



Mount Holly Chit Chat



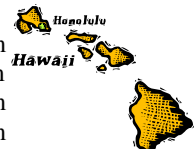
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August 2016

Village Baptist Church – Worship 9:30am, Pastor Glenn Davis 259-2440 ybch@weebly.com
E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10:00 am – Worship 11:00 am Evening 6:30 pm Phone 259-2831 www.ewbaptist.com
First Baptist Church, Wallingford – Worship 10 am, Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm, Pastor Dave Bentley 802-446-2020
Lighthouse Independent Baptist Church- SS 11 am & 3 pm Until May, 11 am & 6 pm, 253 S. Main St., Rutland 802-779-0300
Saint Patrick's Mass Wallingford Sat 4 pm Sun 9:15 am Rev Justin Baker, Ph. 446-2161
Annunciation Parish Mass, Ludlow, Sat 4 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am **Proctorsville** Sun 9:30 am, Rev Lourduraja Simeone 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

	1 st	<i>Moby Dick, author Herman Melville 1819 ~ Francis Scott Key 1779</i>	
	3 rd	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library Mt. Holly School Board Meeting, Black River High School Union #39 School Board Meeting, Black River High School	7:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm
		<i>Christopher Columbus Set Sail with the Nina, Pinta & Santa Maria 1492</i> <i>Louis Armstrong 1901 ~ US Coast Guard Est 1790</i>	
Sat	6 th	<i>1st Atomic Bomb dropped on Hiroshima 1945 ~ Alfred Lord Tennyson 1809</i>	
Sun	7 th	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Fire Station <i>Purple Heart Medal Est 1782</i> <i>Margaret Gertrude Zelle "Mata Hari" 1876</i> <i>US Satellite Explorer VI transmits first pictures of earth from space 1959</i>	7:00 pm
	8 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	7:00 pm
	9 th	VOTE VT Primary, Mt. Holly Town Office Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont Selectmen's Meeting, Town Office Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	10:00 am – 7:00 pm 9:00 am 7:30 pm 7:00 pm
	10 th	Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Sat	13 th	<i>Berlin Wall Built 1961 ~ Annie Oakley 1860 ~ Alfred Hitchcock 1899</i> Roast Pork Supper , Benefit Colfax Lodge, Odd Fellows Hall	5:00 pm
Sun	14 th	<i>Social Security Act est 1935 ~ Japan Surrendered Ending WWII 1945 ~ V-J Day</i>	
	15 th	Mount Holly Planning Commission, Town Office <i>Panama Canal Opened 1914</i> <i>Woodstock Began 1969 ~ Emperor Napoleon Bonaparte 1769</i> <i>Great Klondike Gold Rush 1896</i> <i>Battle of Bennington, VT 1777</i>	7:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 6:00 pm
	16 th	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations Mason Meeting, Mt. Moriah Lodge, E. Wallingford	
	17 th	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont	
	19 th	<i>Orville Wright Aviation Pioneer 1871</i> <i>Hawaii Becomes 50th State 1959</i>	
Sun	21 st		
	22 nd	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	7:00 pm
	23 rd	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	9:00 am 7:00 pm
	24 th	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	7:00 pm
	26 th		
Sat	27 th	<i>Women's Suffrage 1920</i> <i>Mother Teresa (Agnes Gonxha Bojaxhiu) 1896</i> <i>Oliver Wendell Holmes 1809</i> <i>Princess Diana Died 1997</i>	
	29 th		
	31 st		



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Emergency Services

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


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

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August Anniversaries: 1st -Shari & Al Lewis 9th -Jim & Donna Seward * Chuck & Jean Palmer 12th -Ted & Sue Crawford 15th -Alec & Joan McCallum * Pat & Debby Marro 19th -John & April Ely 20th -Donald & Lisa Patch * Lars & Tina Anderson 21st -Russ & Joan Garrow 23rd -John & Linda Miller 25th -Diane & Paul Deegan

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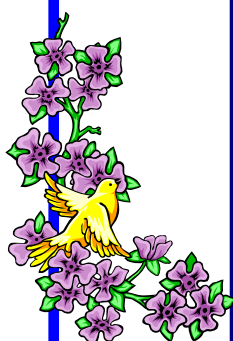
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& 11:30 am – 2:30 pm
Sat 8:00 am – 11:00 am
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Sat 7:30 am – 11:00 am

Ludlow 802-228-7436

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Conrad K Winkler

Conrad K Winkler, 88, of Cuttingsville, VT died on July 12, 2016 at Rutland Regional Medical Center. He was born June 2, 1928, in Woodside, Queens, NY, the son of Conrad and Margaret Mary (Imholz) Winkler.

Mr. Winkler graduated from Hempstead High School in 1946 and served in the U.S. [Army](#) during the [Korean War](#) (Conflict).

He married Ruth A. (Kosby) Winkler on June 6, 1951.

For many years, he co-owned and operated Senator/Headline Printing Company in Westbury, NY.

In January of 1984, Conrad and Ruth retired to their Cuttingsville home and joined the Shrewsbury Historical Society. He was president for several years and currently a Trustee. For many years, he was the custodian of Shrewsbury's Current History which consists of archivally protected pages in many albums.

Mr. Winkler was an avid sports fan favoring ice hockey - "Lets Go Islanders" - baseball and boxing.

Mr. Winkler and wife Ruth were parishioners of Our Mother of Mercy Mission Church, known as St.

Mary's Church in Mount Holly.

Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Ruth Winkler of Cuttingsville, VT; a daughter, Jennifer and her husband, Joe, of Plainview, NY; a son, Brian Winkler of Cuttingsville, VT; a grandson, Michael Conrad Lauri of Plainview, NY; a sister, Florence White of Temecula, CA; two nieces Pamela Dalmolin of Portland, OR, and Tracey Stovall of Temecula, CA; and two nephews James White of Bay Shore, NY, and Steven White of Broomfield, CO. The private graveside service will be in Shrewsbury Center Cemetery at the convenience of the family.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shrewsbury Historical Society, c/o John Elwert, 499 Shunpike Road, Cuttingsville, VT 05738; or to the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Dept., c/o Treasurer, Barry Griffith, 68 Griffith Road, Shrewsbury, VT 05738; or to just raise a toast in his memory. He'd like that.

Arrangements are under the direction of Tossing Funeral Home.



Kenneth Edgar Wilson Jr.

Kenneth Edgar Wilson, Jr., a retired Navy Rear Admiral, died at age 90 on July 7, 2016 at his Kendal Crosslands retirement community in Kennett Square, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Jane Hance Wilson, of Taney Place, Calvert County, Maryland, and Kenneth Edgar Wilson, of Baltimore, Maryland. Ken was born in Philadelphia in 1926, was raised in nearby Narberth, and attended Lower Merion High School in Ardmore. In 1944, he entered the U. S. Naval Academy and graduated in 1947 with the Class of 1948. He also attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology from which he received a master's degree in Naval Construction and Engineering in 1952. It was during his time at MIT that he met Shirley Smith of Rutland,

Vermont, and they were married in 1951. Ken and Shirley went on to have four children, and they moved several times throughout his career, providing many adventures for the family.

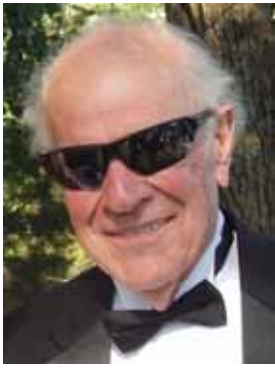
Ken's naval career spanned 35 years and he had a particular passion for submarine and ship building. He had various sea assignments on cruisers and submarines, including deployment in the Holy Loch, Scotland. Later in his naval career, he served ashore as Commander of the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, and the Vice Commander of Naval Ships and Naval Sea Systems Commands at Navy headquarters in Washington, D.C. He retired from the Navy in 1978, at which time he was awarded the Navy Distinguished Service Medal. He later served in executive positions in Exxon Enterprises and International Companies and as an independent management consultant of the public utilities.

Ken and Shirley loved to travel. In their earlier years, planned trips with the children were often based around routes that would provide the most opportunities to stop and visit battlegrounds, naval bases, and anywhere he could pose the children for pictures with cannons. In 1969, Ken and Shirley bought an old home in the village of Belmont, Vt. It was quite a project, but anyone who knew Ken knew he was always up for projects and thrived when busy. He could often be found tinkering in his workshop or sprucing up the outside of the house. He also had a passion for woodworking, making each of his children cherry heirloom cradles for their babies. He and Shirley also spent much of the leisure time in earlier years antiquing to furnish their homes, and items they collected throughout their lives together now grace the homes of their children and grandchildren. Ken was an avid golfer and at home, he always took time to play croquet in the yard, and as the reigning champion, he was forced by his family to play with a special ball for him that was cut in half. The family spent many happy summers in Belmont and plans to continue that tradition with future generations of Wilsons to come.

