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Mount Holly Chit Chat

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April 2018

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Sun 1st

2nd

3rd

4th

Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library

Mt. Holly School Board Meeting, BRHSMS

Union #39 School Board Meeting, BRHSMS

Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station

5th

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Sat 7th

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Sat 14th

Sun 15th

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Sun 20th

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All Fools' Day ~ Easter

Hans Christian Anderson 1805

Washington Irving 1856

Martin Luther King Jr. Assassinated 1968

NATO Est. 1949

Booker T. Washington 1856

Persian Gulf War Ends 1991

Metris System 1795

Civil War Ends 1865

Thomas Jefferson 1743

Titantic Struck Iceberg 1912 ~ Pan-American Day

America's 1st School For Deaf 1817 ~ Leonardo DaVinci 1452

Wilbur Wright 1867

Midnight Ride of Paul Revere 1775

Revolutionary War Began 1775

Muskrat Season Ends

Earth Day

William Shakespeare b&d 1564-1616

Professional Secretaries Day

John James Audubon 1785

Arbor Day 1872 ~ Ulysses S. Grant 18th President 1822

Youth Turkey Weekend Hunting Begins ~ James Monroe 5th President 1758

Youth Turkey Weekend Hunting Ends ~ Holocaust Remembrance Day

Vietnam War Ends 1975

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April Anniversaries: 12th - Chris Colm & Jahnava Jenkins 16th - Dick & Nancy Tilton 18th - Randy & Tammy Hawkins

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

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Sat 7:30 am - 10:30 am

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Mon - Fri 8:00 am - 9:30 am
& 2:45 pm - 4:45 pm
Sat 8:00 am - 10:45 am

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Mon - Fri 7:00 am - 11:00 am
Sat 7:00 am - 10:00 am

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Cuttingsville/Shrewsbury 802-492-3585

Window Hours Mon - Fri 7:30 am - 10:30 am
& 11:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Sat 8:00 am - 11:00 am

Lobby Hours Mon - Fri 7:30 am - 5:00 pm
Sat 7:30 am - 11:00 am

Ludlow 802-228-7436

Post Master: Dawn Howlett

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Sat 6:30 am - 11:00 am

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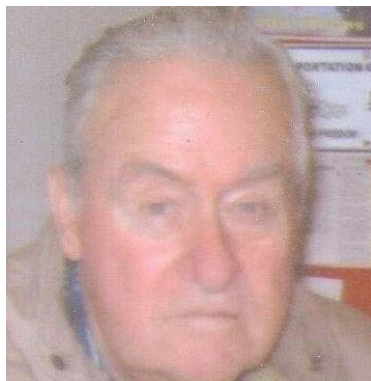
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Richard W. “Dick” Martin



He was born July 29, 1931, in Randolph, the son of Loyd and Evelina (Benware) Martin.

He was a member of American Legion Post 36 of Ludlow.

Mr. Martin had his pilot's license and enjoyed flying airplanes, hunting, fishing and eating ice cream.

Survivors include his wife, Arlene M. (Cornell) Martin, of Mount Holly, and several cousins.

Calling hours will be from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 10, at Stringer Funeral Home, 146 Broad St. in Claremont, New Hampshire, where a prayer service will follow at 3 p.m.

Burial will be at a later date in Pine Crest Cemetery in Charlestown, New Hampshire.

Audrey Ruth Patch



Audrey Ruth Patch, 76, passed away Tuesday, Feb. 27, 2018, after a long illness.

Audrey was born and raised in Danby, VT, daughter of Raymond and Edith (Harrington) McLellan, of Danby.

In August 1958, she married James M. Patch. They lived in Wallingford, Ludlow and Mount Holly where they raised three sons and farmed cattle and chickens.

Audrey was a valued employee of Ludlow Light Department, retiring after 27 years of service.

She enjoyed spending time with her family and friends, spoiling her grandchildren, bird watching, reading, bingo and traveling.

She is survived by her sons Michael Patch, of Rutland, and his children Zachary and Emily, David Patch and his wife, Sheila, of Baltimore, and their children Anthony and Sarah, and Donald Patch and his wife, Lisa, of Mount Holly, and their children Kevin and

Katelyn; her brother, Richard McLellan and his wife, Deanna, of West Rutland; her sister, Reba Hathaway and her husband, John, of Westwindfield, NY; and her sister-in-law, Margaret Carvey, of Wallingford, VT.

She was predeceased by her parents; husband James; her sister, Joan West, and brothers, Eugene McLellan and Neil McLellan.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in memory of Audrey to Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association.

Calling hours were held on Saturday, March 3, 2018, between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. at the Aldous Funeral Home in Wallingford, Vermont.

A private graveside service will be held at a later date.

William Tabor



William Tabor, 89, of Shrewsbury, passed away peacefully at the Dartmouth-Hitchcock hospital on March, 9, 2018, after a brief illness.

He was born in Shrewsbury on Aug. 10, 1928, the son of Ralph and Margaret (Wortman) Tabor.

Bill was an avid outdoors man, he loved hunting camp with his two sons, plowing his driveway with his tractor. He loved going to ox pulls with his wife and two grandsons Jordan and Zach. He was a member of the ox teamsters for many years.

Bill enjoyed going to the Suppers in Belmont as well as he and his oxen marched in many of the Mount Holly 4th of July parades.

Bill also enjoyed going to fairs and ox teamster luncheons with Phyllis. He also was a member of the Otter Ski Patrol at Pico for many years. He retired from General Electric Co. after 32 years.

He is survived by his five children Melody Slater, of Florida, Margo Tabor, of Shrewsbury, Dane (Alice) Tabor, of Proctor, Lance (Terri) Tabor, of Cuttingsville, Heidi (Steve) Kapusta, of Clarendon; and two sisters Jane (Fred) Taylor, of Rutland, and Rosemary Poczobut, of Proctor. He is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

He was predeceased by his wife, Phyllis, and daughter Theresa in 2013.

Funeral services will be held at a later date in the spring.

Arrangements are under the direction of Clifford Funeral Home in Rutland.

Mount Holly School Notes

Preschool registration will be held on Friday, May 4th (9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.) for children who are not already enrolled. Please contact Raye Lin to schedule an appointment (259-2392). Preschool classes will not be held on this day.

Kindergarten registration will be held on Thursday, May 10th (3:15—4:15 p.m.) for children who are not currently enrolled in the 4 year old preschool program. Students in the 4 year old program will transition to the Kindergarten class in the fall.

The deadline for submitting the Limited School Transfer application to the Two Rivers Supervisory is **April 16, 2018**. Applications have been emailed home or copies may be obtained at school (Copies are hanging on the bulletin board in the foyer or you may ask Raye Lin for a copy.) Please submit applications directly to the Supervisory office at:

Two Rivers Supervisory Union, Attn: Superintendent, Admin. Assistant, 609 Route 103 South, Ludlow, VT 05149

Join Bone Builders

Monday & Thursday Mornings
9:00 am

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



Structure Fire In Mount Holly

A fast-moving chimney fire destroyed the house of Paul and Judy Nevin on Lake Ninevah Road early March 15, leaving them with only a shell. “It was one of the worst fires I’ve been at,” said Jim Seward of the Mt Holly Volunteer Fire Department. “The fire didn’t want to go out.”

Paul is a former Chairman of the Select Board in Mount Holly. He retired as a teacher at the Springfield Junior High School and taught in a

one-room school in Plymouth. Judy for many years taught third grade at the Mount Holly Elementary School, was a Girl Scout Leader and teaches basket weaving at Fletcher Farm. They are both active in town events and the Mount Holly Historical Society.

The fire apparently began in the chimney which had become clogged with snow after one of the winter’s frequent storms. Paul and Judy escaped the house with nothing – not even a coat or a cell phone. Neighbors Carol and Dave Venter gave them coats, and dozens of friends offered their houses.

Fire departments from Mount Holly, Ludlow, Plymouth, Shrewsbury, Proctor, Weston, East Wallingford and Clarendon responded to the fire, Seward said. Fire fighters stayed at the scene for 12 hours as they tried to extinguish the blaze.

The Nevins are staying next door to their former house as they make plans to rebuild. A Go Fund Me campaign has been started to help with expenses, at <https://www.gofundme.com/nevinsfirefund>. Their mailing address is 1375 Lake Ninevah Road, Mt. Holly, 05758.

Paul is known for his wry wit, his helpfulness and his friendliness, and Judy’s pies are a special treat, her baskets are beautiful and her gardens are spectacular. Few neighbors are as kind as the Nevins. Let’s all pitch in and help.



Green Up Day
Saturday, May 5th
Mount Holly Library
9 am to 1 pm
Pick Up a Trash Bag
Select a Road
Assignment
Kids can win a prize!

Reinbow Riding Center

The horses are shedding and the sheep are getting ready to lamb-it must be spring!

