st of June 2013 between the hours of 9:00am and 1:00pm, and the 2nd of June 2013 between the hours of 8:00am and 12:00noon** the undersigned Listers will meet at the **Mount Holly Town Office** in the Listers Office in said Town, to hear grievances of persons, co-partnerships, associations or corporations aggrieved by any of their appraisals or by any of their acts such Listers who objections thereto in writing shall have been filed with them as prescribed by statute, and to make such corrections in said abstract as shall upon hearing or otherwise be determined by them; and that unless cause to the contrary be shown, the contents of said abstract will, for the year 2013 become the Grand List of said Town and of each person, co-partnership, association or corporation therein named.

Given under our hands at Mount Holly in the County of Rutland this 14th day of May 2013.
Listers of the Town of Mount Holly, Carol Garrow-Woolley, Annette Lynch, Christine Pratt

PLANNING COMMISSION meets on the third Monday of every month at 7:30pm at the Mount Holly Town Office. Warned Public Hearings, if scheduled, usually take place prior to the regular meeting. Planning Commission meetings are open to the public and attendance is encouraged.

1. Regular Meeting April 15, 2013 ~ Minutes not yet available
2. Regular Meeting May 20, 2013 ~ The Meeting was called to order by Chair Lynch at 7:41 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Tim Martin and Annette Lynch; member of the public David Hoeh

Apologies: none. Absent: Paul Nevin, Mike Valente, and Clinton Woolley

There being no quorum Annette Lynch suggested that the items on the agenda be discussed even though no action could be taken.

Tim Martin maintained that no discussion could take place. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m. Annette Lynch

The next meeting of the Planning Commission is Monday, June 17, 2013 at 7:30 p.m., Town Office

WORKING GROUP of the Planning Commission meets on the second Monday of the month, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Office.

The Working Group includes everyone who attends a meeting. Meeting Monday April 8, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the Town Office

Present: Mike Valente, Tim Martin, Annette Lynch (planning commissioners; Fra DeVine, Peter Smith, Lester Lampert. (members of the public). The meeting was a **workshop** on locating and using websites for Census and other data used in the Town Plan. The workshop was presented by Philip Picotte, Planner, Rutland Regional Planning Commission.

Meeting Monday May 13, 2013 at 7:30 pm in the Town Office ~ Present: Tim Martin, Clinton Woolley, Annette Lynch (planning commission); David Hoeh, Lester Lampert (members of the public). The group discussed a number of papers on the merits of a Development Review Board in addition to a Planning Commission in preparation for a meeting with the lawyer from the Vermont League of Cities and Towns that in a review of Mount Holly's draft Subdivision Regulations advised adoption of a DRB. No additional input to the draft Town Plan was offered.

Annette Lynch has contacted the liaison with NE Evangelical Lutheran Synod regarding the Blue Spruce. Pastor John Longworth, Good Shepherd Church, Rutland will be invited to the next meeting of the Working Group for introductions and general discussion. Next Meeting of the Working Group Monday, June 10, 2013 at 7:30 p.m. Annette Lynch

Highway Safety is Top Priority For All Concerned

By Michael B. Guild

Summer season is here and the horses are out. This means that motorists and others enjoying the scenic beauty must be extra careful to avoid an accident. Highway safety is the responsibility of everyone involved. Both the motorist and rider have to be very cautious. The following sections are excerpts from the Vermont State Laws that pertain to horses and motor vehicles.

TITLE 23 SECTION 1127 – “Whenever upon a public highway and approaching a vehicle drawn by a horse or other draft animal or approaching a horse or other animal upon which a person is riding, the operator of a motor vehicle shall operate the vehicle in such a manner as to exercise every reasonable precaution to prevent the frightening of such horse or animal and to insure the safety and protection of the person riding or driving.”

Title 23 Section 1014 – “A person riding an animal or driving any animal drawn vehicle upon a road is granted all of the right and is subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of a motor vehicle by this chapter except those provisions of this chapter which, by their very nature can have no application.”

The Vermont Driver's Manual directs motorists to exercise “every reasonable precaution” to avoid frightening a horse being ridden or driven and to insure the safety and protection of the horse and rider. To help both riders and motorists understand what's meant by “reasonable precaution”, the Vermont Horse Council offers these simple guidelines.

