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Mount Holly Chit Chat

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May 2021

Church Listings, back page "Who's Got It Locally?"

Mt. Holly Community Asso – Contact Linda Miller at 802-345-1740

Mt. Holly Museum – Open Sat & Sun 2 - 4 pm www.mounthollyvtmuseum.org

Town Library: Begin May 1, 2021 In-Person with face mask. Sat 9-1, Mon 9-1, Tue 1-5, Wed 2-4, 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

Town Lister's Hours: Tues 10:00 am – 2:00 pm or by appointment 802-259-2391

Town Garage: 259-3179

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

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

Sat 1st Walleye Fishing Opens ~ Turkey Season Begins ~ Empire State Building Opened 1931 ~ Loyalty Day ~ May Day

Sun 2nd Captain John Smith Landed at Jamestown 1607 ~ Orthodox Easter

4th Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library National Teacher Day 7:00 pm
Mount Holly Conservation Commission 7:00 pm

5th Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 7:00 pm
6th National Nurses Day ~ National Day of Prayer
Robert Browning 1812

President Harry S. Truman 1884 ~ V-E Day WWII 1945 ~ World Red Cross Day

Transcontinental Railroad Completed 1869 ~ Mother's Day

10th Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building 7:00 pm
11th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 9:00 am
Select Board Meeting, Town Garage & Zoom 6:30 pm

12th LMHUUS Meeting, Florence Nightingale 1820 6:00 pm
Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station 7:00 pm
ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont 7:00 pm
Fire Dept. Drill, Mt. Holly Fire Station 7:00 pm

Lewis & Clark's Expedition 1804

Armed Forces Day ~ Peace Officers Memorial Day

EMS Week 16-22

New York Stock Exchange Est. 1792

Mount St. Helens Erupted 1980

19th Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont 6:30 pm

Mount Holly Planning Commission, Via Zoom 7:00 pm

20th Fire Dept. Work Detail, Fire Stations 7:00 pm

American Red Cross Founded by Clara Barton 1881

United Spinal Asso. Founded 1946 ~ National Maritime Day 1933

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

25th Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall Igor Sikorsky Invented 1st Helicopter b 1889 9:00 am

26th PTSA Meeting Via Zoom Voting Rights Bill of 1965 ~ Full Flower Moon 6:30 pm

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

27th Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Stations Wild Bill Hickok 1837 7:00 pm

Jim Thorpe Olympic God Medalist 1888 ~ Sierra Club Founded 1892

President John F. Kennedy 1917

Memorial Day 1868

28th Turkey Season Ends ~ Memorial Day Observed

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	779-6429
Animal Control For Mt. Holly	C text only 353-4492		H 802-259-3976	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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May Birthdays: 2nd -Dawn Howlett * 3rd -Karl Parsells III 5th -Debby Bernagozzi * Olivia Turco 10th -Amy Taylor 16th -Heather Garrow * Chad Getchell 17th -Hilary Swezey-Hurst 19th -Allison Bussino (2013) 20th -Patrick Chadburn 24th -Greg Herbst * Christopher Jacobs * Jordan Devereux 26th -Karen Blodgett * Brigid Sullivan * Austin Turco * Amy Turco 30th - Jeffery Columb II * Linda Roberts 31st -Tom Veysey * Beth Hart



May Anniversaries: 3rd -Donna & Rick Lee 16th -Jack & Kathleen Koponen 17th -Bill & Mary Ellen Jacobs 18th -Dennis & Fern Melvin * Jeff & Lucy Columb (1985) 28th -Steve & Maria Howard 30th -Douglas & Lynnette Devereux 51 yrs 31st - Sarah & Zak Delphia

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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	&	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
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	Sat	7:30 am – 10:30 am
Belmont		802-259-2790
Window	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 9:30 am
	&	2:45 pm – 4:45 pm
	Sat	7:30 am – 10:30 am
Lobby Hours	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 4:45 pm
East Wallingford		802-259-2829
Window	Mon – Fri	7:00 am – 11:00 am
	Sat	7:00 am – 10:00 am
Lobby Hours	Mon – Fri	7:00 am – 4:45 pm
Cuttingsville/Shrewsbury		802-492-3585
Window Hours	Mon – Fri	7:30 am – 10:30 am
	&	11:30 am – 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	
Lobby Hours:	Mon – Fri	6:30 am – 5:30 pm
	Sat	6:30 am – 11:00 am
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	Sat	8:30 am – 10:30 am



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PHOTOS: Color photos of events are welcome as they look great on the Chit Chat web edition

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The Annual Membership meeting is held on the Third Tuesday in September in the Mount Holly Town Office at 6 p.m. The meeting includes the annual report and election of the Board of Directors

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Marcia Perkins Puro

Marcia Perkins Puro of Rutland, 80, passed away on March 31, 2021, after a brief [illness](#) due to the COVID-19 virus. Marcia is survived by her husband, John Puro of Rutland; and her children, Liisa Puro Newton and her husband, Brian, of St. Albans, Mary Puro of Rutland, Tim Puro of Rutland, and Dan Collis Puro and his wife, Heather, of Lynn, Massachusetts. She also leaves her grandchildren, Samantha Freda of Brattleboro, Evan Collis Puro of Lynn, Massachusetts, Rose Newton of St. Albans, Anderson Puro of Rutland; and great-grandchildren, Gadge Puro of Rutland and Lillian Freda Cunningham of Brattleboro. Marcia was predeceased by her parents, Richard and Esther Perkins; her brother, Richard Perkins Jr.; her daughter, Susan Puro Duval; and her grandson, Stephen John Puro. Marcia was born on Feb. 10, 1941, in Rutland,

Vermont, and was a lifelong resident of this beautiful state. She graduated from Mount St. Joseph Academy in 1958 and worked at the General Motors Co. as an office worker for many years. She also worked for the Rutland Public School System. During her children's school years, she enjoyed being a [hockey](#) and baseball mom. In 1977, she and her husband, John, packed up the family and moved to Georgia, Vermont, to become the proprietors of Puro's Corner Store for many years. She remained in the St. Albans area as her children finished school, and then moved to Mount Holly, Vermont, with John for their retirement where she enjoyed being a regular volunteer at the Belmont Public Library. Marcia was



well-read and a gifted illustrator and painter. She was also an avid knitter and one of her projects included knitting hundreds of helmet liners for U.S. troops overseas. She was a wonderful cook and delighted in making unique and elaborate cakes over the years, particularly for her daughter Mary's birthday. One looked exactly like a plate of spaghetti and meatballs. Marcia loved to travel and often took many family members along with her on her adventures, though John was happy to stay at home and let her go. She was proud of her Irish heritage and especially enjoyed researching and traveling to Ireland. At age 71, she got her first and only tattoo, a tiny shamrock near her elbow. When her husband, John, asked her to sum up their marriage of 60 years in one short sentence, she replied "Johnny, it's never been boring." Marcia will be greatly missed by her family and many lifelong friends. There will not be a service at this time due to the pandemic. There will be a celebration of her life, and her daughter Susan's

life, at a later date when it is safe for people to gather.

May 10, 1775 – Ethan Allen and Green Mountain Boys captured the British-held fortress at Fort Ticonderoga, New York.

May 20, 1927 – Charles Lindbergh First Solo Transatlantic Flight

May 20, 1932 – Amelia Earheart First Solo Transatlantic Flight by a Women.

Maple Grove Cemetery East Wallingford, Vermont

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Mechanicsville Cemetery Maple Hill Road, Belmont VT



*Mechanicsville Cemetery Assoc.
P.O. Box 25
Belmont, VT 05730*

**Notice;
All Invited
Mechanicsville Cemetery
Volunteer Clean Up Schedule;**

1st Tuesday of each month 2021

May 4, 6 pm

June 1, 8 am

July 6, 6 pm

Aug 3, 8 am

Sept 7, 6 pm

Oct 4, 8 am

Rutland Jewish Center Service Notices

office@rutlandjewishcenter.org

Saturday, April 24, 09:30 am

Friday, April 30, 07:30 pm

Friday, May 7, 07:30 pm

Saturday, May 15, 09:30 am

May 16/17 Shavuot TBD

Friday, May 21, 07:30 pm

Saturday, May 29, 09:30 am

Friday, June 4, 07:30 pm

Saturday, June 12, 0930 am

Friday, June 18, 07:30 pm

Saturday, June 26, 09:30 am

Mount Holly Town Library News

The library will be reopening to IN-PERSON visits beginning May 1, 2021 with face masks required. We will be re-opening with changed hours. They are: **Monday 9 am to 1 pm - Tuesday 1 pm to 5 pm - Wednesday 2 pm to 4 pm - Saturday 9 am to 1 pm Closed Thursday, Friday & Sunday**

We have been getting in new material all during the pandemic so there is lots of new Adult, Young Adult and Children's material to browse and check out. As the nation recovers from a very challenging time, we hope to be able to bring back programs for the community as well.

The Library Board, Director and volunteers would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mount Holly Community Association for snow removal from the building. Winter is winding down, but not gone yet. MHCA makes sure that the building and grounds are being cared for, inside and out. Thank you!

*** Hall Rental in Belmont ***

The use of the Hall in Belmont is scheduled by contacting Carol at 259-2791, or at tcg2791@yahoo.com. You may also leave a message with Dennis at 259-2460, or at ddevereux@vermontel.net.

Notice: All Invited

Mechanicsville Cemetery Monthly Volunteer Clean Up Schedule

1st Tuesday of each month 2021

May 4, 6 pm

July 6, 6 pm

Sept 7, 6 pm

June 1, 8 am

Aug 3, 8 am

Oct 4, 8 am

The library Board, Director and volunteers would also like to thank the citizens and officials of the community for their continued support of the Mount Holly Town Library. We could not do it without you.

Finally, everyone at the library would like to thank Donna McDonald for her leadership, stewardship and volunteerism as the President of the Library Board of Trustees. Joe Galbraith, Library Director

Mount Holly Biodiversity Project Welcomes Spring!

Since mid-January when the project began, Mount Holly residents and visitors have been sending in their observations to a project that aims to build an inventory of all living things in the town of Mount Holly. It's built on the free iNaturalist software so also helps you identify almost anything you see in nature! As of March 21, there have been 1,278 observations submitted and 587 species of plants, animals, and fungi identified by 97 observers! That's 28 new species added in March. Already 28 volunteers have joined the project and spring has just begun. The Project is Free, open to the public, and everyone is invited to check out our progress at <https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/mount-holly-biodiversity>

Your observations will help! Using iNaturalist on your smart phone or computer, every time you see a bird, a plant, or a wild animal in Mount Holly iNaturalist will help you identify it and then submit it to our community project. All you do is take a photo on your smart phone or digital camera, submit it to iNaturalist, and the program gives you the probable identification and gives you credit for the observation! Can you guess the most common species found in Mount Holly?