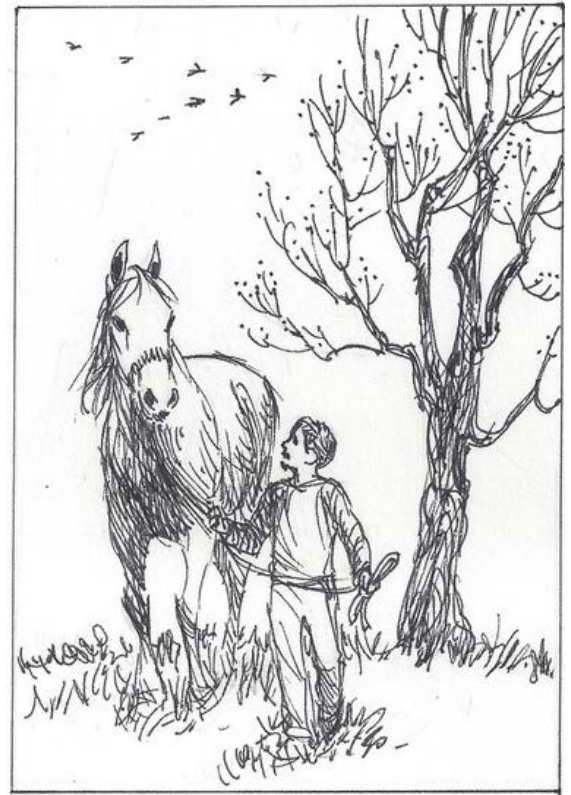
Even though we haven't been giving lesson during the winter, the staff at Reinbow Riding have been busy all winter, going to workshops, talking to other agencies to come up with programs that would be beneficial to their needs, trying to find sources of funding through grant writing and corporate sponsorship, brainstorming for new ideas to make the programs fun and challenging while still meeting the participants goals. We can't wait to get started!

We have come up with the date for the summer Palooza. It will be held on August 18th. The Odd Fellows have been generous to let us use the Odd Fellows Hall again. We will have fun and games on the beach with a barbecue available. Don't forget the Cardboard Regatta. If you did not participate last year, you have the opportunity this year to enter a boat. Each person had to build a boat. The only materials that they could use were duct tape and cardboard. Everyone approached the task differently, the design and size of each boat was different.

Now that we know that the boats can actually float, we will expand the size of the course. The race sparked such a vein of competitiveness and imagination that

there will be more categories added-one being a corporate or company class. This race was as much fun to watch as it was for the participants.

Don't forget the Silent Auction will be held in the Odd Fellows Hall during the Palooza. This was such a great success last year offering amazing contributions from local artists, restaurants, golf courses, Okemo, tickets to Disney and so much more. So put it on your calendars Aug 18th you're busy!



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My Holly Fire Ladies Auxiliary Dinner

Hello my name is Barbara Falco; on **May 5, 2018** we are having the first dinner at the Odd Fellows Hall. We are serving; **Roast turkey w/stuffing, mashed potatoes w/ gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, and a variety of pies for desert.** The Mt. Holly Fire Ladies Auxiliary



Mount Holly Snow-Flyers

The snowmobile season will be slowing winding down, soon. Winter has yet again thrown a few curve balls at us. With the crazy amounts of snow we have received lately the riding has been incredible! Lets hope it lasts until the

end!

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all those that helped out this season, whether it be doing trail work, grooming, supporting the club at Cider Days, enjoying the New Year's Fireworks, or purchasing your TMA's from us – we thank you for your time, energy & support.

The next club meeting will be Sunday, April 8th at 8:30 a.m. at The Belmont Fire Station

Lastly, a big thank you goes out to the landowner's that give us the privilege to ride on their land! Without you, our trail system would not be possible! -The Mount Holly Snow-Flyers



Mount Holly Elementary School

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Friday, May 4, 2018
9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
By Appointment

(802) 259-2392

For children who will be 3 years old
on or before August 31, 2018

Please bring the following:

1. A birth certificate
2. All immunization records

Children must attend for screening.

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

Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District Special Meeting ~ March 20, 2018

Board: Marty Alberty, Katie Hollebeek, Dan Buckley, Chris Garvey, Paul Orzechowski, Kelly Tarbell, Mariel Meringolo

Staff: Cheryl Hammond, Meg Powden, Craig Hutt Vater, Karen Trimboli

Ms. Powden introduced Connor Solomono who is representing the state board of education at tonight's meeting. She reported that he is senior at Rutland High School, a voting member of the state board of education and in the fall will attend Harvard University.

Mr. Solomono introduced himself and explained the purpose of tonight's meeting. He read from the warning:

The legal voters of the Ludlow –Mount Holly Unified Union School District (the "District"), comprising the voters of the Towns of Ludlow and Mount Holly, are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Fletcher Farm Craft School at 611 VT Route 103 South in Ludlow, VT on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 in the Dining Hall Building at 6:00 p.m. to conduct the following business:

Mr. Solomono called the meeting to order at 6:06 p.m. He explained that only legal voters will be allowed to vote. Other parties may be allowed to speak if agreed to by a 2/3 vote of the body. He explained the process by which voting will happen. He noted that all comments should be directed to the moderator. He reviewed the board member affirmation with the board members and explained how they will affirm their status. They first affirmed their allegiance, then their affirmation of office of director of the Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District. Each member affirmed.

Article 1: To elect a temporary presiding officer and clerk from among the qualified voters Mr. Buckley **nominated** Bruce Schmidt to be the temporary presiding officer. Mr. Solomono explained

that the temporary presiding officer would essentially be a moderator for just this meeting. Mr. Schmidt was elected without opposition.

Article 2: To adopt Robert's Rules of Order or other rules of order to govern the parliamentary procedures of this and subsequent meetings of the District

Dave Venter **moved** to adopt Robert's Rules of Order to govern the parliamentary procedures of this and subsequent meetings of the District. Bob Herbst seconded and the motion carried without opposition.

Article 3: To elect the following officers to serve from their elections and qualification for one year or until the election and qualification of their successors:

- **Moderator:** Ms. Tarbell **nominated** Mr. Schmidt to be the moderator. Mr. Herbst seconded and Mr. Schmidt was elected without opposition.
- **Clerk:** Ms. Hammond **nominated** Ulla Cook to be the district clerk. Mr. Herbst seconded and Ms. Cook was elected without opposition.
- **Treasurer:** Ms. Alberty **nominated** Dave Johnson as the treasurer. He respectfully declined the nomination. Ms. Hammond **nominated** Ms. Cook as the treasurer. Mr. Herbst seconded and Ms. Cook was elected without opposition.

Article 4: To determine and approve compensation, if any, to be paid to District officers.

Pam O'Neil questioned what the officers were paid previously. It was clarified that this article applies to the moderator, clerk and treasurer. Mr. Schmidt indicated that the clerk was paid \$125 last year and the treasurer was paid \$1200 in the past. Ms. Tarbell **moved** to continue with \$125 for the clerk and \$1200 for the treasurer. Ms. Alberty seconded and the motion carried.

Article 5: To establish a date of the annual meeting .Mr.

Buckley **moved** that the annual meeting be set for the Tuesday of Town Meeting Day. Ms. Powden noted that this article is for this spring's annual meeting—where the voters will vote on payments to the clerk and treasurer, and determine an Australian ballot vote date to approve 2 financial articles—the budget and the gym floor. There was discussion about the interpretation of this article. Mr. Johnson noted that most of the union school districts that he is aware of hold their annual meeting before the town meeting. This meeting usually serves as the informational meeting for the budget which the voters would vote on by Australian ballot during town meeting day. There was discussion about U39's annual meeting dates versus their informational meeting dates. There was no second to the motion therefore it failed.

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Lisa Schmidt noted that there is a budget vote listed on the agenda for the next meeting. It was clarified that this is for the board to vote on the budget to present to the voters. There was discussion about the warning needing to be at least 30 but not more than 40 days before the annual meeting.

Mr. Orzechowski **moved** to hold the special annual meeting for 2018 on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 and then beginning in 2019 to hold the annual meeting on the final Tuesday in February. Ms. Tarbell seconded and the motion carried.

Article 6: To establish provisions for the payment of any expense incurred by the District Ms. Tarbell **moved** that the district pays for any expenses it incurs. Mr. Orzechowski seconded. Mr. Buckley questioned if the motion needed to indicate where the money would come from to pay these expenses. Ms. Powden explained that these funds would come from the taxes collected in Mt. Holly and Ludlow and from the Vermont General Education Fund. There was discussion about the interpretation of this article. The motion carried with no opposition.

Article 7: To authorize the District to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the State Education Fund by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date; provided however, that the newly formed District is authorized by Vermont Statutes to borrow sufficient funds to meet pending obligations.

Mr. Herbst **moved** to authorize the District to borrow money pending receipt of payments from the State Education Fund by the issuance of its notes or orders payable not later than one year from date; provided however, that the newly formed District is authorized by Vermont Statutes to borrow sufficient funds to meet pending obligations. Ms. Schmidt seconded and the motion carried.

Article 8: To determine and approve compensation, if any, to be paid to School Board Directors. Mr. Herbst **moved** to set the annual stipend to be paid to School Board Directors at \$1000 per board members. Ms. Schmidt seconded and the motion carried.

Article 9: To determine whether to authorize the Board of School Directors, pursuant to the provisions of 16 V.S.A. 563 (10) & (11)(c) to provide mailed notice to residents of the availability of the Annual Report and proposed school budget in lieu of distributing the Annual Report and proposed budget.

Mr. Herbst **moved** to authorize the Board of School Directors, pursuant to the provisions of 16 V.S.A. 563(10) & (11)(c) to provide a mailed notice to residents of the availability of the Annual Report and proposed school budget in lieu of distributing the Annual Report and proposed budget. Mr. Venter seconded. There was clarification about what this article meant. Some voters of Ludlow noted their concern with this practice since that hasn't happened in the past. Mr. Venter questioned how much the annual book being mailed costs in the budget. Ms. O'Neil suggested that in order to be as transparent as possible, it should be mailed. Mr. Johnson agreed that they should mail the booklets and budget to the voters, at least for the first few years, and then the body can re-address that in the future. Ms. Hammond explained that the cost is \$7500 in the budget—for the printing and mailing. The motion failed. Mr. Schmidt explained that because the motion to provide a mailed notice of the availability of the Annual Report and budget in lieu of actually delivering them failed, they will be mailed to voters as they have in the past. The board has been instructed by this body to mail the reports.

