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Get Up Off The Couch

With so much going on there is no reason to get stuck at home! From local bands playing at restaurants to sporting events there is a lot happening this week. Check it out!

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April 22nd is Earth Day!!!

Surrounded by the natural beauty of Vermont, it is easy to remember that we are an integral part of our environment, and that each one of us shares responsibility for taking care of the land, forests, air, water, and wildlife. This Earth Day let's commit ourselves to celebrating Earth Day every day.

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Easter Services

Easter Sunday is April 24, 2011. If you need to know what time services are this weekend, or maybe want to find a church to attend during the holiday, check out our local parishes.

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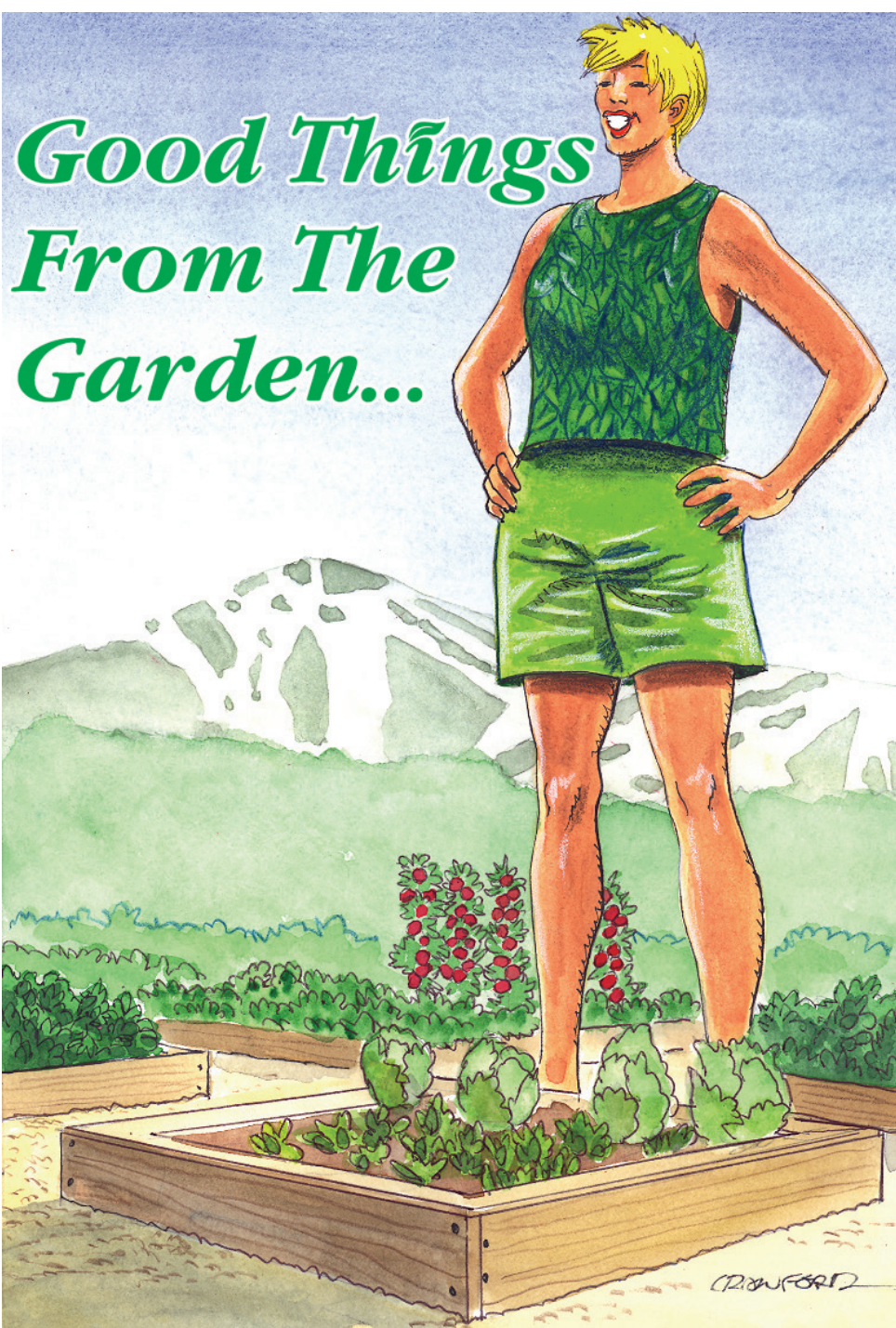
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Good Things From The Garden...

Planting a Kitchen Garden

Story and Illustration
by Greg Crawford

Times are tough. The price of food, along with everything else, is skyrocketing, while your wages and benefits – assuming you even have a job – are stagnant if they're not being slashed. You can give up all kinds of luxuries to try to keep expenses down, but you can't give up eating. At least, not for long. So, what can you do to reduce the cost of survival? Well, you can start by planting a garden. It doesn't have to be very big; you can even grow veggies in a box in your apartment window. You can also rent a plot in a community garden. If you're a novice at gardening, the more experienced members can offer valuable advice. But let's assume, for the moment, that you are a determined

do-it-yourselfer, have access to a small plot of dirt, and start there.