Ready to give it a try? Download the Free app to your smart phone from the Google Play Store or Apple App Store. Once downloaded, navigate to Help in the drop-down menu and follow the illustrated instructions for Getting Started or watch the video tutorial. Your smart phone is now your easiest tool to learn the names of the plants & animals that you find and to support our town project.

How can I join? Once you have the app on your smart phone you can join the **Mount Holly Biodiversity** project. When you open the app on your phone or go to our project webpage on your computer (<https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/mount-holly-biodiversity>) click on "Join Project" just above the green "About" square of text describing the project. Once you have joined the project your observations will automatically be submitted to our town's ecological inventory plus you will receive occasional news and updates about the project. The project webpage also shows you who has the most species, how many species have been found, lists the most frequently seen species (can you guess what it is?), and provides an interactive map of Mount Holly showing where all the observations have been recorded!

As mud season turns into spring there will be an explosion of wildflowers, birds, insects, amphibians and more for you to enjoy. New birds seen in town this past weekend include Bluebirds, Robins, Red-winged Blackbirds, & Dark-eyed Juncos. If you've seen these or others, iNaturalist wants to know.

This is a great outdoor family activity and a wonderful way to teach children about nature. This is "citizen science" at its best, we hope you will enjoy using iNaturalist to learn the names of the plants and animals you find and join us in learning more about the amazing natural biodiversity of Mount Holly. The project is sponsored by the Mount Holly Conservation Trust and the Mount Holly Conservation Commission. If you would like some assistance getting started or have questions, call Jim at 802-259-2311.



TREE STUMP GRINDING

Beardmore Excavating Inc.

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Packer Cemetery Work Day

The Packer Cemetery Association in conjunction with local volunteers and the help and guidance of the Vermont Old Cemetery Association members are planning a work day on Saturday May 22, 2021 from 8:00am to 12:00 noon rain day Sunday May 23, 2021 same time. Coffee and doughnuts provided. The association would appreciate the support from any local residents who have an interest in the preservation of Vermont's old cemeteries or who have family member's interred in The Packer Cemetery. If more information or directions are needed to join us in this volunteer work day please contact Nancy Eddy at 802-770-8007 or nancyceddy@gmail.com.



Got Bees?

Warmer spring weather can cause honeybee colonies to form swarms and go looking for a new home. If you see a mass of honeybees hanging in the open from a tree or bush, your house, or any place else this may be a swarm. They are not aggressive and should not be disturbed or harmed. Call me as soon as you see them and I will come by to collect them from your property, no charge. Call Jim at 802 259-2311, Fenn Farmstead & Gardens.



Mount Holly Community Association

The Mount Holly Community Association is delighted to announce that it will be hosting a number of their annual summer events! We are thrilled that we are able to do this after such a difficult year when so many of our cherished traditions had to be cancelled.

First up...an all-time community favorite, **Music on the Green!** Our beloved Music on the Green series will begin this year on Thursday, July 1st and will continue every Thursday throughout July and August. A calendar with all of the musicians scheduled

Calling all Gardeners!!

Would you like to open your garden for
the Mount Holly Community Association Garden Tour
on Saturday, July 17, 2021?

Show off your garden to friends and neighbors and visitors from afar.

All gardens are welcome...

Humble or grand, groomed or rambling.

Proceeds benefit the on-going restoration & maintenance of
The Mount Holly Library & Community Center Building

If you are interested, please contact

Linda Miller

lindaddmiller@gmail.com

802-345-1740

for this summer will be out later in the spring. Please join your neighbors and friends to share balmy evenings and wonderful music on the Green in Belmont. Social distancing on the Green will be required for folks not in the same family. Many thanks to the Belmont Village Baptist Church for allowing us to use the Green and the Gazebo for these musical evenings!

The 14th annual

Mount Holly Garden Tour sponsored by the MHCA will be held on Saturday, July 17th from 9:30 am – 4:00 pm. After so much isolation over the past year, this will be a particularly wonderful way to step out into the community. Just imagine meeting friends and neighbors in beautiful gardens in a completely safe environment...heaven! At this time, Linda Miller, the coordinator for the tour, is looking for gardeners "with dirt under their nails" to volunteer their gardens for the tour. Well-groomed and pristine, or wild and rambling, all gardens are sought and variety is welcomed. If you are interested in being one of the exhibitors, please contact Linda Miller at lindaddmiller@gmail.com or at 802-345-1740.

Mount Holly Day will take place on Sunday, July 25th from noon to 3:00 pm. There will be some modifications to this annual get together and details for that will be announced in an upcoming Chit Chat. However, despite what we might have to do to make this a safe event for all, we look forward to being able to see many of you once again at Star Lake!

Our annual **membership drive** will begin with the initial mailing in June of the new membership brochures for the 2021- 2022 MHCA season. Now more than ever, we all should demonstrate our support for our community through membership in the Mount Holly Community Association. All of the work of the MHCA would not be possible without the participation of all of you through annual membership. In addition, this is a primary source of revenue for the Association and enables it to provide for the on-going maintenance of our beautiful Library & Community Center building. Your membership is yet another way of affirming your commitment to the town of Mount Holly...thank you so much!

Be sure to check out our **web site** for the most up to date information on what is being planned. That is where you will find our calendar, so you can confirm all that is happening with the MHCA this year. You can find us at <https://www.mhcavt.org>

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How About A Little Horse'n Around This Summer?

BELMONT - Ready to spread your wings after a year of social distancing and isolation? Why not join us at Rainbow Riding Center in Belmont where kids and adults get a chance to spend some quality time outdoors in the company of beautiful horses. We are looking for Volunteers who would like to help us carry out our mission to improve the wellbeing of individuals with unique physical, emotional and cognitive challenges with a therapeutic equine experience.

What could be better than working with kids and horses? Don't know anything about horses, but always wanted to? No problem, we'll teach you the secrets and more. Like to work with kids, but not quite sure of horses? That's ok we have jobs for everyone. Not sure if you can commit for the whole summer? Come talk to us, we're flexible and will work with your schedule. You must be 14 years of age to work with the horses, but there are also opportunities for those younger.



Let's have some fun together!

Mount Holly Community Association Membership Drive

2021 - 2022

Please join to support...Music on the Green-Mount Holly Day-
Garden Tour-Cabaret-Photo Contest-Cider Days-
Roast Beef Supper-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 are available in the library, the General Store, and the post offices.)

Students and others can participate to get credit for community service.

Volunteer Open House and Orientation is Saturday, May 8 at 10 a.m. at Stone Wall Farm, 892 Tarbellville Road, Belmont. After a short orientation with coffee and goodies, we jump right in with demonstrations and hands on training in side walking. There are also training videos on You Tube at Rainbow Riding Center Vermont.

Come join us for the Open House & Orientation and see if you would like to be part of our therapeutic horsemanship program this season. You can help us bring joy to kids and adults and have fun doing it.

To all the Gardeners out there: we're looking for day lilies to plant on a hillside at our new location. If you have extra when you divide your plants, please think of us and give us a call. Also we are in need of a wheelbarrow if anyone has one they would like to donate.

Check us out on the web at rainbowridingcenter.org; email: programs@rainbowridingcenter.org; or call 802-236-2483. Volunteer applications and handbooks can be found on our website. You can also call 802-770-2958 or email janupton@comcast.net. Applications are also available at the open house but we prefer you get them in ahead of time. Look for us on Facebook, Twitter@RainbowRiding and Instagram@rainbow_riding_center. Find directions to Stone Wall Farm on the website and page 4 of the Volunteer application. If you can't attend May 8, but would like to Volunteer please contact us.

**Beardmore
Excavating**

(802) 342-3507

Robert Beardmore, Jr. P.O. Box 101
beardmoreexc@gmail.com Belmont, Vermont 05730

WARNING

All scheduled classes* of the
**Star Lake Deep
Sea Diving School**
have been cancelled due highly
questionable sightings of alligators
in Star Lake on April 1st.**

It is suggested that anyone who
might have been considering
a career in deep sea diving
might want to consider a career in
photography instead, starting with
shooting photos for this year's

**Mount Holly Photo & Calendar
Competition.**

*Call 1-000-000-0000 for information about tuition
refunds but be prepared to be on hold a long time.

**There are no alligators in Star Lake, just crocodiles.

Mount Holly School

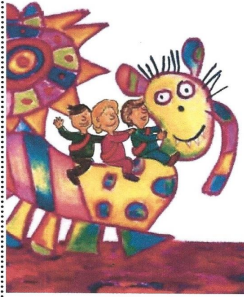
KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

2:00—4:00 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392



For children who will be 5 years old
on or before August 31, 2021

Please bring the following:

1. A birth certificate
2. All immunization records

Families are invited to sign up for a time to meet Mrs. Craver, explore our playground and check out a video of the kindergarten classroom Mrs. Craver is making to share with you.



Students currently enrolled in the MHS
preschool program will not need to register again
for Kindergarten.



The **Black River Valley Rod & Gun Club**

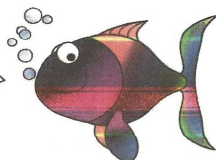
will hold its **Annual Kid's Fishing Derby** on

Saturday, May 15TH 2021 Sign up begins

at 8:30 am and fishing starts at 9 am.

All children up to 15 years of age are eligible
to participate. The fishing derby will be held at
Cook's Pond located on **Rod & Gun Club Road**
in **Ludlow, Vermont**. Prizes will be awarded.

We hope
you can
join us.



MUSIC ON THE GREEN

FREE CONCERT EVERY THURSDAY 7 PM

BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE MOUNT HOLLY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

JULY 1 - WOODSCHUCKS REDUX

JULY 8 - TIM CAIRA

JULY 15 - THE PLUMB BOBS

JULY 22 - JEB & FRIENDS

AUG 29 - JAMIE WARD - MR. PIANOMAN

AUG 5 - BUNTY STATION - OHIO BAND

AUG 12 - THE LARK SPURS

AUG 19 - CASEY SOLOMON

AUG 26 - MOUNT HOLLY FOLK CLUB

ON THE BELMONT GREEN

Concerts are held on the Green in Belmont,
VT. In case of rain, concert will be held in
the Mount Holly Community Center. Our
Thanks to the Village Baptist Church for use
of the Green.