Article 10: To transact any other school business thought proper when met. None.

Mr. Venter **moved** to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. Ms. Alberty seconded and the motion carried without opposition.

Respectfully submitted, Amber Wilson, Board Recording Secretary (DRAFT Minutes)

Mount Holly Elementary School

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION & SCREENING

Thursday, May 10th, 2018

3:15—4:15 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392



For children:

- * who will be 5 years old on or before August 31, 2018 and
- * who are not currently enrolled in Mount Holly Preschool

Please bring the following:

1. A birth certificate
2. All immunization records

Children must attend the screening.

Parents: Please plan to spend time completing registration forms.



Preschool students will be visiting Kindergarten periodically throughout the spring.

Roast Turkey Supper



Saturday May 5th, 2018
Starting at 5:00 pm

**Benefit the MHVFD
Auxiliary**

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

Roast Turkey Supper

Mashed Potato w/ Gravy Stuffing, Cranberry Sauce,
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Of The Mount Holly Library & Community Center Building

If you are interested, please contact
Linda Miller
LindaDDMiller@aol.com
259-3060

Mt. Moriah Lodge #96 March 2018, Trestleboard

Regular meeting Tuesday 03/27th

8:00PM

Next Meeting Tuesday 04/24th

8:00PM

The Sap Bucket Degree was held at
King Solomons Temple Lodge #45 in
Bellows Falls on this past Saturday, the
24th, with over 40 brothers in
attendance.

The nominating committee, along
with Worshipful Master Bob, have come
to an agreement on officers for the
ensuing year. We will finalize them all
at this meeting.

Unfortunately, our Second Degree
was canceled due to inclement weather
on March 13th, so we hope to
reschedule on a date that won't have

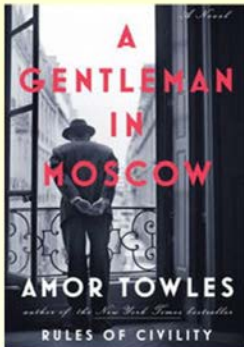
another nor'easter.

Brother Leney Barclay will have a short program for us this
meeting on the duties of a Masonic Chaplain.

Just a quick reminder that dues are due NOW! Many thanks to
those who have sent in their dues recently. If you have questions
or want to speak to the Secretary, he can be reached at: 802-
259-9400 or by email at: sseward@vermontel.net. Fraternally,
Bob Blaisdell, WM, Buster Seward Sec'y

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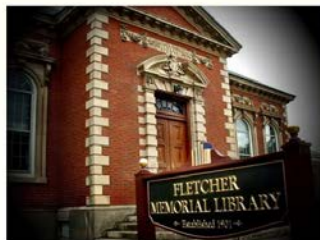
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Mount Holly Community Association

Spring is definitely on the way (hard to believe, we know) and nothing says spring more than the annual **Spring Mud Fling!** On Saturday, April 7th, the doors will open at 8:00 pm for the night everyone has been waiting for all winter. Forget about those winter snows (if you can with 3' of snow on the ground) and kick the mud (snow?) off your boots. *This year, all the proceeds from the evening will go to support our good friends and neighbors, Judy and Paul Nevin, who lost their home to a devastating fire on March 15th.* The *Tony Lee Thomas Band* will take the stage around 9:00 pm and keep us all rocking and stomping until midnight. The doors will open at 8:00 and the *Mount Holly Folk Group* will be the warm up act, entertaining us until 9:00 pm. Admission is \$10 in advance (tickets at the Belmont Store), or \$12 at the door. Don't forget to bring lots of cash for the 50/50 raffle we'll be having during the evening. *We hope that many of you will join us to support this fundraiser for the Nevins...see you there!*

For those of you who are *not* rockers and night owls, in addition to the Mud Fling, there will be a Pot Luck fund raiser for the Nevins on Saturday, April 14th at 5:00 pm at the Mount Holly School. Everyone is invited to bring their favorite dish to share and beverages will be provided. Judy and Paul are involved in so many aspects of this community that *virtually every organization in town* has a part in planning and executing this event. However, in addition to bringing your chosen dish to share, we will definitely need volunteers to set up (9:00 am Saturday morning, 4/14) and clean up afterward. If you'd like to help out with this, please contact Carol DeVine at cgosedevine@yahoo.com. We hope that *all* of you will reserve this afternoon and join us in showing your support for a couple who has given so much to this town...thank you!

The MHCA is very pleased to announce that **membership** is still running strong. For the 2017 – 2018 membership year, there are 148 families, who have lent their support to the MHCA. We could not be more grateful to all of these people for making it possible for the MHCA to sponsor so many wonderful community activities and to maintain the historic church building that is our Library & Community Center. Also, many thanks to our membership Chair, Beth Latino, for all of her hard work! Thank you one and all!!

In advance: believe it or not, the annual MHCA **Garden Tour** is just a few months away, but the planning for this very successful event begins *now*! Linda Miller, the coordinator for the Garden Tour, is looking for volunteers to exhibit their gardens this coming July 21st from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm. Those who have volunteered their gardens in the past tell us that it is really great fun to meet so many people from around town as well as from afar and the extra added benefit...it really provides them with the motivation to get their gardens looking exactly like they want them to! Please contact Linda (259-3060 or lindaddmiller@aol.com) if you would like to be on the tour this year. Thanks so much!

Last, but not least, the **well project** will be underway this spring, that is if the snow disappears, so we can do the work! We don't know exactly when this will begin, but we will provide more details to everyone once permits are in place and decisions are made. A trench for the piping will be dug along the side of Maple Hill Road from the Kelley's property down to the Library & Community Center. Also, the Community Room may have to be closed for a short time while the plumbing is going on in the building, as our storage closets will have to be emptied into the Community Room itself. Small price to pay to have our very own water source!! Details to come in the Newsflash and future Chit Chats.

Greetings Ludlow and Mount Holly Parents and Students

The time has come. The voters have spoken. As you all know, on February 6th Ludlow voted again to join Mount Holly in creating the new Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District.

This new district will continue to offer Pre-K through 6th grade education. The new district will also continue to operate Black River High School Middle Scholl until no later than June 30, 2020.

When Black River closes, the new district will pay tuition for students in grades 7-12. These Ludlow and Mount Holly students will have school choice.

A New Independent School: Black River Academy

A group of committed community members, teachers, parents and alumni are working to open an independent school in Ludlow that builds on the strong legacy of Black River High School. Black River Academy will utilize the many civic and natural resources we have at our fingertips. The tuitioning system would allow any student residing in Ludlow or Mount Holly to attend the school for free.

The committee developing the school is the Black River Independent School Committee (BRISC). **BRISC hold regular public meetings on Thursday of every week at 6:30 pm in the BRHSMS library. All are encouraged to attend.**

BRISC also has a website: www.blackriveracademy.org On the website is a Feedback Form which everyone is encouraged to complete so your feedback and ideas can be considered in the development of our new school. Also, please check out the Facebook page: @blackriveracademy.

The time to rise has been engaged. BRISC considers this an amazing opportunity to redefine education in our communities. Join us as we write a new chapter that envisions and realizes an education for our incredible students that honors the past and looks to the future.

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The pastor was visiting a class of little ones in the church Sunday School. He was asking them questions and they were asking *him* questions on the topic of the resurrection. One little boy asked, "What did Jesus say when he stepped out of the tomb on Easter morning?" "Well", said the pastor, "we don't really *know* what Jesus said. It's not really recorded in the Bible." One little girl excitedly raised her hand. "Yes?" "I'll bet *I* know what the first thing was he said when he came out of the tomb: 'TA-DA-A-A!'"

I believe that it wasn't only *Jesus* who said that. I think all of creation shouted out a jubilant "TA-DA" on that first Easter morning in anticipation of the reversal of "the curse."

My favorite part of Mel Gibson's movie, *The Passion of the Christ* was not my Lord's agony in the Garden, those intimate moments in the Upper Room with His disciples or even the flashbacks to tender moments spent with His mom at home. The part I anticipated the most was the last 30 seconds of the movie that showed, in a very unusual and suspenseful way, the power of my Lord's

resurrection from the tomb. The flutter of the grave clothes collapsing. It sent shivers up my spine and reminded me anew of what awaits me as a believer...my own resurrection from the dead... the dawning of an eternal life and donning of a new body that will last forever. Now that's something to blow the trumpets and shout about. "TA-DA-A-A!"

Have a joyous celebration of Resurrection Day, Pastor Glenn Davis

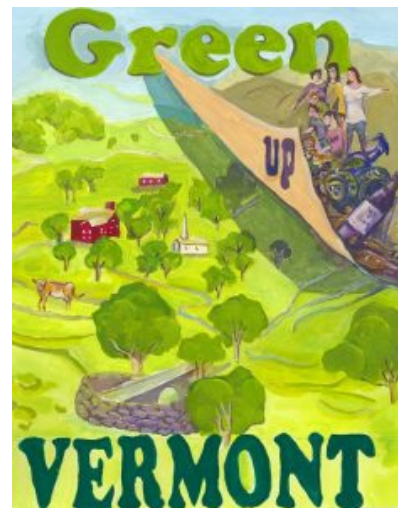
Why not treat yourself and the whole family to a joy-filled Easter Breakfast and then celebrate the most important day in all of human history!