Highway Precautions FOR RIDERS:

1. Always ride on the right side of the highway, preferably on the shoulder and be alert.
2. Always ride in single file when riding in a group.
3. To communicate to motorists that danger exists and they should approach with caution, wave the extended left hand with the palm face down.

FOR MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS:

1. When meeting or passing horses on the highway relinquish the right lane to the horse in case an emergency should occur.
2. When approaching a BRIDGE or TUNNEL into which a horse has entered, STOP and permit the horse to complete its crossing.
3. Never be the cause of any loud, sharp noises, such as blowing the horn or applying air brakes. Acceleration in the lower gears can be sufficient to startle an animal. Motorcyclists should be extra cautious.
4. Slow to at least 25 miles per hour or less, both when meeting or passing a horse, and if necessary come to a complete stop as a means to avoid injuries.

Bicycles and joggers present a different kind of danger; they are quiet and just appear. Horses do not have vision directly to their rear; as such they have a major blind spot. A horse is a prey animal and their reflexive reaction is “Fight or Flight” when startled. Cyclist and joggers should speak in a normal tone of voice and ask the rider if it is safe to pass. This serves two purposes; it lets the horse know there is a human behind it and allows the rider time to prepare for what the horse may do.

I spend a lot of time riding in many different places. My horse is used to the hustle and bustle of the highway, but there are times when something will bother him. We could have ridden by it many times, but it may look a little different. During these times his reaction may place in a dangerous situation. Events like this happen less than 1% of the time. No horse is predictable. Everyone needs to be aware and prevent needless injuries.



THE MOUNT HOLLY FARMERS MARKET

local flavors ~ local faces

The Mount Holly Farmers Market opens on Saturday, May 25th, 2013, and will run each and every Saturday until Columbus Day!

We'll have fresh baked goods, local produce, poultry, pork, beef, maple, eggs and crafts ... just to name a few!

Mark your calendars, as the first market of every month will feature **Chef-at-the-Market** with Chef John.

Family Day is June 22nd. We'll have face painting, fire trucks and more!

Farmers Markets and you help create a strong local economy. So step outside, and shop outdoors - support your local community by joining us at the market each week throughout the summer. **The market is held 'on the Belmont green' every**

Saturday (rain, snow, or shine) from 10am – 1pm.

Interested in becoming a vendor? Contact Stephanie Smith 259-2322, Morgan Skiathitis 259-2755, or Patti Plew 259-2250. Or drop us an email at mhvfarmersmarket@gmail.com, or by mail to MH Farmers Market, PO Box 105, Belmont, VT 05730.

Roast Beef Supper



June 15th, 2013
Starting At 5:00 p.m.

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

Benefit the Mt. Holly Vol. Fire Dept.

Roast Beef Supper
Mashed Potato W/Gravy, Veggies, Rolls
And Homemade Pies
All you can eat – Home Style



Adults \$10.00
Children under 12 yrs. \$5.00

More Info Call 259-2314

Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Chamber Corner Marji Graf, CEO

The Chamber has an exciting line-up of educational programs for members and non-members alike. **On June 10 from 8:30-10am** at Fletcher Memorial Library, learn how to take advantage of our NEW online e-learning center from Global Classroom.

VtSBDC and the Chamber will be offering 2 free seminars at the Fletcher Memorial Library in Ludlow from 8:30am-9:30am.

Thursday, **June 20** TOPIC: Cloud Computing

Thursday, **July 18** TOPIC: Google Tools for Small Business

Sunday, **August 18** at 4pm, Misty Valley Books will be hosting an informational session on our upcoming trip to China departing March 18-26, 2014. Lynne and Bill Reed who participated in this years trip to China will share with you their experience and will answer questions.

Tuesday, **September 10** FOLA and OVRCC are co-hosting a seminar about health reform, Vermont's Exchange and Vermont Health Connect at the Ludlow Town Hall from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Upcoming Summer Events visiting the Okemo Valley:

7/26-29 Salt City Riders (motorcycle club from Syracuse NY (30 motorcyclists)

8/14-18 [Vermont Challenge](#) (400 bicycle group) ~ 8/22-25 [Iron Adventure Run](#) (1500 motorcyclists)

9/8-13 Antique Car Tour (63 vehicles and 115 people)

Okemo Valley Chamber has a display case at the Guilford Welcome Center the month of **July** to promote our summer business.

The Chamber will be volunteering at the Big E this year in the VERMONT building on **September 19 & 20**.