Upon Ken's retirement, he and Shirley moved to Crosslands where they remained very active in the community. They enjoyed trips to various places around the world, but most beloved to them was Scotland and their home in Vermont. Shirley passed away in 2012; they were married for 61 wonderful years.

Survivors include his four children, Barbara (Lloyd) Conley of Solomons, Md., Nancy Drake of Exton, Pa., Kenneth Wilson III (Mimi) of Zelienople, Pa., and Sarah (Daniel) McKay of Drexel Hill, Pa.; eleven grandchildren and ten great grandchildren. In addition to his wife Shirley, he was predeceased by his older sister, Sue Wilson Tabor, of St. Augustine, Fl.

Contributions in his memory may be made to the Episcopal Church of the Advent, 201 Crestline Drive, Kennett Square, PA 19348 or to the Crosslands Reserve Fund, PO Box 100, Kennett Square, PA 19348 or at www.kcc.kendal.org with the "donate now" icon. To view his online tribute and to share a memory with his family, please visit www.griecocares.com



Harry K. Carr

Harry K. Carr, 86, of Belmont, VT (formerly of Manchester, CT and Ft. Pierce, FL), died peacefully, surrounded by family and music, in his summer home on May 10, 2016, from old age after a well-lived life.

He was born on June 5, 1929 in Cincinnati, Ohio to Harry DeWitt Carr, an electrician, and Dorothea DuBrente Carr, a secretary and had 1 younger sister, Lois.

Mr. Carr married the late Nancy Lee Phares on December 23, 1950 while they were both undergrads at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. They were married for 49 years and begot 11 children, 35 grandchildren, and 16 great-grandchildren. His local daughter and family are Pat and Jeff Teter and grandchildren Amen, Abram, Joshua, Elijah and Hannah and great grandchildren Taj and Phoenix.

While Mr. Carr was gifted in all things mathematical and logical (he knew the numerical value of Pi to 110 decimal places and worked as a computer engineer for 30 yrs), his passion lay in music. He was an accomplished singer and pianist. He sang at Carnegie Hall, performed in several shows at the Connecticut

Opera, and played the lead in a local production of the opera Elijah. For 30 years, he was the organist at St. Bartholomew's Church in Manchester, CT. In his later years, he was part of the Spanish Lakes Country Club Singers in Ft. Pierce, FL. and sang with the Vermont Symphony Chorus under the direction of his friend Bob DeCormier.



Wilson Family Reunion

The family of Ken and Shirley Wilson, all 34 of us, had a wonderful reunion the week of June 25th. We came from California, Arizona, Alabama, Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and New York. Most of the town knew we were there...taking up three houses, buying most of the beer and Ben and Jerry's at the store, and filling the side yard with croquet, badminton, Spike, water ballons, and other noisy games! We enjoyed a kayak race to the beaver dam and back, pushing each other off the raft, canoeing, and putting the toes of the youngest great grandchildren in Star Lake for their first times. Digging for "gold" at the beach yielded many "old teeth"! I know Mom and Dad would have so enjoyed our frolicking at their most favorite spot in the whole world. Thank you to Belmont for putting up with us and we hope to do this every five years, so watch out!

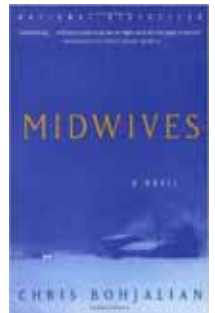


Sweetie,

One year has passed and we all miss you so very much! Not a day goes by that we don't think of you and remember all the good times we had. But, the Lord has a bigger job for you to do and you are now our angel looking over all of us. You will always be close to our hearts and we will all continue to pray for you every day! We love you so much...to the moon and back and we miss our shining star! XOXO Love you,
Your loving husband Phil and children.

Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group will meet at 6:00 p.m. on August 10th at Barbara Pallotta's on the Tiffany Road. We will be discussing *Midwives* by Chris Bohjalian. Copies of the book are available. Call Minga with any questions, 259-2471.



Please join us...

**Mount Holly Community Association
Annual Meeting**

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

Wednesday, August 3, 2016

**Annual Meeting begins at 6:00 pm
Please join us for a short meeting with
refreshments before and after!**

What is it?

What do you know about Vermont mammals? Come to the Mount Holly Community Museum, to see the exhibit of some stuffed specimens and test your knowledge. The Museum is open Saturday and Sunday from 2 to 4.



Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations



Settings Start 5:00 pm
At



The Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont
All You Can Eat - Served Home Style
Adults \$12 - Children 11 and Under \$6

Aug 13 th	Colfax Lodge - Roast Pork
Sept. 3 rd	Historical Museum - Baked Ham
Sept. 24 th	MHV Rescue Squad – Roast Pork
Oct 8 th	MHCA - Roast Beef
Oct 29 th	Gill Home, IOOF – Baked Ham

Take Outs Available With All Dinners
More Info Call 802-259-2460



The Deceit of Act 46

Under Act 46, there are basically 2 ways for school districts to merge- either the Preferred Merger or the Alternative Merger.

Under the Preferred Merger, the towns and cities merging, pool their resources so that the super board made up of members from each town or city has representation based on its population effectively giving control to the larger towns or cities. This board now owns all the schools in the new district, controls their operation and controls the total budget for the district.

Under the Alternative Merger, there is still a super board in charge of overall district operations, but with some significant differences. For example in 2012 the Rutland Windsor Supervisory Union and Windsor Southwest Supervisory Union merged into the Two Rivers Supervisory Union closing one superintendent's office with a savings of about

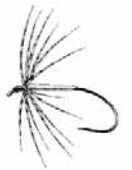
\$300,000 to date. District resources are shared by all the towns. Each member Town controls its own elementary school as it has historically. It discusses its school operation at Town Meeting and votes a budget for its own school. This is the same format permitted under Act 46's Alternative Merger. There is a catch, however. If towns elect to combine under the Alternative Merger in Act 46, any town in the district which had received a Small School Grant loses the grant. That money is gone. On the other hand if the towns elect to merge under the Preferred Merger format, the Small School Grants are not eliminated. Guess why? The grants now go into the total district budget and the large towns get a cut and further, since they have a majority of board members, get to decide how the money should be spent, possibly giving all the money to themselves. A recent discussion with one of Vermont's legislative leaders, informed me that the Legislature has been considering, for sometime, the elimination of Small School Grants. Under Act 46 this is accomplished. They are turned into Large School Grants. Act 46 is only partially about saving money. It's also about redistributing it.

In the introductory part of Act 46, there is a statement that basically says that the intent of the Act is not to close small schools. This is clearly not true. All the rest of the Act illustrates how to close small schools, while pretending not to. A classic case of the Emperor's New Clothes for anyone familiar with that children's story.



BLACK RIVER ROD & GUN CLUB

Rod & Gun Club Road, Route 100 North, Ludlow, Vermont
(Road across from Clear Lake Furniture)



EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ANNUAL FIELD DAY
Sunday, August 14th, 2016 ~ 12:00PM – 4:00PM

- Michael Sylvester from Ruger Firearms will have pistols, rifles and shotguns for you to test fire.

- Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department's "Let's Go Fishing" program with certified instructor, Bob Cram.
- Fly Cast Fishing Demo with Kevin Ladden, local fly fishing guide
- Paul Muzzey with the University of Vermont 4H Shooting Sports Trailer
- Demo by George F. Butts maker of artificial insects
- Fiddler, John Specker, from Andover will provide music
- Trap Shooting
- Ryan Smith, biologist with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife, will be present with a fur outreach education kit. The kit includes, pelts, skulls and info on trapping and hunting

Barbecued chicken, hamburgers, hotdogs, clam chowder, corn on the cob, salads, desserts and soft drinks are available to purchase for non-members. Suggested donation is \$8.00.

Bring the whole family and enjoy the day!

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Steven Howard at 802-779-4447



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What's Happening at Mount Holly Town Library?

MH Town Library SUMMER READING PROGRAM was a Huge Success Thanks to Mrs. Kennedy and her Fabulous Volunteer Helpers!

Suzanne Kennedy, Mount Holly 2nd Grade Teacher, went above and beyond to offer an amazing week of outdoor games, art projects and reading to the children of Mount Holly during the last week of June. Mrs. Kennedy's program was filled to overflowing each day. Kennedy was assisted by a team of parents and "Junior Teen Volunteers." This spirit of volunteerism is community at its best, and Mount Holly should be very proud to have a great teacher like Kennedy and great parents and teens who were her helpers! We hope Mrs. Kennedy will consider doing more library programs in the future.