JUST A REMINDER - Green Up Day— Saturday, MAY 5th

Vermont's Annual Rite of Spring

Saturday, May 5th is Green Up Day. Put on your boots, get together with your family, invite some friends and clean up Mount Holly. **Come to the Mount Holly Library between 9:00 am**

and 1 pm to pick up your road assignment and trash bags. After registering at the Library you have Saturday and Sunday to complete trash removal. Leave the bags by the side of the road and the town road crew will pick them up Monday morning. If you are not able to come on Saturday and need to pick up bags sooner or have any questions, contact me at 259-2823 or email lherbst@vermontel.net. Any child between 3 and 13 who helps collect trash can sign up to win a basket of "summer fun". Please help continue this 48-year tradition. Keep our town GREEN & CLEAN and add to the 50,000 bags of trash cleaned up annually in Vermont.



Mount Holly School Board

Mount Holly Residents

JOIN THE SCHOOL BOARD!

We are seeking a community member interested in making a difference in our school! This School Director will serve the district through June 30, 2018.

If interested, write a brief letter of interest to:

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NITKA'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

By: Senator Alice Nitka

Senate bill -221, re Criminal Procedures, Firearms and Extreme Risk Protection Orders passed the Senate unanimously with a 30 to 0 vote two days in a row on February 28 and again on March 1. It was a unique vote in that it had the support of Democratic, Republican and Progressive Senators. It had the support of VT gun owner groups as well as those supporting more gun restrictions. It was carefully crafted to provide due process throughout the bill. It now needs to pass the House of Representatives. They are working tonight on S-221 as I write this. More bills may be combined with 221 in the House and the bill number may change.

The Department of Public Safety presented their budget in the Appropriations Committee this week. Per their mission statement the department provides planning, prevention and protection through the work of its divisions to provide a safe and secure environment for our citizens. The proposed budget of \$107,842,383 is to support the State Police, Criminal Justice Services, Emergency Management, Fire Safety, the Forensics Laboratory and the Administration of the department. Some items of note are funding for two new chemists dedicated to blood drug testing funded by the Governor's Highway Safety Program, cost \$171,000; lease to own twelve Morpho Traks, (better known as fingerprint machines), \$105,000 per year with software over three years; Taser Replacements, 5 year lease agreement for all devices, supplies and training for \$86,000 annually; cars are replaced on rotating basis and there is much more. The State Police average 310 to 315 sworn officers located at eleven barracks around the state and at their headquarters in Waterbury. The full complement allowed is 327. The State Police for one year did a pilot project using body cameras and per Commissioner Tom Anderson and Col. Matthew Birmingham, the troopers would like to have them. At this point, storage of the data recorded is the cost driver and they are already preserving car camera data. (Body cameras record more data than the car cameras; we were advised as the body cameras are always running). Another issue is developing a policy with regard to record retention and how long different types of data will be stored. An example would be footage of a trooper helping a motorist with a flat tire versus a trooper at a homicide scene. The cost of the cameras is predictable while the cost of the Cloud or wherever the data will be stored is not as predictable.

Retired Senator Bill Doyle is conducting his poll again this year and it will be available in many towns around the state during the Town Meeting period, March 3-10th. The Legislature will not be in session the week of March 6th.

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MT. HOLLY MILITARY VETERANS

(A MESSAGE FOR ARMY, NAVY, MARINE CORPS, AIR FORCE, COAST GUARD,
MERCHANT MARINE, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, & AIR NATIONAL GUARD VETERANS)

What is a Mt. Holly Independence Day Parade without a group of military veterans marching behind an American flag in amongst the several floats and emergency vehicles? LACKING!! Are you Mt. Holly military men and women interested in marching in the approaching 2018 Independence Day Parade? I anticipate one short meeting to organize and an hour prep and parade on the day. What say you comrades, are you interested?? I bet there are at least 20 vets in Mount Holly, how many of you wish to show your service colors? Have a service or service-specific ball cap to wear? Can anyone get into the uniform that no doubt has a place of pride in your closet?? If interested, contact Ron Betts at penelope@vermontel.net or leave a message for me including your name and contact information at the BGS. I visit the store several days each week and will pick up your message within a day or two.

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Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group

The Mount Holly Library Reading Discussion Group will meet on Wednesday April 11th at 6:00 pm at the home of Mary Anderley's in Clarendon, VT. We will be receiving the new book any day. Please call Minga to carpool and learn what book we will be reading or any other information at 259-2471



Mount Holly Town News

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

SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES, March 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Tim Martin.

Selectboard members Ron Tarbell and Mark Turco were also

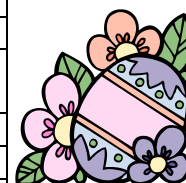
Regular Select Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm in the Town Office. Items to be included on the Agenda are due by Noon the Thursday before the meeting.

present. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. The regular meeting minutes from February 13, 2018 and special meeting minutes of February 16, 2018 approved by motion and seconded. Passed (3-0)

2. **Reorganization:** Ron nominated Tim for board chairperson, which was seconded by Mark. Passed (3-0)

Office	Current	Appointed/Elected
Selectboard Chair		Tim Martin
Tree Warden	Ray Tarbell	Ray Tarbell
E911 Coordinator	Sue Cavalla	Sue Cavalla
Newspaper of Record	Vermont Journal	Vermont Journal
Law Firm For Taxes	Sue Crawford	Sue Crawford
Assistant Town Clerk	Nancy Conner Diana Garrow	Nancy Conner Diana Garrow
Assistant Treasurer	Diana Garrow	Diana Garrow
Selectboard Clerk	Carrie Dougherty	Carrie Dougherty
Other: Time/Date Meetings	2 nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 P.M.	2 nd Tuesday of month at 7:30 P.M.
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Sign orders		Mark Turco



All positions were nominated, seconded and voted. All passed (3-0)

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3. **Highways:** The Annual Financial Plan was looked over and signed. Paving: Jeff Teter stated he would like to pave 5600 feet on Belmont Road/Route 155. Jeff also went over the current grants he is working on or we have received. The purchase of a new truck to replace the 2007 was discussed. The truck is due for repairs and an inspection. Ron asked Jeff to get an estimate for truck repairs necessary to pass inspection. Jeff will look into the repairs and report back, so that the board can anticipate the purchase of a new truck. The cost of a new truck is approximately \$177,608. The town budget has \$146,608 for a new truck. Jeff also informed the board that the highway department is in need of a side mower. These purchases will be discussed in the future, as the board made no decision at this time.

Purchasing Policy: A new purchasing policy was reviewed by the board. Ron made a motion to accept the policy, and was seconded by Mark. The policy passed (3-0).

4. **Treasurer's report was presented by David Johnson.** David reported the Town Report expense as lower than last year. The solid waste expense this month decreased, and helped level out the significant increase in waste last month. The highway expense concerning the gravel and hauling from the mid-month thaw increased the highway expenses. David also reported the town

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support for fire and rescue were made. The grader payment was also made in February.

Authorization for Orders- The board made a motion, seconded and approved David to make payments on orders, and Carrie to make out the orders for payment.

5. **Transfer Station** – The board passed a seconded motion to change to spring hours at the transfer station. The spring hours will begin on 4/11. The hours are Wednesday 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM and

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

Saturday 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM. The hour changes will be posted in the ChitChat. The board appointed Carrie (by motion, second, passed 3-0) as alternate to the RCSWD with Bovey continuing as the representative for the town. The new pricing, signs and

brochure were presented and discussed. A motion was made to accept these changes and seconded. Passed (3-0). These changes will take effect 4/11/18. Carrie will get an estimate for the proper signage. Brochure will be made and mailed. They also will be available at the town office.

6. Planning Commission: The planning commission has an empty seat at this time. The board asked Carrie to advertise the vacancy in the ChitChat. All interested parties are encouraged to send a letter of interest to the Selectboard for consideration.

TRANSFER STATION SPRING/SUMMER HOURS

Wednesday 4-7
Saturday 8-2

Beginning 4/11/18

Mount Holly Listers Hours

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

7. Rabies Clinic- This will be held on March 24, 2018 at the Mount Holly Town office from 10-2. The cost is \$14.00 per rabies shot and administered by Dr. Lisa Hickman. The Town Clerk will be present to register your dog. **ALL DOGS MUST BE REGISTERED BY APRIL 1, 2018.** Cost for tags: Neutered - \$11.00 & Unneutered - \$15.00. Please have your dog on a leash and cat in a crate.

The board viewed and signed orders. Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:15. Respectfully Submitted, Carrie Dougherty, Selectboard Clerk

MOUNT HOLLY PLANNING COMMISSION VACANCY

A member of our Planning Commission has resigned and we need to fill that position. Appointment for this vacancy is expected to be made at the July Board Meeting.

The Planning Commission reviews all subdivisions proposed, building registration forms and is currently working on revising the 2008 Town Plan.

Interested individuals should contact the Select Board at P.O. Box 248, Mount Holly VT 05758 or email mthollysb@gmail.com. A letter of interest is requested.

The Planning Commission meets on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Town of Mount Holly Planning Commission Regular Meeting ~ March 19, 2018

Members Present: Bill McGrath, Peter Berger, Jim Seward, Clinton Woolley

Visitors: Ludlow Public Television



Bill called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M. following the Buck Public Hearing.

The minutes from January 15, 2018 were passed. The minutes from the special meeting were edited to acknowledge the presence of Jason Seiple. (Vote 3-0)

Sun City was discussed and their local projects which need consent. The PC clerk will continue to correspond with this company on projects in Mount Holly.

The Commission approved the building permit of Paul Burgess regarding work to his carport. (Vote 3-0)

The Town Plan was worked on regarding the Flood Resiliency Plan. The RRPC will be contacted by Carrie, Planning Commission Clerk to create the necessary maps for the Town Plan.

