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September 2021

Mount Holly Chit Chat

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

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

Town Library: In-Person with 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

September 2021

		Black Bear Resident Early Season ~ World War II Began 1936	
	1 st		
	2 nd	Fire Dept. Business Meeting, Belmont Fire Station Japan Signed Surrender V-J Day 1945	7:00 pm
Sat	4 th	Baked Ham Supper , Benefit Historical Museum, Odd Fellows Hall	5:00 pm
	6 th	Rosh Hashanah Begins ~ Labor Day	
	7 th	Mt. Holly Community Association Meeting, Library	7:00 pm
		Mount Holly Conservation Commission	7:00 pm
	8 th	LMHUUS Meeting,	6:00 pm
		Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary Meeting, Belmont Fire Station	7:00 pm
		ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	7:00 pm
	9 th	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	7:00 pm
	10 th		
Sat	11 th	World Suicide Prevention Day	
		Patriot Day	
Sun	12 th	Grandparents Day	
	13 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	7:00 pm
	14 th	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	9:00 am
		Mt. Holly PTSA Meeting, MH School	
		Select Board Meeting, Town Garage & Zoom	4:30 pm
		Star-Spangled Banner Written 1814	6:30 pm
	15 th	Mt. Holly Town Library Meeting, Library, Belmont Black Bear Nonresident Season Begins	6:30 pm
		Mount Holly Planning Commission, MH Town Office & Via Zoom	7:00 pm
	16 th	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	7:00 pm
		Yom Kippur	
	17 th	Ladies Auxiliary VFW Est. 1914 ~ POW-MIA Day ~ Citizenship Day ~ US Constitution Approved 1787	
Sat	18 th	Baked Ham Supper , Benefit MHV Rescue Squad, Odd Fellows Hall	5:00 pm
		Operation Uphold Democracy 1994 ~ US Air Force Est. 1947	
		Full Harvest Moon	
	20 th		
	21 st	Chit Chat Annual Meeting, MH Town Office	7:00 pm
	22 nd	ODD Fellows Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont Fall Begins ~ Autumnal Equinox	7:00 pm
	23 rd	Fire Dept. Drill, Fire Station	7:00 pm
	25 th		
Sun	26 th	Hare & Rabbit Ruffed Grouse (Partridge) Hunting Season	
		George Gershwin 1898 ~ Gold Star Mother's Day	
		First Televised Presidential Debate Between Candidates Richard M Nixon & John F. Kennedy 1960	
	27 th	Rescue Squad Meeting, Rescue Squad Building	7:00 pm
	28 th	Community Guild Meeting, IOOF Hall, Belmont	9:00 am
	29 th		
		VFW Est. 1899	
	30 th	Fire Dept. work night, Fire Stations	7:00 pm

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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September Birthdays: 1st-Adam Frey 2nd-Mark Turco Sr 4th-John Taylor Jr 7th-Caleb Nye 8th-Sarah Hawkins-Delphia 10th-Felicia Turco Clark * Dustin Miller 12th-Vera Conroy * Charles Conroy 13th-Joey Carrara 14th-Todd Bussino Jr (1983) 19th-Julia Hoeh * Heather Deem (1977) 22nd-Laurel Darling 24th-Eleanor Nowosad * Nicole Lewis 26th-Peter Herbst 27th-Clarise Dana 99th (1922) 29th-Ryan Flynn * Kenny Hart (1964) 30th- Eliza Tarbell



September Anniversaries: 3rd-Douglas & Darlene Stocker 6th-Murray & Betty Merlin 12th-Candace Neary & Annette Lynch 14th-Mike & Melinda Pearson (1996) 15th-Richard & Laurel Darling 21st-Daniel & Linda Fitzgibbon * Jane Harrington & Susan Horsman 26th-Benjamin & Amber Taylor 28th-Frank & Barbara Gerdin

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

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	Sat	7:30 am – 10:30 am
Belmont		802-259-2790
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	Sat	7:30 am – 10:30 am
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	Sat	7:00 am – 10:00 am
Lobby Hours	Mon – Fri	7:00 am – 4:45 pm
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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
Window Hours:	Mon – Fri	8:30 am – 5:00 pm
	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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MEMBERSHIP IN CORPORATION: Open to all who live, work, or own property in Mount Holly and who make an annual donation of any amount.

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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Mount Holly Chit Chat Annual Meeting - Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Mount Holly Town Office

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Bernard Stewart

On Thursday, July 22, 2021, Bernard “BJ” Stewart, of Cuttingsville, Vermont, passed away at Rutland Regional Medical Center at the age of 89. BJ was born March 15, 1932, in Rutland, Vermont, to Clayton J. and Freda C. (Brown) Stewart, the second of their three sons.

BJ graduated from MSJ in 1950 and served in the United States Air Force from 1951-1955. Upon his return to his hometown after his service, he worked for the family business, John C. Stewart and Son Ford, selling Ford tractors. He eventually went on to own his own tractor equipment line and service center (now Josselin Brothers Construction). Later, he opened his own hardware and [grocery store](#), The Olde Barn. He enjoyed being able to help people in town get their everyday needs and had the Olde Barn stocked full of everything a homeowner could need (including the infamous penny-candy that so many remember so

fondly!) His development of that property continued by building what is now the Shrewsbury Post Office and Rustic Rooster Restaurant in the same lot.

He was also very active in his community, serving as a member of the Mount Moriah Lodge, Laurel Glen Association, Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Department, Cuttingsville Water Department, and the Shrewsbury Historical Society. He also attended Saint Mary’s Our Mother Of Mercy Church in Mount Holly. After the church burned he planted a tree and had a bench built as a memorial to the Church. His impacts on his hometown community will continue to be felt by many of his neighbors and friends.

After retirement from the hardware store in 2001, BJ loved spending time on his land (Upperfields) in Cuttingsville. His retirement didn’t mean he was any less active though. He was often found on his trusty orange lawn mower or blue tractor and enjoyed a “crisp cut lawn.” A creative man, he was nearly always working on some type of project in the village and in his later years, enjoyed solving all types of puzzles ... his favorite was trying to figure out how to keep the sap from overflowing the tanks of his family’s sugarhouse. He even learned how to monitor them from his iPad, proving that you’re never too old to learn something new.

BJ truly was a man whose kindness, creativity and curiosity will live on in the hearts of those who knew him.

BJ is survived by his wife of 50 years, Joan (Viggue) Stewart, of Cuttingsville, Vermont; his brother, John C. Stewart II, of Burlington, Vermont; his four children, Karen (Laird) Brush, of Raleigh, North Carolina, Tom (Patty Raymond) Stewart, of Clarendon, Vermont, Mark (Gina) Stewart and Paul (Karen) Stewart, of Cuttingsville, Vermont; three stepchildren, Jovi Larson (Richard Surles), of Montvale, Virginia, Jill (Mark) Suprin, of Manchester, Connecticut, and Donald Larson, of Newton, Massachusetts; grandchildren, Devan Brush, John Stewart, Elliott Stewart, Tanner Stewart, Kelsey Hawkins, Ronnie Fabian, Kayla Suprin and Skye Larson; two great-grandchildren, Kyson Stewart and Kendyll Hawkins; a niece and several nephews. He was predeceased by a brother, Clayton Stewart.

A private burial will be held in the Laurel Glen Cemetery. A celebration of life was held on Friday, Aug. 13, from 4–6 p.m. at the Stewart Maple Marketplace (formerly The Olde Barn, 5444 Vermont Route 103, Cuttingsville, VT 05738); all are welcome.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Dept., Cuttingsville, VT 05738. Tossing Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

Bone Builders

Monday & Thursday Mornings

9:00 am

Lake Ninevah

For Weights and more information

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Leona T. Gates

Leona Theresa Gates, 78, passed away peacefully at her daughter's home in Troy, New York. She was born in Ludlow, Feb. 2, 1943, the daughter of Leon and Thelma (Butler) Davis. Leona enjoyed gardening, cooking and country driving. She was employed as a cheese maker with Crowley Cheese in Mt. Holly and was employed at General Electric Co. in Rutland.

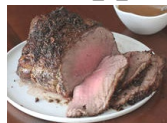
Surviving is her husband, Chester B. Gates Sr., of Mt. Holly; a son, Chester B. Gates Jr. of Mt. Holly; three daughters, Nancy Stoner of Elmira, New York; Susan Stromberg, of Putney; and Cristin Swanson of Troy, New York; two sisters, Cora Hill of West Eastward, Massachusetts; and Kathy Kaymmerlen of Mt. Holly; four brothers, Frederick Hart, of Ludlow; David and James Hart, of Rutland; and Kenny Hart of Mount Holly; 14 grandchildren; and 28 great grandchildren; nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by two brothers and a sister. Visiting hours will be held Thursday, Aug. 5, 2021, from 10:30 a.m. to noon at Clifford Funeral Home in Rutland, followed by a funeral service at noon.