As I said, a bountiful kitchen garden does not have to be large; only a few plants can yield a lot of produce. The first thing to consider is: which vegetables do you like to eat? For the sake of illustration, let's suggest the basics, like lettuce, tomatoes, cucumbers, green peppers, onions and carrots, plus a little space for some herbs like parsley, sage, rosemary and thyme. True, song lyrics from the sixties, but also great to cook with. Basil and dill are nice, too.

So you've selected a nice little bit of lawn that is level, with a southern exposure and good drainage; in other words, it doesn't become a squishy swamp when it rains. Probably the most trouble-free

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NeighborWorks HEAT Squad

by Lani Duke

You've heard of the Monster Squad, the Elite Squad, the Mod Squad, and the Vice Squad. How about the HEAT Squad? Vigilant fighter against energy waste, the Home Energy Assistance Team (HEAT) aids home owners in learning about the benefits of home energy improvements, helps leap the hurdles of contractor scheduling and understanding scope of work, and supports financing for efficiency upgrades. These factors are often primary barriers to home energy improvements.

Fueled by a three-year, \$4.5 million grant last June, the HEAT Squad acts as a "one-stop shop" for home energy efficiency. Its goal over the three years is to perform 1,500 home energy check-ups and to make comprehensive energy efficiency improvements to 1,000 homes.

Why even consider calling the HEAT Squad? How does saving money grab you? Home efficiency improvements save a family 30 percent of their home heating cost on average. A \$500 fuel bill may shrink to \$350.

Even if money is not a concern, maybe comfort is. Eliminating drafts means your home feels warmer. And those same improvements reduce allergens; better air quality means a healthier you.

To get in touch with the HEAT Squad, make your phone call to the Squad's parent organization, NeighborWorks of Western Vermont. Call to learn what a more efficient home can do for you, what services NeighborWorks provides, and how to get efficiency upgrades for your home. Frequently, property owners don't get a home energy check-up because of the upfront cost, perhaps \$300 to \$500. NeighborWorks provides them for \$75.

Once you receive an energy report, an Energy Advocate works with you to make sure you understand the report and can prioritize the work needed, as well as outlining financing options for getting the energy saving work done. A loan pool seeded with Department of Energy funds and in partnership with local financial institutions enables relatively easy project financing. Loan officers work with you to assure that your loan payment for an efficiency upgrade equals or is less than the energy savings from the project. You have either the same amount or more money in your pocket.


A partnership with Efficiency Vermont helps to assure that you have access to financial incentives for participating in the HEAT Squad. The Energy Advocate

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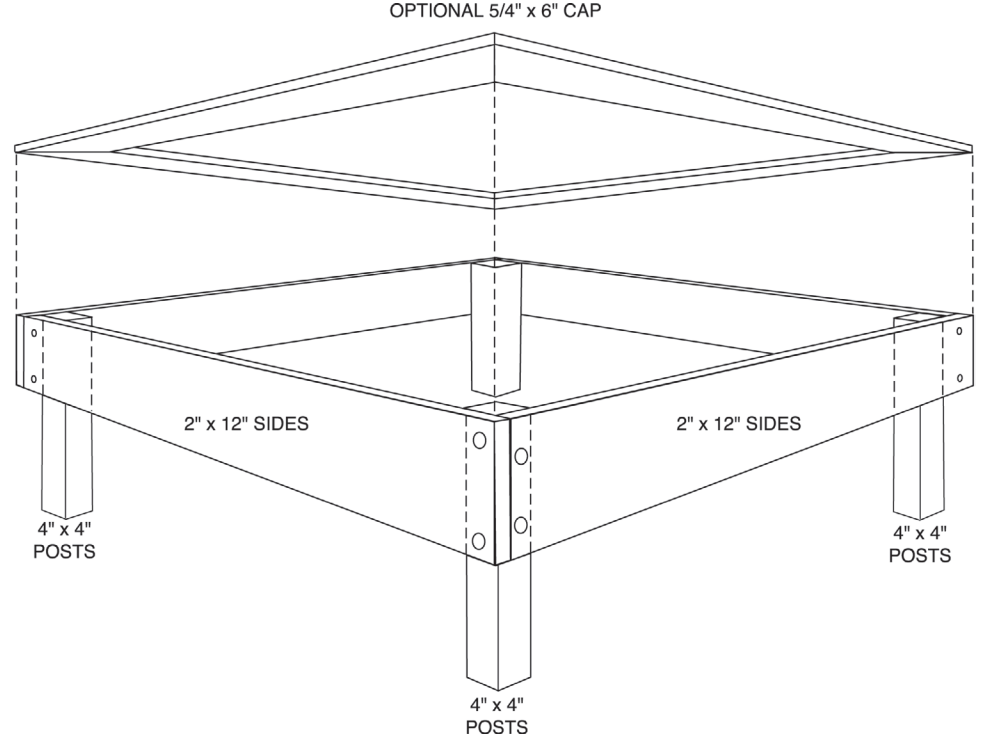
garden is a raised-bed garden. It's basically a box filled with dirt. Raised beds not only help to minimize weed infestation around your plants, they'll make the plants easier to access, and they look nice, too. Raised beds also let the soil to warm more quickly, and they drain faster as well; a critical point for deep-rooted plants like tomatoes, that like plenty of water, but don't like their roots wet all the time. Tomatoes are picky that way. Vermont's soil is pretty bony in most places, meaning it's full of rocks. If the darn things were a cash crop, we'd all be millionaires. Raised beds allow you to plant in stone-free soil, which is especially good for root crops like carrots, onions, and radishes. Raised beds also help to ease the back discomfort associated with bending over a level-bed garden; a noteworthy advantage for old fuddy-duddies, like yours truly, who ain't quite as limber as they used to be. The little extra work of building raised-bed boxes will make your gardening experience much more enjoyable later.