The meeting was adjourned (3-0) at 7:50 P.M.

The April Planning Commission meeting will take place on April 23, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. Respectfully Submitted, Carrie Dougherty

Vermont Adaptive Speaks to Ludlow Rotary Club

Misha Pemble-Belkin of Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports recently spoke to the Ludlow Rotary Club at its weekly luncheon meeting at DJ's Restaurant. Vermont Adaptive is an organization that provides a number of skiing and athletic events for people with disabilities. Many of the participants are veterans. The program features such activities as skiing and snowboarding, rock climbing, bicycle riding, and hiking as well as special retreats. In discussing his role in the program, Misha noted that following his second deployment in Afghanistan where he suffered cervical spine and traumatic brain injuries as the result of a blast that forced him to be medically-retired from the service, he was "in a state of struggle trying to find my new path and purpose in life". He was introduced to the veterans' program of Vermont Adaptive and learned how it gave him a sense of purpose, ultimately becoming an Intern for Vermont Adaptive. The program covers veterans and other from all over the northeast who journey to Vermont to participate in the various program activities. Pictured above, from left to right, are Glenn Heitsmith, Rotarian, Misha Pemble-Belkin, and Suzanne Garvey, club President, at the meeting. The Ludlow Rotary Club meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont.





The Big Top Comes to Weston

Troy Wunderle and Big Top Adventures bring world-class circus programming to Weston's Walker Farm on Saturday, April 14. Area primary and secondary students are invited to develop their circus skills at Wunderle's morning workshop and take the stage at Big Top's afternoon show!

The hands-on workshop **for ages six and up** begins at 9 AM and runs until 12 noon. With expert guidance, participants will experiment with juggling balls, spinning plates, unicycling, and magic tricks. Plus, official circus gear like feathers, scarves, balls, and rings will be available for purchase so that students can continue to practice at home.

On Saturday afternoon from 4 until 5 PM, Wunderle will entertain family, friends, and the general public with wacky globe walking, astounding ladder balancing, teetering rola bolas, mesmerizing bubble routines, mischievous magic, and comic buffoonery. Workshop students may participate if they choose. General Admission tickets are on sale now.

Teaching artist Troy Wunderle is a graduate of the Maryland Institute College of Art and the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Clown College. He is a former international performer with the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Artistic Director of Circus Smirkus, and a Vermont Arts Council juried artist. His antics have been featured on the Disney channel, The Today Show, Martha Stewart, Chronicle, Fetch, Fox and Friends, and Americas Funniest Home Videos.

Weston Playhouse Theatre Company is committed to enriching the community with education and outreach programs for students of all ages. *Wunderle's Big Top Adventures Workshop and Show* are presented with support from Clark-Mortenson Insurance and Wilder Memorial Library. For questions about registration, email ematthees@westonplayhouse.org or call (802) 824-8167 x 113. Tickets are available at westonplayhouse.org.

Photo: Courtesy Photo Troy Wunderle & Big Top Adventures

FOLA Dedication

Following volunteer work that began in August of last year, FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) dedicated the new dressing room in the Ludlow Town Hall Auditorium on Wednesday, February 28 at 10 AM. Designed and constructed by FOLA members the modern facility provides well-lit space, a large closet area, and counter-top with vanity mirrors for the use of the performers. The floor has been carpeted and new chairs added. A speaker was installed by Boston Soundworks so that performers in the dressing room could be aware of what was happening on-stage. The project manager was Jim Alic. He was assisted by David Almond, Kevin Kuntz, Martin Nitka, Ralph Pace, Scott Stearns, and Harry Welch. Alic noted that FOLA received advice from Piper Goodeve of the Weston Playhouse as to the design of the room and desirable equipment in it for performers.

Pictured from left to right, Marji Graf, Harry Welch, Ralph Pace, Martin Nitka, and Sandra Russo



Mount Holly Community Guild Scholarship Recipients

Bessie Centini of the Mount Holly Community Guild awards \$1,000 scholarships to Mary Faenza who will be attending College of Saint Michael's in Colchester, VT and to Aiyana Fortin who will be attending University of Vermont in Burlington, VT. Congratulations to Mary and Aiyana!

The Community Guild meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month. They are always seeking new members so come and join them. Always a fun time.

The Community Guild does all kinds of sewing projects one of which is quilting, also knitting and crocheting. For more information or to join the Guild you may call Bessie at 259-3564.

The photo by Angelo Centini L – R Bessie Centini, Aiyana Fortin and Mary Faenza.

LUDLOW ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - 2018

The Ludlow Rotary has been providing scholarships to area students for more than 35 years. At a minimum, the Ludlow Rotary expects to award the following scholarships in 2018 to students pursuing further education:

1. \$2,000 Daniel E. Kesman Memorial Scholarship (places emphasis on academic performance)
2. \$2,000 Robert W. Kirkbride Rotary Scholarship (places emphasis on community service)
3. \$2,000 Ralph D. Hogancamp Vocational Education Scholarship (places emphasis on work experience and a realistic career plan)
4. Three \$1,000 traditional scholarships

To be eligible, the student must be a graduating high school senior who lives in Ludlow, Cavendish, Plymouth or Mt. Holly.

Ludlow Rotary will determine who receives these scholarships based on a 25 point scale, allocating 5 points for each of the following categories:

1. Scholastic achievement
2. Financial need
3. Realistic goals
4. Sports, extracurricular activities and work experience
5. Community service



If you would like to help the Ludlow Rotary provide additional scholarships, you can contribute checks made payable to the Ludlow Area Rotary Charitable Fund, Inc., which is a 501(c) (3) charitable organization. These tax-deductible checks should be mailed to PO Box 216, Ludlow, VT 05149. The Ludlow Rotary will provide tax deduction documentation for each donation.

With your help, more of our young people can be assisted in preparing for the challenging times ahead of them.

For further information, contact David Almond, Ludlow Rotary Scholarship Chair, at PO Box 216, Ludlow, VT 05149 or at bethalmond@tds.net. Visit www.ludlowrotary.com for information about the Ludlow Rotary and its projects.

Ludlow Rotary Speaker Discusses Animal Services

At the Ludlow Rotary Club's (LRC) recent luncheon meeting, Anne Eddy, Director of the Springfield Humane Society (SHS), discussed the role that agency plays in improving the quality of life for animals by providing protection, compassionate care and adoption services for homeless animals. She noted, "The SHS is a small, progressive animal welfare organization working out of Springfield, Vermont, operating a small Shelter handling dogs and cats and other animals that need to be re-homed getting to shelters or rescues where they can be properly housed and cared for until adopted". Pictured above, from left to right, are Anne Eddy and Suzanne Garvey, Ludlow Rotary President. LRC meets for lunch on most Tuesdays at 12:15 pm at DJ's Restaurant. The LRC is small and is always looking to welcome new members. If you would like to attend a meeting and learn how you may 'Serve Humanity' while enjoying the fellowship of others, please contact any Rotarian or drop a note to Ludlow Rotary, PO Box 216, Ludlow Vermont.



Attention Rutland County High School Seniors

Rutland PEGTV - Channels 15, 20 and 21 will again award a scholarship of two thousand dollars to two Rutland County high school seniors who have exhibited a high level of proficiency and intend to pursue a degree in a relevant study at an accredited college, university or trade school.

The Rutland PEGTV Courcelle Scholarship honors the memory of Joe Courcelle for his pioneering work for Public Access Television in Rutland. He was an active member of the original board of directors, a dedicated independent producer and an integral part of the establishment of Rutland PEGTV.

A special selection committee will review the written applications and interview potential candidates. Applications have been

sent out to Rutland County high schools for distribution to interested candidates and are due by May 1, 2018, with personal interviews conducted in mid-May.

Anyone interested in receiving an application may contact their high school guidance office or call Bryn Doan, Channel 20 Program Coordinator, and Rutland PEGTV at 747-0151.



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What does the Chamber do?

By Marji Graf, CEO

Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce

There are, in fact, a lot of misconceptions about the Chamber. For example, there are those who believe the Chamber gathers statistics, prints nice brochures, visits new businesses, answers inquiries and advertises what a great place the area is to work, live and play.

They are right, up to a point. We do all those things, and proudly so. All of those jobs are important. But they aren't why the Chamber is here. They're fringe benefits of the Chamber, the things we do as a matter of routine because they need doing and we are good at them.

The primary functions of the Chamber go far deeper than that. The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is a catalyst--a common vehicle through which businesses and professional people work together for the common good of the community. A better community means better business conditions, and we work for a better community for everyone. That's why we do what we do. This brings us back to the original question: What do we do? There is, in the final analysis, one reason for the Chamber to exist. . . to do whatever is necessary to keep the area's economic condition at a level where business will risk their resources here in hope of making a profit... everything else is just frosting on the cake....a means to the end.

In any community, it is from the profitable operations of business that all other benefits are derived. Only by succeeding in this fundamental goal can we provide the jobs and produce the wealth to finance the civic, educational, cultural and charitable needs that our community is faced with every day.

This means we must do the job needed.

That leaves one final question: Who is the "we" that does all this? We are you. The Chamber member and all of your business and professional friends who are also Chamber members.

You are the Chamber of Commerce. You provide the ideas, the drive, the goals, the funds and the voluntary services to keep the Chamber doing what it does. You are the Chamber, and--just who would do all those things if the Chamber didn't?

We need the confidence that it can be done in our community, state and nation. We need to be available to do it, and if we can, and if we do, we will be accountable to the coming generations who will be the true judges of what we do today.

Thank you for allowing us to bring business and community together for our common good.



Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce April Chamber Corner

By Marji Graf, CEO

We had our Business Speed Dating event at Four Seasons Sotheby's on Wednesday March 14th and I want to thank the brave souls for coming out in the snowstorm: Christie & Gene from Seventh Heaven Salon, Andrea from ServPro, Matt & Janie from Sydscompufix/Little Cricket

Photography; Duane of HB Energy and Brent from ClearLake Furniture! And we would like to thank Four Seasons Sotheby's team for hosting and providing great apps, beer & wine!

We had to postpone Kim Dixon's class; 'Growing your business Using Google' due to the weather. The make-up date is Thursday, March 29 at 11am at Newsbank Conference Center. Our next class on **May 15** from 11-12n will be "finding your niche on social media"

Our March Member of the Month is Fletcher Memorial Library in Ludlow. We hold our monthly Board meetings there and they are very supportive of the Chamber and utilize our calendar for all their events.

Come to our next Lunch & Learn on **April 26** at 12n at Mr. Darcy's Bar & Grill in Ludlow for an informative session on Energy Savings. How does saving money on your Utility Bills sound? Come learn about ways that you can not only save money by reducing energy consumption, but how you might even qualify to have your energy reduction projects funded partially by Efficiency Vermont! Back by popular demand, Bob Murphy (Account Manager - Efficiency Vermont) will help the OVRCC Member Business's learn about how Efficiency Vermont can help them keep their hard earned money this coming year! Also speaking is Brent Coleman from Coleman Plumbing and Heating regarding heat pumps.

Our Okemo Valley TV show this month went on location to Homestyle Hostel and interviewed Justin & Eliza, watched Justin getting ready to teach a bartending class and popped in on Big Eyes Bakery on St. Patrick's Day to pick up Irish Soda Bread.

SAVE THE DATE: Our Annual meeting and "Taste of Okemo Valley" is on **May 10th** from 5-8pm at the Weston Playhouse at Walker Farm.

We welcomed the following new members: Alternative Energy Education Associates; Sydscompufix/Little Cricket Photography; Senior Solutions and Village Baptist Church.

Hope to see everyone March 24 and 25th at our Vermont Maple Sugar Open Houses!

We encourage everyone to join us at The Vermont Tourism Summit on April 11 & 12 at the Equinox. Visit www.vttourismsummit.org for more information.

Remember, March 30th is the last day to save \$100 for our Chamber trip to Iceland on October 7-13, 2018!



**COMING TO THEATERS
NEAR YOU IN APRIL:**

**"The Snow
Will Go Away!"**

**Watch as brave residents and non-residents
risk their winter blahs by venturing outside
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WILL YOU BE AMONG THEM???



Aliens Have Landed In Vermont

By Jon McCann, on behalf of the Mount Holly Conservation Trust

A metallic-green invader from a faraway land has arrived in our state. Don't panic. This isn't The War of the Worlds. The creature is an invasive forest pest known as the Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). To learn how this may impact our community I



met with our county forester, Chris Stone, and attended a public information session in Barre, on March 15.

Nathan Siegert from the USDA Forest Service said this ½" long, Asian-native beetle was first detected in North America in Detroit in 2002 and has since been found in 32 states, from Colorado to Louisiana, and parts of eastern Canada. Sadly, last month, officials at the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation announced the first confirmed detection in our state in northern Orange County.

As the name indicates, EAB is a destroyer of ash trees. It typically results in near 100% mortality. The three species at risk here in Vermont are black, green, and white ash.

Despite being a meager 4-8% of our woodlands, ash are highly valued as sources of saw logs and firewood, street and landscape shade trees, and good animal habitat.

An infestation of the EAB often begins in late spring and early summer when the flying beetle lands in a new tree and begins to feed on leaves high in the canopy. In about three weeks, females will lay eggs in cracks and furrows in the bark, often near branch crotches. About two weeks later, the larvae emerge and begin to burrow into the tree just under the bark. They continue to feed throughout the summer and create serpentine galleries through the outer sapwood. Large numbers of these galleries will ultimately kill the tree by girdling it (preventing movement of nutrients), usually within 3-5 years. The larvae finish feeding around October and will over-winter in the wood. They will begin to emerge in May from characteristic D-shaped exit holes and the process will begin again.

Much of the damage from the EAB is done beneath the bark so it can be difficult to detect right away, especially since many of our ash trees are already in decline due to Ash Yellows or other stresses, such as drought. However, there are a few things we can keep a lookout for: canopy dieback, epicormic shoots or suckers growing from the main trunk, bark splits and exposed tunnel galleries, and the D-shaped holes the adults emerge from. Another telltale sign is a lot of activity by woodpeckers dining on the larval EAB in the fall. Look for shallow pecks just through the bark, unlike those deep cavities made by the Pileated Woodpecker. The Rutland office of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources has a couple handy guides to help with identification. I've placed some of these in our town office for anyone to take.

Barbara Schultz, the State Forest Health Program Manager, said the State is cooperating with the US Department of Agriculture and others to survey and map the spread of the EAB in Vermont. She expects the survey to be completed before May 1st and will release the results to the public along with new management guidance and, likely, wood quarantine rules.

We can help slow the spread of hitchhiking EAB by not trucking firewood and nursery stock long distances. Anyway, buying and harvesting locally helps our community!

Our Rutland County Forester, Chris Stone, cautioned us not to overreact but nonetheless to monitor the spread of EAB across the state and begin preparations for its inevitable arrival. He suggested anyone in the Use Value Appraisal program (current use) contact their professional consulting forester or him directly to review or update management objectives. He advised landowners with ash landscape trees to start setting aside funds for when the trees are infested and become hazards. Barbara Schultz added to this advice, saying "know where your ash is" and asked us to learn to identify ash trees and look for signs of EAB.

If we detect or even suspect EAB the State encourages us to report it using the link on the vtinvasives.org website.

Chris Stone, the Rutland County Forester, may be reached at (802) 786-3853, for more information.

The Town of Wallingford

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

The four week summer program features morning activities of crafts, hiking, gardening, cooking and sports. After lunch, daily swimming, beach activities at Elfin Lake and field trips. Lifeguard certification required. Elfin Lake concession workers run the concession stand seven days a week throughout the summer.

Contact the Town Administrator For an application 446-2872 or townadmin@wallingfordvt.com



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- The Mount Holly Elementary School
- The Mount Holly Bone Builders

Please bring your favorite dish to share.

Beverages will be provided.

Volunteer to help set up and clean up

Contact Carol Devine : cgosedevine@yahoo.com

Wallingford Recreation Summer Camp 2018

Calling all children in the towns of Wallingford, Clarendon, Shrewsbury, Tinmouth and Danby for a 4-week Summer Recreation Program. If you have completed Kindergarten through 6th grade, join us for games, sports, arts and crafts, cooking, hiking and swimming daily at the Wallingford Recreation field and Elfin Lake starting at Wallingford Elementary School.

Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5:15pm (program 8:45am-4:15pm)

Where the Wild Things Are

June 25-29 *Call of the Wild/wild animal fun*
July 30-Aug 3 *Survivor/cooking in the wild/food challenge*
August 6-10 *Wild Vermont/our state wildlife adventures*
August 13-17 *Wild Imagination/invent, create, explore*

Program Cost: \$65 per week (60 for Wallingford residents). One time registration fee of \$20 per family if registering before Wednesday, May 23rd and \$25.00 after May 23rd. A deposit of \$20 per week per child at the time of registration is necessary to reserve your child's spot. The deposit is refundable until the first day of camp on June 25th.

Weekly camp fees due in Wallingford Town Clerk's office 75 School Street, Wallingford, VT 05773 by 11:00 a.m. on the Friday prior to the week your child will attend.



Registration forms available at Wallingford, Clarendon, Shrewsbury Mountain, Tinmouth and Currier Memorial Schools OR at the Wallingford Town Office and on the Documents page of the Wallingford Website www.wallingfordvt.com. For more information or questions, please call the town office at 446-2872.

Thank you!

Library News

THANK YOU, MOUNT HOLLY VOTERS!

The Mount Holly Town Library, Board of Trustees and Volunteers would like to thank the voters of Mount Holly for once again supporting your library at the polls. MHTL and all of its volunteers work hard to offer resources, services, and programming to the Mount Holly community. Your feedback and suggestions are essential to our planning so please feel free to call (802-259-3707), email (mthollylibrary@gmail.com) or stop in to chat during open hours, we want to hear from you!

NEW Books at MHTL

Picture Books: "Be Kind" by Pat Zietlow Miller, "Wolf in the Snow" by Matthew Cordell, "Wordy Birdy" by Tammi Sauer, "Digger, Dozer, Dumper" by Hope Vestergaard, "Love Monster" by Rachel Bright, "Love" by Matt De La Pena, "Harriet Gets Carried Away" by Jessie Sima, "The Curious Garden" by Peter Brown

Children's Fiction: "Baby Monkey, Private Eye" by David Serlin, "Charlie & Mouse" by Laurel Snyder, "Charlie & Mouse & Grumpy: Book 2" by Laurel Snyder, "Crenshaw" by Katherine Applegate, "Hello Universe" by Erin Entrada Kelly, "Dog Man Unleashed" by Dav Pilkey, "Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties" by Dav Pilkey

Children's Non-Fiction: "Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla" by Katherine Applegate, "She Persisted Around the World: 13 Women Who Changed History" by Chelsea Clinton, "Itch! Everything you didn't want to know about what makes you scratch" by Anita Sanchez

Young Adult Fiction: "The Rest of Us Just Live Here" by Patrick Ness

Adult Fiction: "Call Me Zebra" by Azareen Van Der Vliet Oloomi, "Force of Nature" by Jane Harper, "How to Stop Time" by Matt Haig, "The Kremlin's Candidate" by Jason Matthews, "Need to Know" by Karen Cleveland, "Sing, Unburied, Sing" by Jesmyn Ward, "The Waters of Eternal Youth" by Donna Leon, "White Houses" by Amy Bloom

Adult Non-Fiction: "The Line Becomes a River: Dispatches from the Border" by Francisco Cant, "Grant" by Ron Chernow

Don't forget to email mthollylibrary@gmail.com or stop in with your book or DVD suggestions!