Our NEW Annual Okemo Valley Regional Guidebooks are here!!!!

Starting Your Own Small Business

Date: Thursday, May 30, 2013

Location: Rutland Economic Development Corp., 112 Quality Lane, Rutland VT 05701

Time: 9:00a.m to 1:00p.m

The three hour session will help future business owners determine the next steps toward starting and financing a new venture. The workshop offers an overview of business planning, including where to find market information, how to tackle projections and writing a business plan.

The workshop is designed for people who are thinking about going into business and want accurate information about the procedures and government regulations involved to start a business in Vermont.

The \$99.00 registration fee includes a business planning workbook and access to five online workshops to help the prospective business owner get started.

Registration can be done online at www.vtsbdc.org. For more information, contact VtSBDC in Rutland at 802-773-9147.

East Wallingford Tropical Storm Irene Clean Up

Twenty-one volunteers from Grace Church, Spring Lake Ranch, the Department of Corrections Probation and Parole, Dismas House, and the community gave a total of 79 hours Friday morning, May 10th, cleaning up debris left by Tropical Storm Irene in East Wallingford. Located just north of Evening Song Farm, the woods acted as a sieve trapping tires, household goods, dishes, trees, plastic, metal and more when floodwaters blew through an adjacent house and barn. Last year, survivors David Stone and his wife spent countless hours pulling 140 tires out of the woods by themselves. On Friday, volunteers pulled more than a hundred additional tires from the mud for pick up by the Rutland County Solid Waste District and filled a dumpster



provided by the Rutland County Long Term Recovery Committee with a surprising array of household goods, trash, and ruined treasures that had had been strewn by the storm. Volunteers voted on the most unusual find of the day and one lucky person won a prize.

This project is the second of several such events around Rutland County that are being organized by the Rutland County Long Term Recovery Committee's Volunteer & Resource Coordinator, Andrea Varney, through August 2013. "Yes, there is still unmet need from Tropical Storm Irene in this area", commented Varney, "and our goal is to assist as many of these cases as possible with the help of community volunteers." If you would like to join in Volunteers for Irene Recovery's future projects, please call Andrea Varney at 345-9482, or email her at andreal.varney@gmail.com.



Rutland County Long Term Recovery Committee Project #3

The Rutland County Long Term Recovery Committee ((RCLTRC) Volunteers for Irene Recovery is seeking people who would be interested in helping to clean up a yard in South Wallingford that was flooded by Tropical Storm Irene and to erect a canvas carport to replace the one washed out by the storm. Much work has already been done at this site, with items now relegated to piles. Help is needed to separate metal that can be recycled and to move items to dumpsters provided by the RCLTRC.

Work on this project can begin immediately. There is a person on site who will be working on this yard and home who can use help anytime. If you would like to volunteer on this or future projects, please call Andrea Varney at 345-9482 or email her at andreal.varney@gmail.com. You can also contact the homeowner directly at 446-2682



Volunteers are needed help to clean up items that were strewn across a yard by Irene's floodwaters and to erect a canvas carport to replace the one washed out by the flooding. Much work has already been done at this site, with items now relegated to piles. The work entail moving trash to a dumpster and making a separate pile for metal that can be recycled a dumpster will be located on site by May 13th.

Work on this project can begin immediately and may continue through June 4th. There is a person on site who will be working on this yard and home who can use help anytime. If you would like to volunteer on this project, please contact Linda directly at 446-2682, or call Andrea Varney at 345-9482, or email her at andreal.varney@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEERS FOR IRENE RECOVERY

Volunteers and donations are wanted throughout Rutland County to meet needs that still remain after Tropical Storm Irene. Projects range from simple clean up of debris to complete building reconstruction. In most cases, available funding has been exhausted requiring volunteers and donations to complete the work. Please contact Andrea Varney at 802-345-9482 or via email at andreal.varney@gmail.com if you would like to help.

VOLUNTEER NEEDS:

S. WALLINGFORD: Yard clean up ASAP ~ 2-10 volunteers to sort out recyclables, to move items from the yard to a dumpster, and to erect a canvas carport. Could day a day or more depending on the number of volunteers. One potential volunteer needs a ride to and from the site from Rutland City.

MT HOLLY: Trailer demolition ~ 2 consecutive days in June ~ 5-8 volunteers to assist excavator, to pile recyclable metal, burnable wood, and to load debris into a dumpster, supervise burn pile, rake and reseed area upon completion.