Do not build your boxes with pressure-treated lumber. The chemicals in PTL will leach into the soil and be absorbed by the vegetables. You most definitely do not want to ingest those

toxins. Use cedar, redwood, or Douglas fir. These woods resist rot.

2x12 boards will make sturdy walls for your boxes, with 2-foot-long segments of 4x4 at each inside corner which will anchor the boxes in the ground, and to which you'll bolt the walls. How much lumber you'll need will be determined by the size of your boxes, which is, in turn, decided by how much space you have. At any rate, you don't want to make the boxes too big; it makes reaching plants in the middle of the box difficult. Four feet would be the maximum width, so you can easily reach the middle from either side. The length of your boxes shouldn't be more than six feet; otherwise the volume of soil they must hold could make them bow in the middle. To make the best use of a standard 8-foot board, 4-foot-square boxes will eliminate any waste.

You should allow at least two feet between the boxes so you can kneel comfortably. You may wish to leave some lawn between your boxes, or, if you're going to separate your garden with a fence – not a bad idea with deer and voracious rodents on a never-ending rampage – you may want to make paths of gravel or wood



chips. If you make paths, be sure to lay down some landscaping cloth before you spread the stone or chips, to prevent weeds from cropping up.

Adding a 5/4" x 6" mitered flat cap to each box is a nice finishing touch that gives you a space to sit or rest tools. For those not familiar with carpenter lingo, 5/4" stock is wood that is slightly more than an inch in thickness after it's been planed. 1" x stock is 3/4" thick. The cap is not absolutely necessary, but it does serve to reinforce the rigidity of the box. (See accompanying diagram of box design)

So you've got three or four nice boxes arranged just the way you want them. Most of your vegetables will have root systems that will reach a good deal deeper than the 12-inch depth of your boxes, so be sure to turn and loosen the soil under your boxes.

Now it's time to fill the boxes with dirt. Not just any ol' dirt, mind you, but good, rich soil full of nutrients that will assure nice, healthy plants, and fat, juicy vegetables. There are potting soils you can buy, but you can also blend your own for considerably less money. First, do a little math to calculate the total volume of your boxes in cubic feet. Since soil is usually sold by the cubic yard, just divide by 3.

If you have a pickup truck or can borrow one, go to a garden center that sells topsoil in bulk. You'll also want some compost. If you're new to gardening, compost is decomposed vegetable matter from the kitchen, along with eggshells and coffee grounds, dried leaves and grass. Once you experience the joy of getting your hands and knees all dirty, you may want to start a compost pile of your own. There are books on composting; in fact, I'm sure there are several at your local bookstore, or library. But for a budding gardener, it's easier to just buy some, unless you know someone who has more than they can use. Throw in a few bags of composted cow manure, too, some bone meal, fishmeal, calcium and potassium. Now, that is going to be some very fine dirt!

The lowly earthworm is also very beneficial to a garden. Worm castings, a polite euphemism for poop, enrich the soil greatly.

It's a good idea to start your plants indoors in those cute little brown seedling pots that you can stick right in the ground. Place them in a plastic pan in a window that gets plenty of sun, and water them regularly.

Once the seedlings have sprouted, you can put them outside for a while each day,

if it's not too cold. Direct sunlight and the breeze will strengthen the plants and give them a much better chance at survival when they're transplanted to your new garden. Around here, you're usually safe from frost by the end of May.

If you don't have time to propagate seeds, you can buy small bedding plants and herbs. The Vermont Farmers Market is a great source for bedding plants. Call Bill Clark at 325-3203 for more info and advice.

When you place your plants in those beautiful boxes you built, put the shortest plants at the southernmost end, with the taller ones, like tomatoes, at the northern end. That way, the shorter plants don't get their sunlight blocked out. Incidentally, basil is a delicious herb (think pesto!) that should be planted near your tomatoes. Some sort of inter-plant voodoo goes on there that improves the flavor of the tomatoes.

There are quite a few garden centers and nurseries in the area, all of which have knowledgeable and friendly staff to assist you. Depending on where in the area you live, you may want to visit one of these fine establishments, just to name a few:

Mr. Twitters Garden & Gift Emporium is at 24 McKinley Ave., just off Route 7 north of Rutland. They carry everything you need for gardening, from tools to topsoil, and books to bedding plants. Give Becky a call at 773-0795.

Garland's Farm & Home at 70 Park St., Rutland. Paul, Mike, or any of the staff there will be happy to help you. Call 773-2422.