Mount Holly School

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Wednesday, May 19, 2021

11:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

By Appointment

(802) 259-2392

For children who will be 3 years old
on or before August 31, 2021

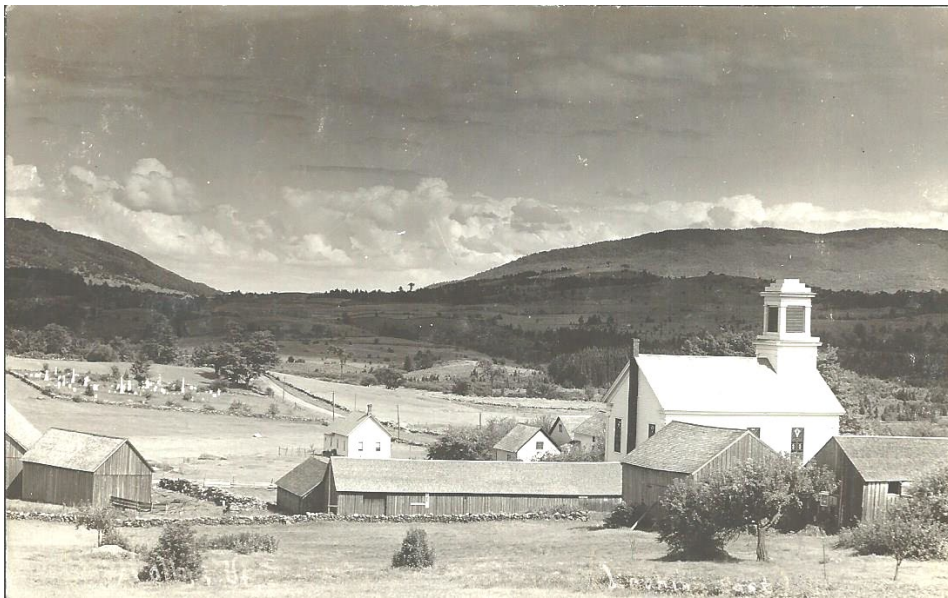
Please bring the following:

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2. All immunization records

Families are invited to join us in our outdoor classroom
so we can meet safely in person.

You and your preschooler will see and hear all about our
preschool program. We will have photos of our indoor
classroom on display and we would look forward to
having you explore our outdoor classroom too.

Ms. Jenna, Ms. Devin and Ms. Rae will all be on hand to
answer questions and provide important information
about the program.



MOUNT HOLLY BAPTIST CHURCH AREA

The photograph in the April issue shows the Mount Holly Baptist Church area that was near the intersection of Old Turnpike and Hortonville Road. The church was located across the road from the Hortonville Inn and burned in 1990. The photograph was taken from the inn's out buildings shown in the front right and is looking east toward Ludlow.

In the center foreground is the long shed that a church goer used to park their horse and carriage in while attending the church service. The small light-colored building above the shed is the one-room schoolhouse used until 1956 for this area's students. This school and the others located in Belmont and near Harry's Restaurant on Route 103 closed when the

present school opened.

In the distance is the Mount Holly Cemetery, one of the last town cemeteries still in some limited use. The Packer and New Mechanicsville Cemeteries are private associations not operated by the town. Hortonville Road is between the stonewall and the long shed.



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Expeditionary School at Black River Blazes Forward with Pathways to Possibilities

Ludlow, VT: The Expeditionary School at Black River had been blazing forward in their goal to keep 7-12 education in Ludlow, VT. They have the goal of expanding their students and programs in the upcoming year. Head of School Kendra Rickerby hosted a virtual open house on Wednesday, April 21st and will hold another one on May 11th. You can sign up by joining the newsletter and visiting the website.

The Expeditionary School at Black River's mission is to educate students to be intellectually curious, resourceful, and confident in themselves for a life of personal fulfillment and civic engagement.

The 2021-2022 Program of Studies is now published on the website: www.blackriveris.org/programofstudies

The program of studies outlines their innovative approach to learning which includes learning pathways. They have four career tracks for high school including: Resort Management, Information Technology, Sustainable Agriculture and dual enrollment with a post-secondary institution. Included in the Program of Studies are details about proficiency-based grading and the variety of unique programs the school offers.

The school had 16 students and was open for in-person learning all year. This summer they are offering a boat-building camp where students can make a kayak and they get to keep the kayak. All materials are included in the program and the total cost is \$3200.

Mechanicsville Cemetery Maple Hill Road, Belmont VT



*Mechanicsville Cemetery Assoc.
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Notice; All Invited Mechanicsville Cemetery Volunteer Clean Up Schedule;

1st Tuesday of each month 2021

May 4, 6 pm

June 1, 8 am

July 6, 6 pm

Aug 3, 8 am

Sept 7, 6 pm

Oct 4, 8 am

The Annual Mount Holly Photo Judging & Calendar Competition

Entry forms will be available at:

- The Belmont Store
- The Mount Holly Library
- The Mount Holly Town Office

(but not until June)

Entries should be due by Monday,
September 20, 2021*

*Ennh...should be but who knows? Probably will be this year.
Stay tuned. Shoot those photos!



**The Mount Holly Photo & Calendar
Competition for 2021**

For more information: Craig Tomkinson
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They have been hard at work fundraising with a business pledge campaign. They are asking local businesses and I socials to pledge their support, which can be paid with payments throughout the year or all at once. The goal is \$150,000 and they have raised \$13,350.

The School wants to publicly thank its donors who include:

Mary Davis Real Estate - \$5500 - Uli Donahue - \$1000 - Ludlow Masons - \$1000 - Engels and Volker Real Estate - \$1000 - Jenkins Builders \$1000 - Tim and Carol Haigh - \$1000 - Knight Hot Tubs - \$1000 - Michael & Julia Burton - \$500 -

Brewfest - \$500 - Michael & Terrence Corbie-Plaut - \$500 - Jay Buckley - \$100 - Justin Savage - \$100 - Anne Bruntrager - \$100 - Shirley Holden - \$50 - Jake Sapatos - \$20

If you want to find out more about the campaign or pledge your support visit www.blackriveris.org/fund2021

We Need Your Help

This year will mark the 75th Anniversary of the Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department. We are in the process of putting together a collection of photographs and articles about the Fire Department. We are especially in need of photographs from 1946 -1996. We are looking



for photos of members, fire equipment, fire scenes, social events, parades, etc. If possible, please scan photos and email to pfaenza47@yahoo.com. If you cannot scan them, please contact Paul Faenza at 259-4100 to make other arrangements. Thank you for your assistance.



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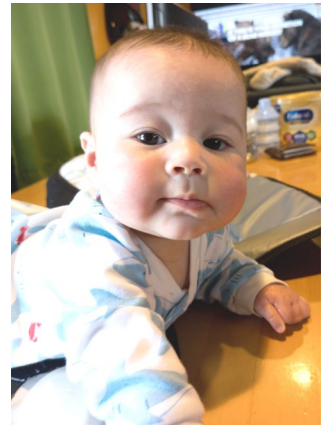
Happy Spring! I would like to invite anyone interested to speak at a Public Hearing my committee is hosting about Unemployment Insurance, you can sign up to speak at this website:

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/links/public-hearing-unemployment>

The hearing will be on Tuesday, May 4th from 5pm to 7pm and it will be livestreamed on YouTube here:

<https://legislature.vermont.gov/committee/streaming/shared-joint-committees>

We are hoping to hear from employees and employers throughout Vermont about their experiences with our unemployment system during the pandemic.



Earlier in the process the bill would have increased the deposit amount to ten cents, but that was changed before it passed the House. The House Ways and Means was concerned about people from out-of-state bringing their bottles here to return if we raised the deposit to ten cents, potentially with a mail truck full of bottles. I know there are a variety of opinions and as always welcome everyone to reach out to share theirs with me, but I will say personally I am in favor of the bill and voted in support of it.

I don't have the space to review all the bills passed recently, but another big one recently I would like to touch on is [H.157](#), which would require construction contractors to register with the state and maintain contracts if they do any jobs in exchange of more than \$3500. It also mandates liability insurance for such contractors. Growing up in construction this bill was a little tough for me, but ultimately I did support it and do think it will be a positive thing for Vermont consumers and the laborers they hire. Assuming it also passes the Senate. Best practices in construction have changed substantially even just over the last ten years, and one part of this bill that I really like is the ability going forward for the state to disseminate information more easily to Vermont contractors on changing building codes and standards, as well as improvements to construction techniques.

As always, I welcome any input on these or any other topics, Logan Nicoll 802-345-8430



Obviously, this continues to be a very unique session. Last month I had been planning to put together a mid-session report on the bills that had passed the House, because in a normal year the House would only work on "House bills" for the first half of the session. But I keep putting it off as we keep working on and passing very substantive House bills, long past "crossover" which would be that normal mid-point.

Correspondingly, the House just passed [H.175](#), which makes substantial changes to our bottle-redemption system. The bill still needs to go through the Senate so it may change substantially between now and enactment. However, as it passed the House the bill adds a deposit to all recyclable drink containers except for milk, dairy products and plant-based beverages often substituted for milk.

Horses On The Road

IT'S THE LAW Title 23§1127
That horses have the right-of-way
On all roads.

Horse owners and riders are asking that you slow down.
Give the horse some extra room, and proceed with caution.

There are many things that frighten a horse:

- The sounds of different road conditions.
- Water puddles or if it's raining.
- Maybe you hit a big pothole with your vehicle.
- Stones on a dirt road – the sound of them hitting your vehicle, or when they fly out from the tires.
- Maybe you are pulling a trailer and the items in it are making loud noises.

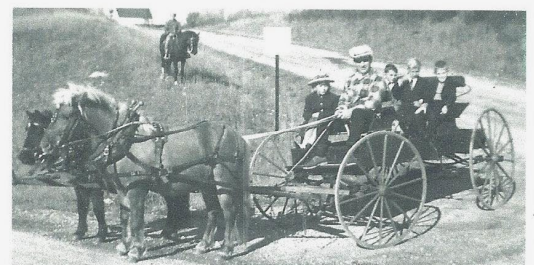
Things like these can cause even the best-trained horse to become afraid and make unexpected movements – SOMETIMES JUMP INTO THE ROADWAY!

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SLOW DOWN AND GIVE A HORSE AND RIDER
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amendments presented to them. Before 1974, constitutional amendments could only be proposed every 10 years. Now the Legislature is able to consider amendments every four years. Our constitution was most recently amended in 2010 to allow 17 years olds, who would be 18 by the time of the general election in November, to vote in the primary.

On Friday, April 9th, the Vermont Senate voted to send two proposals of amendment to the voters for the General Election in 2022. I believe these proposals clarify the intent of the Constitution and affirm Vermont's history and values.