Joan E. Pelkey

Joan Elaine Pelkey, 69, died July 18, 2021, surrounded by family. She was born Oct. 7, 1951, in Ludlow, Massachusetts, the daughter of Ralph and Elaine Anthony. In Vermont, she opened Ralph & Joan’s Place, Bait & Tackle, in Mount Holly the Okemo valley. She was a member of the Rod & Gun Club and American Legion Auxiliary. Mrs. Pelkey enjoyed playing Monopoly, cards at the Legion, NASCAR, football squares and casinos. Survivors include a brother, David Anthony; five daughters, Christine and Denise Tougas, Heather Woodell, Cindy Bowen, Elizabeth Gray; several nieces, nephews and grandchildren. She was predeceased by her husband, Lloyd Elwin Pelkey, in 2012; and two sons, William and Larry Gray. The graveside service will be 2 p.m.

Saturday, July 24, in Pleasant View Cemetery, 37 Depot St., Ludlow, followed by a celebration of life at the Bowens, 151 Andover Road, Ludlow. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Legion Auxiliary, 35 Main St., Ludlow, VT 05149. Arrangements are by Davis Memorial Chapel in Springfield.

Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations



Settings Start 5:00 pm

At

The Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont

All You Can Eat - Served Home Style
Adults \$12 - Children 11 and Under \$6



Sept 4th Historical Museum - Baked Ham
Sept 18th MHV Rescue Squad - Roast Ham
Oct 9th MHCA - Roast Beef
Oct 23rd Gill Home, IOOF - Baked Ham



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



NEVER FORGET 09.11.2001

On August 14th another of my colleagues passed away. Retired Sergeant Christopher Tully became the 250th member of the NYPD to die of a 9/11 related illness since that fateful day in September of 2001. I worked with Chris in the 50 Precinct he would continue his career in the Special Victims Squad until he was diagnosed with cancer. He leaves behind a wife and young son.

This month we are marking the 20th Anniversary of the event of September 11th, 2001. Two thousand, nine hundred and seventy-seven people died that day in New York City, Washington DC and Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Since then, hundreds of first responders, construction workers, residents and countless volunteers are sick or dying from a 9/11

related illness. The numbers are staggering, to date we have lost over 500 first responders, many to brain cancers, respiratory illnesses, and blood diseases. Little did we know when we responded that day and performed our duties that we would all be exposed to unknown toxins in the air, dust, and debris. It is very important to our family that people never forget the lives that were lost that day; the lives that continue to be taken and those who continue to struggle with physical and emotional pain.

The Ludlow Fire Department is having a 9/11 Remembrance March & Ceremony beginning at 1230 from the Ludlow Fire Station to the Veteran's Park. The Knights of Columbus is having its annual Rosary at 5:30pm in the Mary Garden at Annunciation Church. **Never Forget!** Paul Faenza, Mount Holly



Mt. Moriah # 96 Mason Trestleboard

Next meeting Tuesday 9/14 8PM

Brothers,

Congratulations to Russell Reay who received his 50 year pin at last month's meeting, and to Bob Blaisdell who received his 60 year pin at the same time. Thank you both for your many years of service and support. We thank our DGM

Paul Mosher for making the trip down to do the presentations.

Many thanks to WM Earl Miller for his many years of service to the craft as he prepares to move to Florida. He will be greatly missed, and we wish him the best.

Training for Masters and Wardens will be starting in September for every lodge in the state.

Keep our District 11 meeting on your calendars slated for November 2nd.

Finally, thank you to all the brothers and ladies who helped make our annual fund raising dinner a success. Fraternally, Earl Miller, WM - Buster Seward, Sec'y

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
Sept 7, 6 pm - Oct 4, 8 am



*** 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.

Rutland Jewish Center Service Notices

office@rutlandjewishcenter.org

Aug. 28 -- Saturday morning 9:30 am

Autumn Wine Tasting Fundraiser

We are excited to announce our 2nd Annual Autumn Wine Tasting and Silent Auction will be Saturday, September 18th, 2021 from 4pm-7pm. We are honored to have it hosted at the Echo Lake Inn for the second year running. Live music will also be included. Great fun and a great cause, all for the benefit of local education. We look forward to seeing everyone, ticket and RSVP info to follow soon. Expeditionary School At Black River www.esblackriver.org



25 Pond Street
Ludlow, VT 05149
802-228-4000



We are collecting back-to-school supplies for Ludlow, Mt. Holly and Cavendish schools starting August 13 to September 10, 2021. Items may be dropped to our sales department Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 12.

Items needed for K-6: backpacks, pencils, colored pencils, manual pencil sharpener, erasers, crayons, Elmer's Glue, pocket folders, washable markers, tissues, glue sticks, 1-subject notebooks, small snap plastic pencil case, kids blunt tip scissors, pens, art supplies, binders, composition notebooks.

Items needed for ISBR (7-12): academic year/day planners, highlighters, sticky-notes, statistics calculators, Adobe Suite software, 1-subject notebooks.



Let's make 2021 back-to-school a special one!

Thank you for your support of our children's education!



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CIDER DAYS IS COMING!

October 8th & 9th

Calling All Interested Vendors!

Contact the Lisa Kelley or any board member of the MHCA for an application

Application requests can be emailed to

Lisa.kelleyvt@gmail.com

Application and payment deadline is August 31st

The preferred method is email but if you need to call to request an application call 259-3112



SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

The Expeditionary School at Black River

Autumn Wine Tasting Fundraiser

The Echo Lake Inn, Tyson, VT

4-7pm

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Mechanicsville Cemetery

Annual Meeting

October 19 2021 at 6:30 pm

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont VT



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**Mt. Holly Republican Committee
Will Hold a Caucus**

Monday September 20, 2021
7:00 pm
Mt. Holly Town Office

Business to be conducted
Election of Officers & Delegates
And any other business

**Come and join us and bring a friend along
For More information call 259-2460**



MHVFDA

If you would like to purchase raffle tickets you can send the money to the Mount Holly Vol. Fire Dept. Auxiliary at the address below or you can stop by the Mount Holly Town Office. MHVFDA, c/o Christine Pratt, 826 Belmont Rd., Belmont, VT 05730

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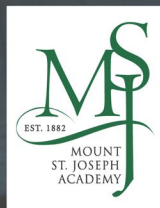
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Reinbow Riding Center

Although the picture doesn't show it, these two actually did connect. A decidedly good outcome when trying to maneuver two big horses closer and closer. For the two riders it was a Eureka! moment. Bragging rights for sure.

Rain or shine things are still happening at Reinbow Riding Center in Belmont and it's a good thing too. With fat and sassy horses enjoying the grass of green fields and lots of Meadow Muffin treats, we're glad there are lots of kids keeping them in shape during riding lessons. It's been a busy summer and with school just around the corner fall promises to get even busier when students from area schools join us for weekly lessons.

In order to provide funding for the school lessons, Reinbow Riding fundraisers and writes grants. Friends

You've almost got it.....stretch.....just a little more.....lean.....a little closer. Yay!

also help us with fundraising. Check out the new Reinbow Riding Center video on YouTube. In the search line type Reinbow Riding Center. The film was put together by Tracy Lazell and filmed and edited by Zachary Kishh (on the web at kishh.com). Thank you Tracy and Zach for a terrific job.

Please watch our website for news: reinbowridingcenter.org, and follow us on Facebook, Twitter@ReinbowRiding and Instagram@reinbow_riding_center. To contact us email: programs@reinbowridingcenter.org or call 802-236-2483.

Fletcher Memorial Library

It is so WONDERFUL to see our returning patrons and meet new ones! Fletcher Memorial Library is currently open 10AM – 5PM Monday through Friday. All are welcome to come in and browse. Or, place holds and pick them up Curbside. Both services are available. Our PC's are available for public use for 30 minutes per person daily.

MASKS are REQUIRED for EVERYONE, unless precluded by a medical condition. This decision was not taken lightly, but the right one for us to take. Masks are available for those that forget one and wish to enjoy inside FML.

New Books arriving, albeit, slowly. The book warehouses, as most businesses, are finding it difficult to find employees. I am sure I occasionally miss a new hot title, but rest assured for the most part the books are pre-ordered at least 2 months in advance of their release. Hopefully, order processing will speed up!

If you have not been into FML since we re-opened, or you have never visited the library – PLEASE DO! It is a very beautiful building. We have a collection of print, audio and DVD items for all ages. If we do not have what you are looking for, we are a member of the Catamount Library Network, a 21 member consortia. Over 500,000 items are available for hold in our catalog. These will be delivered to us through a courier system and out to patrons ASAP. There is no charge for this service, you may place hold while perusing our catalog on-line or just give us a call to assist you. We are very happy to do so!

Our PASS program is very popular. Some available sites include, Billings Farm, VINS, Wonderfeet, The Fell, Hildene, Rockeby Museum, Echo and more. Most are adding Covid restrictions requiring mask indoors. Please visit www.fmlnews.org and the "Pass" tab for a complete listing and live links to the individual sites. ENJOY!