Next door is Park Place Florist & Garden Center at 72 Park St. in Rutland. Give them a call at 775-2626.

Drop in to Mike's Country Store for seeds, soil, bedding plants and organic fertilizers. 773-7100.

The Gilmore Home Center on Rte. 4A in Bomoseen has everything to build your garden boxes. Call Jeff at 468-5676.

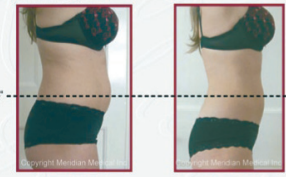
Garden Time at 1094 Rte. 7 N. carries a huge selection of plants, tools, soils, and fertilizers. 747-0700.

Further north on Rte. 7 in Brandon is Blue Seal Feeds & Needs, at 38 Union St. Call Anita at 247-9599.

Over in Bridgewater Corners at 950 Rte. 100A you'll find Maple Leaf Farm & Garden Supply. Call Alice Paglia (the "g" is silent!) 672-6223.

And on over yonder in Woodstock, stop by Woodstock Farmers' Market at 468 Woodstock Rd. (Rt. 4) to visit their Garden Center, scheduled to open April 30. Call them at 457-3658.

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Killington Resort Announces Huge Improvements For Next Season

Killington Resort announced today a number of summer projects that will enhance skier and rider experiences for the 2011-12 season.

Most notable is the removal of the Peak Lodge from the 4,100 foot level of Killington Peak which was originally constructed as the return station of the original gondola and included a dining facility. "Constructed in the late 1960's, this facility has reached its usable life span and it is time for it to be replaced," stated Chris Nyberg, president and general manager of Killington/Pico Ski Resort Partners, LLC. The existing building is currently serviced by the K-1 Express Gondola.

Pending permit approvals, the removal of the existing building and the new replacement facility and related infrastructure is expected to cost nearly \$7 million when completed and will consist of a multilevel restaurant and meeting space facility. The structure will be somewhat smaller than the building it is replacing and reside at the same location as the old structure. "Our primary goal is to replace the existing facility with a building designed to provide optimal views from nearly any point inside the building and

the exterior design to blend itself to the preexisting location on the landscape," Nyberg explained.

The removal project is expected to occur this summer and the new facility constructed the following summer with anticipated completion date of Christmas 2012.

The architectural firm of Robert Carl Williams Associates in Pittsfield, Vt. has been retained for design and planning.

This new facility will become the highest gondola served restaurant and meeting space venue in eastern North America. Situated near Killington Peak in the Green Mountains, the 22,000 square foot facility will provide vistas of the Adirondack Range in N.Y., the White Mountains of N.H. and the Green Mountains of Vt.

"This facility will be an icon for not only the Killington Region in Central Vermont, but for the entire state. The views and experience that the new facility will provide to our guests will be unsurpassed," Nyberg said.

In addition to the removal of the existing Peak Lodge structure, there will be several other important infrastructure projects undertaken this summer to prepare for the construction of the Killington

Peak facility. Projects will include; installations of waste water treatment and fiber optic lines from the summit area of Killington Peak down to the base of the K-1 Express Gondola.

The K-1 Express Gondola base area will also be getting a facelift this summer. The maze area will be covered and heated. Additionally, the gondola car storage area and adjacent guest drop-off area is being renovated.

For the 2011/12 season, a new tubing park will also debut adjacent to East Mountain Road across from the Killington Grand Hotel using the Killington Golf Course Clubhouse as the operations base.

Continued enhancement of the on-snow experience at both Killington Resort and Pico Mountain will take center stage this summer with a dedicated crew that will focus on trail and glade work. "We will be pruning and trimming gladed areas as well as clearing new growth," stated Jeff Temple, director of mountain operations. "Several years ago we began our trail development project. We'll continue the program this year by finishing up projects at Bear Mountain and concentrating on Snowdon and Skye Peak this summer as we continue to enhance skier flow."

Killington Resort will also be continuing a substantial investment in its snowmaking system with new replacement snowmaking pipe, hydrants and valves. "We are investing in our grooming fleet with the purchase of three new Prinoth grooming tractors and adding over 150 low energy snowmaking guns to the arsenal," Temple stated. "The energy cost to produce air for the snowmaking process is the single largest expense in the production of snow. With the increased cost of all types of energy, making snow as efficiently as possible is critical to provide a quality experience to our guests in an environmentally responsible manner." Man-made snow is critical to the sustainability of Killington's snow surfaces and is necessary to survive the weather variables seen in the East.

Other areas of Killington Resort receiving improvements this summer include; base lodges, existing chairlifts and the Killington Golf Course. In addition, Killington Resort and Pico Mountain will invest in a new rental equipment fleet providing the latest technology in ski and snowboard equipment to its guests. Also of note is a new disc golf course being built at Pico Mountain that will open July 1.

Great Recycling Tips For Earth Day

(StatePoint) Whether you're making plans for Earth Day or simply looking for ways to do more for the planet, now is the perfect time to revitalize your recycling efforts.

Something as simple as recycling more of the plastic bottles, bags and wraps you use every day can make a big difference. But recycling doesn't stop with throwing these items in the bin; purchasing products made with recycled materials is another great way to go green!