Proposition 2, clarifies the state's prohibition on slavery found in Article 1 of Chapter 1. Despite the historic pride we feel in Vermont being the first state in the Union to prohibit slavery, many have felt Article 1 wordy and equivocal about whether or not it allowed for slavery of persons under twenty one. If this amendment passes, the article will now clarify that "slavery and indentured servitude in any form are prohibited". Some Vermonters might say that because the nation outlawed slavery in 1865 with the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, this is not important to clarify. But for many, the old, qualified language is long overdue for replacement with a clear, ringing prohibition. Sadly, we still face aspects of these issues in sex trafficking, migrant labor and work in prisons.

Proposal 5 amends Chapter 1 by creating Article 22. It reads: "That an individual's right to personal reproductive autonomy is central to the liberty and dignity to determine one's own life course (as protected by this Constitution) and shall not be denied or infringed unless justified by a compelling State interest achieved by the least restrictive means."

This change would give affirmative constitutional protection to what is current practice in Vermont. It is the same standard of review the U.S. Supreme Court used in the Roe v. Wade decision. It will protect our civil rights at a most personal level. It will affirm the right to abortion as it currently exists in our state – and will ensure reproductive liberty for family planning, contraception, and deeply personal decisions women and men make about their lives.

With changes in the membership of the U.S. Supreme Court, there is concern that it may move to weaken or overturn Roe v. Wade. This uncertainty has prompted the Legislature to move not only to affirm fifty years of protection Vermonters rely on, but also to recognize how much Vermonters value the liberty to make our own personal health decisions.

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Senator Alison Clarkson's Legislative Update

The Vermont Constitution is a living document and, as such, is allowed to be amended. However, the authors of our Constitution in 1777 did not make it an easy document to amend. It is a multi-year process, requiring review and approval in two consecutive legislative biennia (in this case 2019-20 and 2021-22) and a vote by Vermonters at the end (in this case November 2022). Vermont's original Constitution was written in Windsor at the Old Constitution House, which was the capital of the early Vermont Republic. It was first amended in 1786. Our current constitution was adopted in 1793 after Vermont was admitted to the Union in 1791. In 1870 it was amended to allow for proposed changes to be ratified by the Vermont voters. Since then Vermonters have ratified 28 of the 30

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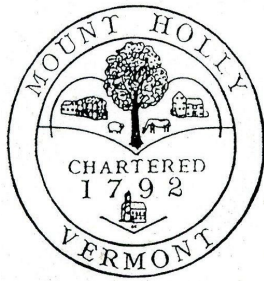
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Mount Holly Town News

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 Okemo Valley TV. The videos can be viewed at their website, www.okemovalley.tv. Computers with internet access are available at the Town Library.

Mount Holly Select Board Meeting April 13, 2021 Minutes In-Person with Zoom Meeting: 898 6126 5487

Present: Select Board: Jeff Chase, Jennifer Matthews, Mark Turco

(Chair)

Town Officials: Dennis Devereux, Francis DeVine, David Johnson, Annette Lynch, Jon McCann, Stephen Michel, Renee Sarmento, James Seward, Carol Woolley, Clinton Woolley Members of the

Public: Martina Barnes (GMNF Manchester District Ranger), Paul Barton, Mel & Buddy

Batchelder, Gabrielle Bickford, Zena Gates, Katie Hollebeck, Craig Hutt Vater (Mount Holly School Principal), Judy Hyjek, Mount Holly School Students Jameson and Thomas, Paul Orzechowski, Alice Perry, Donna Seward, Amy Turco

**To Contact Mt. Holly Town Road Crew,
call the Town Garage at 259-3179**

Regular Select Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Town Office. Items to be included on the Agenda are due by Noon the Wednesday before the meeting.

1. Call to Order by Mark Turco at 6:34 pm.

2. All recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Changes and/or additions to the agenda – Jeff Chase asked to move Item #6.a., Improvements to Nature Trail Network, up in the agenda. It was agreed to do so following Item #5.a., Green Mountain National Forest Update. Mr. Turco said a request had been made to add a letter about a Class IV road to the agenda. Jennifer Matthews explained the letter was received on Monday morning, well past the agenda items deadline of Wednesday at noon prior to a Select Board meeting. Mr. Turco said we would discuss the letter at the meeting's end if time permitted.

4. Approval of March 9th, 2021 Minutes and March 4th & March 26th Special Select Board Meeting Minutes – Mr. Chase made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved.

5. Reports

a. Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) Update – Martina C. Barnes, Manchester District Ranger – Ms. Barnes introduced herself to the community. She spoke briefly about the 3,389 acres of Green Mountain National Forest located in Mount Holly and the ongoing work there of active forest management, wildlife habitat creation, and recreation projects. She mentioned there was a safety concern about the bridge at the end of Greendale Road, and the Select Board agreed to meet with her staff to discuss the issue. In response to a question from Ms. Matthews about specific projects in the GMNF located in Mount Holly, Ms. Barnes said there was an early successional habitat project in the works that would create and promote sustainable habitat for wildlife and birds which would involve some timber harvesting. Ms. Barnes thanked the Select Board for the opportunity to speak, and the Select Board thanked her for the update.

6.a. Improvements to Nature Trail Network – Jameson reported on changes to the proposed nature trail. After talking with Road Foreman Clinton Woolley, the students decided to move the trail so that it only crosses the drive into the town garage before returning to school property. Mr. Turco said the Select Board will review the map and the changes and then discuss any liability issues with the town's insurance agency and the town attorney. He thanked Jameson for a very good presentation.

b. Highways & Transfer Station Update – Clinton Woolley reported on needed repairs to the loader bucket at a cost of \$2,500 for labor and materials, or \$1,500 for a patch; a new bucket would cost \$13,000. Food scrap collection and disposal is growing with four 30-gallon totes driven up to Rutland County Solid Waste in the past week. A proposal has been received from Music Mountain Compost to pick up food scraps every two weeks at a cost of \$25 per 55-gallon drum with shavings supplied. Ms. Matthews suggested Mr. Woolley find out if a contract is needed and if other towns are satisfied with the service provided.

i) Computer Replacement – Mr. Woolley noted his office computer dates from 2012 and needs to be updated. Mr. Turco asked him to look into the cost of a new computer. Ms. Matthews noted that Larry Gold helped the Listers with the purchase of a new computer and the transfer of data from the old computer to the new, and that he might be a resource for Mr. Woolley.

ii) Structures Grant – Mr. Chase has prepared a FY22 Structures Grant application for replacement of the Summit Road culvert. A temporary culvert was installed last fall with a new box culvert required by the State for the final repair. Project cost will run between \$160-180,000 with a 10% local match required. If the grant is received, work will take place next year between July and October; a RFP will be issued for design work first, followed by a second RFP for construction.

c. Treasurer – David Johnson

i) Monthly Income & Expense Report – Mr. Johnson reported the Culvert Repair Fund is at \$50,740; the Property Taxes Receivables amount of \$113,516 is for less properties but a higher dollar value than a year ago; the Dog License Receipts amount of \$356 is not very high with only 130 dogs registered – perhaps time to do another dog census; the Solid Waste Labels Sold amount of \$22,694 is more than last year and ahead of budgeted amount; Lister Expense of \$3,660 includes the cost of the new computer; Solid Waste Hauling & Disposal Expense of \$42,833 is through the end of March and running slightly over budget; Vehicle/Equip Repair & Maintenance

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amount of \$16,219 will increase as it does not include a recently received invoice of \$3,100 for new springs for the truck.

ii) Independent Audit Update – The audit process has begun with RHR Smith receiving a download of QuickBooks and some initial documents. An on-site visit is planned for the end of the month.

TREE WARDEN NEEDED

The Tree Warden is Responsible for the Care & Maintenance of Shade Trees in Town Right-of-Ways.

These Responsibilities include:

- Make Determinations about Shade Tree Removals
- Post Notices for the Planned Cutting of Shade Trees
- Determine the Penalties for Willfully and Critically Injuring or Cutting Shade Trees
- Enforce All Laws Relating to Shade Trees
- May Develop a Community Tree Planting and Care Program
- Work with the Mount Holly Conservation Commission and the VT Urban & Community Forestry Program to Develop a Shade Tree Preservation Plan for the Community*

Interested?

Please send a Letter of Interest stating your qualifications for the position to the Mount Holly Select Board, PO Box 248, Mount Holly 05758, or to mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com

This is a yearly, appointed position.

*for additional information on tree warden responsibilities see:

[Tree Warden Statutes | Vermont Urban and Community Forestry](#)
(vtcommunityforestry.org)

iii) Health Reimbursement Account Update – There is \$2,707 in the account, so a deposit is not needed this year.

d. Mount Holly Planning Commission Update – **Jon McCann** reported that an additional correction to the Flood Hazard Area Regulations has been made via a previous Select Board letter; a State law passed in January 2020 requires all boundary line changes to be filed with the State, and a sheet explaining this is now included in the subdivision packet; revisions to the Town Plan continue with a recent review of information pertaining to Mount Holly received from the State geologist and the State archeologist.

e. Mount Holly Conservation Commission Update – **Francis DeVine** reported that they are pulling together a group to work on the Municipal Shade Tree Preservation Plan; a Tree Warden is needed to help with this work; the \$4,500 VT Watershed grant application for education and research on Star Lake was turned down; the community survey generated 109 online responses and seven paper responses, for a 10% response rate; a preliminary report from Castleton University on the survey responses is to come; work continues on updating the town's

inventory of natural resources with a visit to look at vernal pools planned.

f. Rutland Regional Planning Commission Update – **Jon McCann** – No update necessary.

6. Ongoing & Old Business

a. Improvements to Nature Trail Network – see above.

b. Mount Holly School/Town Garage Water System Permits & Documents – Review & Sign – Ms. Matthews briefly reviewed the reasons for the water system and the documents drafted, including a Memorandum of Agreement

between the Town and the School which states the responsibilities for and the costs of the water system's design, construction, installation, connection, maintenance and decommissioning fall upon the School District with no municipal tax burden. All documents were reviewed and revised by our town attorney to protect the town from any liability. Mr. Chase read the attached Resolution in to the

record. Mr. Turco made a motion to adopt the resolution, seconded by Ms. Matthews, unanimously approved. Mr. Turco signed the Memorandum of Agreement, which will next be signed by the School District. Once the Memorandum of Agreement is signed and the State permits are signed and approved, the Easement Deed will be executed and recorded with the town clerk. Paul Orzechowski, the Ludlow-Mount Holly Unified Union School District Board Chair, and Mount Holly School Principal Craig Hutt Vater both thanked the Select Board and the town for their willingness, and for their time and effort to make this happen.

c. FY21 Lower Healdville Road, Alpine Drive, Chalet Drive & Station Road Paving Bids – Open – Mr. Chase opened and read the bids as follows: Bazin Brothers, \$113,254.10; Fuller Sand & Gravel, \$99,325.40; Pike Industries, \$114,602.75; and, Wilk Paving, \$107,571.00. Discussion ensued. Mr. Woolley stated Fuller has done a good job in the past. Mr. Chase made a motion to accept Fuller's bid of \$99,325.40 for the paving of lower Healdville Road, Alpine Drive, Chalet Drive & Station Road to limits shown on the RFP, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved.

d. Mowing of Town Lands Bids – Open – Mr. Chase noted three bids were received in three different formats, so they are difficult to compare. He will break down the numbers and put them in a spreadsheet for comparison. Mr. Chase and Mr. Turco thanked Guilmette Landworks, Fitzgerald General Services, and Norton's Property Management for submitting bids. A decision regarding the mowing will be made at an upcoming Select Board meeting.

Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

The Mount Holly Animal Control Officer is Laura Swartz. She handles all calls concerning domesticated and farm animals, including Animal Cruelty concerns. For more information or to make a report please call **Home (802) 259-3976** or Cell text only 802-353-4492.

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.

CLOSED Monday

**Mount Holly Town Office
May 31st In Observance
Of Memorial Day**

e. Junk Ordinance Enforcement – Mr. Turco explained that enforcement of the ordinance had been put on hold due to the pandemic, but now with the arrival of spring and businesses reopening, it was time to begin enforcement measures once again. Discussion ensued on previous steps taken and how to proceed. It was decided that Ms. Matthews will consult with the town attorney to determine the proper steps to take in enforcement of the ordinance. Concerns were also raised about trash and junk accumulating at the Blue Spruce Inn. Ms. Matthews will send them a letter letting them know they are in violation of the junk ordinance.

f. Select Board Admin. Assistant Position – Ms. Matthews reported she is working with the Leddy Group to find a qualified candidate.

Spring is in the Air!

Time for yard clean-up &
time for any junk-in-the-yard clean-up.

Remember, the Town of Mount Holly has a Junk
Ordinance:

[http://www.mounthollyvt.org/town-ordinances-
policies/](http://www.mounthollyvt.org/town-ordinances-policies/)

Avoid the Ordinance!

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formation of a small committee to evaluate and prioritize the concerns and to research the costs to best remedy these issues. Mr. Devereux volunteered to head the committee and then to report back to the Select Board with recommendations. A notice will be posted asking for volunteers for the traffic study committee.

b. Local Emergency Management Plan – Adopt & Sign – Mr. Chase explained the plan is to be updated annually. He along with the Rutland Regional Planning Commission made the necessary updates. Mr. Chase made a motion to adopt the 2020/21 Local Emergency Management Plan, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved.

c. Road Surface Cut Policy – Adopt & Sign – Ms. Matthews explained this policy stems from requests by property owners and Green Mountain Power to bury utilities, occasionally necessitating a road surface cut. The policy spells out the Town of Mount Holly's conditions when a road surface cut is needed. Ms. Matthews made a motion to adopt and sign the Road Surface Cut Policy, seconded by Mr. Chase, unanimously approved.

d. Conservation Commission Member Resignation – Mr. Turco read the email received from Nicole Lewis, informing us of her decision to resign from the Conservation Commission due to time constraints. Ms. Matthews made a motion to accept Nicole Lewis' resignation from the Conservation Commission with regrets, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved.

e. Sharon Lane Old Recycling Shed Rental Request – Mr. Turco read Josh Bickford's request to rent the town building on Sharon Lane. Ms. Matthews mentioned she had briefly spoken with the town attorney about this. We do have the ability to raise funds for the Town through rental of town-owned properties. We would need a Certificate of Insurance from the leasee and a signed lease with requirements that any damage done to the property is the leasee's responsibility. Discussion ensued about town equipment currently stored there and town space needs. Mr. Turco will talk with Mr. Woolley about both, and he will talk with Mr. Bickford. This item will be on next month's agenda once additional information is gathered.

f. Other – Mr. Chase spoke with Bob Bryant concerning the end of Shunpike Road where drivers are often traveling at a high rate of speed and fail to negotiate the sharp turn towards VT Route 103; as such, cars go off the road. Discussion ensued about the signs currently in place, which are based on State recommendations, the need to repaint the lines on the road, and the need to enter a State highway at a 90-degree angle. Mr. Woolley will talk with VTrans about the right-of-way there and any other possible remedies. Dennis Devereux spoke of the five trees cut down last year in the Old Mechanicsville Cemetery and the five trees to be cut down in the Carlton Cemetery this year. The house next to the cemetery has sold and he has reached out to the new owner for permission to access the trees via their property.

8. Citizen Comments – Paul Barton spoke of his concerns about the damage being done to the old headstones in the Tarbellville Cemetery by State plows. As the plows go by, slush, gravel and debris are hitting the headstones with damaging force and with complete disregard for those buried there, including an old soldier buried there in 1862. Discussion ensued about possible remedies to this situation. Mr. Devereux, as a Cemetery Commissioner, will look into this by talking with VTrans and investigating ways to protect the headstones.

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g. Other – There was no additional Old & Ongoing Business this evening.

7. New Business

a. Traffic Safety Concerns – Mr. Turco reported that the Select Board had received ten emails regarding traffic concerns in town: one pertained to the intersection of Healdville Road and VT Route 103, which is under State jurisdiction and would have to be addressed by the State; there were emails pro and con about removing the grassy triangle at Lake Street and Belmont Road; and, there were many emails concerned about speed in the village of Belmont. Dennis Devereux noted that most of the emails did concern the village of Belmont with general agreement on lowering the speed to 25 mph in the village. He also mentioned concerns about the difficulty making turns at the grassy triangle, the possibility of 'stop ahead' signs both on Lake Street and Tarbellville Road, and the speed on Healdville Road. Discussion ensued with concerns raised about other roads (Shunpike Road, Gates Road), and possible solutions including a traffic study, radar speed signs, other signage, speed bumps, the possibility of holding a hearing dedicated to traffic concerns. Ms. Matthews suggested the

Traffic Safety Concerns Study Committee

Concerns have been raised about a number of different traffic safety issues in Mount Holly. At its April meeting, the Select Board decided to create a committee to look at traffic safety concerns. The committee will look at various traffic safety issues, evaluate and prioritize them, and research possible remedies and their costs. The committee will then make recommendations to the Select Board. If you are interested in addressing traffic safety concerns in town and perhaps joining this committee, please contact Dennis Devereux @ 802-259-2460 or at ddevereux@vermontel.net

9. Announcements/Other Business –

a. Reminder: Household Hazardous Waste Collection @ the Transfer Station on Saturday, April 17th, 8:00 am to 10:00 am only

b. Other – There were no additional Announcements this evening.

10. Review & Sign Orders – To be signed one Select Board member at a time at the town office.

11. Executive Session: Title 1 V.S.A. S 313(a)(3) – personnel – Ms. Matthews made the motion to enter Executive Session per previously quoted Statute at 8:36 pm, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved. Ms. Matthews made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:52 pm, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved. No actions were taken.

12. Adjourn – Mr. Turco adjourned the meeting at 8:52 pm. Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Matthews

Mount Holly Planning Commission Remote Electronic – Special Work Meeting Minutes Wednesday April 7, 2021

Commission Members Present: Jon McCann (Chair), Jim Seward (Vice Chair), Stephen Michel,

Commission Members Absent: Lisa Terreri (Secretary), Brigid Sullivan

Also Present: Renee Sarmento (Clerk), Okemo Valley TV

1. Jon called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm.

2. No changes to agenda.

3. Town Plan Revisions

a.Update from State Geologist: Email received from State Geologist regarding professional view of geological landscape/important geology in Mount Holly. Jon responded with the following questions, but has not yet received a response:

1. Is the Mount Holly Complex described as a major rock formation in town named after the town of Mount Holly?

2. In your view are there any new details about the Mammoth from Dartmouth worth including in the Town Plan?

3. Jon had seen various places on website and in the state archives there is some information about radioactive sources and/or uranium around Okemo. Is this noteworthy?

4. In our 1974 town plan it refers to "Hortonville esker natural areas inventory-208G. It says this area is an important geological feature illustrating glacial deposits. Does the state geologist agree with this, and is it worth including a description of the geology in the Town Plan?

b.Update from State Archaeologist

i.Email received from State Archeologist included a short statement with a long list of archeological sites. List included sites within the Green Mountain National Forest, but more sites will be included at a later time. Due to protection rules sites cannot be pinpointed. How would sites be mapped if public is not permitted to know where they are?

Jon responded with the following questions, and will report back:

1. Has the Halfway Camp on Crown Point Road been studied or documented at all? Halfway Camp was a British encampment (on Perry Farm) for soldiers as they were traveling from Lake Champlain/Fort Ticonderoga to Boston.

2. There were two areas (Ludlow gap -Rt.103 and West River Gap-Rt.155) in town that were very heavily used by Native Americans. Sources state mammoths and Native Americans used these pathways as the main route from Lake Champlain to the Connecticut River. Haven't seen documented archeological sites where camps or Native American relics have been found in Mount Holly. What would we look for if wanting to make a recommendation? For example, if someone were digging a ditch and found something, what would they do? Asking for recommendations from archeologist about what to look for, and what to do when you find something.

3. Asked for details regarding documentation about West River corridor for Native Americans.

4. There are a couple Civilian Conservation Corp sites in town. The most prominent is near the top of Okemo. Does this fall into archeology or is it too recent?

5. There were two studies of cultural landscape done by the University of Maine. One was for the norther part of town adjacent to Coolidge state forest (Tiny pond), and another done in Okemo state forest. Are we able to receive copies?

ii.Steven stated Dennis Devereaux would be a good source of early settler sites. There is a map of past one room school houses in Blacksmith shop.

iii.Jon is hoping the Conservation Commission could help with making make a list of these things. There are people on the commission that know quite a bit of the history. Phil Leonard may have a map of stone walls and cellar holes.

iv.Next steps include contacting Dennis Devereaux and individuals at the museum.

v.Steven spoke about the upcoming museum board meeting at the Odd Fellows Hall on Monday, April 12th at 6:30pm. Steven will attend, and invite members to a Planning Commission meeting. Steven will also relay message that Planning Commission is interested in working with them and the Conservation Commission to create an inventory of important archeological and historical sites.

c.Review past Mount Holly Town Plans i.Past Town Plans have all been uploaded to the Google Drive. Comparisons can be made using Word or PDF. ii.Discussion about thoughts on old Town Plans.