Many other online services are available through our web site. Please take a moment to investigate. You could begin to trace your roots using Family Search or learn a new hobby or take a course on something new using Universal Class. Brush up on resume and interview skills, look-up magazine article, or use reference tools specifically for school age to adult.

Don't forget to check out the Youth Library Happenings. There is a specific landing page that includes youth news, resources, programming, educational resources and activities – everything Youth.





HAM SUPPER TAKE OUT ONLY!!



September 18, 2021

5:00 P.M.

Odd Fellows Hall, Belmont, VT

Hosted By:

Mount Holly Volunteer Rescue

Baked Ham Supper

Squash, Baked Potatoes, Coleslaw,
Applesauce, Rolls, Variety of Desserts



ALL MEALS \$10

More info: Call 802-259-6001



community center

Cider Days - Saturday October 9 (10am-4pm) & Sunday 10th (Noon-4pm) located on the Belmont Baptist Church green.

For event updates please check at mhcv.org

MHCA, whose mission is to maintain the building that houses the library and community center in addition to providing seasonal events, is asking you to join us in maintaining the historical building that serves as a hub of community life in Mount Holly by becoming a member of our non-profit organization through our annual membership drive. You can find our brochures at the Town Office and the Belmont General Store or go online to mhcv.org for additional information and mailing address. If you have already renewed your membership or have made a contribution - our sincere thanks!

**Mount Holly Community Association –
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From the Mount Holly Community Association....

Our summer events have been a welcome change compared to the summer of 2020. We held the Garden tour, Mount Holly Day and our summer music series. How fun it has been to see friends and neighbors celebrating together again in the green mountains. The garden tour withstood the threat of rain and over 40 people meandered through the gardens of Jim Corven & Monique Szechenyi, Carol and Griffin Ballou, Marcy and Andy Tanger, Gregory Higgins, Linda and Bill McGrath, Philippe Blyskal & Gwen Gautsch along with Linda Miller and family. Mount Holly Day was a beautiful summer day with music by Jeb and friends, a schmorgisboard of great food, neighborly visiting and fun family games with approximately 70 people in attendance. Many thanks to our dedicated volunteers for side dishes, Black River Produce for offering corn, and Mojo's for donating beef, and hot dogs!

Although we are monitoring the health department's recommendations regarding COVID, and making decisions accordingly, we are currently in the middle of planning for 3 upcoming events. Mark your calendars and join us for:

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The Photo Contest Preview - Sunday October 2nd at 4pm in the

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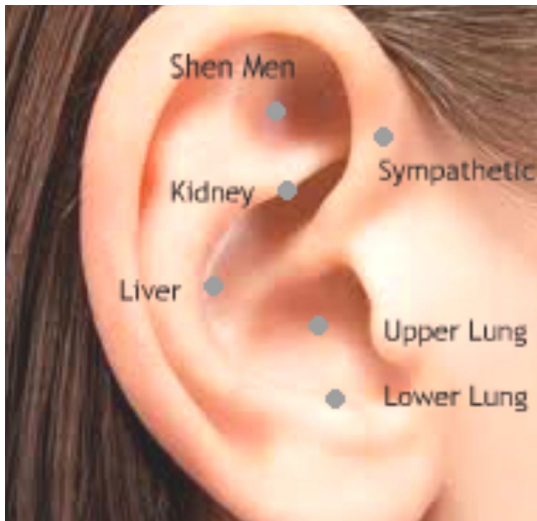
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If you have any questions, joys or concerns you may contact our Certified Acupuncturist, Virginia Voronin, directly, as she is CC'd here. Also, her cell phone number is included in this link: <https://acuwithoutborders.org/clinics/>

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Kidney Point: This point supports the kidneys in cleansing the

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Liver Point: This point also supports cleansing the blood. It enlivens "clear sight" which leads to following the path of least resistance. Anger and frustration are soothed, muscles relax, and tension is released.

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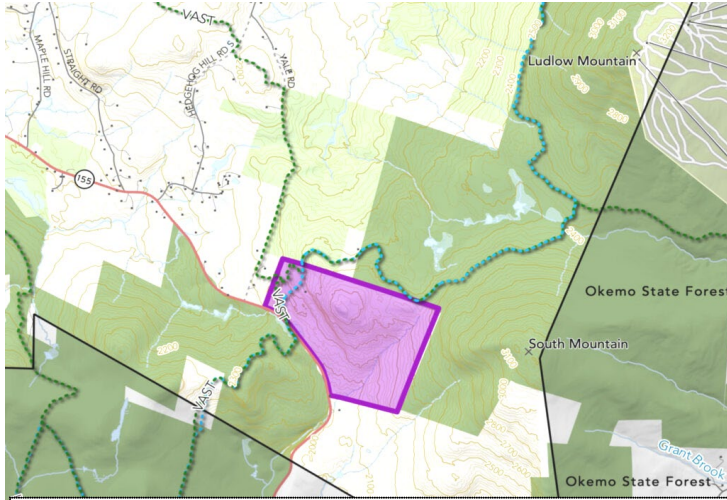
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recreational values. The acquisition was made possible by support and donations from the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation, the Vermont Housing & Conservation Board, Lyman Orton Fund, Epic Promise Foundation, two major anonymous donors, plus many generous individual donations.

Speakers at the celebration included Tim Morton (Stewardship Forester, Vermont FPR), Becca Washburn (Director of Lands Administration, Vermont FPR), Kim Royar, (Wildlife Biologist/Furbearer Project Leader, Vermont Fish & Wildlife), Louis Porter, (Commissioner, Vermont Fish & Wildlife), Joan Weir (Project Manager, Vermont Land Trust, retired), Nancy Bell (The Conservation Fund), and Brigid Sullivan (President, MHCT).

The Mount Holly Conservation Trust wishes to sincerely thank all who supported and made possible this wonderful achievement for the community of Mount Holly and the state of Vermont. The MHCT continues to explore future opportunities for land conservation and enhancement of our community.

Please visit and follow MHCT on our website at mounthollyconservationtrust.org/ or on Facebook at facebook.com/MountHollyConservationTrust

For more information about the Mount Holly Conservation Trust contact Brigid Sullivan, President, Mount Holly Conservation Trust, 802-259-2274, brigid526@gmail.com.

On August 11, the Mount Holly Conservation Trust and the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation proudly celebrated the addition of 346 acres of critical wildlife habitat to the Okemo State Forest in Mount Holly. They were joined by high-ranking staff from the Vermont Department of Fish & Wildlife, retired staff from Vermont Land Trust, and several key supporters of the project. This land now completes a wildlife corridor that spans nearly 100 miles from Warren, Vermont all the way south to the Massachusetts border through the Green Mountains.

This land is of special importance because it holds headwaters for three watersheds (West River, Mill River, and Branch Brook), hosts critical sections of the VAST and Catamount trails, plus provides vital habitat for moose, deer, bear, beavers, songbirds, and other wildlife. Further, the land has several remarkable historical sites including lime kilns and homestead cellar holes.

The land is now part of the Okemo State Forest, managed by the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation for the conservation of its biodiversity, natural resources, historical, and



VT Fish & Wildlife Commissioner Tim Morton speaking at the celebration

Mount Holly Chit Chat Annual Meeting - Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Mount Holly Town Office

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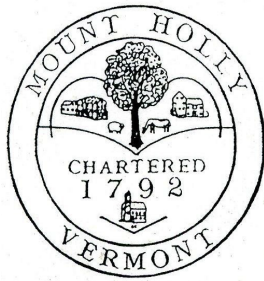
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Mount Holly Town News

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 August 10, 2021 Minutes In-Person with Zoom Meeting: 898 6126 5487

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

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.

Turco (Chair)

Town Officials: Dennis Devereux, Carol Garrow-Woolley, David Johnson, Phil Leonard, Annette Lynch, Jon McCann, Stephen Michel, Renee Sarmiento, James Seward, Clinton Woolley

Members of the Public: Paul Barton, Caitlin Boyle, Zena Gates, Kevin Hollebeek, Judy Hyjek, Devon Neary (Rutland Regional Planning Commission), Christine Pratt, Donna Seward, Grover Taylor Jr., Amy Turco

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1. **Call to Order** by Mark Turco at 6:31 pm.

2. All stood and recited the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

3. **Changes and/or additions to the agenda** – Jennifer Matthews asked about the bids to replace the town office water heater. Mr. Turco stated more bids would be

submitted, so the item will be added to the September meeting agenda. David Johnson asked to add a contract with Cartographic Associates, Inc. for tax map maintenance. As it is a contract for \$2,500 which the Select Board had not seen previously, Ms. Matthews asked that the item be added to the September agenda in order to give Select Board members time to review the contract. It was agreed to do so with Mr. Johnson providing a brief overview of the contract following the Highways & Transfer Station Report.

4. **Approval of July 13th, 2021 Meeting Minutes** – Mr. Turco made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Jeff Chase, unanimously approved.