In fact, nearly 83 percent of Americans say they feel more "green" when buying products made with recycled plastics or other recycled materials, according to a recent survey by Plastics Make It Possible, an initiative sponsored by the plastics industries of the American Chemistry Council.

"Earth Day is the perfect time to close the 'recycling loop' by purchasing products made from recycled materials," said Steve Russell, vice president of the plas-

tics division of the American Chemistry Council. "Many plastics can be recycled and given a second life as clothing, carpeting, furniture, gardening equipment, backyard decks, new bottles and bags and other products we use every day."

Here are some tips to get you back to recycling basics:

- * Understand your local recycling program. Recycling programs vary across the country, but most community curbside programs collect plastic bottles, and many major grocery and retail chains now offer bins to collect plastic bags and wraps for recycling. An increasing number of communities also collect other containers such as yogurt and butter tubs -- check to see if yours is one of them.

- * Check the neck. For recycling purposes, a bottle is any container with a neck smaller than its base. This includes beverage containers, food jars for products

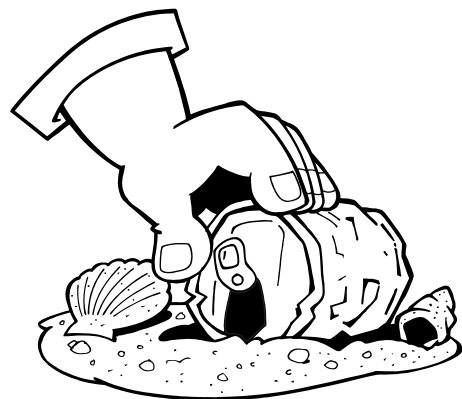
such as mayonnaise and dressings, and bottles for shampoo, laundry detergent and household cleaners. And remember, recyclers want the caps, too!

- * Bag it. Collect plastic bags from grocery, retail and dry cleaning stores, and plastic product wraps from items such as newspapers, bread, paper towels, napkins, bathroom tissue and diapers. Simply store the clean bags and wraps inside another bag and then drop them off at a participating grocery or retail store to be recycled.

- * Hold on to your recyclables. When away from home, recap and store empty bottles in a backpack, briefcase or your car until you arrive home and can toss them in the recycling bin.

- * When in doubt, leave it out. Be careful not to contaminate your recyclables with items that aren't recycled in your community.

- * Support the second generation. Re-



cycled materials often go on to become second generation products such as carpeting, fleece jackets and new bottles and bags. For example, eight recycled plastic bottles can create a soft, new t-shirt. Look for innovative products made with recycled materials at your favorite retailer so you can close the recycling loop and reap the rewards of your recycling efforts.

Heat Squad

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checks in with you to make sure you're happy with the work performed on your home.

To reach the heroes of the HEAT Squad, first you have to know about them. NeighborWorks plans a county-level multimedia campaign using public personalities that appeal to specific demographic groups. As the "face" of the HEAT Squad, they "pitch" energy efficiency. Over the project life, NeighborWorks plans a series of three-to-four-month long mini-campaigns, each targeting selected demographics. Key Rutland County media outlets will join in the partnership to get the message into the hands (and minds) of people who can use it.

HEAT Squad marketing relies on the idea that people rely on advice they receive from people they know and trust, friends, neighbors, or other community members. Following that reasoning,

NeighborWorks plans a town-by-town "Energy Competition" wherein towns vie to sign up the greatest number of homes for energy upgrades, partnering with the Rutland County Energy Challenge. Still in the planning stages, the program offers a grand prize to the community with the highest number of comprehensive energy efficiency improvements.

Under the same overall umbrella, the effort includes door-to-door outreach in both urban areas and rural villages, partnering with employers to urge their employees toward energy-efficient investment, and development of "energy ambassadors" to work with specific groups. NeighborWorks also plans to co-ordinate efforts through its website and social media.

For more information about NeighborWorks HEAT Squad or to schedule a home energy check-up, contact the West Rutland office at 802-483-2303.

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BOOMERS

Where Was Peter Cottontail?

by Cindy Phillips



He may have been hopping down the bunny trail at the Vancott's house, but certainly not at mine. What kid

did not, at least once in his lifetime, go to bed the night before Easter hoping to find a bunny rabbit as his gift the next morning? We all did it. We looked at those cute little furry creatures in the pet store windows and hoped that maybe this would be the Easter our parents finally decided we were old enough to have one.

We were the only kids on our block being raised by a single mom, a true novelty back in those days. I tended to live vicariously through some of the seemingly happy families on the street. The Vancott's were one of those families. There was a mom, a dad and four blond-haired, blue-eyed children. They had the coolest station wagon, a blue Chevrolet with a rear seat that faced out the back of the car. It always seemed like a hundred of us kids could cram into that wagon at one time. The lack of seat belts probably helped with that achievement. We would all run to try to claim that back seat, and Mr. Vancott would roll the window down for the ride. He was the kind of dad who would take all the neighborhood kids to the drive-in movies or out for ice cream. When it was the drive-in movies, that back seat was no longer an advantage.