1. Steven shared he thought the history of the town in the 2004 Town Plan was well done.



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Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday March 17th, 2021

Commission Members Present: Jon McCann (Chair), Jim Seward (Vice Chair), Stephen Michel, Brigid Sullivan, Lisa Terreri (Secretary)

Ex Officio Members Present: Jennifer Matthews (Select Board)

Also Present: Anna McGee Hanson, David Rose, (joined at 6:45) Renee Sarmento (Clerk)

1. Jon McCann called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm

2. No changes to agenda.

3. Minutes: a. The minutes from February 17th, were approved as distributed.

4. Reports and Announcements a. Clerk's Report - Went back through Town Reports to 1990 listing those who have served on the Planning Commission and Select Board. Jennifer Matthews requested the list be provided to the Select Board as well as the PC.

B. Announcements: future meetings will be held at 7:00 on a regular basis.

5. Correspondence (order changed to accommodate those present) **a. Subdivision Proposals:** Bolalek sketch plan review -- David Rose, appearing on behalf of Bolaleks, indicated that a previously permitted driveway exists on a 3.18-acre pie shaped parcel with a cabin in the back of it. That parcel will be subdivided and the back part will be kept in Bolalek ownership with a driveway right of way. The adjoining 20.1-acre parcel (Lot 4) will be combined with the front "half" of the pie shaped parcel and be sold as one parcel. The documents were determined to be complete. The Commission decided the application is a Minor Subdivision. A public hearing will be required and abutters must be notified. Jon McCann moved that the Planning Commission hold a public hearing on the matter on April 21 at 6:30 pm. Seconded by Jim Seward. Approved unanimously. **b. Building Construction Registrations:** Russ and Joan Garrow - Maple Hill Road The sketch plan was missing the driveway location and lot dimensions. Also building dimensions and distance of the building to the four sides of the lot were not on the drawing. Jim Seward and Stephen Michel suggested it be sent back for those items and revisited at the April meeting. - Anna McGee Hanson spoke to the registration for 361 Tarbellville Road. An existing garage on the property is being converted to a house as soon as approval is received. They will be doing the work themselves and the plat sketch contained all necessary details. The listers may need to designate a house number. Accepted. - Craig and Marie Fortier submitted plans for new house and barn with new water and waste systems within a 2.5 acre cleared area on the 40+acre property with all necessary details. Accepted and submitted to the file. **c. Wastewater system and potable water supply permits:** Fortier and McGee received.

6. Email/Other:

7. Unfinished Business: None.

8. New Business a. Property Line Changes and Survey Filing Guide -- As of 1/2/20, a new state law requires that all boundary line adjustments and surveys must be filed with the State. They are to be submitted by a surveyor as a PDF after being signed, stamped and recorded by the Town Clerk. Current and former Town Clerks recommended that we add the requirement to the subdivision packet of Planning Commission information given to the public. Jon McCann will complete and deliver to Clerk.

9. Public Comments: None.

10. Upcoming meetings a. Working meeting -- April 7th, 7:00 pm (1st Wednesday) b. Public Hearing on Bolalek Subdivision-- April 21st, 6:30 pm c. Regular meeting -- April 21st, 7:00 pm (3rd Wednesday)

11. Executive Session: Brigid Sullivan moved the PC go into executive session for 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(E) or 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(F). McCann seconded. The vote was 4 ayes and 1 abstention (Jim Seward).

12. The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm. For the Commission, Brigid Sullivan for Renee Sarmento, Planning Commission Clerk

2. Jon stated the 2004 and 1999 Town Plan were similar, but the 2008 and the 2018 Town Plan were significantly different. Plans from 1974 to the late 80's when the rules changed around Act 200 were similar, and then it changed to needing inventories and goals. This changed around 1993. The 1993 Town Plan was rejected, and then re-voted on. Adjustments were made to end the lawsuit with Okemo.

4. Public comments - none

5. Upcoming meetings c. April 21 6:30 PM - Public Hearing

d. April 21 7:00 PM -- Regular Meeting

e. Adjournment - meeting adjourned at 7:37pm. For the Commission, Renee Sarmento, Planning Commission Clerk

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The food shelf provides individuals and families with an abundance of fresh produce, vegetables, meat, bread, frozen foods and more, and can be used twice a month. Signup is quick and easy-all can be done confidentially over the phone. Pickup is offered safely outside.

Several food programs are available through BRGNS food shelf. As a USDA Program provider, folks can pick up full bags of food including fresh fruit, vegetables and eggs, twice a month. A network member of the Vermont Food Bank, the food shelf participates in the federal nutrition program entitled "Commodities Supplemental Food Program" that offers free monthly boxes of food filled with canned fruits and vegetables, juice, cereal, pasta, cheese, shelf-stable milk and canned meats.

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protest march does not include the right to march on Shelburne Road at rush hour. Similarly, I understand the Vermont Constitution to allow for reasonable regulation of the time, manner, and place of exercising gun rights.

The question of any proposed gun safety law then narrows to the question of whether the proposal is really reasonable. I think this question is less clear than the constitutional question. Opponents of S.30 make a good point that enforcement may prove difficult. Also, I don't dismiss the argument that legal prohibitions might not have much impact on a person bent on evil. But this part of the discussion is in a grey area, and largely speculative. No matter how complex a question may be, each legislator must finally vote either yea or nay. I see it as common sense that there are some places where guns simply don't belong. The safety and the peace of mind of hospital staff, patients, and troubled families tipped the scales for me.

I don't enjoy disappointing or angering any citizen. But the People speak in many disagreeing voices, and I'm bound by my oath of office to use my own best judgement. Thank you for hearing me out. Senator Dick McCormack

Summit on the Future of Vermont

May 26 & 27, 1-5 pm- Virtual Registration will open in late April

The summit on the future of Vermont on May 26 & 27 will bring Vermonters together to consider the Vermont Proposition – a framework of ideas for the future of the state, drawn from the input of thousands of Vermonters that lays out a set of bold opportunities for our economy, communities and environment by mid-century.

Join us to consider ideas for Vermont's future, think with experts and leaders, contribute your ideas for action and engage in partnership for the future of Vermont.

We'll send email registration details later in April. In the meantime, you can learn more and see the Summit agenda at futureofvermont.org/summit.

The Summit on Future of Vermont is produced by the Vermont Council on Rural Development. Contact us with questions at 802-223-6091 or info@vtural.org

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And, as always, financial assistance is available through Black River Good Neighbor Services. Help with rent, utilities, and heating and disaster relief assistance are all included.

Your community supports these services. Please help spread the word to those who may need a helping hand, an extra meal, or ongoing assistance with weekly groceries. The food shelf may be reached at 802-228-3663.

Dear Editor,

Please forgive a form letter. It seems the best way to respond to a letter writing campaign and still have time for my other duties. I want to give you the respect of an accounting of why I didn't vote as you wished on Senate Bill 30.

We have no disagreement about the primacy of the U.S. Constitution or the constitutional right to keep and bear arms. Nor do I dispute the Vermont Constitution's protection of the right to self-defense. I'm pledged under oath to uphold both constitutions. Where we do disagree is on whether those constitutional rights are violated by any and all regulations. I understand the Second Amendment as not only allowing reasonable regulation, but explicitly inviting it. As an analogy, my First Amendment right to stage a

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The deep snow has been replaced by slippery mud, a sure sign that spring is here! Sun shines a bit brighter and longer every day now, making our gardens irresistible on warmer days. But beware, don't be tempted to get too ambitious just yet, but there several jobs that can be done before digging any soil. Hidden deep in all that messy leaf litter in your gardens are many overwintering beneficial creatures that need a little more time before they awaken and get to work. Let them have this time and wait until we pass the freezing nights before clearing up those beds. It's best that wet soil should not be disturbed just yet. Let the water drain and dry out for another week or two before digging anywhere. Even walking across a squishy lawn now is hard on the soil and roots. Still, there are plenty of mud season jobs that can be done now so let's get started! [VermontHomeGardener.com](https://vermonthomegardener.com)

Start Your Gardens!

Despite this week's chilly nights, spring is officially here and the gardening season has begun! New birds and wildflowers are appearing almost daily while rhubarb and daffodils have come to life. The previous article described some early pruning and fruit tree protection techniques that should be done and it's still a good time for those important tasks. In this week's topic, we'll look at starting your own garden plants from seed to assure you get better varieties and, of course, it's very satisfying to grow your own plants from seed to fruit or flower. Now is the best time to get certain seeds started indoors and this article offers some simple home options to begin your favorite garden plants. *Read the complete article and subscribe for free at <https://vermonthomegardener.com/>*

Garden Choices

April is National Garden Month so I'd like to write about starting a garden and the planning and choices that requires. Most basically "What should I grow?" It depends on what you want to eat or to see in your yard, and the kind of work you can do. Soil & climate conditions in Vermont place some limits on our choices too. No bananas, oranges, or mangoes, but we do have a wide selection of great fruits, vegetables, and flowers that do very well here. We are in Agricultural Zone 4 or 5, depending on location and altitude so we need to pay attention to the "Hardiness" of what we plant, especially perennials.

Thinking long-term? Some of the perennials that do well here and that you should establish in the spring include Asparagus, Rhubarb, Strawberries, Blueberries, Raspberries, Elderberries, & Blackberries. Perennials are started with young plants or "crowns" grown by nurseries and usually take 2 or 3 years to mature into production. If you don't have them growing yet, this is may be the year to start. Choose 1 or 2 that you like, locate a place they can grow undisturbed, get high quality plants (don't waste your time with cheap ones), and get them started. They will reward you for your effort for many years to come!

Read the full article about getting perennials & annuals started at [VermontHomeGardener.com](https://vermonthomegardener.com)



Abenaki Chief, Don Stevens, Speaks to Ludlow Rotary

Don Stevens, Chief of the Nulhegan Band of the Coosuk Abenaki Nation, spoke to members of the Ludlow Rotary Club (LRC) during its recent weekly meeting.

During his comments, Stevens described the historical background of the Abenaki, its geographic location in Vermont, New Hampshire, and Canada, and the influx of southern tribes from the Connecticut and Massachusetts areas.

He noted that the Abenaki have a history dating back 11,000 years in this area. With the influx of Europeans in the 17th and 18th centuries, tribes from the Deerfield and Greylock areas of Massachusetts were forced north in Abenaki territory.

Of particular interest was the relationship between the tribes and the English and French settlers and military personnel. According to Stevens, the British, especially their military, was very standoffish while the French tended to develop a rapport with tribal members. For this reason, the Abenaki allied themselves with the French during the French and Indian Wars.

Stevens described the period in Vermont during the early 1930's as a troubling one for Abenaki members. In 1931, the Vermont Legislature enacted eugenics laws forcing "undesirable" people to be sterilized.

