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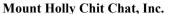
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### Blueberry Farm.

### Paula Jean Dockum Cole

Paula Dockum Cole of Mt. Holly and most recently of Gower, Missouri, passed away peacefully with her family by her side on May 19, 2023. Paula was the oldest of five children, born to Harold and Arlene Dockum on June 30, 1947, in Bennington, Vermont.

Paula grew up in Cavendish, Vermont, graduating in 1964 from Black River High School. After attending nursing school in Burlington, she married the love of her life, Victor Cole, on January 26, 1968. On that joyous day, they began their life and family together. Paula and Vic were residents of Essex Vermont, Manassas Virginia and Rutland Vermont. Paula and Vic finally settled on purchasing a farmhouse in Mt. Holly in 2011, where she and Vic established the Frog Pond

Paula cared deeply for all people in her life. She spent much of her working career with Blodgett Ovens and IBM. She worked as a paraeducator at Mt. Holly Elementary School for several years, mentoring and teaching local children. Beyond her professional careers, Paula was an energetic, fun-spirited soul of many passions and lived a joyful life. She was known for her delicious cooking and holiday gatherings with family and friends. She enjoyed quilting, reading, gardening, music and singing, cross-country skiing, and playing a good game of tennis. Paula loved travel, culture and good living.

Paula is predeceased by her husband, Victor, her parents Harold and Arlene, and her siblings Tommy and Debbie. She is survived by her three children, Stacey of New York, New York, Andrea of Burlington, and Greg and Fran Cole of Kansas City, Mo. She, too, leaves behind her grandchildren, her sister Harriet White of Tennessee, brother Peter Dockum and his wife Marcia of Ludlow, and a vast extended family.

Paula lived by the quote from Ram Dass "We are all walking each other home."

Memorial contributions can be made in Paula's memory to the Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society, 4832 Rt. 44 West Windsor, VT 05089

A celebration of Paula's life will be held on Friday, June 30 from 3 to 6 PM in the Community Room at the Mt. Holly Library in Belmont.

### William A. Higgins

William Arnold Higgins, 96 of Mt. Holly, passed away in his sleep Jan. 15, 2023. Born July 15, 1926, he was the son of Mrs. Estelle M. Arnold and Dr. Gregory L. Higgins of Carbondale, PA.

He graduated from LaGuardia College with a degree in bookkeeping. Bill worked as a taxi driver, mechanic and golf caddy before joining the Army Air Corps in 1946 where he became airplane crew chief and B29 specialist in the Philippines during WWII.

On September 1, 1948 Bill married Viola Virgina Maki, and they stayed together for 75 years, until his last day.

Hired in 1954 by Burt Millwork Corp as bookkeeper, he moved up the ranks to General Manager and eventually became a partner in the firm. In 1980 he retired and moved with his wife into their home in Mt. Holly -- designed by Viola and built by their neighbors, Carl and Henny Parsells.

Bill's main passion was golf -- after retirement and his move to Vermont he joined the Fox Run Golf Course Senior League and played several times a week. He eventually earned two Hole-In-One plaques that still hang in the clubhouse today. He also loved to fish and hunt and enthusiastically kept at it until an advanced age.

Bill is survived by his wife, Viola. Together they raised 6 children, Thomas Higgins (Nancy) of Wingdale, N.Y., Jean Marie Brinegar (deceased 2008), Katrin Tazza (Thomas) of Washington Depot, CT, Bethany Higgins Thompson of Easton, Maryland, Gregory Higgins of Mt. Holly, VT and Terri Jo Higgins of Silver City, NM. He is grandfather to 8 grandchildren, and great-grandfather to 5 great grandchildren. The interment will took place on Sat., June 17, 2023 @ 1 pm in Maple Grove Cemetery, East Wallingford, VT. Following the interment a memorial service was held at the Village Baptist Church in Belmont. Arrangements are by Tossing Funeral Home.



### Marjorie F. Eddy

Marjorie F. Eddy, 92 of Wallingford died Monday June 6, 2023, at the Rutland Regional medical Center. She was born on January 14, 1931, in Mount Holly, the daughter of Carl and Nellie (Blodgett) Fish. Mrs. Eddy was a member of the First Congregational Church of Wallingford and the Order of the Eastern Star, Gilman Chapter No.88. Survivors include 2 daughters, Denise Eddy and Dawn Eddy and husband

Eduardo, grandchildren Gaby, Rebecca and husband Greg and Ryan and fiancé Emily, a great grandson Parker and several nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, Donald R. Eddy on April 5, 1991; 3 sisters Joyce Ingalls, Marion Blodgett and Evelyn Leino Brown; and four brothers: Kenneth Fish, Arthur

Fish, Sherwin Fish and Winston Fish and son-in-law Michael McMahon. Arrangements are by the Aldous Funeral Home. A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Wallingford Rescue Squad or charity of one's choice.

# Notice: All Invited Mechanicsville Cemetery Monthly Volunteer Clean Up Schedule

July 5, 6 pm Wed due to holiday Aug 1, 8 am Sept 5, 6 pm Oct 3, 8 am



### **Expeditionary School** At Black River

Everyone in the ESBR family, we are very pleased to

announce that Saturday, June 10th at 10:30am in the Ludlow Town Hall

### **Bone Builders**

Monday & Thursday Mornings 9:00 am Odd Fellows Hall

For Weights and more information Call Judy Nevin 802-259-2443

Heald Auditorium they had their third-year running graduation! All were welcome to celebrate this special occasion.

The students had another exciting school year, and recently performed their original play "Her Ring," as pictured here. It's been another transformative year and we extend a tremendous thank you to all who continue to support these learners and this cause.

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### The Museums of Mount Holly to Open on July 1st.

The Mount Holly Community Historical Museum is scheduled to open on Saturdays and Sunday's beginning on July 1st through the end of August. The hours are 2 to 4 p.m., or by appointment by calling 802-259-2460 or -2049.

The Will White Blacksmith Shop on Tarbellville Road contains the tool collection, farming equipment, early school items, the post office, and the Surrey that was used to bring people to the village from the railroad stations. Also on display are the creations made by a travelling druggist who was the last person to live in the building.

The Perkins House Museum on the Belmont Village Green holds the family items, elementary school student murals about the railroad history and our state's Terrestrial Fossil, the mammoth tusk, an Estey organ used across the street in the Methodist Church, the museum's albums, a Civil War display, and information about the Chase Toy Factory.

Both buildings date to the 1840s when the village was known as Mechanicsville. Mammoth related items are also offered for sale, and please check the website for special

### Getting out on the woods trails in spring is a highlight during a lesson.

Despite the cold, damp and rainy weather we had during May and early June, Reinbow Riding Center finished up a full spring session of lessons for area elementary and high school students. Our summer session begins after July 4th and there are still lesson sessions available for anyone interested.

We would like to thank all the Ladies that attended the May Mt. Holly Ladies Night at Stonewall Farm for their interest, support and their generous donations to Reinbow Riding. Also, a BIG thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who are an essential part

programs.

of our program.

We are still looking for day lilies to fill out hillside the below the riding ring, so if you

have extras you would like to get rid of, please think of us and drop them off on the side hill below the ring at Stone Wall Farm/Reinbow Riding Center, Tarbelville Road, Belmont. Thank you.

For more information, please visit our website: reinbowridingcenter.org and follow us on Facebook or Instagram @reinbow riding center.

Contact us at programs@reinbowridingcenter.org or 802-236-2483 to inquire about our programs and lessons. For information about opportunities to volunteer contact janetupton@reinbowridingcenter.org.