The Vancott's had a beautifully manicured yard. Both parents worked at Pilgrim State Hospital, a local mental institu-

tion. Thinking back on it now, it must have been a grueling job. It's no wonder that on the weekends they both enjoyed working outside. I'm sure it was a form of therapy to leave behind what they saw and dealt with during the week. Mrs. V would work the flower beds with weeding, pruning and fertilizing. Mr. V would cut the grass and trim the tall hedges that encased their entire yard. And when he was done, he would retreat to the backyard to tend to his pigeons. The Vancott's had a huge pigeon coop, built by Mr. V himself. I don't know how many pigeons he had, but he would release them all at once and they would fly in a pack, circling the house and then returning dutifully upon his signal. The Vancott's also had a little yappy dog named Suzy, as well as a few cats. And then there was the year they got the bunny. Mr. V built a pen for it as well.

Though I knew I was never going to see a live bunny in my house for Easter, my mom did do her best to make it a special holiday. We typically colored the eggs the night before. Mom bought the standard Paas dyeing kit. After removing the dye tablets and the scrawny wire egg holder, she would let us punch out the perforated circles on the back of the box to create the drying station. Mom would line the kitchen table with her white Corelle coffee cups, each one filled with its vinegar and boiling water mixture. She would let us drop the dye tablet into the cup if we were very careful. It seemed like an hour waiting for the tablet to fully dissolve. While we were waiting, we would make our designs on the egg with the clear wax crayon that came with the kit.

Each year, I would get a new Easter dress, having outgrown the prior year's model. Shopping for the dress was always an adventure. We typically went to

Korvette's or Modell's since they offered one-stop shopping. Along with the dress, there would be a purchase of white patent leather shoes, ankle socks and a hat. And for some reason, the purchase of new underwear also seemed to get lumped in. I knew enough to take my time picking out something I really liked, because it was going to be my church dress for the rest of the summer.

Mom and I would survey the racks, choosing bright floral patterns that spoke of spring. I would find the perfect dress, ready to pack it up and call it a day. But mom always steered me to an alternate, telling me all the reasons why it was a better choice. I didn't realize until I was older that things had different prices, and apparently my taste in dresses was champagne which didn't fit into our beer budget.

Easter morning, we would wake up to find the baskets full of chocolates, jelly beans, marshmallow eggs and Peeps right outside our bedroom door. If it was

a good year, there would be a Chunky right smack in the middle. The basket would also contain the hard-boiled eggs we dyed the prior evening. Before we could even bite into the first jelly bean, Mom was grabbing those eggs to put back into the refrigerator to avoid the risk of salmonella poisoning lest they "sit out too long." I never understood why she just didn't leave them in the frig. Obviously, we knew the Easter bunny had not brought them.

After church, but before dinner, we would want to go outside to play with our friends. I always wanted to show off my new dress and shoes, while mom would suggest putting on play clothes. I would convince her I would be careful and that nothing would get ruined. It didn't take five minutes before those white patent leather shoes had a big black scuff mark on them. I guess I wasn't capable of taking care of things after all. It's probably why I never got that bunny.

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Earth Day Every Day Ten Things You Can Do To Help Keep Vermont Green

by Deb Markowitz, Secretary of the Agency of Natural Resources

Surrounded by the natural beauty of Vermont, it is easy to remember that we are an integral part of our environment, and that each one of us shares responsibility for taking care of the land, forests, air, water, and wildlife.

Every year on April 22nd, Earth Day, we remind ourselves of the environmental challenges facing our planet. From cleaning up the waters of Lake Champlain, to the effect of climate change on our forests and wildlife, to the growing number of harmful chemicals in our environment we must rededicate ourselves to good environmental stewardship for this and future generations.

This Earth Day let's commit ourselves to celebrating Earth Day every day. Here are ten simple ways you can help:

1. Waste not, want not. When we reduce what we use, reuse what we can and recycle the rest, we save money and save the planet! Turn off lights and unplug electronics to conserve electricity and save on your electric bill. Office workers in America use, on average, 10,000 sheets of copy paper each year! Think before you print – and save money and paper by using email.

2. Green up Vermont. Every spring when the snow melts we see litter that has accumulated on our roadsides and in our woods and rivers. Help keep Vermont beautiful by joining a cleanup team in your community on Green Up Day (May 7th).

3. Buy local. Whether it is buying produce at a local farmer's market, honey from a local beekeeper, furniture from a Vermont woodworker or bread from a local bakery, buying local helps preserve Vermont's working landscape, supports a vibrant economy and reduces your carbon footprint.

4. Turn off your car. Idling your car affects Vermont's air quality, contributes to increased incidents of asthma and also contributes to global warming. If Americans cut idling time in half we would prevent as much as 26 million tons of CO2 from entering the atmosphere each year! If you idle for more than 10 seconds you use more fuel than restarting your engine, so idling also wastes money and gas.