E. WALLINGFORD: Clean out woods above Evening Song Farm ~ June 7 & 8, and beyond, several half or full days. As many as possible to cut logs, clear debris jams, and remove tires, household belongings and junk strewn through the woods to a dumpster. Chainsaws and a four wheeler with a trailer would be very helpful

DONATION NEEDS:

ALL AREAS: Source for ¾-1" ' diameter willow stakes needed for three projects Lunch preparation, water and snacks for volunteers needed on all projects

PROCTOR: Cement paint, skilled labor to professionally repaint cellar floor

E. WALLINGFORD: Donation of materials to rebuild a bridge

12 pc 2" x 8" x 8' pressure treated lumber

8 pc 2" x 10" x 12' pressure treated lumber

3# 3" decking screws

Donations and labor needed for a doublewide manufactured home, to be transported and installed on site. Donation of skilled labor and materials for site preparation, slab, exterior deck and stairs; stove and refrigerator

BRGNS THANKS POST OFFICE AND CUSTOMERS

The staff, volunteers and clients of the Black River Good Neighbor Services' food shelf extend their thanks to all who participated in the U.S. Post Office's 2013 Stamp Out Hunger National Food Drive – the largest one-day food drive in the nation and probably in the world.

Mail carriers for each of the towns and villages that BRGNS serves, Ludlow, Cavendish, Proctorsville, Mount Holly and Plymouth, collected food along their routes on May 11th and donated that food to BRGNS. Those donations helped to fill shelves and will help to feed the hungry for several weeks.

The Executive Director at BRGNS, Audrey Bridge said, "Unfortunately, we have a continuing need in the Black River Valley for the services of a food shelf, but with the generosity of citizens and the help of groups like the U.S.

Postal Service we can continue successful fulfillment of our mission." Equally important is the donation of time by all of the wonderful volunteers who helped collect, sort and shelve the food items. "Anyone can help, said Bridge, "just come to our thrift store at 37B Main Street, and we'll find something for you to do."



BRAM Opens Summer Season with 5K Fun Walk on Saturday, June 1st

The Black River Academy Museum will open its summer season on Saturday, June 1st, with a 5K Fun Walk. Sharon Combes-Farr advised the walk will start and finish at the museum, 14 High Street, and will go down Dug Road, turn South on 103, go back through town via a stroll down Pleasant Street and then back up Main Street, returning to the museum. The route will be marked. Registration is at 10AM at the museum and the walk begins at 10:30. Fee is \$20 for an adult and \$10 for students and seniors (65 plus) and includes a BRAM T-Shirt, while they last, so register early.

This year the walk is extra special as BRAM will share the revenues from the walk with seven student winners from the History Day Competition. These students are now eligible to attend the National History Day Competition at the Univ. of Maryland, June 9 - 14. The winning students are Jakob DeArruda and Morgan Brown from Black River Middle School; Sullivan Miele, Earle Brown and Mark Turco from Black River High School and BRAM's history interns, Aiyana Fortin and Bailey Matteson. They are looking for donations to cover their expenses to the competition. Refreshments will be served after the walk and all are invited to explore the Museum, visit the "Victorian Main Street", "Victorian Home," as well as the recreation of a Victorian class room on the third floor. Temporary exhibits will also include the winning History Day entries. Please note that the Museum is now fully ADA compliant with an elevator and ADA restroom.

Museum Director, Georgia Brehm, added that the third installment of the Museum's Civil War series by John Stewart will be unveiled on opening day. She also noted that later in the season the Museum will have an exhibit of recent acquisitions to our WWI and WWII collection.

Please come and celebrate the day, supporting BRAM and seven very talented history students from Ludlow's Middle School and High School. Photo Bram's 5K walk last year. Please Note this year walk will start, 10:30 am and end at the Museum 14 High Street on Saturday, June 1st.