# **Suppers For Mount Holly Organizations**

Settings Start 5:00 pm

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

July 4th Odd Fellows - Chicken BBQ 11:30 am After Town Parade also that day Step off at 11:00 am

July 22<sup>nd</sup> Mt. Moriah Masons - Baked Ham Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> Historical Museum - Baked Ham Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>

MHV Rescue Squad - Roast Ham Oct 7th

Colfax Lodge – Roast Pork Take Outs Available With All Dinners More Info Call 802-259-2460



### Hall Rental in Belmont \*\*\*

The use of the Hall in Belmont is scheduled by contacting Carol at 802-259-2791, or at tcg2791@yahoo.com. You may also leave a message with Dennis at 802-259-2460, or at ddevereux@vermontel.net.

not as a right to do as we please, but as an opportunity to do what is right" - Peter Marshall

Quickly moving away from any political incorrectness, let's look at what is happening on the MHCA summer community calendar - oh man we have a lot going on!

Music on the Green starts this month. Mark your calendars on Thursdays at 6:30 pm for this fantabulous musical line up:

Casey and the Dirty Dogs

7/13 Liz Reedy

fun games.

7/20Jeb and Friends

7/2.7Plumb Bob's

We are so looking forward to this traditional summer event. Bring a

picnic, enthusiasm, and appreciation for these volunteer musicians who love to perform for our community.

Mount Holly Day celebration from Noon - 3pm. There will be loads of the best outdoor cooking ever, side dishes, and family

# Flanders Excavating & Firewood **Complete Site Work Start To Finish**

News from MHCA...

2023. It is also the month when we reflect and celebrate our country

making its official appearance; of course we all have our perspective

regarding what becoming independent may mean/have meant for our country; but here is a quote to ponder...."May we think of freedom,

Here we are in July making it official that we are halfway through

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### BUT WAIT - this year promises to offer more fun than EVER

### With the return of the home grown boat regatta and the pie baking contest

It was time to shake things up a bit for this annual summer celebration so we have added a pie baking contest and boat race. We CAN NOT WAIT to see the creativity and energy that goes into both of these events. They are perfect activities to celebrate the wonderful people who make our town the best place in Vermont to live. Look for additional details here in the chit chat and on the news flash in the coming weeks.

Mary, Mary, quite contrary, how does your garden grow?.... The origins of this nursery rhyme are from England and although they too are known for their gardens there is nothing like a green mountain garden. The Garden Tour is set for August 5th. Tickets, which include an automatic raffle entry for some beautiful garden prizes, will be sold at the community center the morning of the garden tour for \$15. Take a day to smell the roses (and lots of other summer beauties) and treat yourself to our gardeners' mountain landscapes. Bring a friend and you'll have even more fun!

Lastly, and admittedly not the most fun event but ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY, is our 2023/24 membership drive kick off coming to you in the mail soon. One might ask...why is the MHCA membership drive necessary (aka... why should I care)? Well the building that houses our library and community center is our responsibility to care for. The Mount Holly Community Association is responsible for the upkeep, keeping it clean, providing meeting space for individuals, groups, and organizations. It's a community hub and our membership drive provides us with the financial resources to maintain the historic building; a new boiler, exterior painting, and tuck pointing are all on our "to do" list this year and as you well know those items are costly to have done. So when we all share a bit of the community expense we can accomplish a great deal. If you have ever visited the library, attended a celebration of life, retirement party, baby shower, birthday party, class, meeting, Cider Days, Cabaret or other music event then you have benefitted from this community resource. We hope that you will consider joining MHCA and supporting your community

Continuing with our "Meet your Board of Directors" series, we would like to introduce our rock and rolling, guitar wielding, best sideburns east of the Mississippi Director at Large - Kevin Hollebeek! Kevin joined the Board in 2018 when he decided it was time to step up and get involved in his community; he thought it was important to help out with activities that were going on. Since joining the Board he has become our go to systems maintenance guy and our most recent Mount Holly Day coordinator.

Kevin moved to VT in 2009 and migrated to Mount Holly from Peru in 2012. He and his lovely wife Katie met working on a trail crew in Maine, stayed in touch & 2 years later they hiked the Appalachian trail, decided they liked each other and started their life together ♥□ Kevin and Katie have 2 kids, who are as outdoorsy as their parents are and you can often find the family out hiking, biking, or eating maple creamies (Kevin's guilty pleasure). Kevin has a degree in Natural Resources Management which led

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him to working with civil engineers, surveying, eventually getting a license in On-site Waste Systems Design that finally culminated in starting his own business Belmont Septic Design, LLC. In his spare time from work, parental & MHCA responsibilities, Kevin plays with Jeb and Friends. Come out and listen to his music at the 4th of July BBQ, Mount Holly Day, and Music on the Green July 20th. When he was asked if there was anything else he would like to share with the Chit Chat readers... "I love Mount Holly and am grateful we live in this community". And that my friends is a shared sentiment and a perfect conclusion to this month's MHCA news. Happy July to all!



# Some Changes/Updates to Mt Holly School's PTSA, nowPTG

We have Changed our name from PTSA to PTG—PARENT TEACHER GROUP. Our new email is MtHollyPTG@gmail.com

• SOUPER KIDS @ Cider Days/Taps to taste Sub-committee Meeting Aug 9th 5:30Pm at the Mount Holly Community Center. We have an hour slotted to discuss, plans, layouts and the possibility of creating a larger kid zone.

NIGHT OUT/AUCTION Sub-committee Meeting Aug 9th

6:30Pm at the Mount Holly Community Center. We have an hour slotted to discuss plan on how the PTG is going to Raise the needed \$20,000 to keep its current programs running for the next 2 years.

KIDS SUMMER ACTIVITIES!!!

We need participation from our community's kids and students for some upcoming PTG projects.

- Have your kids create a "what does Music mean to me". This can be in the form of art, essay, music video or composition. This will stem the future NEW MUSIC ROOM fundraising efforts. Please email their contributions to MtHollyPTG@gmail.com and include the Parents name, Students name and age/grade
- Have them Create!! Have the kids create items, crafts, art that can be sold at our upcoming events (Souper kids/taps to taste/Auction) to help us Fundraise for PTG events! Please reach out to MtHol-lyPTG@gmail.com to participate or for more information. Include the Students name/Grade and the parent's name.

# To ALL the Teachers and Staff at Mount Holly

FOR HELPING US

Thank you for putting in the time and effort to enrich our students minds and lives this year!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO DENNIS Cointreau, for safely transporting our kids these last 5 years!!!

From all the Students, Parents and Community



The Writers' Group will meet at the Mount Holly Library on July 10th at 1 PM. And Jacob Strunk will be reading at the library on July 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM. Thank you, Joan Connor

# You're Invited to the "Mount Holly Day" Annual Picnic!

When: Sunday – July 23 - 12:00 PM – 3:00 PM Where: Star Lake Public Park – Park @ The Odd Fellows Hall

MHCA will provide: Hamburgers & Hot Dogs. Please bring a side dish or a dessert to share.

New for 2023: Pie Contest! (See Details in this edition of Chit Chat)

Fun beach games for kids of ALL ages!
Also, build a raft out of found recyclables and paddle
around the dock – special prize for fastest craft and most
unique!

Check out mhcavt.org and "Mount Holly Community Association" on Facebook for more information

**Got Bees?** 

Warmer weather can cause honeybee colonies to grow bigger, swarm, and go looking for a new home. If you see a mass of honeybees hanging in the open from your house, tree or shrub branches, or anyplace, this may be a swarm. They are not aggressive and should

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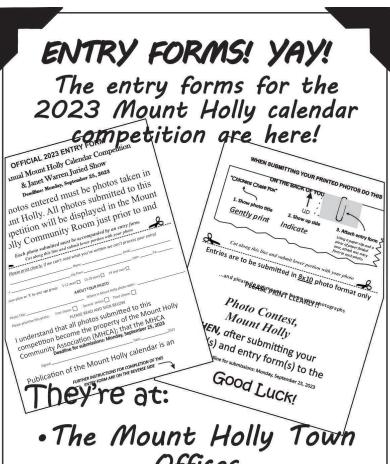




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2022 4<sup>th</sup> of July Town Parade & Chicken BBQ photos by Joseph Hammond





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Anyone, resident or non-resident can enter up to three photos of Mount Holly into the annual Photo & Calendar Competition. See entry forms for all details. The competition is an activity of the Mount Holly Community Association (MHCA) and all proceeds from calendar sales go to support the activities of the MHCA.