The children of Mount Holly and Teen Volunteer helpers playing "Olympic Games"

during the MH Town Library Summer Reading Program

Four Shillings Short Concert Was a Big Hit!

70 music lovers got more than their four shillings worth on Friday July 15 when this duo of highly talented musicians took the stage at the Mount Holly Town Library. For almost two hours they entertained the appreciative audience with their wide variety of stringed and reed instruments and their collection of songs from Ireland, Scotland, the Appalachians, and some mesmerizing Indian ragas performed masterfully on the sitar. Our only wish is that these traveling troubadours would drive their van a little faster and return to us soon! Many thanks to Lynne Herbst for organizing this event and to Claudine Langille and Rod Ferrell for hosting the musicians.

Don't Miss Our Next Book Sale – Saturday, August 6 Open 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Drop your book donations off at the library.

Book sales at the Mount Holly Library are an important source of funding for our library. We put all money earned in the book sale back into the library – we buy books, DVD's, audio books, pay for Wi-Fi, fund programs and offer educational events. Please support the library by donating books and coming to the book sale to buy books. We can't wait to see you at the library very soon!



Calling all Art Lovers!

**Sunday, August 7th at 5:00 p.m. New England Impressions
Art and the Making of Regional Identity, 1885–1950**

Vermont Humanities Council Speakers Bureau and Mount Holly Town Library present a program on art. It is free, open to the public and handicapped accessible. Refreshments will be served. For several generations, aspiring New England artists used our history, landscape, farming and industries as subject matter and muse. Please join us for this exciting and enriching program! A very special thank you to **Joan McCallum**, our library trustee and volunteer extraordinaire who organizes these great cultural events for the town of Mount Holly.

Spend a Day at a Vermont State Park or Vermont Historic Site.

Free access to all Vermont State Parks and Historic Sites for one day for up to 8 people!

Email mthollylibrary@gmail.com for more information, or stop by **Belmont General Store** to pick up the passes. You can buy your snacks at the store, pack a cooler and hit the road with the kiddies to enjoy your amazingly beautiful state! An affordable way to get the kids out into nature, learn about history and have fun this summer. A huge thank you to the Belmont General Store for partnering with the Town Library to make this summer program happen.

Library is Now Open 9:00 am – 1:00pm During Tuesday Play Group!

The Rutland County Parent/Child Center offers a playgroup at the library each Tuesday from 10:00 am to 11:30 am and now it's even better because the librarian, Amanda Merk, will be onsite with the library open to the public from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm each Tuesday. This means that parents and kids can come to the library early to look at books and stay after playgroup ends to check books out. The library is fully open to the public during these new hours, so please stop in to get books, use the free Wi-Fi, computers, etc. even if you are not attending play group.

Mount Holly Residents Invited to Visit Public Library in Weston

Amanda Merk, Mount Holly Town Library Director, is also the Library Director in Weston. Amanda hopes that all Mount Holly residents will feel free to visit the library in Weston (it's in the village at 24 Lawrence Hill Road) to check out books, DVD's and other materials. Mount Holly folks can also take advantage of the great free programs Weston public library offers. There is no fee to sign up for programs or library borrowing cards at the Weston public library. If you are down in Weston, please stop in to say hi to Amanda and see the library. Weston library is open Tuesday & Thursday 2-6 pm and Wednesday & Saturday 10:30 am – 4:30 pm

To Kathy Leber with appreciation for
Her many years of dedicated service to
The Mount Holly Community Association
Thank you, Kathy!
The Board of Directors of the MHCA

Mount Holly Community Association

Unfortunately, **Mount Holly Day** was rained out this year, but thanks to Kevin Neubert all of the wonderful food that was donated did not go to waste! Kevin hosted an "indoor" barbecue on yet another rainy evening on Thursday, July 14th. Many, many thanks, Kevin for taking this on during the dinner hour for the store! Also, many thanks to Linda Miller and Mary Alberty for seeing that everything went smoothly. It was greatly appreciated!

Although Mount Holly Day was rained out, the **dedication of the plaque for Pat Nye**, who so generously provided the funds to restore the Star Lake dam, went on as scheduled. And lo and behold, as we stood on the beach by the plaque, the sun came out (temporarily) and held throughout the entire time we were outdoors. (Thanks again, Pat for that!) In addition to thanking Pat, Carol DeVine, on behalf of the Mount Holly Community Association, publicly **thanked Ron Unterman and Dottie Finnerty** for the endless time and effort they put in to make this restoration possible. The MHCA has had a plaque made that will be placed in the new garden at the lake. In the box announcement on this page, you can see the wording. Ron, Dottie, thank you so much for all you have done to make it possible for all of us to enjoy the lakefront again!

In recognition of Ron Unterman & Dottie Finnerty
For their efforts in the restoration and completion of
The Star Lake dam project
With gratitude from the entire
Mount Holly Community

Highlights for August: Our wonderful Thursday night tradition, **Music on the Green**, continues on the Village Baptist Church Green. Please join us at 7:00 pm to hear a variety of our talented local musicians. This Thursday, July 28th, don't miss **FAB, a Beatles tribute band** that plays the music you've loved for decades! All of the musicians do this for free, so be sure to be generous in your contributions each Thursday evening. We look forward to seeing you this Thursday and each Thursday through August 25th!

The **Annual Meeting of the Mount Holly Community Association** is on Wednesday, August 3rd, in the Community Room on the lower level of the Library & Community Center Building. **Refreshments** will be served at 6:00 pm and we will have a brief meeting at 6:30 pm. In addition to a review of the year's events, we will be electing new members to the Board and current members standing for re-election. Kathy Leber and Terri Isidro will be standing down this year...many thanks for their dedicated service to the MHCA...we'll miss you! This is an important meeting of *your* community association...please join us!

Next, put on your dancing shoes and get ready for the **Annual Square Dance** on Saturday, August 6th at 8:00 pm in the crossroads in Belmont village. You'll never get more exercise than this, or have more fun doing it! The square dance is headed by professional caller and Mount Holly resident, Lou Flego and his wife Sue, and is always the hit of the summer social season. The raindate for this event is the next day, Sunday, August 7th at 8:00 pm. See you all in Belmont on August 6th (or 7th)!

Upcoming: Alexa Fila and Joe Solomon will once again be delivering their smooth jazz sound at this year's **Cabaret!** Be sure to join us on Sunday, September 4th at 8:00 pm in the library for music and scrumptious desserts.

CIDER DAYS APPLICATIONS ARE DUE AT THE END OF AUGUST! The spaces were sold out last year, so be sure to apply now in order to reserve a space for your business/craft! Applications can be obtained from Morgan Skiathitis, who can be reached at morganskiathitis@gmail.com.

Announcements: in case you are not aware, the **2017 Photo Calendar** is available for sale in the Belmont Store, the Library, and in the Town Office. They are out early again this year and we sold out completely last year, so be sure to get the ones you need, while they are available! One can also pick up applications in those locations for this year's **photo contest**. This competition is a favorite activity during Cider Days weekend, so be sure to join in the fun and submit a photo and your application for this year's contest.

The **MHCA Membership Drive** is well under way. Last year was an historic, record breaking year for membership and the amount of revenue brought in through the generosity of our members. However, our goal each year is to *surpass* the number of members and the member contributions over the year before, a goal we have successfully reached for the past five years! Please help us do that again this year. We have to get **more than 158 family memberships**, an ambitious goal, but one we know we can achieve with your help! In case you may have misplaced your **membership application** for the MHCA, you can find them in the Belmont Store, the Library, and the Town Office. Please be sure to join today to support all of the activities that the Community Association provides, as well as support the on-going maintenance and restoration of the beautiful Library & Community Center building.



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Garden Club Breakfast

The Garden Club members enjoyed banana/walnut pancakes followed by an excursion to Mettowee Mill and then lunch at the Dorset Inn.

Garden Club Excursion

Mt. Holly Garden Club Excursion 8/27 8:30am with breakfast at Georgianna & Steve Sorensen (321 Tiffany Rd Belmont 05730) and caravan excursion to follow with lunch at a restaurant.

Mount Holly Community Guild Bazaar

The Mount Holly Community Guild bazaar will be held on August 6th this year. We will be open from 9:00 to 2:00 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Belmont.

Guild members have been working hard all year making lovely hand crafted items such as quilts, crocheted items, door decorations, toys, knitted items and jewelry and much more. The bazaar profits are used for college scholarships and donations to community service groups.

Our raffle will be drawn at the end of the bazaar. The raffle items are a queen sized quilt made by Claire Poulin, a basket made by Judy Nevin, a drawing by Pat LaBella and a watercolor painting by Cindy Hinchliff.