"Plague, the Musical" Auditions

The Marble Valley Players will hold open auditions for their Fall production of "Plague, the Musical" by David Massingham and Matthew Townend. "Plague" was awarded "2008 sell-out show status" at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival and was also named "Pick Of The Fringe" that year. It is set in 1665. Clive Hucklefish has come to London to seek his fortune, but ends up inadvertently unleashing the Bubonic Plague! This Infectious musical comedy will be presented on October 18, 19, 25, & 26, 2013 at the West Rutland Town Hall Theater. If you would like to be a part of this historical production (this is the United States premiere!) come to auditions at the West Rutland Town Hall on May 28 & 29 at 7:00PM or Sunday, June 2 at 5:00PM. Director Martin Bones and Music Director Mary Ellen Harlow need to fill 20 or more principal roles of all ages and vocal ranges as well as many chorus parts for Londoners, druids, beggars, and corpses. Please prepare to sing a song that best demonstrates your vocal range and provide its printed music. Rehearsals will begin in mid-August. For more information call Martin at 775-9392.



"Guys and Dolls" To Open FOLA Summer Musical Series

Following a survey of area residents, FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) is announcing a new movie musical series at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium this summer. Based on the results of the survey, the musical movie series will consist of three well-known Hollywood musicals.

Starting the series will be the favorite of a number of those surveyed, "Guys and Dolls", the story of Runyonesque underworld of New York as seen through the eyes of Nathan Detroit, the gambler running the "the oldest established, permanent running crap game". Picture above is Marlon Brando who plays Nathan Detroit. Others featured in this classic Frank Loesser musical include Frank Sinatra, Vivian Blaine, and Jean Simmons.

This will be followed by the Leonard Bernstein/Stephen Sondheim award winning film, "West Side Story". A modernized version of "Romeo and Juliet", the story features an all-star cast including Natalie Wood, Richard Beymer, Russ Tamblyn, Rita Moreno and George Chakiris. The film won 10 academy awards and is included in the top 100 Hollywood movies by the American Film Institute.

The final offering of this summer musical series will be a surprise. The FOLA survey results indicated that there was a great desire to see one of the movies made by Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers. As a result, FOLA will select one of their hit dancing and musical films to close this series.

The movies will be shown on Sundays, starting at 7 PM at the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium. Tentative dates for the movies are: **June 16 - "Guys and Dolls"** **July 21 - "West Side Story"** **August 11 - Fred Astaire & Ginger Rogers film**

All FOLA movies are free to everyone; donations are appreciated. For additional information, 228-7239, info@fola.us, and www.fola.us.

All You Need Is Love ?

"Relationships seldom die because they suddenly have no life left in them. They wither slowly, either because people do not understand how much or what kind of upkeep, time, work, love, and caring they require or because people are too lazy or afraid to try." D. Viscott



another human being, but the main ingredient of a fulfilling marriage can never be romance.

So, what makes marriage wonderful? The same thing that makes a wonderful garden that everyone admires. *Work*. And to that we probably should add *skill*. Just because we're willing to work for a great marriage doesn't mean we have the skills to actually pull one off. Those skills take time and knowledge. The longer we wait to learn those skills, the more apt we are to tumble from one painful relationship to another--- each one building on the other, convincing us that we'll *never* be able to be happy with the spouse we are with. Then it's easy to become the *walking wounded*: ever more

There are a whole lot of myths out there regarding love and marriage. Some folks think that if a marriage is meant to be, *it will just be*. Others think that they should be able to follow their instincts and arrive at happiness. And it's true, relationships *do* have a kind of "instinct" to them; but, experience shows that people cannot rely on instinct alone.

Some people, in fact, a large portion of our culture believes that *romance* is the key to marital bliss. Virtually every popular novel and romantic comedy is based on this premise. O.K., I'll admit that romance plays a small part but it's like salt. You say, "How can you improve on salt?" My answer? "Put a sirloin steak under it!" My point being that romance is *great* "salt" to sprinkle on the hard work of sharing a life with



Mount Holly Fire Department Auction



Saturday July 20th, 2013

10:00 am

BELMONT FIRE STATION

AUCTIONEER Glenn Merrill



We are seeking donations of Good Saleable Items for the Auction. Please search your attic, basement, closets, or garage for items you wish to donate.

We will not accept mattresses, exercise equipment, skis or broken items. All appliances must be in working condition.

Call 259-2060 and leave a message or contact any firefighter for pickup of items.

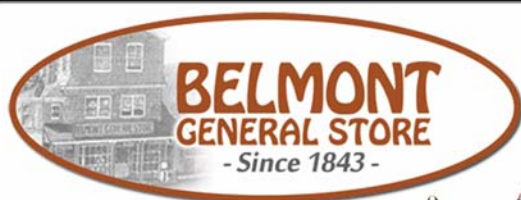
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Come join the fun and bring a comfortable chair

cautious, less vulnerable, and fearful about trusting the one we're supposed to be with for life. Marriages like these start to generate more pain than they appear to be worth, and people start to bail.