### MOUNT HOLLY TOWN LIBRARY NEWS **JULY 2023**



### **Visit the Mount Holly Little Library!**

Take one/leave one. The little library is located at Star Lake, near the Odd Fellows Hall. A small selection of adult paperbacks and kids books.

Thanks to Bill McGrath for the construction, Penny Coldwell for the wonderful paint job and Bill and Linda McGrath for installing it.

JULY 4th 10 - 3 Our annual July book sale in the Library parking area

### JULY 19th at 7 PM

The Library welcomes author and film maker Jacob Strunk. Jacob will be reading from his books and showing selected film clips.



Mount Holly Town Library 26 Maple Hill Road Belmont, VT 05730 802-259-3707 mthollvlibrarv@gmail.com

### The American Eagle

When God made the clam

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The eagle then nested on the highest crag,

Where the storms threaten every day

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He screams his defiance at the elements,

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# Mount Saint Joseph Academy is pleased to announce the following Honors:

### Valedictorian



Brian Thomas Pierce is the class of 2023 Valedictorian. Brian is the son of Laura LaVictoire Pierce and Brian Pierce of Middletown Springs. Brian attended Christ the King School prior to his enrollment at MSJ.

While in attendance, Brian maintained High Academic Honors throughout his career, and was actively involved in a variety of clubs and activities, including the Josephite Chapter of the National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, and the MSJ Student Government. In addition, Brian earned Varsity letters in Soccer, Alpine Skiing, and Tennis. Brian was a member of the 2021 Division 4 State Championship Boys Soccer team, and represented MSJ as an Academy Host/Student Ambassador.

In addition to his school honors, Brian volunteered countless hours at the Rutland Regional Medical Center and is currently a member of the Fair Haven Rescue Squad and Regional Ambulance Service as a certified EMT.

Brian will be attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the fall, majoring in Nuclear Engineering.

### Salutatorian



Ryan James Laforest is the Class of 2023 Salutatorian. Ryan is the son of Martine Cadesca and Kernizan Laforest of Coral Springs, Florida.

While in attendance, Ryan maintained High Academic Honors throughout his career and was a member of the MSJ Student Government and the Josephite Chapter of the National Honor Society.

Ryan was actively involved in a variety of clubs and activities earning a varsity letter in Boy's Soccer as part of the 2021 Division 4 State Championship team. Ryan also served MSJ as an Academy Host/Student Ambassador. Ryan will be attending North Carolina State University in the fall.

### 2023 Veritas et Puritas Award



Each year Mount Saint Joseph Academy honors one or more members of the graduating class with the Veritas et Puritas Award. The phrase Veritas et Puritas translates as "truth and purity" and has been the motto of the Academy since its founding in 1882 by the Sisters of Saint Joseph.

This year Mount Saint Joseph Academy is proud to award Dominic Oritzio Valente the 2023 Veritas et Puritas Award.

Dominic Oritzio Valente is the son of Nancy and Michael Valente of Mount Holly. Dominic attended Black River Middle School prior to his enrollment at MSJ. During his career at MSJ he maintained High Academic Honors and was a member of the Josephite Chapter of the National Honor Society. In addition to academics Dominic was a dedicated four year member of the Mount Saint Joseph Academy Boys Soccer program, earning a State Championship in the fall of 2021.

Likewise, Dominic earned varsity letters as a four year member of the Boys Baseball team.

Dominic will be attending Paul Smith's College in the fall.

### Fifield Pond Walk

Mount Holly residents have commented that walking on our roads can be dangerous because drivers go too fast and the roads are narrow without sidewalks. Fortunately there are alternative places to walk close by. The Green Mountain National Forest has many logging roads but they are not well marked, so it can be frustrating if you are unfamiliar with them. Fifield Pond is beautiful and the round trip takes less than an hour -- thank you Peter Smith for the suggestion. Directions are below. The Mount Holly Conservation Commission is working to prepare a guide describing walks in the area. If you have ideas, please email us at mounthollyce@gmail.com.

Fifield Pond is less than a mile from the parking area at the end of Beaver Meadow Road. From Tarbelville go 0.7 miles north on 155, then left on Beaver Meadow Road. Follow it to the end, parking in the large lot away from the signs that say "No Parking, Snow Plow turnaround".



Walk up the rough road, keeping to the right when logging roads go off to the left. After about 20 minutes (0.7 miles) cross a snowmobile bridge.

Less than five minutes later look for a narrow but well cleared logging road on the left. Follow it two minutes, then turn left on a trail that goes a few feet to the pond.

On the way back to the parking area, after you cross the snowmobile bridge, keep left and go down the hill when you see logging roads on the right.



### The Vermonter Who Inspired Indiana Jones

"It's not the years, honey. It's the mileage!" Indy was practically a pup in 1936 when he rattled off that line in Raiders. In the latest installment, Indiana Jones and the Dial of Destiny, our whip-wielding, wise-cracking hero racks up plenty

of thrilling miles in what is supposedly his fond farewell to the big screen. BTW, this is the longest Indiana Jones movie in history, beating out *The Last Crusade* by 14 minutes.



At his best, Indiana Jones has always been a hero that feels utterly human. He may be earthbound and not into "superstitious hocus-pocus", but he, never-the-less, has an interest in the supernatural and a profound hatred for evil. So now, it's 1969 and Indy, the daring archeologist who once faced aliens and the wrath of God, now faces a lonely retirement in NYC, when his goddaughter, Helena (Phoebe Waller-Bridge), bursts into his life after 18 years. The duo set out to retrieve an ancient dial capable of locating time fissures, only to discover that some dangerous dudes are also after it because it might have the ability to affect

There is no doubt that Dial is a rip-roaring adventure borrowing more from the fun serial swashbucklers of the golden age than any modern blockbusters. With each nod to the past the flick feels as comfy as an old shoe or

an old friend... like Sallah. (John Rhys-Davies returns. Ya' gotta love that guy!) Harrison Ford's performance gives us a real sense of time passing and the effect that can have on even the most fearless soul. Don't we all feel the miles racking up?

A friend recently introduced us to an interesting sidelight. Did you know that the real archeologist, whom many believe is the basis (among others) for the Indiana character, was born in VT? That's right. Walter W. Granger (1872- 1941) was born in Middletown Springs and was interested in natural history in high school. Outside of his academic studies, he worked as a selftaught, professional taxidermist. At age 17, he left school to start at the American Museum of

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College in 1932. After his death, the museum in NYC renamed its Asiatic Hall of Fossils the "Walter Granger Memorial Hall". The ashes of what one colleague called "the greatest collector of fossil vertebrates that ever lived" were scattered on his mother's grave in Pleasant View Cemetery in Middletown Springs.

How fascinating that the real life "Indy" (from VT of all places) "found himself" in a museum. Obviously, Indiana Jones does not (and never will) belong in a museum. He is far too vital for that; his mileage, as a character and a pop culture icon, is infinite. Pastor Glenn



Natural History in NYC, doing fieldwork with the Dept. Paleontology. He is responsible for the discovery of Bone Cabin Quarry (WY) and the first American fossil hunt outside North America in Egypt. He was a welcome addition to the team, friendly, encouraging, liked by all. In 1921, he went to China and Mongolia as chief paleontologist where excavations yielded "Peking Man" and the first dinosaur eggs



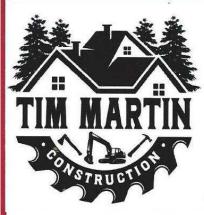
found in situ. Although he never attended any institutions of higher education, he received an honorary doctorate from Middlebury



# SAVE THE DATE! The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Mount Holly Garden Tour will be held on August 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am to 4pm Ticket sales benefit the work of the Mount Holly Community Association And includes entry into our gift raffle

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# COLLAMORE'S NOTES FROM THE STATE HOUSE

**By: Senator Brian Collamore** 

The first year of the 2023-24 biennium has concluded. The Vermont Senate adjourned shortly before 6pm on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Pursuant to Joint Rule 29, the General Assembly will return for impeachment proceedings against the Franklin County State's Attorney and Sheriff later this year at a date to be determined. The Senate will act as the jury in those proceedings.