5. Reports

a. Highways & Transfer Station Update –

i) **Monthly Update - Clinton Woolley** reported: the mowing is done; the winter sand is almost all in; the excavator will be here on Monday; following a transfer station inspection, the few issues found are being corrected; and Casella is now picking up the food scraps. He also noted that 475 lbs. of non-covered electronic waste and 3056 lbs. of covered electronic waste had been picked up.

ii) **FY'22 Retreatment Plan** – Jeff Chase noted that the Town did not receive a grant for paving this year, and with limited budget funds available (only enough to pave about four-tenths of a mile), it was best to wait until next season to do any paving.

iii) **RFP for Summit Road Culvert Design** – Jeff Chase stated he has drafted a RFP based on what other towns have done with box culverts; he will run it by VTrans' Brian Sanderson. With the 90/10 grant funding for the project, he thought it best to outsource the engineering rather than go right to the contractor. With more information to come, the item will be discussed further at the September meeting.

ADDITION: Tax Map Maintenance Contract Overview – David Johnson reported that Cartographic Associates, Inc. would every year prepare a new set of tax maps and data books reflecting all the changes which had been made in the Grand List. The \$2,500 contract cost is not included in the budget but could come from the Records Fund. Mr. Johnson said the Listers met with CAI and found they knew their stuff.

b. Treasurer – David Johnson

i) **Monthly Income & Expense Report** – Mr. Johnson reported: tax bills were mailed on July 28th with a discount date of September 2nd; \$8,295 has been received from the State for the Municipal Property Tax Adjustment, down significantly from last year's amount of \$14,000; only one property remains delinquent on payment of past years' property taxes; the first quarterly payment of \$30,200 from the State for State Aid to Roads has been received; another quarterly payment of \$3,342 has been received from the State for Special State Aid for Roads, part of the one-time appropriation for this fiscal year from the transportation fund; the Highway Group Health Insurance payment of \$9,383 is for premiums for two months; the Winter Road Materials expense of \$12,142 is for winter sand purchased to date.

ii) **Independent Audit Update** – Mr. Johnson reported the auditors expect to submit a draft of the 2019 audit soon.

Stephen Michel asked if the auditors would also be auditing the Mount Holly Volunteer Fire Department. He thought they should as the fire department budget is about 8% of the town budget, some of the fire department assets are included in the town's fixed assets, and the Town votes for and holds funds for fire department equipment. Ms. Matthews noted that the auditors had determined that the fire department was not a component unit of the Town, but a separate entity and therefore not to be part of the Town audit. Mr. Michel stated he disagreed with the auditors. Discussion ensued. Mr. Johnson stated he had specifically asked this question of the auditors and they stated that fire and rescue are not component units of the Town. He also said that the previous auditor included fire and rescue in the Notes, not in the financial statements. Mr. Turco noted that the audit RFP was for Town finances only. Ms. Matthews pointed out that as a non-profit, the fire department could seek its own audit.

c. **Mount Holly Planning Commission Update** – Jon McCann reported: the Planning Commission welcomed new Commissioner, Andy Schulz; they held their first in-person and hybrid meeting last month; they have a site visit and a subdivision hearing coming up.

d. **Mount Holly Conservation Commission Update** – Phil Leonard reported on the Commission's on-going activities: developing a case study to update the natural resources

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inventory, and utilizing iNaturalist for information on local plant and animal species; formulating a plan on how to restore Star Lake and participating in recent clean-up efforts; working on the shade tree preservation plan with five volunteers (more are welcome) helping out and establishing a good relationship with their counterparts in Shrewsbury.

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6. Ongoing & Old Business

a. Traffic Safety Plan Update – Mr. Chase reported he had made a map which shows the location on town roads of the various signs the Select Board agreed to put up; the signs are now on order. Mr. Chase also met with Devon Neary from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission (RRPC) to discuss an ordinance and traffic studies. Mr. Neary introduced himself as the RRPC's transportation planner. He noted he was working on a similar project in Shrewsbury, a town which is also experiencing lots of speeders on rural roads. Mr. Neary stated that to change a speed limit without a traffic study is not enforceable, the traffic study is data driven, and a blanket speed limit on all roads is not allowed. The RRPC uses a counter on the specified roads for about week. The data collected is utilized for any speed limit changes in conjunction with information on land use, road geometry, school zones and the like. He recommended developing a priority list of roads to be studied. Given current commitments, he said it would probably be late September or October before the RRPC could conduct the traffic studies. Mr. Turco asked about cost. As a RRPC member town, Mr. Neary replied there is no cost. Mr. Neary also recommended setting up a road advisory committee comprised of the road foreman, Select Board and Planning Commission members to meet every month or so to look at and address traffic safety issues. In response to a question from Annette Lynch, Mr. Neary replied that the data collected includes the number, class (axles & weight), and speed of vehicles, and the time of day. In response to a question from Mr. Michel, Mr. Neary stated that radar speed signs are available to towns from the Vermont State Police and the Sheriff. The signs are loaned to the town for anywhere from a week to a month and they are most effective if moved around. The signs can also be purchased for about \$5,000 with a grant possible to cover half the cost. In response to a question from Paul Barton, Mr. Neary stated that any markings on town roadways must comply with federal MUTC standards and towns are limited by those standards in what they can do. In response to a question from Dennis Devereux regarding VT Route 103 at the flashing light, Mr. Chase responded that would be a good topic for a road advisory committee. Discussion ensued. The Select Board agreed to do traffic studies based on a prioritized list of roads with the studies to be done in late September/early October by the RRPC. The priority roads are Belmont, Healdville, Tarbellville, Maple Hill, Old Turnpike, Shunpike and Hortonville. Gates Road is also possible.

Mr. Chase also reported on his meeting with the property owner along Old Turnpike Road regarding complaints about the lights the owner had installed there. They discussed the property owner's concerns about speeding cars and safe crossing of the road by his employees. Mr. Turco expressed his concern about the lights being in the town right-of-way and liability issues. Discussion ensued about types of lights, placement, various solutions, and use of the GMP pole. Ms. Matthews pointed out that the property owner was working on moving the lights out of the right-of-way and asked if a Local Traffic Only sign could be put up to dissuade some from using Old Turnpike Road as a shortcut. Mr. Chase will look into this and he will reach out to the property owner again to discuss possible solutions.

b. Junk Ordinance Enforcement – Ticket to be Issued? After some initial clean-up was done, Ms. Matthews reported that the Select Board still had concerns about one property on VT Route 103; a letter was mailed to the property owner's son last month. As of this morning, she noted more vehicles had been removed and more clean-up had occurred on the property. Grover Taylor Jr explained that his father was an elderly man, who considered the vehicles to be gold. It was a challenging situation. Still, 14 vehicles and 50 tires had been removed. Another half-dozen vehicles could be sold if his father could find the keys. Select Board members thanked Mr. Grover for his efforts. Ms. Matthews asked that the property and the remaining vehicles, which Mr. Taylor says are registered and insured, be kept as neat, clean and orderly as possible. The Select Board agreed to give Mr. Taylor additional time to continue the property clean-up.

Discussion ensued about the other properties in need of junk clean-up with a decision to mail follow-up letters to two property owners giving them until September 14th to do additional clean-up of accumulating debris and junk, or a ticket with fine will be issued.

c. Town Garage Well/School Water System Letter of Reliance – Ms.

Matthews recapped the Select Board's decision to allow the Mount Holly School to access the town garage well in order to supply the School with water. She noted the Memorandum of Agreement and the Addendum both drawn up to protect the Town from any costs and liabilities associated with the design, construction, operation, permits, etc. associated with the water system. The State is now insisting that the Town as well as the School District sign all permits. Ms. Matthews reported that our attorney drew up a Letter of Reliance stating that the Town is reliant on Otter Creek Engineering's expertise in order to attest to the certifications on the permits, and any liabilities incurred by the Town signing the permits will be borne by Otter Creek Engineering and the School District. Once the School District and

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Mount Holly looking fine!

Otter Creek Engineering sign the letter, we will sign it. Mr. Turco stated these steps were all taken so there would be no cost to taxpayers.

d. Other – Ms. Matthews reported that the federal government has now reached the conclusion that Vermont does not have county governments, so the ARPA funds earmarked for county governments here will now be distributed to the municipalities. These funds will be in addition to the ARPA municipal funds; \$65,000, the first half of the municipal funds, has now been received. Mr. Turco noted we now need to decide how to utilize the funds.