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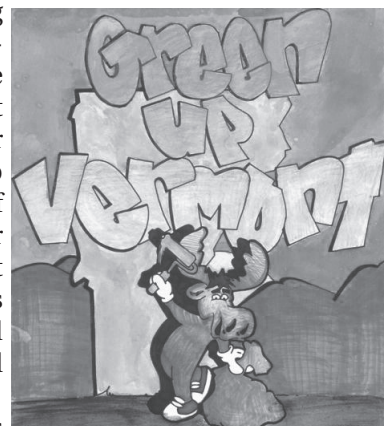
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7. Buy a reusable water bottle and fill it from your tap! Tap water is cleaner, cheaper and healthier than store-bought water. 1.5 million tons of plastic water bottles are thrown out every year. In Vermont we spend more than 10 million dollars every year to ensure that municipal tap water is clean and healthy.

8. Take a child to a state forest or park. Research shows that a person develops a love of the outdoors and a positive environmental ethic through childhood experiences in nature. We also know that when kids spend many hours every day sitting in front of a television or computer they have a greater risk of obesity, diabetes and depression. There are many great ways to have fun with kids outdoors in Vermont. Take the Vermont Venture Outdoor Challenge and earn a free season's pass to Vermont State Parks, participate in a Becoming and Outdoor Family program and learn how to hunt, fish and camp, or take your canoe to one of Vermont's many beautiful ponds or rivers.

9. Get involved. Make a difference in your community. Join your conservation commission, energy committee or planning commission. Become a master gardener or urban forester, or volunteer to teach environmental education in your local school.

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Summer Movie Preview

It's only spring in Vermont, but summer starts early for the film industry – partly because it's warmer in Hollywood, and partly because movie studios would like to start taking your money sooner rather than later. Here is 2011's list of big-budget sequels, 3-D extravaganzas, and schlock that your kids will waste your money on:

4/29: "Fast Five" (director: Justin Lin; starring: Vin Diesel, Paul Walker, Dwayne Johnson)

What It's About: People driving fast cars in a furious manner, this time in Brazil.

Why You Want to See It: If it's successful, Paramount will have to come up with yet another ridiculous title for the sixth movie.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You're still waiting for the greener, all-hybrid installment.

5/6: "Thor" (director: Kenneth Branagh; starring: Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman, Tom Hiddleston)

What It's About: A Norse god is cast down to Earth and forced to live among humans; fish-out-of-water comedy ensues.

Why You Want to See It: Iron Man told you to.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You gave up on Branagh after his adaptation of "As You Like It" took too many liberties with the original play.

5/20: "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides" (director: Rob Marshall; starring: Johnny Depp, Geoffrey Rush, Penelope Cruz)

What It's About: Jack Sparrow crosses paths with Blackbeard on a quest for the Fountain of Youth.

Why You Want to See It: You want to find out why Keira Knightley is talking with a Spanish accent this time around.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You

weren't born yet when the first "Pirates of the Caribbean" movie came out.

5/26: "The Hangover: Part II" (director: Todd Phillips; starring: Bradley Cooper, Ed Helms, Zach Galifianakis)

What It's About: Exactly the same as last time, except in Bangkok.

Why You Want to See It: So you'll know to laugh when someone quotes it at a party.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: Too busy watching the first movie on cable.

6/3: "X-Men: First Class" (director: Matthew Vaughn; starring: James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Kevin Bacon)

What It's About: The early days of Professor X and Magneto.

Why You Want to See It: You want to find out when, precisely, Professor X lost his hair.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: Eventually, you'll realize that the "First Class" subtitle is a reference to the beginnings of Xavier's School for Gifted Youngsters and not actually an indication of the film's quality.

6/10: "Super 8" (director: J.J. Abrams; starring: a bunch of people I've never heard of, plus Dakota Fanning's little sister)

What It's About: J.J. Abrams doesn't have to tell you what his movies are about. He's a genius, you see, and full of mystery.

Why You Want to See It: You want to be the first one to spoil the big twist via Facebook status update.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You already missed "Super," "Super 2," "Super 3," "Super 4," "Super 5," "Super 6," and "Super 7," so it's probably too late to jump into the series now.

7/1: "Transformers: Dark of the Moon" (director: Michael Bay; starring: Shia LaBeouf, John Turturro, Josh Duhamel)

What It's About: Cars that turn into fighting alien robots, duh.

Why You Want to See It: The lack of a numeral in the title makes you forget that the second "Transformers" movie ever happened.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: The subtitle makes it sound like a "Twilight" sequel.

7/15: "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2" (director: David Yates;

starring: those three British kids who were in all the other "Harry Potter" movies)

What It's About: Hogwarts, magic, Dumbledore, blah, blah.

Why You Want to See It: You'll finally have something to talk about with your semi-estranged 13-year-old son.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You can't bear to say goodbye to Harry.

7/22: "Captain America: The First Avenger" (director: Joe Johnston; starring: Chris Evans, Tommy Lee Jones, Hugo Weaving)

What It's About: In World War II, an American super-soldier battles the Nazi Red Skull.

Why You Want to See It: You're a sucker for historically accurate WWII films.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You are secretly French.

7/29: "Cowboys & Aliens" (director: Jon Favreau; starring: Daniel Craig, Harrison Ford, Olivia Wilde)

What It's About: Aliens attack a small town in Arizona in 1873.

Why You Want to See It: You've loved sci-fi/Western hybrids ever since "Wild Wild West."