Artfest 2016 ~ August 5-7th

The Mount Holly Community Historical Museum will be hosting Artfest August 5-7th this year. We will be selling the work of Mount Holly artists in the Perkins



House Museum in Belmont. The artists work in a variety of media, including watercolor painting, photography, penwork, hand woven baskets, painted silk, woodcarving, shaker wooden boxes, and more.

You can meet the artists and shop on Friday night from 7:00 to 9:00 PM. Additionally the museum will be open for sales Saturday 11:00 – 3:00 PM, and Sunday 12:00 to 4:00 PM. Please plan to support our hard working artists who have been so generous with the museum. The Historical Society thanks the artists for their continuing support.

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Saturday, July 30 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
 Sunday, July 31 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.

Friday August 5 **Meet the Artists of "Artfest"** 7 to 9 p.m. Perkins House
 Saturday, August 6 **"Artfest"** at the Perkins House 11 - 3 p.m.
 Sunday, August 7 **"Artfest"** at the Perkins House Noon - 4 p.m.

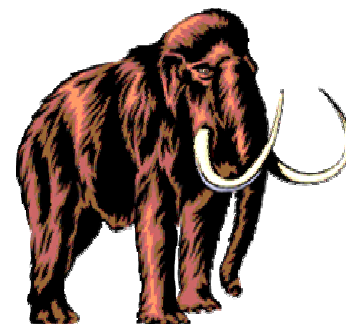
Saturday, August 13 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
 Sunday, August 14 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday, August 20 **"Farmfest" Sheep Shearing, Demonstrations and More** 11 to 2 p.m.
 Sunday, August 21 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday, August 27 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.
 Sunday, August 28 Open for browsing, 2 to 4 p.m.

Saturday, September 3 **Baked Ham Fundraising Dinner** at the Odd Fellows Hall 5 p.m.

Saturday, October 8 **Cider Days** Open for browsing, 10 to 4 p.m.
 Sunday, October 9 **Cider Days** Open for browsing from noon to 4 p.m.



Visit our website www.mounthollyvtmuseum.org for more event details.

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Saturday, August 20, 2016

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- * Set up for show will start Friday the 19th at noon till early evening
- * Security will be in place all evening to watch over sleds and vendor area
- * Discount coupons for Killington area activities for participants (Coaster Ride, Zip Line, Mountain Biking)
- * Sleds must be set up no later than 8 am Saturday morning (so bring your sleds and camper the night before and enjoy all that the Killington area has to offer.)



Letter to the Editor,

It has been an honor to be your voice in Montpelier for the past ten years, and I hope to continue to serve you in the Vermont House. The local economy remains one of our greatest challenges, and is the primary reason that I would like to again be your voice.

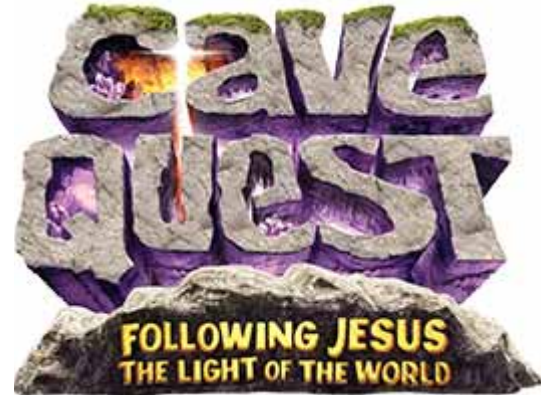
The last 6 years have been frustrating as we continued to spend more than we could afford. With a leadership change from the Governor's office down to the Legislature, I see an opportunity to address the issues that are most important to Vermonters. Our State has problems creating enough high-paying jobs to keep our young people here.

I have supported efforts to help our veterans, to find funding for business startups and expansion, and campaigned for investment in more training opportunities. I know that to compete regionally our State needs to offer tax incentives and low-interest loans to help businesses locate here. I have also thought that it makes sense to lower the interest rate on student loans.

I have heard the anger over the increases in taxes and fees, and that Vermont is no longer affordable. Government spending is about balancing what you can afford to do and making difficult decisions about the rest. Change comes hard in Montpelier because all are convinced that they got it right. The explanation over education funding is so complicated that the average person just wants a system that is understandable and that seems fairer. The Legislature has requested studies for making adjustments to the education funding formula and how the CLA, or the "common level of appraisal," is applied. These are important areas that could be very helpful to our district. The rising cost of education has been something not many have been willing to confront. Changing the way property taxes fund our schools cannot be delayed any longer.

If you are angry about our health care mess, forced school mergers, and the tax increases, I want to remind you that I have not supported the direction of them. To expand our health care

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programs without the necessary funding is irresponsible. My votes have been for what is in the best interest of our district.

I hope to talk with many of you over the next several months. Please contact me about the issues important to you, and take the time to vote in the August 9th primary. You can always leave me a message at ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us or at home at 802-259-2460. Respectfully submitted, Rep. Dennis Devereux, candidate for House District Rutland-Windsor 2

Volunteers & Volunteerism

Many communities throughout our country and state owe their very existence and ability to function to their VOLUNTEERS & VOLUNTEERISM.

Volunteers are attracted for many reasons. Likely it is the desire, willingness, & individual skills that attract most of them. Regardless, they are a valuable and much needed resource that needs to be protected at all reasonable cost. The consequences of not doing so may be an unwelcome form of Government.

In the area of "Public Safety" alone, our Fire, Rescue, & First Response Squads are there, performing "Life and Property saving tasks every day. The Rutland County Mutual Aid System is a beautiful example of a well organized group of VOLUNTEERS.

So let us pause and take inventory of this valuable resource. Some of it has taken years to build and perhaps should not be thrown away carelessly. Offered by a grateful & experienced resident VOLUNTEER! Don Richardson

Dear Editor:

On the night of February 3rd our house was broached when a vehicle failed to safely negotiate the sharp corner of Hortonville Road where it joins Cole Road and Little Lane. After calling 911, the Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department responded with amazing speed. Although the incident did thankfully not require their services, they made sure that we were safe and stayed until we could secure the open wall, offering whatever assistance we needed.

We attended the next Selectmen's meeting, and although we made it clear that there was nothing that would have prevented this incident, we relayed concerns we have had about the safety of this intersection for a long time. Fairly regularly vehicles approach this corner at a high rate of speed and either fail to negotiate it and go directly through it, or they attempt to make the corner and end up going off of the road. The selectmen and member(s) of the town road crew listened to our concerns and offered to do what they could within their power.

Shortly thereafter, new signs warning of the corner with suggested speed were posted and several large rocks were deposited on the corner of our property thanks to the town road crew. It is this ability to listen and respond to the needs & concerns of residents that makes living in a community like Mount Holly so wonderful.

We couldn't think of anywhere else we would rather live. With thanks and gratitude. Mary & Andy Haskell

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Host families come in all different shapes and sizes! Single parents, families with young children and/or teenagers, empty nesters or retirees are all encouraged to host. The host family's primary responsibility is to provide a bed, it need not be their own room, three meals a day and the love and support you would offer any teenager living in your home. You can hope for world peace or invite it into your home and table! Travel the world without leaving home.

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about our program and our students, please contact Kimberly Eckhardt at [802-824-3792](tel:802-824-3792) or email at keckhardt08@gmail.com.



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Mount Holly Town News

Minutes are "DRAFT" until approved at the next Select Board meeting Monday August 8, 2016, The change of date is due to the Primary being on Tuesday August 9th. NOTE: Most Select Board meetings are covered by LPC-TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, www.lpcvtv.org. Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

SELECT BOARD ~ JULY 12, 2016

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

1. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda: There were several additions to the Agenda. Under Highway, Paving Bids and Star Lake Dam; and under Other, Newspaper of Record and VLCT inquiry re E-911 dispatch.

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

2. Minutes:

- The minutes of the regular meeting of June 14, 2016 were sent out before the meeting for review. Upon motion made and seconded it was

VOTED: To approve the June 14 minutes. (3-0)

- August meeting: Everyone is reminded that the August Selectboard meeting will be on Monday, August 8 instead, at the usual time of 7:30 pm (due to primary voting day on August 9th).

3. Highways

- Paving Bids: The Board reviewed two bids for this summer's paving: Fuller Sand and Gravel (\$52.00 per ton) and Pike Industries (\$59.35/ton). Jeff noted that he prefers Fuller; they have done paving in the past and provide additional services or equipment to the town, sometimes at no charge. Upon motion

made and seconded it was

VOTED: To approve the Fuller bid of \$52.00 per ton. (3-0)

Jeff also said the paving will be done on Syria Road and the western end of Shunpike (ends at Hortonville Road). Some paving over the Tarbellville Rd culverts will also be done. The town will likely be on the list for a state grant next year.