Follow us on Facebook!

Did you know the Mount Holly Town Library is on Facebook? Make sure to Friend Us and Like our page @mthollytownlibrary! Get program announcements, winter weather closings and new book updates all in one place!

Library Hours

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



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Rick Winston: The Hollywood Blacklist



Sunday, April 8
3:00pm

Mount Holly Town Library
26 Maple Hill Rd.
Belmont

In the late 1940s through the early 1960s, many screenwriters, directors, and actors were victims of the Red Scare. They were rendered unemployable due to their refusal to testify before Congressional committees or refusal to inform on others. Film expert Rick Winston will explore the origins of the blacklist in Hollywood's labor unrest and what led to its ultimate end, showing clips from films that were affected by the fear that consumed Hollywood, including 'High Noon,' 'On the Waterfront,' and 'Salt of the Earth.'

This event is free, open to the public, and accessible to those with disabilities. For more information, contact Joan McCallum at mthollylibrary@gmail.com or (802) 259-3707.

A Vermont Humanities Council Event
Hosted by Mount Holly Town Library.

Under grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this program do not necessarily represent those of the NEH or the Vermont Humanities Council.

Collecting Gently Used Shoes to Help Soles4Souls Fight Global Poverty

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One person's
unwanted shoes
can help provide
meaningful

opportunities that many in developing nations need, which is why Engel & Völker's has launched a shoe drive to collect 5,000 pairs of new or gently used shoes.

The shoes that Engel & Völker's collects will be delivered to Soles4Souls—a non-profit social enterprise that creates sustainable jobs and provides relief through the distribution of shoes and clothing around the world. Founded in 2006, the organization has distributed more than 30 million pairs of new and used shoes in 127 countries.

"I am a strong supporter of Soles4Souls' mission," said Pam McLaughlin, Soles4Souls Ambassador. "To know that we can create meaningful impact around the globe by simply collecting and donating what is otherwise destined for the landfill is a really great feeling."

The World Bank estimates that approximately 767 million people, 385 million of which are children, live on less than \$1.90 per day. Millions of these children don't have access to adequate footwear resulting in significant ramifications for their health and well-being. Meanwhile many adults don't have access to sustainable employment.

Soles4Souls not only provides short-term relief by distributing brand new shoes and clothing donated by retailers and manufacturers, but also creates economic impact and keeps unwanted textiles out of landfills. All of Engel & Völker's donated shoes will be distributed to the organization's micro-enterprise programs that create jobs in Haiti, Honduras and other developing nations. The resulting revenue will help fund the free distribution of new shoes and clothing in the U.S., Canada and developing nations around the world.

"Millions of pairs of shoes lay idle in people's closets," said Pam. "Give those to Soles4Souls instead,

and know that you are taking a step to help disrupt the cycle of poverty around the globe."

Engel & Völker's shoe drive for Soles4Souls information:

- Between May 1st and May 31st, bring your new or used shoes of any kind to:
- 126 Main Street, Ludlow, VT and other locations
- For more information, please contact:

Pam McLaughlin, 802-975-0338, pam.mclaughlin@evusa.com



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Soles4Souls Inc • 319 Martingale Dr. Old Hickory, TN 37138 • soles4souls.org



Engel & Völkers Okemo Woodstock will be hosting a Soles 4 Souls shoe drive in Ludlow and Mount Holly during the entire month of May.

Soles 4 Souls was founded in 2006 and has distributed more than 30 million pairs of shoes in a 127 countries.

Check out their website at soles4souls.org to learn more about this amazing organization.

We will be collecting men's, women's and children's gently used shoes to help Soles4Souls fight Global Poverty and save our landfills from excess waste. Your gently used shoes that you no longer want, can help create meaningful opportunities in many developing nations.

Please bring your shoes paired together with a rubber band to our office, Engel & Völkers Okemo - Woodstock, 126 Main Street Suite 1A in Ludlow. No shoe boxes please. There will be additional drop-off signs posted as the event gets closer.

Pam & Pat McLaughlin will be your Ambassadors. Please contact them if you'd like your group to volunteer or if you'd like your place of business, school or church to be a drop off site. Pam can be reached at 802-417-7239 and Pat at 203-994-6768.

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26th Annual Vermont Sports Medicine Center's 5K Run/Walk Slated for April 28th

Proceeds benefit Kids on the Move and Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports

The 26th Annual Vermont Sports Medicine Center's (VSMC) 5K Run/Walk will be held this year on Saturday, April 28th. All proceeds from the event will benefit Kids on the Move and Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports. The annual event has become a staple among the "first 5Ks of the season," where all ages and abilities are welcome to walk or run for two local causes.

The 5K course starts and finishes at VSMC located at 5 Albert Cree Drive, across from Rutland Regional Medical Center. Pre-registration is suggested. The first 100 to pre-register will receive an event T-shirt. The pre-registration entry fee is \$20 for adults ages 18 and older and \$15 for kids ages 10-17. The day of registration entry fee is \$25 for adults ages 18 and older and \$20 for kids ages 10-17. Kids under 10 are \$5 and adaptive athletes participate for free.

Race day registration will be 8-9:30am. The Adaptive Athlete Run will start at 9:45am. The Kids Fun Run will begin at 10am and the 5K Run/Walk will immediately follow it. Refreshments will be available for all participants, and prizes will be awarded to first-place finishers in all runner age groups.

Runners, walkers, sponsors and volunteers will join us in support of Kids on the Move pediatric rehabilitation program and Vermont Adaptive Ski & Sports. We're proud that with our sponsor support we have been able to donate over \$70,000 to these valuable programs. For more information or to pre-register, visit www.vermontsportsmedicinecenter.com or call 802.775.1300.

About Kids on the Move: Kids on the Move is dedicated to providing physical, occupational and speech- language therapy services to children from birth to 21 years of age in the comfort of their own homes. Whether they come to us for developmental delays or genetic disorders, we believe that every child should have access to the highest quality care they need to thrive and grow. Founded in 1995, Kids on the Move is now a program of the Rutland Area Visiting Nurse Association & Hospice (RAVNAH) and is the only pediatric rehabilitation program within a 60-mile radius of Rutland, Vermont. RAVNAH is a 501c(3) non-profit, Medicare Certified home health and hospice agency serving Rutland area residents for over 70 years. For more information visit www.vermontvisitingnurses.org.

About Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports: Vermont Adaptive Ski and Sports is a 501c(3) non-profit organization committed to empowering individuals with disabilities. Since 1987, Vermont Adaptive has provided adaptive sports outings statewide in Vermont to people with disabilities. We are the largest non-profit in the state to do so, and we serve all ages and all (dis)abilities including those with physical, cognitive, emotional behavioral, and developmental disabilities. As we celebrate our 30th Anniversary, we are a national leader in the Adaptive Sports Industry and have more than 400 highly trained volunteer instructors, who donate more than 24,000 hours to our clients and statewide programs annually. These include alpine skiing, snowboarding, and other winter sports; kayaking, canoeing, stand-up paddle boarding, sailing cycling, hiking, rock climbing, tennis, and horseback riding. For more information visit www.vermontadaptive.org.



Annual Wallingford Bike Safety Day: Rides Again On May 12th, 2018

On Saturday, May 12th, from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM, The Wallingford Community Bike Safety Day, will host its 20th Annual event, at the Wallingford Elementary School. This fun, interactive and collaboratively sponsored event always has something for all ages; from free helmet fitting to an obstacle course, and from bike safety inspections to 911 rescue vehicle / law enforcement interactions, Etc. In addition, (as a tradition), there are always terrific prize give-a-ways, face painting, refreshments and much more; because of the generous support of sponsors & volunteers.

As a piece of history, the "Bike Safety Day" was started in the late 90's, by Wallingford's Brad Kelley. Over the years he enlisted the aid of Rotary, many local businesses, and volunteers to fund, facilitate and diversify this project. To date, major sponsors are the Wallingford Rotary & the GE Volunteers, rallied by Rodney Ward. The event is modeled from a program initiated by the Kiwanis Pediatric Trauma Institute and New England Medical Center, Boston, MA.

For more information, to make a donation, or to get involved as a volunteer, contact Rotarian Co-Chair, Adrian Eisler (802.446.7011) and / or GE Co-Chair Rodney Ward at (802.446.3672). ~ Go Wallingford!

Contact Persons / Co-Chairs: Wallingford Rotary Club: Adrian Eisler <adrianeisler1@gmail.com>; Tammy Heffernan <tammy.heffernan@mac.com>
GE: Rodney Ward <Rodney.Ward@ge.com> ; <rodney.ward@ae.ge.com>

Community Members: Lisa & Joseph Donohue ~ Thrive Center <uthrive@vermontel.net>

Playgroup at Mount Holly Town Library

All children ages birth to 5 years are invited to join early education professional Lynn Gould for free play, songs, stories, healthy snacks and arts and crafts. Stop in the library after to check out some great picture books to take home! Tuesday Playgroup is a wonderful support for caregivers with young children.