7. New Business

a. Cider Days Road Closure – Kevin Hollebeek, from the Mount Holly Community Association, requested that Maple Hill Road be closed for Cider Days, October 9th & 10th, from 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday and from 11 am to 5 pm on Sunday. This is the same as in past years. Mr. Turco said it was good to see community events happening again, and he made a motion to close the road as requested, seconded by Ms. Matthews, unanimously approved. Mr. Woolley asked that they put a notice out on the Newsflash and in the *Chit Chat* to notify community members of the road closure.

b. Fuel Bids – In order to save taxpayers money, Mr. Turco would like to reach out to at least three fuel companies for bids on fuel. Discussion ensued on which fuels and which companies. Mr. Chase will draw up a RFP for home heating fuel and on-road diesel. Fire and Rescue will be offered the option to purchase heating oil through this bid process. Companies mentioned to receive the RFP are Marcell, Champlain Oil, Cota & Cota, Gecha, Keyser and Irving. Bids will be opened at the September meeting.

c. Conservation Commission – Four Terms Expire September 2021 – Ms. Matthews noted that the Select Board created the five-member Conservation Commission last August. The Select Board then received nine Letters of Interest from residents and decided to appoint five to multi-year terms and four to one-year only terms. The Select Board agreed to reassess those four seats at the one-year

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The Select Board will appoint four (4) individuals to fill four (4) one-year terms.

Interested individuals, including incumbents, are encouraged to apply.

Please refer to 24 V.S.A. 4505 for all the various roles and responsibilities a Conservation Commission can assume to help protect & enhance Mount Holly's natural resources.

If this sparks your interest, please send a Letter of Interest to the Select Board, PO Box 248, Mount Holly, VT 05758, or to mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com, to be received by Noon on Monday, September 13th. Please state why you are interested in the Conservation Commission position and your qualifications. Terms run until September 2022.

The Conservation Commission meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Additional information is available here: <http://www.mounthollyvt.org/conservation-commission/>

Any questions, please email the Select Board at the email address above, or call 802-259-2454.

Mount Holly Animal Control Officer

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mark. Currently, Ms. Matthews reported one of those seats is empty and one is held in name only; the other two Commissioners would like to be reappointed. Mr. Turco stated he had heard from the Commission, and they are very active and need volunteers; he did not want to disrupt their momentum. The Select Board agreed to extend those four seats for another one-year term. Mr. Turco said to put a notice out for interested townfolk to submit letters of interest for those seats, which will be filled at the September meeting.

d. Other – There was no Other New Business.

8. Citizen Comments – Caitlin Boyle spoke of the

drug activity occurring on Gates Road where she resides with her children. She has spoken with the VT State Police, who are monitoring the activity there. Ms. Boyle is also concerned about the neighboring property where there is lots of nighttime activity and lots of needles around. Christine Pratt spoke of her concerns about the person from that area who wanders into other people's houses. Mr. Turco recommended calling the VT State Police immediately. He also suggested Ms. Boyle contact the Town Constable about the neighbor's property and the activity occurring there. He will reach out to the property owner.

9. Announcements/Other Business –

a. Reminder: Town Office Closed for Bennington Battle Day, Monday, August 16th

b. COVID-19 Memorial Service @ VT Statehouse, Sunday, September 19th at 3:00 pm

c. Other – Mr. Turco encouraged all unvaccinated folks to wear a mask given the new Delta variant. Mr. Barton also encouraged mask wearing so as to protect others. Mr. Michel said there is a 9/11 Memorial in Ludlow on September 11th.

10. Review & Sign Orders – Signed by Select Board members.

11. Executive Session: Title 1 V.S.A. S 313(a)(3) – personnel – Ms. Matthews made the motion to enter Executive Session at 8:23 pm, seconded by Mr. Turco, unanimously approved. Mr. Turco made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:53 pm, seconded by Mr. Chase, unanimously approved. No actions taken.

12. Adjourn – Mr. Turco adjourned the meeting at 8:53 pm. Respectfully Submitted: Jennifer Matthews

Mount Holly Chit Chat Annual Meeting - Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Mount Holly Town Office

Planning Commission Town Office & Remote Electronic – Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday July 21, 2021

Commission Members Present: Jon McCann (Chair), Jim Seward (Vice Chair), Stephen Michel, Brigid Sullivan, Andrew Schulz

Also Present: Renee Sarmento (Clerk), Jeb Porter, Teresa and Andy Bolalek, Donna Seward, Christine Boudreau

1. Jon McCann called the meeting to order at 7:10pm

2. Changes to agenda

a. Stephen proposed adding a review of subdivision regulations/rules. The item was added to agenda as item

3. Approval of minutes

a. The minutes from June 16th, 2021, were approved as distributed.

4. Reports &

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.

Announcements

a. Welcome to Commissioner Andrew Schulz

i. Introductions were made by Planning Commission members and clerk.

b. Clerk report: none

c. Ryan Harter is the new alternate Rutland Regional Planning Commission Representative

5. Correspondence

a. Subdivision proposals

i. Bolalek site visit and consultation

1. Mr. Bolalek described their desire for a site visit to familiarize the Commission with the property and to assist in the development of a site plan.

2. Site visit and consultation will take place August 19th at 5:30pm at 4623 Rt 155.

ii. James Beam consultation

1. Mr. Beam was unable to attend this meeting, and will attend the next regular meeting.

ii. Jeb Porter 2021-02

1. Mr. Porter provided a digital copy of the plat by email, but was unable to get the paper plat to the town office in time for the meeting due to a power outage at Staples. Mr. Porter will bring paper copy of the plat to the Town Office on Monday.

2. Follow-up from the site visit: no further discussion or questions from the Commission.

3. Decision on moving forward: Digital plat was viewed by PC members to confirm that required changes were made. Mr. Porter requested an amendment be made to previous minutes that any heat would be from a woodstove.

Mr. Porter reiterated that he is asking for a deferral of permit on "parcel B". Planning Commission members unanimously accepted the plat as the final plat provided the paper version matches the digital version, and is brought to the Town Office by Monday.

a. Test pits/perc tests have not been added to the plat as requested and on the checklist. It was determined by PC members that perc tests are not necessary at this time and members are satisfied that perc tests and results do not need to be added to the plat.

b. Signature block has been added to the new plat as required. (Subdivision Regulations §§I K. 1. & 2.)

c. Building footprint on parcel B has not been identified on the plat.

4. The Commission scheduled a Public Hearing August 18th at 6:15pm at the Town Office and on Zoom.

b. Building Construction Registrations

i. Blais, 408 Old Turnpike Road, Garage/Apartment to modify in-law apartment. (accepted)

ii. Knipes, 144 Crab Apple Lane, Garage, new construction (Additional information needed: drawing, question if there will be living quarters, and map location. Brigid will contact applicant.)

iii. Kenyon, 2645 Healdville Road, Barn, new construction (accepted)

iv. Osburn, 430 Barlow Road, Garage unfinished, new construction (accepted)

c. Wastewater system and potable water supply permits

i. Teter, 458 Howland Farm Road, WW-1-2151-1

ii. Deegan, westerly side of Dawley road (mailing address: 1667 Hortonville Road), WW 1-3452

d. Email / Other:

i. Complimentary copy of "Vermont Almanac Volume 1, Stories from and for the Land" was received in the mail from "For the

Land Publishing", a non-profit. Available to read in the Commission office.

ii. Correspondence with VLCT. Specific guidance was not provided, and a recommendation was made to consult with the town attorney if we need specific recommendations.

iii. An email from the State waste water permit specialist indicates that Mr. Porter's existing wastewater permit included a deferral of permit for "parcel B" and the year-round home initially described by the applicant would likely be considered a building and

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improvement to the lot by the State wastewater rules, and thus require amendment to the State permit. However, the town is not involved in whether or not the applicant is currently in compliance with the State permit. After the Commission site visit, Mr. Porter reported in an email to the Commission that he has moved out of the dwelling and now resides in the mobile RV.

iv. Jim reported that the State Fire Marshall visited/inspected the Blue Spruce. He will follow up with more details next month.

6. Unfinished business: None

7. New business

a. Subdivision Regulations rules discussion: Stephen commented that the checklist presumes that when you are subdividing a property you are also building at the same time, so the checklist is designed for construction. PC members pointed out the "deferral" language in §II D. 1. b. and waivers in §I D. There was discussion that the deferrals for the town ordinance are stricter than for the State wastewater

rules. The town only allows deferral for "the sole purpose of forestry, agriculture, open space, or gift."

8. Public comments: None.

9. Upcoming meetings

a. Special working meeting - will not occur In August due to scheduled site visit and public hearing.

b. Bolalek site visit will occur on August 19th at 5:30pm

c. Public Hearing - August 18th at 6:15pm

d. Regular meeting - August 18th at 7pm

10. The meeting adjourned at 8:52pm For the Commission, Renee Sarmiento, Planning Commission Clerk



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Fletcher Farm School August Classes and Events

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August 26-28 – **Three Days of Basketmaking** with Dona Nazarenko

August 27-28 – **Introduction to Landscape Painting in Watercolor** with Robert O'Brien (ONLINE)

August 27-29 – **Liberated Quilting** with Susan Damone Balch

August 28-29 – **Creative Metalworking** with Piper Strong

August 29 – **Holiday Ornaments** with Dona Nazarenko



On August 28-29, the Chamber of Commerce is organizing the Best of Vermont festival to be held in Bixby Field. Just down the road on the Fletcher Farm School Campus, we'll be hosting a pop-up Fabric and Craft Supply Sale on the eastern end of the barn from Piper's class, facing Route 103. Parking is available on the grass behind the barn, or in the lot behind the Two Rivers Supervisory Union. If you are curious about what Creative Metalworking entails, stop by to take a look at Piper Strong's popular class.