The good news is that marriage problems are fairly easy to resolve. Whenever a husband and wife are willing to study the dynamics of marriage and are willing to take the time to understand each other, they'll come together in love. If they're willing to ask for help from the Creator and Designer of marriage then their chances of success increase immeasurably. What's keeping *you* from seeking out the skills and committing to the work of taking *your* relationship from good to *great*? *Pastor Glenn Davis*



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Real Estate Trends

The Secret to Getting Your House Sold

By Gail Graves, Realtor®, Engel & Volkers, Woodstock & Ludlow

Price is EVERYTHING! We all would like you to believe that “Our marketing is better than anyone else” and “I know how to sell your house”. The real secret to selling any real estate is to price it right for the current market.

It’s really not magic - but it does take lots of work on the part of any real estate agent to get your house Sold.

What any Seller needs to do is choose an agent to work with that they trust. You must trust them as a person, as a professional, and as someone who knows the neighborhood and the market. Then, you have to trust them enough to listen to what they suggest for a listing price.

The market is just beginning to come back in our area. We are hearing lots of news in other parts of the country that there are bidding wars and not enough inventory. We are not quite there yet. Although our inventory is down about 20% from last year at this time, we still have 43+ properties on the market in our small town.

If you have a property you want to sell, consider how long you would like to wait for a Sale. The longer you have it on the market, the more it costs in property taxes, utilities and other carrying costs. Then take a critical look at your property. Does it need paint or floors refinished? Are the windows clean? How about all the clutter in the closet and in the garage? It’s difficult for a prospective buyer to see beyond some of those simple things.

Remember, once you decide to put your house on the market, photos need to be taken. They need to be beautiful photos, so dressing up key areas in your house for a photo is very important. We can all agree that a picture is worth a thousand words, so consider how your house will photograph.

Once you make your house “photo ready”, be sure to listen to your agent and price it right!

Join the American Cancer Society Relay For Life

Register Your Team Today

The American Cancer Society Relay For Life® of Rutland County gives everyone in the community a chance to help the Society save lives and create a world with less cancer and more birthdays. Register your team today by visiting RelayForLife.org or by calling 1-800-227-2345.

Former and current cancer patients, those who have lost a loved one to cancer, families, businesses, faith-based and civic organizations, and anyone wanting to make a difference in the fight against cancer are invited to take part in this exciting team event. Relay For Life takes place from 1pm on June 22nd until 8am on June 23rd at the Vermont State Fairgrounds in Rutland.

Relay For Life events are held overnight as individuals and teams camp out at an athletic track, park or other gathering area, with the goal of keeping at least one team member on the track or pathway at all times throughout the evening. Teams do most of their fundraising prior to the event, but some teams also hold creative fundraisers at their camp sites during Relay. People from all walks of life come together with a common goal of furthering the American Cancer Society’s efforts to save lives by helping people stay well, by helping them get well, by finding cures and by fighting back.

“Relay For Life draws attention to the progress being made in the fight against cancer,” said Nancy Greenwood, volunteer co-chair for the event. “Many participants are our family, friends, and neighbors who have faced cancer themselves. Their involvement helps brings hope that, together, we can eliminate cancer as a major health problem.”

Information about how to form a team or become involved in Relay For Life is available at RelayForLife.org or by calling 1-800-227-2345.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

At the

MOUNT HOLLY TRANSFER STATION

Saturday, June 22, 2013 ~ 8 AM to NOON

The following items are typical of the household chemicals collected through the Household Hazardous Waste program. These materials may be dropped off at the scheduled event in Mount Holly or delivered to the HHW Depot at the Rutland County Solid Waste District’s Gleason Road Transfer Station.