This highlighted the perennial problem faced by the Abenaki in terms of their identity. Stevens noted that non-Indian cultures normally had a long history of their family and national identity. Unfortunately, the Indians, due principally to language differences, did not as far as the European-oriented people were concerned.

Stevens was the first Vermonter to be vaccinated during the Covid crisis. This was part of his effort to convince the Abenaki of the desirability of the vaccination to deal with Covid.

He also noted that the Abenaki language, initially with the help of the French, was being preserved. Currently Stevens has been working with Middlebury College to provide training in the language.

Don Stevens is an award-winning leader, businessman, writer, and lecturer. He has been featured in magazines, books, TV shows, and documentaries. Don was appointed to the Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs by Governor Douglas in 2006 for two terms where he served as Chair. He led the fight to obtain legal recognition for the Abenaki People in Vermont. He was able to acquire tribal land for the Nulhegan Tribe which had been absent for over 200 years. He has over 26 years of experience in successfully developing Information Technology, Logistics, and Manufacturing strategies for multi-million dollar companies. He proudly served in the US Army and graduated from Champlain College with a degree in Computer Information Systems. Ralph Pace

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FOLA Hopefully Will Reopen the Heald Auditorium With a Silent Movie Comedy Classic, "The Freshman"

After discussing the options with Scott Murphy, Ludlow's Municipal Manager, FOLA (Friends of Ludlow Auditorium) hopes to reopen the Heald Auditorium in Ludlow Town Hall on Saturday, August 21 at 7 PM with its annual Silent Movie Festival, featuring the comedic eloquence of Harold Lloyd in the comedy classic, "The Freshman".

According to Scott Stearns, FOLA's Program Director, "This will be a wonderful chance for area folks to enjoy the great comedy of Harold Lloyd along with the incomparable musical background created by Jeff Rapsis". He added that FOLA will be restarting its movie and musical schedule at that time with events planned through the end of the year.

FOLA has already made arrangements with Susan Haefner and Lisa Brigantino for a live musical concert in the auditorium on Saturday, Nov. 13.

Stearns indicated that

FOLA would be releasing its movie schedule for the September through December period shortly.

As indicated by Murphy in his discussions with FOLA, all of these plans are subject to both the future developments associated with the Covid virus as well as plans initiated by Governor Scott.

Pictured is Silent Actor Harold Lloyd as he appears in the film, "The Freshman". Susan Haefner, and Lisa Brigantino (in the inset), will be performing a live musical concert in November in the Heald Auditorium. [Ralph Pace](#)



Little Yellow House Studio Virtually presents *Tea & Twain*

Little Yellow House Studio presents *Tea & Twain* starring Broadway, film and television actor [Ron Crawford](#) as the renowned American author and satirist Mark Twain. Viewers are invited to enjoy a favorite cup of tea as Ron performs his one-man show *Travels with Mark Twain* based on Twain's famous traveling lecture series, featuring readings from some of his most beloved works; including 'Tom Sawyer,' 'Huck Finn' and 'Adam and Eve'. The performance re-creates Twain's lectures from a hundred years ago, his adventures as a steamboat pilot on the Mississippi, his mining days out West, the Hawaiian Islands, and his first tour of Europe along with his caustic, humorous observations—and a few tall stories.

Actor and creator Ron Crawford appeared in the original Tony Award-winning Steppenwolf production of *The Grapes of Wrath* as it progressed from Chicago to London to Broadway and became a television special on PBS. Around the country in regional theaters some of Ron's favorite roles have included the hapless white realtor in *A Raisin in the Sun*, the black and white heroes of Fugard's wonderful *Valley Song*, ancient Nonno in *The Night of the Iguana*, Candy in *Of Mice and Men*, Scrooge in *A Christmas Carol*, and the grumpy grandfather in *Ragtime*.

[Susan Haefner](#), Little Yellow House Studio Founder says "I'm so excited to be collaborating with Ron again, having previously presented *Travels with Mark Twain* in both Vermont and in NYC. Ron as

Twain is simply a delight—audiences are in for quite a treat, in the comfort of their own living rooms."

Little Yellow House Studio team member and composer/musician [Lisa Brigantino](#) will be supplying original music in the style of early 20th Century music, as well as some Public Domain arrangements for pre/post show music for the production. "It's been wonderful collaborating with Little Yellow House Studio this past year. The studio has provided me a number of opportunities to supply music for virtual productions and it's been a great way to keep the creative juices flowing during this challenging time."

Tea & Twain performance dates and times are: Saturday April 24th and Saturday, May 1st at 7pm EST; and Sunday, April 25th and Sunday, May 2nd at 4pm EST. Viewers are invited to a virtual tea party starting 30 minutes before each performance.

The performance is "pay what you can" with a recommended price of \$15 per viewer. A zoom link will be provided with ticket purchase. Tickets can be purchased at: <https://littleyellowhousestudio.com/events/>.

Tea & Twain is the inaugural theater production presented by Little Yellow House Studio, launched in 2020 with a mission to educate and inspire students of the arts and grow community through performing arts. Little Yellow House Studio also offers voice, acting, musical theater and communications coaching, educational residencies, virtual and live music concerts as well as video production services.

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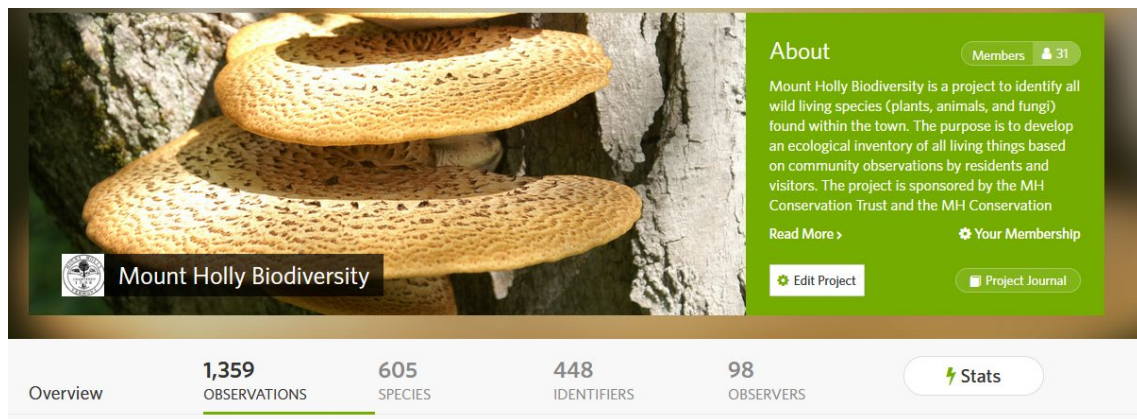
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As of mid-April we had 1,359 total observations submitted by 31 project members who identified 605 species. That breaks down into 289 plants, 140 insects, 71 birds, 50 fungi, 16 mammals, 8 amphibians, and several smaller groups. Spring will bring out wildflowers, birds, insects in great abundance. Already migratory birds are returning, including bluebirds, phoebes, kinglets, warblers, ducks, hawks, and many others are moving in. Frogs are calling and salamanders are waking. Gone fishing? Photograph and report the fish in Lake Ninevah or Star Lake too. If you enjoy any of these you can join the Biodiversity Project and become a Community Scientist!

Your observations will help! Using iNaturalist on your smart phone or computer, every time you see a bird, a plant, or a wild animal in Mount Holly iNaturalist will help you identify it and then submit it to our community project. All you do is take a photo on your smart phone or digital camera, submit it to iNaturalist, and the program gives you the probable identification and gives you credit for the observation! Can you guess the most common species found in Mount Holly?

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How can I join? Once you have the app on your smart phone you can join the **Mount Holly Biodiversity** project. When you open the app on your phone or go to our project webpage on your computer (<https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/mount-holly-biodiversity>) click on "Join Project" just above the green "About" square of text describing the project. Once you have joined the project your observations will automatically be submitted to our town's ecological inventory plus you will receive occasional news and updates about the project. The project webpage also shows you who has the most species, how many species have been found, lists the most frequently seen species (can you guess what it is?), and provides an interactive map of Mount Holly showing where all the observations have been recorded!

This is "citizen science" at its best, we hope you will enjoy using iNaturalist to learn the names of the plants and animals you find and

join us in learning more about the amazing natural biodiversity of Mount Holly. As spring turns into summer there will be an explosion of wildflowers, birds, insects, amphibians and more for you to identify. This is a great outdoor family activity and a wonderful way to teach children about nature. The project is sponsored by the Mount Holly Conservation Trust and the Mount Holly Conservation Commission. If you would like some assistance getting started or have questions, call Jim at 802-259-2311.



Members of Mount Holly's Bicentennial Committee presented the town an official Bicentennial Seal at a recent selectman's meeting. Pictured above are Selectmen Peter Haaren, Raymond Trabell & Warren Cole, and Sue Covalla (town clerk, member of the Bicentennial Committee, & designer of the seal) and Maryanne Witters & Dennis Devereux, both of the Bicentennial Committee.

The Message For The Week April 21-27 1992 Official Seal Commemorates Mount Holly Bicentennial

The official seal of the Town of Mount Holly was presented to the Selectmen on April 14th, 1992, in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of the founding of the town. The seal was designed by Susan Covalla, town clerk and treasurer which is used on all official documents.

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Contract Award:

The Ludlow Mount Holly Unified Union School Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids which may be submitted. It also reserves the right to award a contract to the bidder who, in the opinion of the Ludlow Mount Holly Unified Union School Board, will best meet the needs of the schools.

John Predom Describes Snowshoe Art to Ludlow Rotary Club Members

At its recent weekly meeting, members of the Ludlow Rotary were pleasantly witness to the snowshoe artistry of John Predom, formerly of Ludlow, now a happy resident in the NorthEast Kingdom.

Predom described how he developed his snowshoe art, noting that it took about 4 to 6 hours, or up to six miles of walking to create a single graphic artwork. He usually used his own "back field" to create the art but required a drone to take photos of it.

When asked what type of snowshoe he preferred, Predom said that he liked wooden shoes, as opposed to metal, and that they measured 46 inches in length and about a foot in width.

He commented that "doing straight lines was much harder than walking in circles" due to the not-so-flat nature of the land.

One Rotarian asked him if he ever made a mistake. To this Predom admitted that he did occasionally make mistakes and that they were

hard to correct since the impressions in the snow were obvious.

Predom maintains a facebook page, <https://www.facebook.com/SnowdogSnowshoeArt>, where some of his graphic art may be seen.

Above is one of the many graphic art designs created by John Predom as taken by a drone. Some of his work has been recently featured on WCAX. Several snowshoe art photos by John Predom attached



Mount Holly Community Cares Task Force

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Everyone at Mount Holly Community Cares hopes that all of you have been enjoying the beautiful weather this spring, despite some of the not so spring like weather this April! Never fear, permanent warm weather will be with us soon!