On August 28, Dona Nazarenko will be holding a workshop on making **Holiday Ornaments**. The ornaments are sized to be hung on your holiday tree. You can find this new class on our website.

We are working on our Fall/Winter/Spring schedule and have begun to post Fall classes on the website.

September 14-15 – **Pet Sculptures** with Sue Carey

September 18-19 – **Handmade Greeting Cards** with Dona Nazarenko

September 18-19 – **Creative Metalworking** with Piper Strong

September 25-26 – **Stone Setting for All Ages** with Hal Bosco



October 30-31 – **Silver Fabrication for All Ages** with Hal Bosco

November 5-7 – **Quilter's Choice** with Susan Damone Balch

November 13-14 – **Setting Custom Cabochons** with Debi Orton

For more information about these classes, to register, become a member, buy raffle tickets, or to donate, please visit our website at <http://fletcherfarm.org>.

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The Stand-Up Shakespeare Company presents one FREE performance at the Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site in Plymouth, Vermont on Saturday, September 4th, 2021, 12 Noon

Announcing: The 2021 annual "Shakespeare Alive! A Bard-Based Variety Show" returns for an all-new, never-before-seen collection of scenes, skits, soliloquies and songs! **Stand Up Shakespeare** is a collective of New York City-based actors who have become a veritable Vermont institution over a 21-year period. The beloved troupe travels to Killington and Plymouth each Labor Day weekend to present a new one-hour show made up of romance, tragedy, history and comedy, all based on the works of William Shakespeare. And, lo, verily, the show is always FREE! Although donations are gratefully accepted.

Where: Union Christian Church, 43 Messer Hill Road, located on the **Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site**, 3780 Route 100 A, Plymouth Notch, VT 05056.

Stay for the 16th Annual **Plymouth Folk and Blues Festival**, which begins at 2:00pm and runs until 5:00pm on Saturday, also Sunday during the same time. This event is also free, with donations appreciated.

For more information about the show and the **Stand-Up Shakespeare Company**, contact Kate Konigisor at 917-406-1456 or kkonig@aol.com. Media inquiries contact Joan Pelzer at 917-670-7071 or joan@joanpelzersocial.com

The **Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation** is the official foundation dedicated to preserving and promoting the legacy of America's 30th president. The Foundation was formed in 1960 by a group of Coolidge enthusiasts, including John Coolidge, the president's son. It maintains its offices at the president's birthplace in Plymouth Notch, Vermont. The Foundation seeks to greatly increase Americans' understanding of President Coolidge and the values he promoted.

For more information on the Coolidge Foundation: coolidgefoundation.org
Executive Director: Dean Woodley Ball; Phone: 802-672-3389; Email: dball@calvin-coolidge.org

About The Union Christian Church: Since 1970, the Union Christian Church has been owned and preserved by The Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation. The church's handmade *Carpenter Gothic* interior and perfect acoustics make it ideal for Shakespeare performances. The Union Christian Church was erected in 1840 as a town meeting house and was formally dedicated as the "Congregational Church Society" in 1842. President Calvin Coolidge, born in 1872, first knew the church in its original state, and until 1890 sat in the pew owned by his grandfather. After the 1890 renovation, the president and his family worshiped in the pew that is now marked by the American Flag and a brass plate on the right arm.



WESTON PLAYHOUSE THEATRE COMPANY PRESENTS "RING OF FIRE"

Weston Playhouse Theatre Company announces **RING OF FIRE**, the Johnny Cash musical, **running August 12 – September 5 under the Tent at Walker Farm.**

It's a ride on the rails, a trip on the wide-open highway, and a journey into the backwoods of Tennessee. **RING OF FIRE** brings the music of Johnny Cash to life with an exhilarating story of struggle and success, recklessness and redemption, love and family. With more than two dozen classic Cash hits, including "I Walk the Line," "A Boy Named Sue," and "Cry Cry Cry," a multi-talented cast of actor-musicians creates a unique portrait about an American legend in this rollicking and heartfelt stage production.

"When we first programmed **RING OF FIRE**, we were interested in telling a story about an icon and his background," says Executive Artistic Director and **RING OF FIRE** director **Susanna Gellert**. "As we've worked through the production in rehearsal, what's become clear is how much this story is really about all of us, about America's past and present. I feel so lucky that we are doing this show this year – it's an incredibly fun musical, and it's also so full of joy, hope, and solace."

RING OF FIRE stars familiar Weston actors **Jacob Brandt** (ONCE), **Seth Eliser** (PUMP BOYS AND DINETTES, ONCE, Joe Iconis & Family), actor/Music Director **Michael Hicks** (OUR TOWN; URINETOWN; THE FULL MONTY; PUMP BOYS AND DINETTES; HELLO, DOLLY!; CHICAGO), **Megumi Nakamura** (THE FANTASTICKS, WEST SIDE STORY, ANNE OF GREEN GABLES, THE MUSIC MAN), and **Dorothy Stanley** (OUR TOWN, GUYS AND DOLLS, 42ND STREET, FIDDLER ON THE ROOF); and introduces **Larry Tobias** (Theatre credits include ONCE, TWELFTH NIGHT, CAT ON A HOT TIN ROOF, PUMP BOYS AND DINETTES; TV/Film credits include NASHVILLE, BALL OF WAX, DING-A-LING-LESS) to the Weston stage.

In addition to **Gellert** and **Hicks**, **RING OF FIRE**'s creative team includes choreographer **Felicity Stiverson** (Weston: WEST SIDE STORY, THE FANTASTICKS, THE PHANTOM TOLLBOOTH, REALLY ROSIE, TENDERLY), scenic and lighting designer **Scott Zielinski** (Weston: set and lights for THE FANTASTICKS, lights for WHO'S AFRAID OF VIRGINIA WOOLF?), costume designer **Amanda Gladu** (recent designs include WALK at PARA.MAR Dance Theatre, SIDE EFFECTS at Parsons Dance, and PATH OF MIRACLES at Spoleto Festival USA), and sound designer **Joanna Lynne Staub** (designs include work at Alliance, 5th Avenue, the Goodman, La Jolla, and more).

RING OF FIRE plays under the **Tent at Walker Farm** (703 Main Street, Weston, VT). **Adult tickets range from \$50-74.** Discounts available for students, veterans, and Vermont residents. Prices do not include sales tax. **RING OF FIRE** is currently sold out, but the Box Office is maintaining a wait list and can be reached at **802-824-5288**.

The Weston Playhouse Theatre Company is a non-profit organization supported in part by funds from the National Endowment for the Arts and an ever-growing family of individuals and organizations who believe in the impact that the performing arts makes on its community.

The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce Announces the

Best of Vermont Summer Festival MUSIC Lineup The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce has announced the music lineup for upcoming **Best of Vermont Summer Festival**, on Saturday August 28 & Sunday 29, 2021, (*rain or shine*) at the Okemo Field on Route 103 in Ludlow, Vermont. This festival will be a great late-summer gathering for locals, new residents, second homeowners, and visitors to experience the very best of Vermont: beer, wine, spirits, specialty foods, artisan products, children's activities and more – including hot air balloons!

Each day will feature live music including our **HEADLINERS**:

Saturday 8/28 from 12-7 pm:

- 12-2 pm **Eric King Band**
- 2-4 pm **Jeb Porter & Friends**
- 4-7 pm - **Christine Malcolm & the SUGARLEAF BAND**

Sunday 8/29 from 10am - 4 pm:

- 10 am -12:30 pm **Ida Mae & the Terrible Mountain String Band (Barn Dance!)**
- 1-4 pm **Jenni Johnson & the JAZZ JUNKETEERS**

The event is being held on Okemo Field, a highly visible location on Route 103 at Bixby Road in Ludlow. (*Directions at bit.ly/OkemoField*) Festival hours are **12 - 7 pm on Saturday** and **10 am - 4 pm on Sunday**. Admission will be by a suggested \$2 donation (*benefitting ag, farm & Taste of Okemo Valley programming*) and a crowd of several thousand is anticipated. Planning for this event started in 2019 but was derailed by the pandemic, but the cancellation of other regional festivals in south central Vermont this summer left a void that Okemo Valley is thrilled to step up and fill.

Some vendor spots may still be available. Vendor site location within the festival is offered on a first-come, first-served basis. Fees depend on booth size, location, needs, and Chamber membership. To learn more and secure a spot at the festival, visit yourplaceinvermont.com/vendors or contact Okemo Valley Chamber Executive Director Carol Lighthall at clighthall@yourplaceinvermont.com or 802-228-5830. Thank you to all our vendors who have already signed up so far including event co-chairs Scott Duffy of **Rockledge Farm Woodworks** and Alyssa Stewart of **Stewart Maple & Marketplace**.