Governor Phil Scott vetoed a total of 8 bills this past session. 6 were overridden and 2 sustained in the sense that they were both sent back to the committees of origin and did not pass. I voted to sustain the 6 and did not support either of the bills that wound up back in committee. I did so because of my continuing concern about the economic forecasts from both the Legislative and Administrative economists who predict the state's general fund revenues will drop nearly 9% in the fiscal year that begins July 1, a drop that would outpace even the 2009 downturn during the Great Recession. There are dark clouds on the horizon and 5 of the 8 vetoes were on bills that had budgetary impacts. Overall, the State budget grew by nearly 13% and is easily the largest budget in State history. I agree with what the Campaign for Vermont said recently "that level of spending is nearly twice the level of inflation and well above the increase in tax revenues. With the potential for a recession still looming we should not be increasing spending so dramatically, particularly with very large potential financial liabilities for the state in the near future, such as water quality, pensions, and PCB's. Irresponsible spending of one-time federal dollars on ongoing programs has led us here and legislators have demonstrated that they don't have the political will to avoid spending state dollars to backfill receding federal funds. This is a crisis of their own making."

The budget will include a new payroll tax, and fee increases from the Department of Motor Vehicles (25% increase) and Office of Professional Regulation plus as yet unknown costs from the "affordable" Heat Act. The

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changes that were vetoed but overturned in Burlington and Brattleboro will now allow non-citizens and young people who are 16 years old to vote.

Nonetheless, there were some positive things that came out of the session.

- -Housing investments (outside of emergency housing) for missing middle, and the steps toward regulatory relief in S.100.
- -A companion bill regarding the homeless situation which will add funding already accounted for (no new taxes or fees) and which will include some accountability for those taking advantage of the program.
- -The workforce investments contained in the budget as well as the full ask by VSC given that Castleton University is in my Senate district. CCV tuition will also be reduced by 50% for high demand sectors for the coming year.
- -Sports betting! New revenue to the state NOT based on broad based tax and fee increases.
- -Public Safety the Legislature did pass four solid public safety bills: certain provisions of S.4, which is the omnibus bill; S.89 which sets on a path to create a forensic system of care; S.91 regarding competency and insanity defenses (also related to the forensic system of care); and S.138 on school safety.

I do remain optimistic about the upcoming election cycle. Given that the cumulative impact of the policies passed this session could increase the cost of living by as much as \$1,200 per household, I am hopeful that we are situated well to elect candidates who are more sensitive to the fiscal environment Vermonters are struggling with due to inflation. If constituents have concerns or questions for me, you can email me at bcollamore@leg.state.vt.us



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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.

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.

### Select Board Meeting Town Office June 14, 2023, 6:30 pm MINUTES

In attendance: Paul Barton, Caitlin Boyle, Dennis Devereux, Chad Farrar, Craig Fortier, Carol A. Garrow-Woolley, Zena M. Gates, Barbara Hazelton (via Zoom), Steve Hazelton (via Zoom), David Johnson, Elizabeth Karle, Jon McCann, Donna McDonald, Linda McGrath, Christine Pratt, David Martin (via Zoom), Stephen Michel, Donna Seward, James Seward, Andrew Shulz, Faith Tempest, Clinton Woolley.

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- Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Consideration of Any Changes to the Agenda: Several small items are added to the New Business section of the agenda: Appoint Rep and

Alternate to Regional Board of Commissioners; Reappoint BOA Member; Reappoint Road Foreman; Consider Liquor License Application for Belmont Store.

- Approval of May 9th and 11th Minutes 4.
- The Select Board indicated the need to add to the May 9 a. minutes that Clinton Woolley was appointed as RRTAC representative. Diana Garrow made a motion to accept with the above edit; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.
- 5. Reports
- Highways & Transfer Station Update a.
- Mr. Woolley received a quote for crack sealant, to be i. delivered on June 26; the price is 82 cents/pound for orders of more than two pallets. The Town did not receive a paving grant this year. Mr. Woolley mentioned a new "liquid road" product that might be good to keep in mind for interim repairs. The highway crew will begin grading this coming week.
- Mr. Chase noted that work will move forward with the Summit Road box culvert replacement.
- Treasurer Monthly Income & Expense Report
- Treasurer Liz Karle said the Town is in a good cash position; the final school payment; state education tax payment; and bond payment have all been paid. Ms. Karle noted that there are a few areas where the Town has gone over-budget, but that major items are on track, including the transfer station budget. Overall the Town is in good standing and has cash-on-hand to carry the town into next month and tax season.

Town's Administrative Officer at the May 9th Select

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### **Administrative Officer for Mount Holly**

The Select Board appointed Faith Tempest as the Board meeting. The role of the AO is to ensure that when residents undertake new construction, renovations or alterations, they follow Mount Holly's Town land use-related regulations and bylaws. Faith will be in the Town Office every Tuesday morning between 10 and 11 am, or by appointment. She can be contacted by email at administrative.officer@mounthollyvt.org.

- Mount Holly Planning Commission Update: Planning Commission Chair Jon McCann anticipates having a draft of the Town Plan ready by August for Select Board review. Mr. McCann also reported that a couple additional meetings regarding Belmont Village will take place over the summer; while this is not MHPC activity, it does concern planning in the Town and the Town's Municipal Planning Grant.
- Administrative Officer Update: Administrative Officer Faith Tempest reported that David Tilly is constructing a 50 x 32' pavilion on their property on Okemo View Dr. In her conversation with Mr. Tilly, he assured Ms. Tempest that the building is intended for use for hosting weddings for his five children. Alissa Tilly, one of the owners of the property, has completed a building registration form for the property;

the building registration was filed after the construction work was begun. Town resident Craig Fortier commented that he is a neighbor of the property where the aforementioned pavilion is being built, and that he is concerned because the Tillys have listed the property as a wedding venue on Google Maps and as a Hip Camp site on hipcamp.com, which indicate that the family intends to use the property as a business, or for purposes beyond private use. Resident Kevin Plew added that he is also concerned for the abutting property owners, as the construction of the building does not appear to be for personal use only. Mr. Turco noted that if the property will be run as a business, the property owners will need to file for state permits in compliance with Act 250 regulations. Faith Tempest will seek a jurisdictional opinion from the NRB

Consider Building Registration Ordinance Amendments: VLCT has indicated that the Building Registration Ordinance should ideally be updated with minor amendments that rectify some unclear language, and that a separate fee schedule be adopted to adjust fees. The Select Board Clerk will make the recommended adjustments in consultation with

### **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.

VLCT, and will present it to the Select Board for review at the next regular meeting. Separately, the Select Board can consider and adopt a revised fee schedule that pertains to the amended ordinance. Stephen Michel commented that he believed the current Building Registration form asked questions that went beyond what the Listers required. Mr. McCann recommended that the fee be changed back to \$20 to be consistent with the ordinance.