- Star Lake Dam: Jeff reported that Jeb Porter has requested permission to build a stone wall next to the concrete wall of the dam near the Odd Fellows Hall. This would be done on his own time and money, and is only for aesthetics. The Board agreed to allow the project.
 - The Board also discussed the recent State Inspection of the dam. The State found no problems with the new dam, noting that all earthen dams weep. The Board continues to express concerns about the seepage, but since the State approved the dam, there is likely no recourse for remedy. Ron Unterman noted that the State rejected a design that would have extended the outlet pipe and added rock.
 - Grants update: The Town received a State Structures Grant of \$54,000 for another culvert on Tarbellville Road and also received a Better Roads grant for the same project. As the State grant is the better deal, the Jeff will decline the Better Roads grant on behalf of the town.
 - The Town's annual update for the DUNS number /SAM (System for Awards Management) registration has been completed. This is required for many grant applications as well as any FEMA events.
 - Vermont Draft General Permit for Flood Hazard Areas and River corridor. A new draft permit is available for review and comment. Public Information meeting is on July 27, 5-7pm in Berlin, VT. See notice in Town Office for details.
 - Executive Session: The Board agreed to delay this until the end of the meeting.
4. Report of Treasurer
 - David Johnson presented an income and expense statement dated June 30, 2016 showing cash balances of \$607,871. David noted that this is not quite the final year-end report, as not all bank statements have been received, and may be some outstanding invoices not yet received. Highlights: Delinquent taxes: The tax sale was held on June 27 and 5 properties were sold. All prior year tax sales were redeemed. The town received \$3600 more than budgeted for delinquent tax interest. Forestry Receipts and Railroad Taxes have been received and more than budgeted. Solid Waste label sales are more than budgeted, but overall SW expenses will end up more than budgeted, mainly due to the increased recycling costs with no income from recycling. Salaries are under budget. Overall, highway expenses are \$2800 under budget. David reported that there are a few outstanding expenses, but no major bills are expected.
 - Late Homestead Filing Penalty: Upon motion made and seconded it was

VOTED: To waive the late homestead declaration filing penalty. (3-0)

Mount Holly Listers Hours

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

- Tax Rate: David presented the municipal tax rate worksheet, showing a municipal rate of \$.3750 to cover the budget voted in March 2016. This will result in a total Resident Rate of \$1.9091 (a decrease of \$.0172) and a total Non-Resident Rate of \$1.7107 (a decrease of \$.0010). Upon motion made and seconded it was

VOTED: To set the tax rate as presented. (3-0)

Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

The Mount Holly Animal Control Officer is Constable Paul Faenza. He handles all calls concerning domesticated and farm animals, including Animal Cruelty concerns. For more information or to make a report please call (802) 353-8347 or email pfaenza47@yahoo.com

5. Transfer Station
Jeff will 'attend' a phone conference on electronics recycling on Friday, July 15.
6. Planning Commission

- Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC) and Rutland Regional Transportation Advisory Council (TAC): Don Richardson reported that the June meetings were mostly on budgets. He also noted that the surface water

quality issues will be the focus for the coming year. Election of officers will be upcoming. There are no meetings in July and August. Next TAC meeting is set for Sept. 23rd.

- Alternate Appointments to RRPC and RRTC: Ted reported that he had spoken with Bill McGrath (RRPC) and Jeff Teter (RRTC) and they said they would cover for each other as the alternates. Upon motion made and seconded, the Board

VOTED: to appoint Jeff Teter as the alternate representative to the RRPC and to appoint Bill McGrath as the alternate representative to the RRTC. (3-0)

7. Other Business

- Newspaper of Record. Sue Covalla reported there was some discussion on the town clerks network about changing the newspaper of record in some towns, due to the Rutland Herald/Times Argus decision to end print publication 3 days each week. This has implications for the statutory requirements for town meetings, voting, etc. The Board did not make any changes, but noted that publication dates will need to be reviewed carefully to be sure they occur on days of print publication, but still meet any requirements.
- Vermont League of Cities and Towns (VLCT) information request regarding E-911 dispatch. VLCT will be providing input to a legislative working group making recommendations to the legislature on E-911 dispatch. The request will be forwarded to Fire, Rescue, Constable and Emergency Management to provide the information, which the town will coordinate and send back to VLCT.
- Propane Prebuy/Price Protection: The prebuy contract is only good until March 31, 2017; any money not spent remains in the account, but the per-gallon price is not in effect after that date. With price protection cost of \$.25 per gallon, the Board agreed to just pay as we go, with no price protection.
- Hedgehog Hill Wind: The town received notice of a procedural order to Jason Day, stating that if a previously requested response is not received by June 24, 2016, the application will be deemed dismissed.
- PSB Draft Procedural Order: The PSB has issued a draft procedural order regarding telecommunications facilities to reflect changes made during the 2016 legislative session. Comments and recommendations must be filed by August 1, 2016. The draft order is available at the town office.
- MHCA Request: The Mount Holly Community Association requests the town provide a porta-potty at the Star Lake Beach. The MHCA has paid for one in the past, but feels it is really a town responsibility as the beach area is town property. Ted felt it was unfair for the town to pay for something for a non-profit, but Ray noted that someone needs to do it. There was discussion on where it would be located (could the delivery truck drive over the earthwork given it's angle; don't want it too near the OFH because of the smell); what's the time frame (3-4 months? fishing season? Til Cider Days?); cost likely \$80 per month. A motion to table was not seconded, and withdrawn. Upon motion made and seconded it was VOTED: For the town to provide a portapotty at Star Lake Beach Area. (2-1; T. Crawford dissented) Jeff will contact the Odd Fellows and MHCA to work out the location.

8. Executive Session

- Upon Motion made and seconded, the Board VOTED: to enter Executive Session for purposes of employee evaluation (Title 1 VSA S 313(a)(3)) at 8:17 pm. Jeff Teter, Road Foreman, was invited to attend.
- Upon motion made and seconded, the Board VOTED: to reenter the regular meeting at 8:23pm.

The Board reported that the three Highway employees would each receive a \$.50 per hour raise

9. The Board reviewed and signed the June orders for payment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion made, seconded and approved, at 8:25 pm. Respectfully submitted, Rhonda Rivers

Picture: The sign on the town garage is dedicating the building to Don Tarbell and Jeff Teter for each serving the town for more than 30 years. This dedication was due to a voice vote at the 2015 Town Meeting.



Town of Mount Holly Planning Commission Clerk

The Town of Mount Holly seeks to hire a Clerk to assist the Planning Commission to carry out their duties and responsibilities. This is a part time position, up to approximately 20 hours per month, some evening hours required. Job duties for the position include: prepare and post agendas for all Planning Commission meetings as required by the Open Meeting Law; attend and take minutes at all Planning Commission meetings; post minutes as required by the Open Meeting Law; prepare and publish legal notices in the Town's paper of record and special notices/information in the Chit Chat or other publications as determined by the Planning Commission; review all Planning Commission mail/email; respond to general inquires that do not require Planning Commission attention and forward all other correspondence to the Planning Commission for their action; maintain a filing system for all correspondence, articles, documents, etc. that pertain to the Planning Commission; perform other duties as requested by the Planning Commission. Pay range is \$10-\$15 per hour, commensurate with experience. Interested parties should contact Bill McGrath, Planning Commission Chair, at [802-259-2724](tel:802-259-2724) or email at twigg16@vermontel.net. A resume may be sent to the email address, or the town office at Town of Mount Holly, PO Box 248, Mount Holly, VT 05758. Equal Opportunity Employer.

Dear Editor:

The brilliant sun on Saturday, June 18, 2016, set the bright tone for the Town of Weston to celebrate the Weston Birthday Bash. Months of planning culminated in a fantastic day of celebration that recognized all of the special anniversaries for businesses and organizations throughout the community.

For such a small town, it's amazing how many of us have grown, prospered and remained a vibrant part of the community for decades and even centuries.