Tuesdays

10:00am - 11:30am



Open to all children and caregivers in the surrounding area!



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VNAHSR Community Health Clinics – April 2018

April Blood Pressure/Foot Care Clinics

Wednesday, 04/04/2018,	Wallingford, Wallingford House,	10:30am
Thursday, 04/05/2018,	Rutland, Parker House,	10am
Thursday, 04/05/2018,	Rutland, Bardwell House,	12:30pm
Friday, 04/06/2018,	West Rutland, Ira Town Hall,	12:30pm
Wednesday, 04/25/2018,	Rutland, Godnick Center,	12:30pm

The cost of the foot clinic is \$10. No appointment necessary. Please call 802.770.1536 for more information.

Bereavement Group: VNAHSR's monthly bereavement group is held Tuesdays at 6pm at Grace Congregational Church in Rutland with Rutland office chaplain, Andrew Carlson, facilitating. The group is free and open to the public. For more, please contact Andrew at 802.770.1613.

Vermont Ostomy Group: A support group for individuals with bowel and bladder ostomies and continent diversions will be held Saturday, April 21, from 10:30am until noon at the Rutland office on 7 Albert Cree Drive. For more details or questions, contact Kate Lawrence, MSN RN CWOCN at 802-770-1682.

12th. Annual DKG Soup Bowls for Hunger, Please Be Seated!

Mark your calendars for the twelfth annual *Soup Bowls for Hunger* which will be held on Wednesday, March 28th, 2018 at the Rutland High School Cafeteria. Enjoy a bowl of soup, crackers, roll, dessert, and beverage and choose your own handcrafted bowl to take home.

Bowls are being made by local school students from Proctor, Otter Valley, West Rutland and Rutland High School and professional potters. This event is sponsored for the eighth year by Delta Kappa Gamma Society of women educators. There will be two seatings (4:45 PM and 6:15 PM) with top quality bowls available at each seating. A raffle for various donated items will also be held. Music for the evening will be provided by Dan Graves.

Soups are being donated by Café Provence, Castleton University, Holiday Inn, Kamuda's Country Market, Killington Market and Deli, Mae's Place, Olivia's Market, Paisano's Italian Kitchen, Red Clover Inn, Rutland High School Lunch Program/Café Services, Rutland Regional Medical Center, Sweet Caroline's, Swiss Farm Inn, and Table 24.

Tickets are \$20 per person and must be purchased in advance, beginning Thursday, March 1st. Call Rutland High School Main Office at 773-1955, Ann Bannister at 747-0569, or Susan Ponto at 770-1101. Tickets may also be purchased at Phoenix Books in Rutland. Make checks payable to *Soup Bowls for Hunger*.

All proceeds will be donated to the Rutland Community Cupboard, BROCC's Community Food Shelf, and Brandon, Pittsford, Poultney and West Rutland Food Shelves.

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We will be collecting men's, women's and children's gently used shoes to help Soles4Souls fight Global Poverty and save our landfills from excess waste. Your gently used shoes can help create meaningful opportunities in many developing nations, and here in our local communities.

Donate your old or gently used shoes at our next shoe drive during the month of May!

Stayed tuned for more information in the next issue of the *Mount Holly Chit Chat*. To volunteer or if you'd like your place of business, school or church to be a drop off site, please contact our ambassadors Pam and Pat McLaughlin. Pam can be reached at 802-417-7239 and Pat at 203-994-6768. Check out the website at soles4souls.org to learn more about this amazing organization.

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Church Listings

Annunciation, Ludlow, Mass Sat 4:30 pm, Sun 8 am & 11 am
Holy Name of Mary, Proctorsville, Mass Sun 9:30 am
Rev Thomas Mosher 228-3451
Belmont Village Baptist Church-Worship 9:30am
Pastor Glenn Davis vbch@weebly.com 259-2440
E. Wallingford Baptist – SS 10 am, Worship 11 am, 6:30 pm
Pastor Kevin Miner www.ewbaptist.com 259-2831
First Baptist Church, Wallingford, SS 11am Prayer Meeting Wed 7 pm
Pastor Dave Bentley 446-2020
Lighthouse Independent Baptist Church, Rutland SS 11am & 3pm
Until May 11am & 6pm 779-0300
Ludlow Baptist Church, 9:30 am SS, 10:30 am Music Fellowship,
11 am WS, 6:30 pm Evening PS, Wed 6:30 pm PM & BS
Pastor Jerry Scheumann jfscheumann@gmail.com 603-439-0803
St. Patrick's, Wallingford, Mass Sat 4 pm, Sun 10 am
Rev Msgr Bernard Bourgeois christthekingprsh@gmail.com 446-2161

Engineering

Krueger Engineering- Arthur G. Krueger, P.E. 492-3653

Equipment For Hire & Snow Moving

Beardmore Excavating beardmoreexc@vermontel.net 342-3507
Devereux Earth & Snow Moving 259-2809
Norton's Property Management – Logging*Land Clearing*Snowplowing
*Brush Hogging*Mowing & Care Taking 802-353-6289 Cell 259-3108
Russ Garrow –Lawn Mowing*Brush Hogging*Garden Tilling*Snow Plowing
*Care Taking 259-3167

Farm Fresh Products

Plew Farm (meat, eggs, maple) 802-259-2250
Smith Maple Crest Farm, Grass-Fed Beef Cuts Fresh/Frozen 492-2151
www.Smithmaplecrestfarm.com

Funeral Homes

Clifford Funeral Home 773-3010

Garage, Repair & Wrecking

Belmont Motor Works LLC - Harley-Davidson, Small Engine 259-3178
Snowmobile, ATV, Aluminum Welding & Metal Fabrication
Joe's Garage – ATV's, Snowmobiles, Motorcycles 259-2688
Joesaragellc@hotmail.com

Miller's Garage – Cold River Rd. Rutland 775-6852

Garden & Landscape, Lawn Mowing

Belmont Country Gardens Quality Custom Stonework & More 259-2364
Frost Hill Farm Seasonal Peony Wedding Flowers 259-2716
Job Porter Landscaping rockar@vermontel.net 259-3058

Kevin Smith, Garden Service & Lawn Mowing 259-3964
Noreen's Petals & Greens 236-8188
Salt Ash Nursery - The Balsam Barn – Scott Crawford 259-2146

Health Care Providers

Dr. Joseph P. Donohue – Chiropractic Care, Thrive Center 446-2499
Massage Therapy/Bodywork, Thrive Center of Green Mtns 446-2499
Lisa Donohue MA, LMT ~ Linda O'Brien MT 446-2499

Home Management Services

Belmont Country Gardens Property Management & Mowing 259-2364
Country Home Management, Richardson/Rivers 259-3662 228-7086
Seiple's Property Management 802- 236-8104
Yankee Home Management, Keith Hawkins 259-3064

Lawyers

Liccardi & Crawford PC – Susan J Crawford Esq. Cell 558-3987

Manufacturing & UPS Outlet

DECO Manufacture Machine Job Shop 259-2477

Maple Svrup

Green Mtn. Sugar House 228-7151
Smith Maple Crest Farm www.Smithmaplecrestfarm.com 492-2151

Marketing & Promotional Services

Express Copy Inc., Don Reiser H 259-2722 362-0501

Merchandise Sales & Service

Mary K – Natalie Brown 259-2067

Metal Fabrication

Wayne Jones Metal www.waynejonesmetal.com 259-2521

Mount Holly Email

Randy Bixby – mhnewsflash1@gmail.com mhnewsflash@gmail.com
<http://www.mhnewsflash.blogspot.com/>

Painters

MRS Unlimited Visions LLC Interior/Exterior Painting –Melissa 259-3989

Personal Services

Paneless Window Cleaning- Insured, Free Estimates 259-2786
Pet Sitter – Barbara Pallotta 259-2856

Plumbing & Heating

Master Plumbing & Heating Inc. masterph@vermontel.net 492-3657

Real Estate Sales

Coldwell Banker Watson Realty, frank_ellison@cbwatson.net 228-5678
Frank Ellison Real Estate H 228-4011 - Cell 802-345-3766
Engel & Volkers, Okemo - Woodstock Gail Graves-Beardmore 259-3005
Gail.graves@engelvolkers.com (Mobile) 802-236-5431
Patrick.mcLaughlin@evusa.com Cell 203-994-6768 802-975-0338
Kelley Real Estate, Don Eatmon, Broker/Owner H 259-2646 228-5333
Fax 802-228-5343 www.KelleyRealEstate.com www.OkemoValley.com
Ty Murray H 259-3014 - Cell 777-8047
Carl Mitchell H 259-2107 - Cell 384-3202
Lisa Kelley H 259-3112 - Cell 345-6581

Roofing

Buddy System Roofing, Contact Buddy 259-3989
New Roofs/Roof Repairs & Replacement – Slate/Wood/Asphalt/Metal

Security

Countryside Alarms – Mike Blais www.countrysidealarms.com 259-2213

Septic System Design

Krueger Engineering – Arthur G. Krueger, P.E. 492-3653

Therapeutic Riding

Rienbow Riding Center Home 259-2282 Barn 492-2226

Tree Services

G.M. Tree Tech & Landscaping, Greg McKirryher 259-8733

Volunteer Services

Belmont/Mt. Holly Food Co-op, Tanger H 259-2344 W 259-2899
Black River Good Neighbor Service 228-3663

Woodworking, Cabinets & Furniture

Chesters Custom Woodworking cwv@vermontel.net 259-3232
www.chesterscustomwoodworking.com
Stone Creek Workshops www.stonecreekworkshops.com 259-2254