### d. Mount Holly Conservation Commission Update:

- i. MHCC Chair Phillipe Crane asked the Select Board to consider its request to spend its budget to purchase injectors and chemicals for ash trees that are vulnerable to Emerald Ash Borer disease. He noted that the costs will outpace what's in the budget, but that residents will pay the MHCC for the chemicals, which will replenish the funds. Liz Karle noted that the funds Mr. Crane is referencing is in the reserve fund, not the regular MHCC budget. The cost of the injectors and chemicals is \$647 for the injectors and \$1,856.36 for the chemicals. Ms. Karle noted that the projected amount is beyond the reserve fund (currently \$1,957), but that the initial order will reimburse the fund. Mr. Chase recommended ordering two quarts to limit initial cash outflow. Mr. Turco made a motion to approve the injectors and two quarts of chemicals, and to approve the purchase of additional quarts as needed, and as funds are replenished; Diana Garrow seconded; unanimously approved.
- ii. Mr. Crane shared that on June 29th, from 7-9 pm in the Community Center, the Conservation Commission will offer a public presentation to discuss state composting regulations and home composting.
- iii. Mr. Crane further noted that the MHCC is looking into whether the wildlife management area bordered by Teer Road could possibly be designated as a Town Forest.

### REMINDER TO REGISTER YOUR DOG AT THE TOWN OFFICE

All dogs 6 months or older must be licensed and must wear a collar with the license attached.

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Residents who have not licensed their dogs are subject to fines.

### **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.

6. New Business

a. **Waive Homestead Penalty on Late-Filed HS-122:** Diana Garrow made a motion to waive the penalty; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

b. Appoint Animal Control Officer. The Select Board will appoint or reappoint for the ACO; current ACO Laura Swarz is considering whether she'd like to be reappointed, and she will send a letter of interest to the Select Board. The Select Board Clerk also noted that she will draft a warrant to be served to residents who have not complied with the state's dog licensing statute; she will

present the draft for review by the Select Board in July.

- c. **Municipal Energy Resilience Grant Program: Energy Audit for Town Office & Garage:** Jeff Chase will continue to work on this grant.
- d. **Capital Asset Replacement Plan:** Mr. Chase and Ms. Karle have drafted a proposal for a capital asset replacement plan; they noted that the fund may be underfunded given prospective needs for equipment. The plan can be revisited in the Town budgeting workshop, as needs for the next fiscal year are assessed.
- e. Little Lending Library at Oddfellows Hall: Linda McGrath and Donna McDonald are hoping to erect a small lending library in the vicinity of Stark Lake Beach and Oddfellows Hall. They are proposing a site where there is easy access to pullover, and some existing pedestrian traffic. Dennis Devereux noted that Linda had also contacted him, and that the Lodge has not yet had time to talk about it; he expressed some concerns about the library being damaged. Mr. Turco suggested trying it in their proposed spot and seeing how it goes; Diana Garrow and Jeff Chase agreed. He recommended calling Dig Safe before digging the hole for the post.
- f. **Appointment of RRPC Rep and Alternate:** Jeff Chase made a motion to reappoint Jessica Metcalfe and as the alternate Jon McCann.
- g. Reappoint Board of Adjustment Member: Mark Turco made a motion to reappoint Jim Seward for a three-year term; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.
- h. **Reappoint Road Foreman;** Mark Turco made a motion to reappoint Clinton Woolley as Road Foreman; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.
- i. **Liquor License Application for Belmont Store:** Diana Garrow made a motion to approve the license application; Jeff Chase seconded; unanimously approved.

### 7. Ongoing & Old Business

a. **Discuss Town Loader Purchase & Financing Options:** Ms. Karle researched financing options for the purchase of a loader. She reported that Community Bank offers a 5.29% rate on a loan up to \$139,700; John Deere offers a five-year lease-to-own program at 8.3%; the Municipal Equipment Loan Fund (MELF) offers up to a \$110,000 loan at 2% interest; approval of this loan would not come until October. Ms. Karle recommended financing the purchase via Community Bank initially, and repaying that loan if the MELF loan is approved at the lower rate in October. The Select Board discussed other possible equipment purchase needs for the future. Ms. Karle also

# TOWN SEEKS TRANSFER STATION ATTENDANT

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Send letters of interest to the Select Board at mounthollyselectboard@gmail.com; via mail at PO Box 247, Mount Holly, VT 05758; or by delivering a hard copy to the Town Office. noted that there may be other opportunities to raise revenue, including options for raising revenue via a short-term rental ordinance. Mark Turco made a motion to use the town's current reserves to make a down payment; to finance the remainder via Community Bank; and to await approval from the MELF program; Diana Garrow seconded; unanimously approved.

### 8. Citizen Comments

- a. Dennis Devereux noted that there are continued complaints about speed violations. Enforcement efforts from the Sheriff's Office will begin this month.
- b. Jim Seward noted that FedEx drivers are among worst offenders; Mr. Turco recommended that residents call FedEx to make complaints.
- c. Mr. Fortier asked the town to put a "Hidden Driveway" sign near Flander's place, prior to Peter Smith's driveway, on Healdville Road. Mr. Woolley noted that he would check into whether he has any of these signs on one hand.

### **CLOSED**

Mount Holly Town Office July 4<sup>th</sup> In Observance Of Independence Day 9. Announcements

a. Closed on Monday for Juneteenth.

10. Review & Sign Orders

11. Executive Session: Title 1 V.S.A. S 313(a)(3) -

**personnel (if needed).** Mark Turco noted the Select Board will go into Executive Session.

**12. Adjourned** 8:48 pm Respectfully Submitted by Caitlin Boyle

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Planning Commission Town Office & Remote Electronic – Special Work Meeting Minutes Wednesday, June 7th, 2023 Commission Members Present: Jon McCann (Chair), Jim Seward (Vice Chair), Andrew Seward, Andy Schulz (Secretary)

Also Present: Faith Tempest (Clerk), Christine Pratt, James Heald, Lyndsey Glezen, Margaret Glezen, William Greene, Stephen Michel, Donna Seward (Zoom)

- 1. Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Changes to agenda: None
- 3. New business
- a. Discussion of Public Informational (Belmont) Workshop May 24<sup>th</sup>: Chair noted the workshop was to present results of a survey undertaken with funds from a Municipal Planning Grant, to present ideas for a plan for Belmont village prepared by a consultant planner, and to seek feedback from Town residents. The final draft report and plan will be prepared by September. Chair noted that the proposals are preliminary.
- i. A number of points were made by Commissioners:
- 1. Jim Seward noted the proposal for walking trails on private land.
- 2. Andrew Seward noted that storm water proposals would be on town land. Chair confirmed the storm water

system has failed and the Town needs to take action – grants are available for this. A storm water system may also create recreational opportunities (walking paths). Andrew Seward and Jim Seward noted that any buried utilities should not be in the same location as the storm water system. Chair noted that burying utilities may create additional space for parking and for the Star Lake

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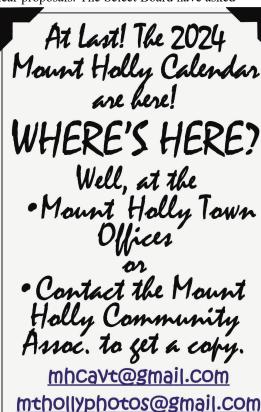
recreation area.

Andrew Seward noted that the proposed community septic would require Town action. Chair noted that the details have not been developed, including how many houses it would serve. It could be managed by establishing a fire district (essentially a municipal corporation which could determine how to fund it). As residential septic systems in the village fail, they could join a community system if it exists. Some village residents noted value of this. Chair noted that the easiest model is to link existing septic tanks to a piped system with a large leach field elsewhere.