Thank you to our presenting sponsor **William Raveis Vermont Properties** and all our generous sponsors include lead music sponsor **Engel & Volkers**. For a full list of sponsors & event partners, go to: <https://www.yourplaceinvermont.com/best-of-vermont-summer-festival>.

The Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit, member-driven association and the voice of 300+ businesses and the communities of 12 towns & villages in South Central Vermont along the Scenic Route 100 Byway, surrounded by Okemo, Ascutney & Magic mountains. OVRCC provides advocacy, support, and unified regional marketing to promote and enhance businesses in the region, as well as the four-season economy. The festival website is www.yourplaceinvermont.com/best-of-vermont-summer-festival. For more info contact us at the phone number below:



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Engel & Völkers Okemo Hires Real Estate Advisor Mendi Michael

The Ludlow-Based Brokerage Has Tripled In Size, Over The Past Year

Engel and Völkers Okemo is pleased to share that Mendi Michael has joined the real estate brokerage as its newest advisor.

Mendi brings two decades of experience in business operations and client relations that touches nearly every corner of southern Vermont. Most recently, she managed Michael Engineering, a Vermont-based family business founded in 1969. She also spent nine years working as a veterinary assistant and front office manager; first, at the Kedron Valley Veterinary Clinic in Woodstock, and later, at the Rutland Veterinary and Surgical Center.

Mendi first moved to Vermont, in 1999, shortly after she earned her degree in Equine Business Management from Johnson and Wales University. Her first job in the area was at Okemo Mountain Resort, where she spent four years in dining operations and managed a multi-million dollar budget.

"I quit my job at a dressage barn, headed north, and never looked back," said Mendi. "At Okemo, I leveraged my love for people and communications into operations management, and my career took off from there. Transitioning to sales has been a natural evolution, and I feel right at home at Engel & Völkers Okemo."

In the first six months of 2021, Engel & Völkers Okemo brokered more than \$5.5 million in sales in the Okemo Valley region, under license partner Gail Beardmore. In 2014, Beardmore opened the Ludlow-based brokerage and merged it with a Woodstock agency that she founded in 2008.

"The real estate market in southern Vermont continues to throttle forward, and we are actively expanding our reach to meet this growing demand," said Beardmore. "Mendi effortlessly builds strong, dynamic networks, and the decision to bring her on is a strategic way to reinforce Engel & Völkers' presence further north and west of Ludlow."

The volume of real estate listings in the Okemo Valley has steadily declined, amidst a proliferation of in- and out-of-state buyers, driving competition and broadening search radiuses. Dedicated to meeting clients where they are, Engel & Völkers Okemo has tripled in size, over the past year. Since July of 2020, Beardmore has brought on another broker, a marketing and advertising manager, and three [additional advisors](#) to accommodate regional market growth.

Mount Holly Biodiversity Project

New species found: As of mid-August the Biodiversity Project volunteers have made 2,635 total observations in town, 387 more than we had in June! There are now 147 volunteer observers, including 41 project members who have identified 892 species (157 new species since June!) right here in Mount Holly. That breaks down into the following:

433 plants (72 new ones since June – 97 non-native/introduced species)
233 insects (62 new species since June – 15 non-native/introduced species)
81 birds (3 new species since June)
78 fungi (13 new species since June)
17 mammals 19 arachnids (spiders, etc.) 9 amphibians
(frogs, salamanders) 5 reptiles (snakes, turtles)

It is concerning that observers have identified at least 97 species of *non-native* plants and 15 species of *introduced* insects. Although many non-native species are common agricultural and garden plants, a few are an important ecological and economic threats to our forests and agriculture. These include Wild Parsnip (poisonous) and invasives including Japanese Knotweed, Goutweed, Phragmites, Eurasian Milfoil, and Bull Thistle. Invasives displace or threaten native plants (ash, beech & maple trees) and provide little benefit (food, cover, etc.) to native wildlife. If you have any of these on your property it might be a good idea to limit their growth. Helpful information is available online from the website <https://www.vtinvasives.org/>

On a more positive note, the most popular or common species found in Mount Holly include Monarch Butterfly, Canadian Bunchberry, Sensitive Fern, Eastern Newt, Snowshoe Hare, Green False Hellebore, Ruby-throated Hummingbird, and Spotted Salamander. How many of these have you seen in your yard? An easy way to support the Biodiversity Project is to walk around your yard and identify just 10 species of common plants, insects, or birds. If you're not sure about their names, iNaturalist (<https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/mount-holly-biodiversity>) will help you with identifications and your observations will help our community project!

Using iNaturalist on your smart phone or computer, every time you see a bird, a plant, a mushroom or any wild species in Mount Holly iNaturalist will help you identify it and then submit your observations 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 credit for the observation! You can even identify birds by their songs using the Merlin app (available Free in the Play Store or Apple App Store) on your smartphone!

Please 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.

Mount Holly Biodiversity is sponsored by the **Mount Holly Conservation Trust** (<http://mounthollyconservationtrust.org/>) and the **Mount Holly Conservation Commission** (<http://www.mounthollyvt.org/conservation-commission/>) If you have questions or need some assistance call Jim at 802-259-2311.



Mount Holly Chit Chat Annual Meeting - Tuesday, September 21, 2021 - 7:00 pm - Mount Holly Town Office

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Late Summer Garden Care

Rain or shine, our gardens are now heading into the home stretch with tomatoes and peppers leading the way! Weather has not been good for some veggies and flowers this summer, so disappointments are part of the game. Tomatoes and peppers are really sub-tropical plants and don't know that winter is coming so they are still trying to grow as though they have many months ahead. We know better and there are several things we can do right now to get the most out of this year's growing season for tomatoes and other gardening investments. Despite the calendar and shorter day lengths, there are still things to be planted for a fresh fall - early winter harvest. Late summer pests & diseases are appearing too so let's be alert.

Late Season Tomato care. August conditions usually are good for our plant's growth, as well as the diseases, that seem to overtake our garden plants, especially tomatoes. Plant diseases can't be cured, only prevented and managed. What can you do? Most important is disease resistant varietal selection, but that's a discussion for January when we select our seeds.

Disease prevention is the most effective approach. Alternating sprays with Serenade, fungicidal copper, and fungicidal sulfur are accepted organic practices. See my previous article for details. Second recommendation is to maintain strong plant nutrition and health. If your tomatoes, or any other garden plant, seem to be losing their vigor, it's time to give them a nutritional boost. Foliar feeding is quickly ingested and can extend the production of tired tomatoes, summer & winter squash, cucumbers, peppers, and many flowers (petunias, zinnias, marigolds, geraniums, etc.) that have been using the available nutrients in their soil all summer. Fish emulsion (available at most garden centers and online as a liquid concentrate) is a great foliar fertilizer, best applied when no rain is expected in the morning when leaf pores (stomata) are open and can take in the food. Spray it on

with a tank sprayer or sprinkle it on with a watering can with a sprinkler head.

If foliar sprays are not your preference, you can apply a commercial liquid organic fertilizer when watering. Got compost? Make a simple "compost tea" with a shovel-full of mature compost in a 5 gallon bucket and fill with water. Mix it well and repeat mixing a couple times for a day before watering your plants with this healthy tea. This provides a great boost of beneficial soil microbes plus some nutrients to feed your plants. Do not try to save it for more than a day or two, it can get pretty "ripe"!

Our next job is to regularly remove all diseased or yellowing leaves/branches from plants. An infected leaf can produce millions of spores that quickly spread over the surface of healthy leaves as well as inside the plant via sap. Cut them off and discard away from the garden, not in your compost. Continue to pinch off "suckers" and harvest ripe tomatoes, peppers, cukes, etc. so the plant's strength can go to new fruits.

Finally, because it takes 50-60 days for a tomato blossom to grow into a ripening fruit, the blossoms forming now will not yield useable tomatoes but will take valuable energy away from the plant. Best practice is to snip off all newly formed blossoms from now forward. Sad thing to do but it will direct more energy into the fruits already on the plant. Also, if your plants have outgrown their supports then cut off the terminal tips to stop growth at the top.

Got Beans? Green beans are easy to grow and give an abundant crop, sometime too abundant. Like zucchini (see previous article) we can be creative in using our beans. Here is our favorite recipe for the very popular Dilly Beans:

Dilly Beans

These dilly beans can be refrigerated for several weeks or canned for longer storage.