Kitchen/Bathroom

Aerosol Cans
Bug Sprays
Floor Care Products
Metal Polish
Furniture Polish
Oven Cleaners
Drain Cleaners
Bathroom Cleaners
Tile Cleaners
Disinfectants
Toilet Bowl Cleaners
Nail Polish Remover

Garage Workshop

Waste Oil
Antifreeze
Gasoline
Brake Fluid
Roofing Tar
Auto Body Repair Pro.
Automatic Trans. Fluid
Other Oils/Cleaners
Paint (Lead & Oil Based)
Paint Thinner
Paint Stripper
Varnish
Fluorescent Light Bulbs

Garden/Miscellaneous

Chemical Fertilizer
Fungicides
Herbicides
Rat Poison
Insecticides/Pesticides
Artists’ Paints, Mediums
Dry Cleaning Solvents
Fiberglass Epoxy
Gun Cleaning Solvents
Moth Balls
Rechargeable Batteries
Photographic Chemicals
Pool Chemicals



RAVNAH Blood Pressure & Foot Clinic Schedule June 2013

Day	Date	Town	Site	Time
Wednesday	6/5/13	Wallingford	Wallingford House	10:30 am
Thursday	6/6/13	Rutland	Parker House	10:00 am
Thursday	6/6/13	Rutland	Bardwell House	12:30 pm
Wednesday	6/26/13	Rutland	Godnik Center	12:30 pm

Spring Greetings from the Thrive Center!

* **Community Acupuncture, Tuesday ~ May 28th, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM. (And ~ Every 4th. Tuesday thereafter)**

We will gather together in the comfort of our office, with Virginia Voronin L.AC., to receive this effective tradition of acupuncture. Sitting quietly together for 30 minutes; EAR acupuncture helps release stress, promotes deep relaxation, reduces aches and pains and renews energy. This event is open to everyone. For more details and to RSVP call us at 446.2499. [FREE Will Donation to support: "Acupuncturists Without Borders"]

* **Reiki Share, Sunday ~ June 9th., 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.** A hands-on treatment opportunity to give and / or receive Reiki and share some tea. This event is open to everyone. For more details, and to RSVP call us at 446.2499. Open to **18** participants.

Sugary Drinks May Account for Over 180,000 Deaths Worldwide Each Year

Sugar-sweetened beverages may be linked to over 180,000 deaths worldwide each year -- including 25,000 deaths in the U.S. -- according to a study presented at the American Heart Association's Epidemiology and Prevention/Nutrition, Physical Activity and Metabolism meeting in New Orleans. Using data from the Global Burden of Diseases Study, researchers estimated that sugar-sweetened sodas, fruit drinks, and sports drinks may have accounted for 133,000 diabetes deaths, 44,000 cardiovascular deaths, and 6000 cancer deaths in 2010. Three quarters of these deaths were in low- and middle-income countries.

Link(s): AHA press release (Free)

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The one that is most disturbing are the Sports Drinks. We all know soda is bad for us. However, Sports Drinks have done a gross disservice by tricking the general public and athletes into thinking that they have done scientific research and put good things in their drinks. They are creating a generation of diabetic athletes; WE can stop it!

Community Acupuncture with Virginia Voronin, L.AC.

Tuesday, June 25th, 2013 (And ~ Every 4th. Tuesday thereafter thru October 2013)

4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Thrive Center of the Green Mountains, 68 South Main Street, Wallingford

[Free Will Donation to benefit Acupuncturists without Borders]

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to reserve a place in the workshop. No experience is necessary. Medical research shows that the program prevents the development of osteoporosis and can even reverse the effects of the disease. A balance component is designed to avoid fractures that often result from the disorder.

The program, that began with one class in July, 2000, now has 65 classes up and running in Rutland and Addison Counties. More than 230 volunteer instructors are serving over 1,000 participants. Since the program continues to expand, there is a continuing need for new volunteer instructors. **To sign up as a class participant call 775-8220 Ext. 102.** The workshop and all classes are absolutely **FREE OF CHARGE.**

Bone Builders Will Train Volunteer Instructors in June

RSVP Bone Builders has scheduled an all-day workshop to qualify volunteer trainers

for the osteoporosis exercise program. The qualifying workshop will take place on **Wednesday June 5, 2013.** Attending the workshop fulfills all requirements to become a trainer.

The workshop will start at 9 a.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. Lunch is included. It will be held in Engle Hall at Christ the King Church, 66 South Main St. Rutland, VT.

Anyone who wishes to take the training and become a volunteer instructor should call **775-8220 Ext. 102** to





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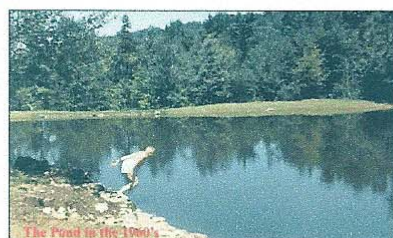
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