- 3. Jim Seward asked if there was any consideration of fire hydrants in the village during this proposed work? Chair agreed this should be considered.
- ii. Members of the public raised several issues:
- 1. Christine Pratt and Margaret Glezen asked what the advantage would be in having walking paths through private property and how this would be managed: Chair noted advantages, especially for elderly people, of safe spaces to walk, and there would potentially be better access to the Star Lake recreation area which would be ADA compliant. Chair also noted that there is not yet any detailed plan for such paths. William Greene asked if the Flood Hazard and River Corridor Bylaw affects the proposals. Chair noted the bylaw has exemptions for recreation and parking.
- 2. Christine Pratt asked how these proposals would be funded. Chair noted that ARPA funds allow us to match and unlock federal funds which would allow the Town to undertake these relatively extensive public works. Specifically regarding community septic systems, James Heald noted the example of Mendon where the community septic incurs monthly costs. Commissioner Schulz noted it is also costly to repair/ replace a failed system so potentially economies of scale are better. Stephen Michel suggested that another funding mechanism would be an assessment on the taxes of those on the system. This would also allow the Town to raise funds as opposed to the Fire District. Commissioner Andrew Seward noted that it would then be a burden the town if the system fails.
- 3. Commissioner Schulz noted that public questions suggest a concern about the likelihood that all elements of the plan proposals will be implemented. Chair clarified that the ideas presented are based on feedback from the community; the plan itself is intended to enhance access to funding, including grants which require the backing of clear proposals. The Select Board have asked

for this work to unlock access to funding to address some of the Town's pressing challenges which have in the past been too expensive to deal with.

- b. Two part VLCT Planning training: Chair noted this training being offered and suggested that it would be useful for Commissioners and members of the Board of Adjustment.
- 4. Unfinished business:
- a. Town Plan Page 2 of 3
- i. Chair followed up with the School Principal but has not yet received a response to help complete the education section. Chair will follow up with the US Forest Service ranger regarding logging operations, parking, signage, and potential allowed uses for recreation. Chair has not yet had chance to connect with VAST on their trails and confirm that they are happy with the plan. There is no response yet from VELCO about recreational use under their lines, including opening up gates. Commissioner Schulz said he had contacts at VELCO and will share with Chair. Other sections which require more attention are those on historic sites and town government. All the maps are required. Several sections are under review by relevant stakeholders.
- ii. Timing for approval of Town Plan: Chair proposed that we should plan for a public hearing in September 2023. This timing reflects a number of issues, including the Belmont Village designation which expires in April 2024, and requires an approved Town Plan to renew it. The Village designation gives the Town more likelihood to get grants and access to tax credits for residents/ businesses within the Village.
- iii. Chair asked Commissioners to consider how the Plan will be used in an Act 250 case. What things would we want the NRB to take a position on, in particular infrastructure issues such as emergency vehicle access? Chair asked Commissioners to review the draft in this context.
- 5. Public comments: No additional comments.



The Mount Holly annual calendar competition and calendar sales are an activity of the Mount Holly Community Association (MHCA) and all proceeds from calendar sales go to help support the activities of the MHCA.

### **Calling all Bakers!**

- Drop off Sunday 23 July, 10-12 am at Oddfellows
- All flavors welcome; pie most be fully homemade - crust & filling
- To register and for more info, email alexandra.yuster@gmail.com
- Further details available on the Mount Holly Community Association website mhcavt.org and Facebook

1st Annual Mount Holly Day Pie Contest – 23 July 2023



- Upcoming meetings: Regular Planning Commission Meeting 21st June
- Meeting adjourned at 8.15 pm. For the Commission, Faith Tempest (Clerk) In draft form until approved on June 21st, 2023





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# WESTON THEATER COMPANY PRESENTS "YOU'RE A GOOD MAN CHARLIE BROWN" With FREE PERFORMANCES AT VENUES ACROSS VERMONT

Weston Theater Company announces its 2022 Young Company production: YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN, playing June 22 – July 9 playing at various venues throughout central and southern

22 – July 9 playing at various venues throughout central and southern Vermont. This production is FREE, but ticket reservations must be made in advance.

advance.

Follow Charlie Brown, Snoopy, and other members of the *Peanuts* gang as they navigate the ups and downs of growing up. Full of memorable songs and iconic moments from the classic *Peanuts* comic strip, this charming show is sure to delight audiences of all ages.

Weston Theater Company joined with partners across Vermont to bring this show to audiences in their towns, free of charge. Weston's presenting partners include Next Stage Arts Project, The Grafton Public Library, the Grafton Inn, The Mary L. Blood Memorial Library, the Albert Bridge School, Ascutney Outdoors, Brownsville Butcher and Pantry, The

Springfield Town Library, Park-McCullough Historic Mansion, and the Shelburne Museum; with additional support from our media sponsor Vermont Public. Weston's Executive Artistic Director, Susanna Gellert says, "We're so grateful to our partners in communities throughout the state for joining us to present this charming heartfelt production."

This show would not have been possible without the financial contributions of Weston's season sponsors: the Vermont Country Store, Casella, and Wohler Realty Group - and production sponsor: Community Bank.

The cast includes members of Weston's **Young Company**, a summer-long residency program for college-aged performers. **Frances Limoncelli, the show's director, says,** "YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN is a hilarious show that pokes fun at the challenges of childhood while celebrating its simple joys...Anyone who has ever been a child will love it." Limoncelli is a seasoned Weston alum who spent much of her 20s performing on The Playhouse Stage - including as Lucy in Weston's 1992 production in the same play she now returns to direct.

Kali Ashurst joins Weston as the show's Production Stage

Manager. Former Young Company member Tommy Bergeron (SHREK & HAIR) directs music. Jeremy Yaddaw (at Weston: PREGNANCY PACT, 42nd STREET, PETER & THE STARCATCHER, MAMMA MIA, FUN HOME, and ALWAYS PATSY CLINE) coordinates music, while Weston's own General Manager Rebecca Marzalek-Kelly choreographs. Yi-Hsuan (Ant) Ma brings the set of Charlie Brown from page to stage, and Elizabeth Wislar designs costumes for the Peanuts gang.

**YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN** will have performances at the Walker Farm Field in Weston June 22 - 25, July 4, and July 8 & 9 at 1:00 pm. The company will perform in North Bennington on June 27, Springfield on June 28, Shelburne on July 1, Brownsville on July 2, Putney on July 6, and Grafton on July 7. All performances will be outdoors and are BYOS – Bring-Your-Own-Seating. For more information and to reserve FREE tickets, please visit https://westontheater.org/youre-a-good-man-charlie-brown.

Following YOU'RE A GOOD MAN, CHARLIE BROWN, enjoy the music of Buddy Holly in BUDDY – THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY, feel the breath of our country's living foundational document in WHAT THE CONSTITUTION MEANS TO ME, reminisce on Hollywood's golden age in SINGIN' IN THE RAIN, escape to the Appalachian mountains in THE PORCH ON WINDY HILL, and smile at the tale of an unlikely friendship in LET THERE BE LOVE. Subscriptions and tickets are available online at westontheater.org and by calling the Weston Box Office at 802-824-5288. Prices range from \$25 - \$84.