	Established
Town of Weston	1799
Old Parish Church	1816
Church on the Hill	1838
Farrar Park Association	1886
Weston Village Store	1891
(Ladies of the Green)	
Trout Club	1904
Weston Community Association	1922
Rod and Gun Club	1934
The Vermont Country Store	1946
Weston Business Council	1947
Weston Priory	1952
Weston Historical Society	1966
Inn at Weston	1974
Christmas Bazaar	1981
Weston Marketplace	1986
The Collaborative	1998
Opera Theatre of Weston	2000
Village Green Gallery	2005

	Established
Wilder Memorial Library	1909
Weston Women's Club	1923
Weston Playhouse Theatre Company	1937
Weston Volunteer Fire Department	1946
Kinhaven Music School	1952
Weston Antique Show	1959
Weston Recreation Club	1970
The Little School	1976
Weston Craft Show	1983
Sundays on The Hill	1996
Woodcock Farm	1998
Just Neighbors	2003
Neighborhood Connections	2009



Those of us from Weston know that it's a special place where community is alive in every sense of the word. With the support of many people, The Vermont Country Store and the Weston Playhouse Theatre Company anchored the team that made this fantastic day a celebration of all things Weston and small town life in Vermont

We would like to thank everyone involved in helping to plan this spectacular event: Annie Aft, Robert Aft, Robert Allen, Don Bolognese, David Bonanno, Maureen Brandt, Juliette Britton, Susan Epstein, Annie Fujii, Susan Haefner, Lesley Koenig, Jim Linville, Jeremy Lupowitz, Melina Menzie, Barbara Morrow, Kate Pace, Chris Perry, Nancy Perry, Claire Stern (co-chair), Jim Szabo, Penny Trick, Ann Warrell, and Janet Warren (co-chair). Special thanks to Wayne Granquist and Oliver Olsen for helping us to coordinate the participation of dignitaries, and also to our sponsors, Wilcox Ice Cream and King Arthur Flour for their

generous contributions.

In this age of digital and on-demand entertainment, this fine group produced a day of laughter, fun and personal connection that captured the charm and personality of our beloved town. It will be remembered by everyone who attended for years to come.

Eliot Orton

Proprietor, The Vermont Country Store

Steve Stettler

Producing Artistic Director, Weston Playhouse Theatre Company

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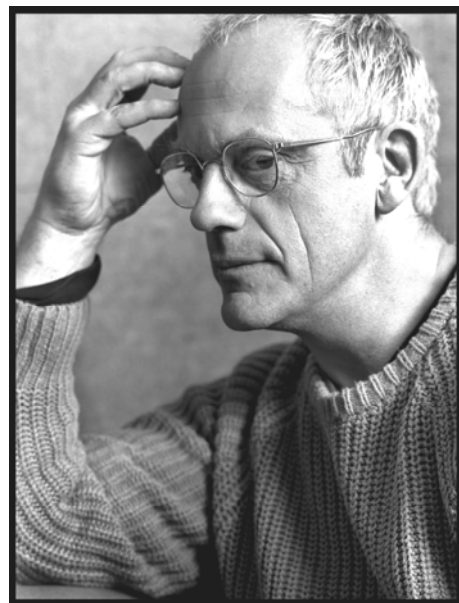
Join us at WESTON HONORS for a star-studded evening

Weston Playhouse Theatre Company lights up the height of the summer with a new annual celebration of an artist of national importance. This year we honor actor Christopher Lloyd with a star-studded evening of special guests including Judd Hirsch, Samuel Lloyd, Jr, and more. The evening will feature captivating live entertainment from the 2016 Weston Company, as well as live and video tributes and film clips. Following the event, we also offer the exciting opportunity for a private dinner with Christopher Lloyd and special guests. Manchester Designer Outlets is proud to sponsor the first annual **WESTON HONORS** in honor of Ben Hauben, MDO founder, developer of quality products, patron of the arts, and visionary.

Christopher Lloyd's theatre career began on the Weston Playhouse stage with *A Shot in the Dark* in 1964. He went on to perform in over 200 plays on and off Broadway, as well as continuing to star in roles at Weston, such as *Sherlock Holmes* (1990) and most recently, *Death of a Salesman* (2010). His film career has included roles in both classic favorites and cult hits including *Who Framed Roger Rabbit*, *Clue*, *The Addams Family* and *Addams Family Values*, and of course, the iconic Doc Brown in the *Back to the Future* trilogy, among many others.

The Weston Playhouse Theatre Company is celebrating its 80th anniversary season. Dedicated to "celebrating the classics and nurturing the new," Weston is preparing to break ground on a new, flexible second stage that will allow it to expand its production season and provide a year-round home for community activities and national programs for incubation, innovation, and inspiration.

WESTON HONORS will take place at the Southern Vermont Arts Center in Manchester, VT, on Sunday, August 7th at 7:00 pm. Event tickets are \$60. Dinner will take place at the Taconic Hotel in Manchester, VT immediately following the event. Tickets including dinner are \$160. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call the Weston Box Office at 802-824-5288, or visit www.westonplayhouse.org



Ludlow Rotary Club Features "Changing of the Gavel" As New President Assumes Leadership of Club

The Ludlow Rotary Club continued its tradition of "changing of the gavel" at its recent meeting to honor Bret Harlow, the retiring President of the club, and Tesha Buss, the incoming President. Pictured above are Bret Harlow as he passes the gavel to Tesha Buss, symbolizing the completion of one President's term and the beginning of another's. During the process of this change, outgoing President Harlow took the opportunity to thank the many Rotarians who had helped him during his term. Bret's parents, David & Marjorie Harlow, were guests at the proceedings that honored their son. Special awards were made by President Bret Harlow to show his appreciation to a few of the Ludlow Rotarians; he presented "The Quiet Rotarian Awards" to Mary K. Crowley for membership, Kimberly Benson

Lampert for Service Above Self and James Rumrill for Youth Exchange. The Ludlow Rotary Club was chartered in 1927. It meets on Tuesday for lunch at 12:15 at DJ's Restaurant in Ludlow. About 35 Ludlow Rotarians offer services through Rotary International and to the local communities of Cavendish, Mount Holly, Ludlow and Plymouth, spreading good will, manpower and financial support to worthy causes, including scholarships for high school graduates. More information about Ludlow Rotary Club may be found at its web site, www.ludlowrotary.com and on its Facebook page, "Ludlow Rotary".



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BRGNS "Back to School" Program Started

It's almost August and for many families that means back to school is right around the corner. It's time to gather supplies, including new clothes and shoes, backpacks, paper, pens and pencils and more.

Unfortunately that can be an economic hardship for many people with already stretched budgets so Black River Good Neighbor Services in Ludlow would like to help.

BRGNS will again this year provide school supplies to those children whose families might not otherwise be able to afford them. If you have or know of a child who is returning to school, who needs such supplies, and whose family may find such purchases difficult or impossible, please call Audrey at (802) 228-3663, or stop by the BRGNS thrift store at 37B Main Street in Ludlow to let them know.

Also, for those of you who are in a position to donate school supplies, including new backpacks, or money for BRGNS to buy them, now is the time to act. Please bring donations to the BRGNS thrift store. Store hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. BRGNS is a 501(c)(3) charity. For more information, please call Audrey at (802) 228-3663.

Reduce Your Carbon Footprint with Act 148

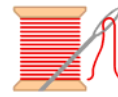
Help keep Vermont green and reduce waste with Act 148. The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation and Solid Waste Management Entities (SWME's) have been implementing the Universal Recycling Law (Act 148) for the past four years, already banning recyclables from the landfill as of last year. This law will ultimately remove all organics from landfills in Vermont, which will result in a drastic reduction of cost and our carbon footprint. The next stage in Act 148 is to remove organic materials such as yard waste and food waste from the landfills. As a resident, this law means there will be more opportunity to reduce your carbon footprint by separating compostables from trash.

By July 1 of this year, all current trash pick-up services must offer separate yard waste collection. While yard waste can already be dropped off by county residents at the Mt. Holly (Sharon Lane off Gates Rd) transfer station, check with your local trash hauler before leaving yard waste at the curb.

By July 1st, 2017, trash haulers and transfer stations will collect food scraps separate from trash as well. As more haulers and transfer stations accept organic materials, it will be accommodating for you to separate food waste from the trash. The final step to implement Act 148 is to ban all food scraps from the landfill by July 1st of 2020.

Main goals of implementing Act 148 include reducing waste overall, other than just preventing it from reaching the landfill. Residents have reduced their waste in large ways through meal planning and backyard composting. The food that goes bad in the back of a fridge costs time and money to everyone, but keeping a schedule of what to cook for each day helps reduce costs. Backyard composting will exempt residents from costs of food scrap collection.

For
more



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The Community Guild Of Mount Holly Annual Bazaar

Saturday, August 6, 2016

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Handmade items ~

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Come see our *raffle quilt* on display!

Also visit the Art Fest at the Museum & Book Sale at
the Library

For more information contact Carol Venter at 259-2661

The Community Guild is a non-profit charitable organization.
The sale of our handcrafted and donated items is used to
support charitable, educational and civic endeavors.

Mount Holly 2016 Photo Contest

Theme this year:
Wildlife of Mount Holly
(but all entries welcome!)