Makes: 8 pint jars

4 lbs. green beans, washed, topped and tailed

3 Tbsp dill seed

1 -1/2 Tbsp black peppercorns

1 large head of garlic, broken up into cloves, peeled and sliced thinly

6 cups distilled white vinegar

1 cup water

1/3 cup sugar

3 Tbsp salt

1. Cut beans into lengths 1 inch shorter than the pint jars.

2. Set 8 pint jars on a sheet pan and heat in the oven at 250 degrees until hot

3. Pack the beans vertically into the hot jars.

4. Distribute the sliced garlic, dill seed and peppercorns equally between the jars.

5. If canning put on water to boil (see step 9). If refrigerating, skip this step.

6. Combine the vinegar, water, sugar and salt in a medium non-reactive saucepan and bring to a boil.

7. Pour the hot brine over the beans to cover by 1/2 inch. Leave 1/2 inch of headspace between the top of the liquid and the lid. Wipe rims with a clean, vinegar soaked piece of cheese cloth or paper towel, center lids on the jars and screw on jar bands.



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8. Refrigerate (beans will keep for several weeks) or can, see step 9.

9. To can beans put enough water in a canner to cover the jars with 1" of water. Bring water to a boil and lower hot jars into the water being sure they are covered. Process in boiling water bath for 15 minutes. Turn off heat, remove canner lid and let jars rest in the water for 5 minutes. Remove and cool. Check seals then store in cool, dark place for up to 1 year.

Planting in August? Some of the best veggies are our fall crops and you shouldn't miss the chance to grow a few. Brassicas (broccoli, cauliflower, kale, etc.) do very well with cooler weather and grow even with shortening days. Kale can be directly seeded now along with leaf lettuce, mesclun, arugula, and spinach. Plant a crop now and again next week to spread the harvest out. I start broccoli and cauliflower plants the first week of July for transplanting and they went into the ground last week where the garlic was harvested. As with any transplants, I put a tablespoon of rock phosphate powder (or bone meal) in each hole, top them with compost, and give them a drink of liquid fish fertilizer (about 1 cup each) so they have a strong start. Fewer cabbage moths and cooler temperatures produce the most tender & delicious harvest of the season. Unfortunately, garden centers haven't realized this opportunity, so you have to start your own seedlings.

Elderberries are ripening. Unless you have cultivated elderberries it's time to look for the ripening (purple) berries on wild bushes. These often-overlooked treasures grow wild throughout Vermont, look in low lying areas along the roads. Elderberry jelly, pies, wine, and juice are hard to match and rated extremely nutritious. Early Vermont settlers also appreciated that an elderberry bush next to a barn would prevent lightning strikes!

Perennials. Now is a good time to dig up and divide some of those oversized perennials (hostas, lilies, etc.). They will have enough time to re-establish some root growth and withstand the winter. Dig them out and cut them with your spade or garden knife into moveable clumps for transplanting. Be sure to put a couple tablespoons of rock phosphate (or bone meal) into the planting hole before placing the plant. This will provide a source of this root stimulating nutrients for years to come.

Thinking ahead... now is the time to order your **fall bulbs** for October-November planting. If you haven't grown **garlic**, this should be the year you start. Order "seed garlic" from a local farmer, Johnny's Selected Seeds, FEDCO, Maine Potato Lady, or other online sources for late October planting. Supermarket garlic may be treated to inhibit growth so don't make good seed.

Pest Alerts.

Tomato Hornworms (5-spotted Hawk Moth) have made their appearance and can defoliate a tomato plant in a day. Look for side stems without leaves, usually in the upper area of the tomato plant. Also, check your potatoes and peppers, they like those too. The caterpillar can be very large and plump by the time you find them. Quickest way to dispatch them humanely is with pruning shears! Pay attention however, if you see tiny white projections on the caterpillar's body do NOT kill it. Those attachments are cocoons of a beneficial parasitic wasp that will kill that caterpillar for you, plus produce many more who will search and destroy other caterpillars in your garden. They are not a stinging wasp and will not bother you.

Ground Wasps! August nests are at peak numbers and they can be very disagreeable when disturbed. Please remember that while most wasps (there are over 100 species in Vermont) do not sting, they all have an important ecological role as pollinators and predators of garden pests, especially caterpillars and aphids. Only the social/colonial wasps that build bigger nests might sting when disturbed. Solitary wasps such as beneficial mason bees do not even have a stinger. Bumble bees can be defensive but should not be exterminated or destroyed unless absolutely necessary as they are important native pollinators.

Nests located near play areas, doorways, or in lawns might have to be destroyed, but fortunately that can be done without any toxic chemicals or polluting gasoline introduced into the soil. The most practical approach I've found is to quickly cover the nest hole with a piece of window screen anchored down with rocks or ground staples. Pour up to 1 gallon of soapy water (1 cup dish soap in 1 gal. water) into the hole. Yellow jacket nests can be up to 3 ft. deep so it may take at least a gallon of water to treat the nest. Do this after dark when all the wasps are in the nest, be prepared to retreat if necessary, and leave the screen in place until all is quiet the next day.

Weeds. It's easy to let the weeds finally have their way in the garden as our plants are big enough to compete with them and we're tired of constant weeding. Do not stop now! Weeds are now producing their flowers and seeds for next year's generation, and several generations after that. Weeding now will yield benefits of reduced labor in the future if you remove those plants, or at least the seed heads on top. It's an important goal, do not allow weeds to go to seed in your garden!

Remember to compost your food and yard wastes for the best garden fertilizer. Here's a [short video](#) to help you get your own compost started.

"One minute you're young, hip, & carefree and the next minute you're bragging to your friends about the vegetables in your garden."

What are you seeing on in your garden? Got questions? Suggestions? Leave a message in the Comments section below. Jim Corven, Fenn Farmstead & Gardens, 175 Fenn Rd., Mount Holly, VT 05758 802-259-2311 or 781-307-0394

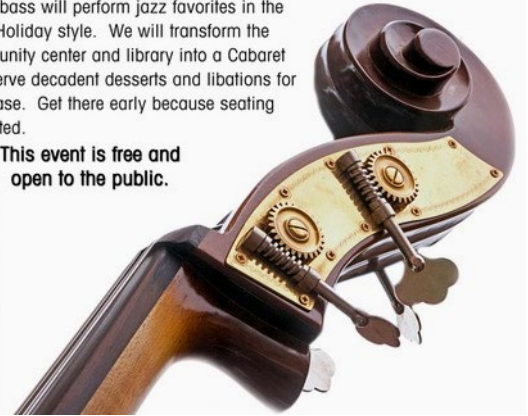
Mount Holly Community Association Presents **JAZZ CABARET** ON THE MT HOLLY STAGE

SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 5th - 8 PM

MT HOLLY COMMUNITY CENTER / LIBRARY

Vocalist Alexa Fila and Joe Solomon on the string bass will perform jazz favorites in the Billie Holiday style. We will transform the community center and library into a Cabaret and serve decadent desserts and libations for purchase. Get there early because seating is limited.

**This event is free and
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2021 SHREWSBURY MEETINGHOUSE PUBLIC EVENTS MAY - OCT.

Sat. September 4	4 pm	STEVE SPENSLEY AND FRIENDS concert	Rain Date: Sun. 9/5
Sat. September 11	TBA	SHREWSBURY DAYS PARADE AND FESTIVITIES	Rain Date 9/12
Sat. September 18	4 pm	VA-ET-VIENT concert	Rain Date: Sun. 9/19
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Sat. October 9	3 pm	THE NEIGHBORS concert	Rain Date: Sun. 10/10





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Seeking an energetic, people-focused manager with retail/business management experience and a team approach to management. The store currently has both paid and volunteer staff as well community volunteers for specific tasks.

Contact Ed Hemmer at ehemmersails@gmail.com for additional information and to arrange for a visit.

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

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Drug Overdosing And Responses Subject Of Ludlow Rotary Speakers

Representatives of the Mt. Ascutney Hospital and Health Care Center (MAHHC) addressed a recent luncheon meeting of the Ludlow Rotary Club on drug overdosing and death.

Melanie Sheehan and Astrid Bradish, two key members of MAHHC's drug recovery program, stressed the fact that "overdose death is 100% preventable - every life matters and efforts that save lives can be done by anyone and everyone".

Their discussion focused are the key drug overdose signs and characteristics:

- ☐ What is an overdose
- ☐ Signs of an opioid over dose
- ☐ How to respond to an overdose
- ☐ The use of CPR to restore normal breathing
- ☐ The use of Narcan

Narcan, technically known as naloxone, was emphasized as a means of restoring breathing to an overdosed person. Both speakers recommended carrying Narcan especially where opioid overdosing may occur.

Melanie Sheehan is the Regional Prevention Program Manager at MAHHC and has been there for over 20 years. Her work is focused mainly on the prevention of substance use; however, more recently she has partnered with folks in substance use treatment and recovery to help curb the rate of drug overdose death in Windsor County which has the highest death rate in Vermont.

Astrid Bradish-Hoyt is involved with long term recovery and working for the Turning Point Recovery Center of Springfield. She is the Supervisor for the Recovery Coaches in the Emergency Department of MAHHC and Manager of its Organization Grant function. Astrid also serves as co-chair of the Substance Misuse Workgroup the hospital's Community Health Improvement Plan.

Pictured above are Melanie Sheehan and Astrid Bradish-Hoyt as they speak to members of the Ludlow Rotary Club on opioid overdosing.





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