### Gellert Describes Weston Theatre's New Season

At the regular Tuesday luncheon meeting of the Ludlow Rotary Club, Susanna Gellert, Executive Artistic Director of the Weston Theatre Group, outlined the new season for the Weston Theatre Group. She indicated that, with the addition of the Walker Farm Theatre, the offerings were greatly enhanced in both quality and number. The new season will open with the free Weston Young Company production of "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," based on the Peanuts' Comic Strip by Charles Schulz with music, book, and lyrics by Clark Gesner. This production premieres outdoors at Walker farm and then travels to community partner venues across southern Vermont, from June 22 to July 9. From June 28 to July 16 will feature "Buddy: The Buddy Holly Story," written by Alan Janes. The performance will transport the audience back to the 1950s with this show telling the story of Holly's rise to fame, his struggles with the music industry, and his enduring legacy as one of the pioneers of rock and roll. On July 12 to July 30 the award-winning and critically acclaimed play exploring how the United States Constitution has shaped the country and its people, "What the Constitution Means to Me" by Heidi Schreck, starring Broadway veteran and Weston favorite Susan Haefner. Aug. 3 to Aug. 20 "Singin' in the Rain" takes to The Playhouse stage featuring

a screenplay by Betty Comden and Adolph Green and songs by Nacio Herb Brown and Arthur Freed. Based on the "greatest movie musical of all time," this joyous show recreates the glamour of 1920s Hollywood when silent films gave way to "talkies" and the electrifying 20th century was on the move. Aug. 16 to Sept. 3: "The Porch on Windy Hill," "a new play with old music" written by Sherry Stregack Lutken, Lisa Helmi Johanson, Morgan Morse and David M. Lutken. Through gloriously authentic Old Time and Bluegrass music, this new, uplifting musical tells the contemporary story of a family reuniting against great odds. Oct. 4 to Oct. 22: Season 87 closes in the fall at Walker Farm with an acclaimed drama where jazz often speaks louder than words, "Let There Be Love" by Kwame Kwei-Armah. Gruff, grumpy, and

tired of growing old, Arthur is an immigrant to Britain who has shut himself off from his family even as he longs for his childhood

home in the West Indies. When his headstrong daughter hires an idealistic, young Polish caregiver to look after him, Arthur finds himself reckoning with his past and awakening to a new sense of hope and love. Photo taken by Pace of Susanna Gellert. ralphcpace@gmail.com

### Okemo Valley Chamber Member of The Month

Carol Lighthall, Executive Director of the Okemo Valley Regional Chamber of Commerce (right), recently presented Administrator Theresa Southworth (center) & Director of Nursing January Reichert (left) of The Gill Odd Fellows Home in Ludlow with their June 2023 MEMBER OF THE MONTH certificate. They were recognized by the chamber for their national award, the 2023 Eli Pick Facility Leadership Award, from the American College of

> Health Care Administrators (ACHCA). ps learn more

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# WESTON THEATER COMPANY PRESENTS "BUDDY: THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY"

Weston Theater Company takes audiences for a musical ride chronicling Buddy Holly's rise to fame in BUDDY: THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY, playing June 28 - July 16 at The Playhouse stage.

Rock out with the one and only Buddy Holly! Transport yourself back to the 1950s with this show telling the story of Holly's rise to fame, his struggles with the music industry, and his enduring legacy as one of the pioneers of rock and roll. This high-energy must-see show features all of Holly's hits, including "Peggy Sue," "That'll Be the Day, and "Everyday." It's a heartwarming and inspiring tale that will have you leaving the theater with a smile on your face and a spring in your step.

Now in its 34th year, the 'world's most successful rock-and-roll musical' continues to rock stages worldwide. The Weston production is directed by **Meredith Mcdonough**, who says, "We are so excited to transport you back to the 1950s with this amazing music - capturing the time and essence of a musical legend. This show is filled with not only Holly's greatest hits but also intimate behind-the-scenes moments - we are celebrating Buddy Holly's enduring legacy here in Weston! Join us for a rockin' ride as we honor his talent - and the power of music to inspire and unite." McDonough is a Weston alum whose past credits include AN ILIAD and

ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE.

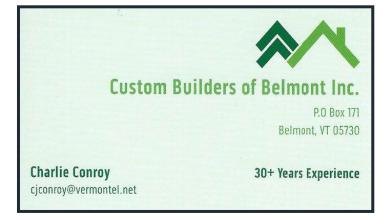
The show introduces Billy Finn as the legendary Buddy Holly to the Weston stage. Finn recently played Buddy Holly in the new musical THE WANDERER. Finn's New York credits include appearances at Irish Rep, Ars Nova, The Public, New Dramatists, Playwrights Horizons, and more. Ben Johnson joins the cast as Jerry Allison. Johnson most recently performed as Andrej in ONCE (Pittsburgh MT); Buddy in ELF (the Studio) and Mitch in DEAR SOLDER BOY (Blue Gate Musicals. Lena Richard, a New Orleansbased performer whose TV credits include WGN, Black Entertainment Television, Disney, Peacock, and The Oprah Winfrey Network, plays Marlena. Isaiah Revnolds plays Tyrone. A graduate of the Boston Conservatory, some of Reynold's favorite credits include CHOIR BOY (Portland Center Stage); FIVE GUYS NAMED MOE (The Fulton Theater). Ariana Papaleo also makes her Weston debut. Previous credits include Nina in IN THE HEIGHTS (Playhouse Stage Co.), Portia in THE MERCHANT OF VENICE (NYU, The Classical Studio), and A CHRISTMAS STORY (Capital Repertory Theater). Jason Cohen, who has previously acted in and/or musically directed six other productions of Buddy, plays Tommy. With his production company Emmett Productions (EmmettProductionsLLC.com) he creates, produces, and performs theatrical concerts. Maggie Hollinbeck plays Vi Petty. Some of Hollinbeck's recent roles include ONCE (1st National Tour), WOODY SEZ (Ivoryton Playhouse), and RING OF FIRE (Florida Rep). Adrian Lopez plays Richie Valens. Lopez's credits include SPAMILTON: AN AMERICAN PARODY (1st NATIONAL TOUR), ONCE, and RING OF FIRE (Geva Theatre Company). Seasoned Weston company member David Bonanno plays HiPockets in his 50th Weston production. Memorable Weston productions include AN ILIAD, FUN HOME, VANYA AND SONIA AND MASHA AND SPIKE, and THE MUSIC MAN. Other credits include THE LIGHT IN THE PIAZZA (Original Broadway Cast); Chicago companies of RAGTIME and LEND ME A TENOR; I LOVE YOU, YOU'RE PERFECT, NOW CHANGE (National Tour). Music Director Matt Cusack also plays Joe B. Credits include ONE MAN TWO GUVNORS (AMD), and BANDSTAND.

Movement and dance are choreographed by seasoned Weston alum **Felicity Stiverson**, whose past company credits include HAIR, RING OF FIRE, THE FANTASTICKS, WEST SIDE STORY, and more. Bringing the 50s back to life is award-winning Set Designer **Lex Liang** (at Weston: AN ILIAD). Decking out Buddy and the Crickets in their swagger is Costume Designer **Kathleen Geldard** (at Weston: AN ILIAD, ALWAYS... PATSY CLINE). **Joanna Lynne Staub** (at Weston: MARRY ME A LITTLE and RING OF FIRE) brings her Broadway, regional, and national experience to her role as Sound Designer on Weston's stage. Designer and Teacher, **Marika Kent** joins the crew as the Light Designer.

BUDDY: THE BUDDY HOLLY STORY plays at The Playhouse from June 28 - July 16. Discounts are available for Vermont residents. Tickets are available online and by calling the Weston Box Office at 802-824-5288.

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### **Vermont Home Gardener**

### **Companion & Succession Planting**

Garden planting and transplanting is now in full swing and everything we want to grow can be planted out. It's still not too late for planting of favorites like tomato & pepper plants, squashes, potatoes, onion sets, or greens. One question remains, which plants make good garden companions with each other, and which do not? Plants affect their neighbors and the soil around them so we should try to place compatible or non-competitive plants near each other when possible.

A similar principle applies when deciding which plant follows recently removed ones (called plant succession). We don't want to re-plant the same plant or one that needs the same soil nutrients in the same place over and over; that would risk depleting the soil and depriving the subsequent plants Mt. Hilly Runners, LLC

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of nutrients that it needs to be healthy. Succession planting is a great way to get more out of limited garden space and have your garden favorites available all season long. Lastly, I'll cover a few pest alerts and some thoughts about that lawn.

Here is a list of some common garden plants and recommended **companions**. This doesn't mean they are *required* neighbors, but we do know they are compatible, and they might even benefit from each other by repelling pests or sharing nutrients.