**So take out your camera and capture
Mount Holly in August!**

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

**Mount Holly 2017 Calendar
now on sale too!**

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.

information about Act 148: Universal Recycling law, visit the
Department of Environmental Conservation's web site at
<http://dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/solid/universal-recycling>.

For information on what materials transfer stations in Rutland County
accept, and to find backyard composting collectors and other resources,
visit www.rcswd.org, or call (802) 775-7209.

Mount Holly Community Association Membership Drive 2016 – 2017

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.)

Glen Woods Benefit Thank You

Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue Squad and Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department would like to thank the following businesses that donated prizes for the Glen Woods Benefit Raffle that we had.

Norton's Property Management, Green Mountain Sugar House, Marcells Oil, Belmont General Store, LaValley Building Supply, Crowley Cheese, Gloria's Pantry, John C. Stewart & Son and Belmont Body & Soul Shop.

We would also like to thank everyone that donated money and also purchased the raffle tickets to make it a success. We would like to thank our members that sold the raffle tickets and a big **Thank You** to Belmont General Store, Mount Holly Town Office and Kevin Stillwell at the Mount Holly Transfer Station for help selling the raffle tickets. The winners are the following:



Living with Bears in Vermont!

Mt. Holly Conservation Trust presents
Living with Bears in Vermont by Vermont
State Wildlife Biologist, Forrest Hammond.
Wednesday, August 24th at 7PM in
the Mt. Holly Community Center

MHCT Annual Meeting is August 24th
at 6PM in the Community Center

For more info call Stephanie Smith -259-2322

Diane Hill – Cord of Fire Wood from Norton's Property Management
Laura Lienhard - \$100 Gift Certificate from Green Mountain Sugar House
Donnie Belcher – 50 gallons of fuel oil from Marcells Oil
Stephanie Stouffer – Gift Certificate from Belmont General Store
Ron Symonds – Gift Certificate from Belmont General Store
Tim Baker – Gift Certificate from Belmont General Store
Jim Heald – Gift Certificate from Belmont General Store
Pam McLaughlin – Gift Certificate from Belmont General Store
Harold Chadburn - \$25.00 Gift Certificate from LaValley Building Supply
Sue Covalla - \$25.00 Gift Certificate from LaValley Building Supply
Diane Hill – 3 Bar Cheese Sampler from Crowley Cheese
Deb Morse – Gift Basket from Gloria's Pantry
Gary Martin – Gift Certificate from John C. Stewart & Son
Deb Costa – Gift Certificate from John C. Stewart & Son
Val Perrino – Gift Certificate for a Massage from Belmont Body & Soul Shop

Diane Hill – a Painting donated by a Rescue Squad Members co/worker

New Alert: Big Eyes Bakery is on the move!

Big Eyes Bakery will be moving to a new location at the end of August. The new space is located at 126 Main Street, directly behind Engel & Volker's Real Estate Office. We will have a seating area, expanded coffee bar, and some new items on the menu. Visit us at our current location until August 27th, and look for our grand re-opening Labor Day Weekend.

Re-Elect ~ SENATOR ALICE NITKA



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with any questions

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- * Vice Chair Appropriations Committee which achieved a balanced State Budget
- * Serving on the Judiciary Committee fighting the opiate abuse problem in the State
- * Achieved a successful energy sighting bill to give communities more say re location of projects

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Reinbow Riding Center

Greetings!

Reinbow Riding Center would like to thank everyone who helped make our silent auction a huge success! Doris Reiser for taking us under her wing to show us how to organize a silent auction, the artists who donated beautiful items, the businesses that donated food and services, the people who could not make it to the auction but chose to donate money directly to sponsor a child whether it be to go toward one lesson or a series of lessons and the volunteers who worked behind the scenes to make this a success. Thank you so much-you are directly, immediately making a positive impact on someone's life.

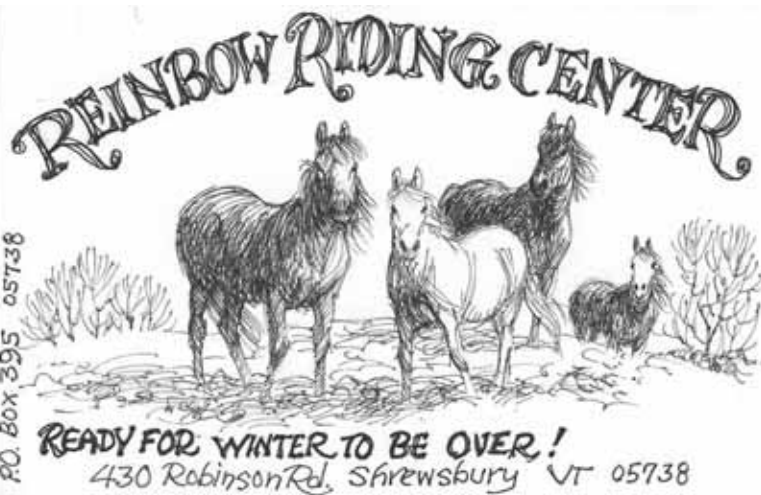
One comment that a caregiver said to me this week concerning a child in DCF "I can see a change in her behavior -she is calmer, she is happier."

Some of the benefits of therapeutic riding include...

- *Improve balance, coordination and muscle tone
- *Improved self-esteem and motivation to learn
- *Improved ability to focus on sequential tasks
- *Improved socialization and communication skills
- *Improved independence, problem solving skills and team building skills

We are also looking forward to a group of volunteers from Indian Brook, part of the Farm and Wilderness Camp coming at the end of July. They will be camping out for 4 days at Reinbow Riding. This will be their 4th year coming and it is always an exciting and productive time. This year we will be using their imaginations and input to build new challenges to our sensory trail and to add a new woods trail.

As always we would welcome new volunteers- sometimes all we need is someones imagination to broaden our program. Thank you, Mary Jane Osborne, Program Director



Factory, Caravan Gardens, The Killarney, Garden Time, Vermont Fresh Foods Pasta, Java Baba's, Integrated Positional Therapy, Hounds Folly Farm, American Pie, Modern Cleaners, Rising Sun Adaptive Martial Arts and Grafton Village Cheese Co.

We would also like to thank all the individuals that donated items and the volunteers that assisted in organizing the auction. And thank you to the Mt. Holly Community Club Association for the use of their hall for the auction.

Your generosity will assist us in our continuing goal to provide therapeutic riding experiences for riders age three to adult that result in improving their overall quality of life.

For more information about our programs: call 802-492-2226; www.reinbowridingcenter.org or visit our page on Facebook. We are a 501(c)(3) organization. Thank you for your support, The Reinbow Riding Center Board of Directors

August 2016 Mount Holly Chit Chat Inc



Mount Holly 2017 Calendar

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\$20 per calendar
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For more information call
Janet Warren at 802-259-2007

Sponsored by the Mount Holly Community Association
All proceeds support community activities

Thank You Friends

The Reinbow Riding Center would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations to our Silent Auction held July 2 in Belmont, VT.

The Vermont Country Store, Brewfest Beverage Co., The Hatchery, The Cookster, DJ's Restaurant, Mojo's, Ye Olde Village Inn, The Potter Stone, 5 Elements Spa, Macora Farm, Susan Leader Pottery, Hanoush Jewelers, Wagatha's, Waterwheel Quilt Shop, Hartsboro Pottery, Express Pedi & Spa Mani, Premier Designs, Blue Sky Trading, Chaos Casbah, Gringo Jack's, Weston Village Christmas Shop, Inn at Weston, The Weston Playhouse, Roots the Restaurant, Okemo Mountain, Stone Creek Pottery, Crowley Cheese



Event Staff Needed

Okemo Mountain Resort will be hosting
Hops in the Hills on August 5, 6 & 7.

If you are interested in working at this fun event,
Please visit www.okemo.com and complete
An online application.

You can also email jobs@okemo.com for
Additional information.

Let's Get the Facts Straight about Star Lake

In the July 13, 2016 Vermont Journal article (opinion letter?), "Star Lake is Saved? Belmont, Vt.," Joseph Fitzgerald rambled on with one misleading/incorrect statement after another. Although I'd rather be swimming in Star Lake on this beautiful summer afternoon, his comments should not go unanswered. They do a disservice to the residents of Mt. Holly and our Select Board. I will address each misstatement following the "JF" quote.

1. JF -- "The people in charge have charged the town an exorbitant amount of money."

WRONG -- no Mt. Holly Town taxes were used for the dam reconstruction. Funding for the reconstruction came from a \$500,000 gift from the late Patricia Nye, and \$100,000 in other private contributions from 250 supporters (residents, friends, Town organizations, businesses, etc.). And if Mr. Fitzgerald feels that his donation to the Dam Project was for naught, then perhaps he should ask the Mt. Holly Conservation Trust for his money back.... but did he contribute?