Community Garden... We are getting ready for our second growing season at the Mount Holly Community Garden. This recent snowfall reminds us that we are in Mount Holly and gardening starts in May and no sooner...at least outside! We established 12 raised beds last year inside of a fenced area at the Route 155 site and this year we are planning on planting spinach, kale, beans, peas, lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, and zucchini plus some herbs. If anyone wants to donate extra seeds and seedlings they may have please let us know by emailing mthollycommunitycares@gmail.com. We are also in search of compost and straw to amend and mulch our raised beds. If you're interested in helping with spring cleanup and planting, as well as on-going watering, let us know. You can decide the level of commitment, whether it is one hour or ten hours, we welcome the involvement. Email mthollycommunitycares@gmail.com for further information. Thanks so much!

MHCC Volunteers... Mount Holly Community Cares recently stepped up to help one of our dear friends and neighbors, Barbara Palotta. As we are sure all of you heard, Barbara's house was struck by lightning and anything electrical in the house was fried, as well as her entire electrical system. Barbara put in a request to the MHCC for assistance in emptying her house in preparation for the electricians who needed to replace all of her wiring. The MHCC Volunteer Coordinator, Carol DeVine, sent out a missive to the Mount Holly community and within 24 hours she received responses from many more volunteers than were needed!! Talk about the wonderful community in which we live! Many, many thanks to all of those people who stepped up so quickly to help Barbara out. And to those who were turned down...Carol said she would be coming back around to gather another group to move Barbara back in when the time came, so you won't be left out! We can't tell you how much we appreciate your care and concern for your neighbors...thank you!

MHCC Food Shelf Reminder... if you would like to access the food shelf, please contact Jo Bania at jo.bania@trsu.org and 259-3661, or Glenn and Laura Davis at gldavis6@juno.com. If you know of someone who may be reluctant to make use of the food shelf, please let Jo know and she would be happy to reach out to them.

We are all hoping that spring brings good health and safety to everyone and, with the insurance of full vaccinations, more family gatherings after this long year of isolation!

Mount Holly Community Cares

A coordinated and cross organizational task force dedicated to addressing the immediate and ongoing needs of the Mt Holly community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Call 211 if in need of assistance and you have not been able to find it...food, fuel, mental health education.



Motherhood

By Katherine L. Dykstra

Baby dolls and dinosaurs-
one that cries, one that roars
The pitter patter of little feet-
a bike race in which they want you to compete
Fruity Pebbles, pancakes, no wait! a pop-tart-
those daily moments that steal your heart
One throws tantrums, the other just pouts-
ahh, the joys of motherhood- what life is all about
Another birthday - two paychecks in all-
but, it is so worth it with smiling memories on the wall
From late night tears to early morning grumps-
through all the bruises, scrapes and bumps
The kisses and hugs, the encouraging words-
from nursery rhymes to the bees and the birds
The laughter, the memories, those looks in their eyes-
never trade it for anything - never compromise
The toys left out, the clothes on the floor-
these are the moments we mothers live for
For we are the ones who are there through it all-
to always make it better and pick them up when they fall
From kissing their boo-boos and making sure they're fed-
passing down stories while tucking them into bed
Through the weight gain, cravings, labor and more-
to that one special moment we spend 9 months waiting for
Eighteen years is what they say, but our work is never done-
a lifetime of tears, laughter, sadness and fun
Nothing in the world can even come close-
to the one special bond God made matter the most
A relationship only two certain people can share-
a mother and her child, nothing will ever compare...

Billy Ray Smith

March 9 at 3:58pm ·

On Jeopardy the other night, the final question was, How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the Tomb of the Unknowns? ----- All three missed it ---

This is really an awesome sight to watch if you've never had the chance Very fascinating.

Tomb of the Unknown Soldier

1. How many steps does the guard take during his walk across the tomb of the Unknowns and why? 21 steps. It alludes to the twenty-one gun salute, which is the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary.

2. How long does he hesitate after his about face to begin his return walk and why? 21 seconds for the same reason as answer number 1

3. Why are his gloves wet? His gloves are moistened to prevent his losing his grip on the rifle.

4. Does he carry his rifle on the same shoulder all the time and if not, why not? He carries the rifle on the shoulder away from the tomb. After his march across the path, he executes an about face and moves the rifle to the outside shoulder.

5. How often are the guards changed? Guards are changed every thirty minutes, twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year.

6. What are the physical traits of the guard limited to? For a person to apply for guard duty at the tomb, he must be between 5' 10" and 6' 2" tall and his waist size cannot exceed 30." Other requirements of the Guard:

They must commit 2 years of life to guard the tomb, live in a barracks under the tomb, and cannot drink any alcohol on or off duty for the rest of



"Flag Song"

By Lydia Avery Ward

Out on the breeze,
Over land and sea
A beautiful banner is streaming;
Shining its stars,
Splendid its bars,
Under the sunshine it's gleaming.

Hail to the flag,
The American Flag----
The flag that is red, white and blue.

Over the brave,
Long may it wave,
Peace to the world ever bringing;
While to the stars,
Linked with the bars,
Hearts will forever be singing.

Hail to the flag,
The American Flag---
The flag that is red, white and blue.

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their lives.

They cannot swear in public for the rest of their lives and cannot disgrace the uniform {fighting} or the tomb in any way. After two years, the guard is given a wreath pin that is worn on their lapel signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 400 presently worn.

The guard must obey these rules for the rest of their lives or give up the wreath pin.

The shoes are specially made with very thick soles to keep the heat and cold from their feet. There are metal heel plates that extend to the top of the shoe in order to make the loud click as they come to a halt. There are no wrinkles, folds or lint on the uniform. Guards dress for duty in front of a full-length mirror. The first six months of duty a guard cannot talk to anyone, nor watch TV. All off duty time is spent studying the 175 notable people laid to rest in Arlington National Cemetery. A guard must memorize who they are and where they are interred.

Among the notables are: President Taft, Joe E. Lewis {the boxer} and Medal of Honor winner Audie Murphy, {the most decorated soldier of WWII} of Hollywood fame.

Every guard spends five hours a day getting his uniforms ready for guard duty.

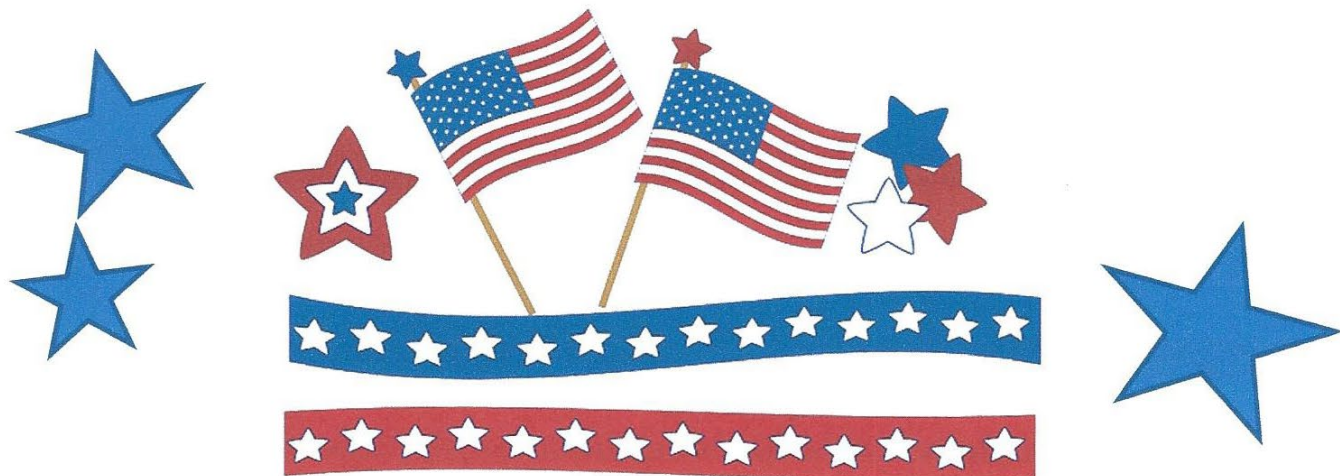
ETERNAL REST GRANT THEM O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

In 2003 as Hurricane Isabelle was approaching Washington, DC, our US Senate/House took 2 days off with anticipation of the storm. On the ABC evening news, it was reported that because of the dangers from the hurricane, the military members assigned the duty of guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier were given permission to suspend the assignment.

They respectfully declined the offer, 'No way, Sir!' Soaked to the skin, marching in the pelting rain of a tropical storm, they said that guarding the Tomb was not just an assignment, it was the highest honor that can be afforded to a serviceperson. The tomb has been patrolled continuously, 24/7, since 1930. **God Bless and Keep Them**

I don't usually suggest that many emails be forwarded, but I'd be very proud if this one reached as many people as possible. We can be very proud of our young men and women in the service no matter where they serve.

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The Expeditionary School At Black River Pathways To Possibilities

We are so excited to be updating you all with our latest news. We have been hard at work at Black River and we wanted to let you know about a few key things! These include our TV interview, the AOE application, Upcoming Zoom Open House and our Pathways to Possibilities Pledge Campaign.

First, we were featured on WCAX TV! Check out the interview here, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hhl14D6OFdU> They did a wonderful job and featured our own board member and parent Kristen Garvey and Head of School, Dr. Rickerby.

Dr. Rickerby is hard at work submitting the AOE application, but in the meantime, we do need to secure funds to continue the great work we are doing this year. We have rolled out our Pathways to Possibilities campaign and wanted to invite all of you to consider donating. You can pledge your donation in any division that makes sense for you, paying monthly, all at once or divided over the year. Please check out the letter we sent to local businesses at the bottom of the newsletter!

We also invite you to join us for a Zoom Meeting where you can meet Dr. Rickerby, HOS and members of the board. Ask all your questions, give us ideas and feedback. We are so excited to see you. Please register with the link at the bottom of this email so we can provide you the zoom link. Thank You, The Expeditionary School at Black River Board



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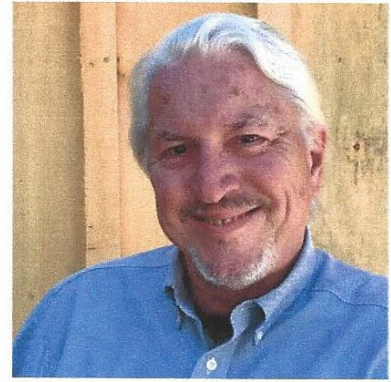
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