**Companions Incompatible** Onions Green Beans: anything (beans add Nitrogen to the soil) Broccoli\*: Beets, Onions, Spinach Tomato, Dill Brussel sprouts\*: Beets, Onions, Spinach Tomato, Dill Beets, Onions, Spinach Cabbage\*: Tomato, Dill Cauliflower\*: Beets, Onions, Spinach Tomato, Dill Carrots: Peas, Lettuce, Tomato Dill Corn: Beans, Peas, Squash, Cucumbers Tomato Beans, Peas, Corn, Sunflowers Cucumber: Potato Eggplant: Beans, Marigold ~ none ~ Lettuce: Carrots, Radish, Strawberry ~ none ~ Onion: Beets, Carrots, Lettuce, Cabbage\* family Beans, Peas Peas: Carrots, Radish, Cucumber, Corn, Beans Onions Potatoes: Beans, Corn, Cabbage\* family, Marigolds Tomato, Squash Squashes: Corn, Beans, Nasturtium, Marigold Potatoes Tomato: Onion, Carrot, Nasturtium, Marigold Potatoes, Cabbages

You can also see from this list that the classic "Three Sisters" combination (pole beans, corn & winter squash) is made of 3 mutually beneficial plants that help each other with nutrients (beans add Nitrogen), weed suppression (squash leaves smother weeds), and support (corn stalks support the climbing beans). It is an ingenious design that works! There are more good details <u>online here</u>.

**Succession** planting simply refers to repeat planting of a same crop over time to produce repeated harvests over time. We have a very limited growing season, but you can still get multiple harvests of certain fast-growing plants if you time them right. Successions are great way to maximize the productivity of limited garden space too. For example, if you plant leaf lettuce or mesclun seeds every week you should harvest fresh greens every week all summer and into the fall. I've found that a short row (4-6 ft. long) of different salad greens every week produces a good supply for fresh salads into November.

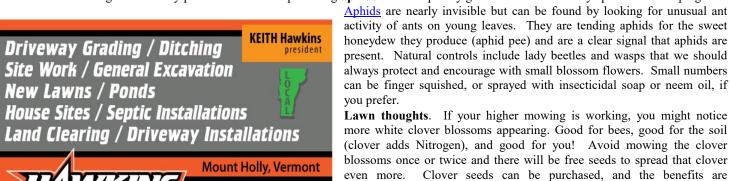
Late crops of carrots, turnips and beets can also follow (in the same place) the harvests of early salad greens. After the garlic is harvested in late July there is time to plant fall broccoli and cauliflower plants started from seeds before 4<sup>th</sup> of July in that emptied place.

Bush beans planted every 2 weeks provide a good extension of harvests too. Too much zucchini is a common problem, but if you plant one hill of 3-4 plants now and another hill in early July that will spread the harvest out so it can be enjoyed over time. The same works for herbs such as dill and cilantro that tend to mature early before we can use them in pickles and salsas. There's some very good information and specific planting recommendation online here.

**Pest Alerts**. The earlier dry weather limited outbreaks of **slugs & snails** and most plant diseases but recent rain showers bring them out. Preventative applications of an iron phosphate product (Sluggo, etc.) with avoid surprise damage to flowers and vegetables.

significant.

New tender growth on any plants will attract sap sucking aphids that can quickly get out of control. Baby aphids are born pregnant!



Questions or suggestions? Contact Jim Corven at Mounthollygardener@gmail.com

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### **Community Health's Prescription for Nature**

When you combine nature, exercise and a coach to guide you, you have a prescription for healthy living, or what Community Health calls NatureRX.

NatureRX, a collaborative program between Come Alive Outside and health care organizations in Rutland County, begins this



month. Community Health partners with Rutland-based Come Alive Outside benefits promoting the health of outdoor Community Health refers individuals and families to the program that

provides outdoor group activities and one-on-one coaching to help participants set and track goals they establish for themselves.

"This year there is room for 50 participants in the 15-week program," said Christian Rudy, program and outreach manager Come Alive Outside. "It includes people in their 20s to 80s."

Enrollment, underway now, can be through Community Health, a health care provider, or by self-enrollment. This year, Come Alive Outside has partnered

with the Vermont Farmer's Food Center's Farmacy program which would provide participants with a weekly delivery of fresh Vermont grown produce.

"When you enroll in the program you are assigned a health coach," Rudy said. "You'll make weekly goals, and they will call you every other week. It adds motivation and someone to hold you accountable. Sometimes just talking about the goals makes them more real."

When you enroll, you'll be sent a welcome pack. "Every weekend there is an activity you can go to," Rudy said. There are plans for potluck gatherings, an urban legends tour and historical walks around Rutland. "By the end of our guided walks, you usually walk about a mile. It doesn't feel like it," Rudy said. "It's so different than walking on a treadmill." And an unintended benefit, Rudy said, "Is that it brings people together."

Participants who complete the program in September are eligible for a \$30 gift card as reward for completing the program.

Community Health is Vermont's largest FQHC (Federally Qualified Health Center), a network of primary care, pediatric, behavioral health, dental and pharmacy services with offices in Rutland, Brandon, Castleton, West Pawlet and Shoreham. Community Dental offices are located in Rutland and Shoreham; Community Kids Dental and Community Health Pediatrics are in Rutland; and Behavioral Health services are available at all of our locations. Community Health Express Care centers, open 7 days a week, are located at the Rutland and Castleton Community Health Centers.

Learn more about Community Health at http://www.chcrr.org or call 802-779-9169 or toll free at 888-989-8707.



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# Community Health Tip: Learn About Tick-borne

In Vermont, reports of tickborne diseases are on the rise yearround. While Lyme disease remains the most common tickborne disease in Vermont, other diseases like anaplasmosis and babesiosis are also being reported. Knowing the symptoms is important.

- Lyme disease fever, headache, fatigue, skin rash that looks like a bullseve.
- Anaplasmosis fever, severe headache, muscle aches, chills and shaking. Anaplasmosis doesn't cause a rash. Illness occurs 5 to 21 days after exposure to an infected tick.
- Babesiosis symptoms often don't occur but typically begin one to four weeks after a tick bite and can include fever, chills, sweats, headache, body aches, loss of appetite, nausea or fatigue.

The best way to prevent tickborne diseases is to avoid places where ticks thrive, use a safe recommended repellent, dress protectively and check your clothes and body for ticks. See your Community Health provider if you feel any of these symptoms as early diagnosis and antibiotic treatment are important. Learn more on our website <a href="http://www.chcrr.org/community-news/protect-">http://www.chcrr.org/community-news/protect-</a> yourself-learn-about-tickborne-diseases/or call toll free 888-989-8707 or locally at 802-779-9169.

### Community Health Tip: Summer and Holiday Care

Community Health Express Care in Rutland and Castleton are open 7 days a week, Saturday and Sunday, 8am-8pm throughout the summer, on July 4th and Labor Day too.

Express Care providers treat minor injuries and illnesses that happen unexpectedly to everyone, adults and children. Check our website <a href="https://www.chcrr.org/express-care/">https://www.chcrr.org/express-care/</a> or call for more information. Community Health https://chcrr.org or call 802-779-



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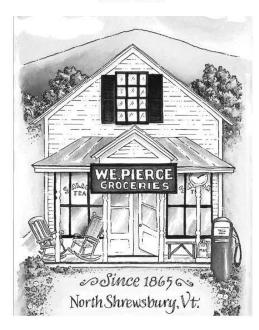
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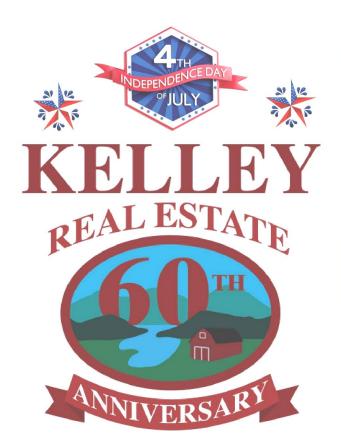
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