2. JF -- "Star Lake in Belmont has been deemed an unsafe body of water by the State of Vermont..." "It noticeably smells on hot summer days."

MISLEADING --The State's "unsafe" statement had nothing to do with water quality as Mr. Fitzgerald tries to imply (with both comments). Before the new dam it was "unsafe" ONLY because as a High Hazard Dam a breach would have flooded Belmont Village and threatened life and property. That is why the State required that the dam be rebuilt or removed. As for the smell, fishermen have left dead fish on the shoreline and fish have washed down the spillway and died in the shallows. This occurs every year. The Lake is very swimmable and enjoyed by many residents and guests.

3. JF -- "it is noticeably leaking" the dam "has clearly failed".

NOT FAILED -- At their annual inspection in June, the Vermont State Dam Inspectors said that all earthen/concrete dams like Mt. Holly's seep. The dam engineering firm of DuBois and King and the Vermont State Dam Engineering Department have both certified the dam. Use of the word "failure" is irresponsible and should be reserved for the professional dam engineers.

4. JF -- "Save the lake" ...but "nothing has changed"

WRONG -- without the dam reconstruction Star Lake was on track not to exist. The State had notified the Mt. Holly Select Board in 2009, and all years following, that the dam needed to be replaced otherwise the town would have been required to remove it and let the lake drain out. Without the dam there would be no lake, just a swamp. Furthermore, "Saving the Lake" was about both recreation AND preserving a natural habitat for beaver, moose, otter, bald eagles, etc., and countless in-water fish and amphibians. No new dam, no lake!! In addition, the new dam now lets the Town maintain Star Lake at its historical water level, 18" higher.

5. JF -- "hard to differentiate the Lake from green lawns that border it because of thick weed mat..." **MISLEADING** --Controlling weeds was never part of the dam replacement project. Overgrowth of Milfoil and other nuisance plants is a separate issue requiring a major annual effort and additional funds. If Mr. Fitzgerald is so concerned about the weed overgrowth perhaps he would like to make a contribution to the annual weed control effort - - in past years it has cost between \$10,000 to \$20,000 per year, almost all from private donations, with some from State grants -- no Mt. Holly tax funds. Yes, nuisance plant overgrowth is a major Star Lake problem, but one that can only be addressed if Star Lake exists!

6. JF -- "You see no divers, as seen in Lake Ninevah. You see no harvest mowers as seen in Lake Bomoseen."

WRONG -- Divers have been used in Star Lake many times in the past, however, their impact is only marginal in a shallow lake like Star Lake. The depth of Star Lake is very different from Ninevah or Bomoseen and poses a much more challenging problem for eutrophication. In addition, a mechanical harvester firm was hired in 2012 and 2013; however, the annual cost of harvesting (\$12,000) was too expensive for the marginal benefit.

7. JF -- "goose manure... hunters could be hired...permitted by the Fish and Game..."

WRONG — Fish and Game does not regulate, off-season, spring goose hunting to prevent goose feces on beaches. The regular goose season is in the fall, long after the swimming season is over. As a migratory bird the US government issues Geese Depredation Permits to kill nuisance geese. Furthermore, the Town of Mt. Holly, with the help of volunteer residents has been conducting a goose control program for the last five years. The Town first obtained that Federal permit in 2012 and they have renewed that program every year since. Prior to 2012 the Star Lake beach was "covered" in goose feces. Since 2012 there has been a dramatic decrease in this problem and now there is little or none to be found.

8. JF -- "...Shut down all boating access to Star Lake to protect the neighboring lakes"

ABSURD -- Ninevah, Bomoseen and Lake Champlain all have Milfoil. Should the State shut them down as well, along with the dozens of other Vermont lakes with Milfoil?!

In most of this article Mr. Fitzgerald shows his lack of knowledge of the problems facing Vermont lakes, how they are dealt with, and the cost and regulations to do so. The misinformation that he presented in his article does a disservice to the residents of Mt. Holly. It is even more troubling that the Vermont Journal published this article without ever checking whether the facts were correct. How many people believed they were reading a factual article about Star Lake. Shame on the Vermont Journal. As someone said at the Belmont Store the other day, "if Star Lake were a person, I wonder if the July 13th article would be libelous!" Ron Unterman, Co-chair, Friends of Star Lake, Belmont, VT
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Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

July Chamber Corner By Marji Graf, CEO

Congratulations to Good Commons for being chosen by your peers to be the July Member of the Month!

Pictured accepting the award, Tesha Buss with Marji Graf.

Criteria used:

- 1 Contributes to community
- 2 Hosts and/or co-hosts mixers
- 3 Current on dues
- 4 Donations (door prizes for mixers/events)
- 5 Participates in shows.
- 6 Packages with other businesses
- 7 Participates in "Just Between Us".
- 8 Advertises/promotes & participates in guidebook and co-op advertising.
- 9 Contributes in monthly committee meetings.
- 10 Is an ambassador for the chamber and region.

We're getting ready to welcome our guests from the Iron Adventure Run beginning Thursday, July 28-30th. We are expecting between 800-1000 motorcyclists into our region. They will be riding everyday doing scavenger hunts, poker runs and guided rides. Opening Ceremonies begin on Thursday, July 28 at 5pm at Jackson Gore Inn ice house.

We will have a shuttle service each night from Jackson Gore Inn with stops at The Killarney, The Pointe, Sams Steakhouse, the American Legion and The Chophouse.

Watch for the parade beginning Saturday night at 5:30 from Jackson Gore Inn down 103 and ending on the green in Chester. There will be a pie eating contest and ice cream social. Everyone is invited back to Jackson Gore Inn for the fireworks Saturday night at 9:30pm. The schedule can be found at www.ironadventure.com and is subject to change.



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Mount Holly

Community Center

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Next, we're getting ready for our Okemo Valley Antique and Classic Car Show. We have a fun rally beginning Friday, August 26 ending at Bensons Chevrolet for the Cruise In from 5-8pm. Everyone is welcome to come and view the cars, register early and enjoy pizza and music from Goodman's American Pie.

On Saturday and Sunday, August 27-28 our car show will be at Fletcher Farm School for the Arts & Crafts from 10am-3pm. On Saturday August 27 at 3pm there will be a parade through Ludlow ending on the Green in Chester for an ice cream social and pie eating contest. It's \$10 to register a car for both days and \$5 per person to come to the show.

Our golf tournament is Wednesday, September 21 at Okemo Valley Golf Club. All are welcomed to play. Call the chamber office to reserve your team 228-5830.

Bone Builders Float in the 4th of July Parade





Shriner Hospital For Children

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To learn more about our services, or to refer a patient, visit www.shrinershospitalforchildren.org to locate a hospital near you. Or call 800-237-5055 in the U.S. or 800-361-7256 Canada – Past Potentate Bob Ferguson, Cairo Shriners, Rutland



Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice Community Health Clinics – August 2016

August Blood Pressure/Foot Care Clinics

The cost of the foot clinic is \$10.

Wednesday, 8/03/2016,	Wallingford, Wallingford House,	10:30 am
Thursday, 8/04/2016,	Rutland, Parker House,	10 am
Thursday, 8/04/2016,	Rutland, Bardwell House,	12:30 pm
Wednesday, 8/31/2016,	Rutland, Godnick Adult Center,	12:30 pm

Please call 802.770.1536 for more information.

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

Clinics held at the Rutland Office are the 1st Wednesday - call 802.775.0568 for an appointment.

Clinics held at the Dorset Office are the 3rd Wednesday - call 802.362.1200 for an appointment.

Travel Well with RAVNAH's Travel Health Clinic!

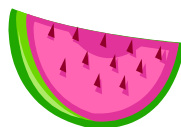
RAVNAH is the region's resource for comprehensive and safe travel health services including vaccines and individualized disease prevention plans to international travelers. For more information call Cathleen at 802.770.1536 for a personal appointment or email gohealth@ravnah.org.

Bereavement Group

RAVNAH is continuing a monthly bereavement group in August. RAVNAH's Chaplain, Andrew Carlson, will be facilitating group. For more information on date and location in August, please contact Andrew at 770-1613. The group is free and open to the public.



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

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

Check here if you DO NOT wish to receive the Chit Chat _____

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Artists & Architects

Photography Gallery, Alex McCallum 259-2318
Spectrum Photography 259-3060
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Bakeries - Catering - Restaurants - Stores

Harry's Café, Trip & Deb Pearce III 228-2996
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Building & Repairs – General Work

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Cutting Edge Carpentry & Paint Works-Curt Marechoux 236-5559
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Equipment For Hire & Snow Moving

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plewfarm@gmail.com
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Clifford Funeral Home 773-3010

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