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: Harrison Ford in a cowboy hat would only bring back bad memories of "Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of

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the Crystal Skull."

7/29: "The Smurfs" (director: Raja Gosnell; starring: Neil Patrick Harris, Jonathan Winters, Katy Perry)

What It's About: The Smurfs get lost in New York City.

Why You Want to See It: You have nostalgia for a TV show that, during your childhood, you thought was really dumb.

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You had enough of these guys in "Avatar."

8/5: "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" (director: Rupert Wyatt; starring: James Franco, Frieda Pinto, John Lithgow)

What It's About: A scientific experiment gone wrong creates a race of super-intelligent apes.

Why You Want to See It: ???

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: Too busy reading James Franco's acclaimed short story collection.

8/19: "Conan the Barbarian" (director: Marcus Nispel; starring: Jason Momoa, Rachel Nichols, Stephen Lang)

What It's About: A rebooted Cimmerian warrior tracks down his father's killer.

Why You Want to See It: You've been meaning to see a really manly film to make up for watching "Justin Bieber: Never Say Never."

Why You'll Ultimately Skip It: You're not an idiot.

Spring Trout Stocking

It's that time again for the Rutland Natural Resources Conservation District (RNRC) to offer our Spring Trout Stocking Program that includes 6-8" and 10-12" rainbow and brook trout.

Hy on a Hill Trout Farm will bring their fish tank truck filled with the 6-8" rainbow and brook trout to the Conservation District office at 170 South Main Street in Rutland on Saturday, May 21,

2011 where you can pick up your trout and bring them home to your pond. 10-12" rainbow and brook trout will be delivered to your pond the afternoon of May 21st.

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Help Japan With ShelterBox

The Ludlow Rotary Club will be supporting Japanese relief efforts through ShelterBox. ShelterBox organization is an international disaster relief charity that delivers emergency shelter, warmth and dignity to those who have been affected by disaster. Currently more than 1,500 ShelterBoxes have been committed to the Japan Earthquake/Tsunami disaster areas.



Each ShelterBox has supplies for an extended family of up to 10 people. Included in the green boxed kit are blankets, water storage and purification equipment, cooking stove and utensils, basic tool kit, children activity kit and, of course, a tent for sleeping. Basic essentials for a family needed to survive in the immediate aftermath of a disaster are the main focus of the boxed kit.

The cost for one ShelterBox is \$1000.00. The Ludlow Rotary Club has currently purchased one ShelterBox with support also coming from the Poultney Rotary Club and Fair Haven Rotary Club. It is our goal to obtain enough funds to be able to purchase a second ShelterBox. The Ludlow Rotary Club has placed coin deposit boxes at the Berkshire Bank and Peoples United Bank branches in Ludlow. Checks can be made payable to: Ludlow Area Rotary Charitable Fund, Inc., P.O. Box 616, Ludlow, VT 05149.

Vermont Ski Areas Celebrate Earthday Everyday

Green Results at Ski Resorts with Efficiency Vermont—Individuals and organizations throughout Vermont—and all over the world—will showcase their commitment to a healthier and more sustainable environment on Earth Day, Friday, April 22 and Vermont's ski areas are local leaders in environmental protection.

Ski Vermont has generated decades of green results through resort improvements. Over the last decade alone, and in collaboration with Efficiency Vermont, Vermont ski areas have saved \$25.6 million in electrical and fossil fuel consumptions and prevented 144,000 tons of carbon dioxide emissions, namely from building upgrades and snow-making efficiencies.

In recent years, several Vermont ski resorts have also been recognized by the National Ski Areas Association (NSAA) with Environmental Awards. Here are just a few examples:

Killington Mountain

A 2010 winner of the Vermont Governor's Award for Environmental Excellence and Pollution Prevention, Killington Resort continues to implement innovative energy conservation measures and environmental management practices to reduce energy consumption and the effects of climate change.

In addition to purchasing renewable energy credits to offset 100% of all electricity use, Killington Mountain continues to reduce its overall carbon footprint with

its third season of resort-wide co-mingled recycling through Casella Waste Management. Killington also has a no-idling policy for all company owned vehicles - including snowcats - and has installed "Freeaire" systems on six of the resort's walk-in coolers. Plus, millions of dollars have been invested into snowmaking efficiencies and the purchase of Low Energy snow guns, which has reduced diesel consumption by more than 60 percent and electricity by 25 percent over the past five years.

Okemo Mountain Resort

In 2009, Okemo received the prestigious Silver Eagle Award for environmental education. The National Ski Areas Association recognizes resorts' efforts to preserve and protect winter playgrounds. Okemo was honored for developing innovative ways to engage guests and employees. Okemo has made environmental education a central part of its operations through programs like Valley Quest, an award-winning, place-based education program that uses treasure hunts to celebrate community, natural history, cultural sites, stories and special places. Okemo's full-time environmental scientist handles a number of tasks including permitting, environmental compliance and sustainability. He established the Environmental Committee at Okemo (ECO) to bring together the experience and enthusiasm of staff and to foster ideas in sustainability.

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The KMS Class of 2011 - Taylor Doxsee, Brendan Bucksbaum, Tyler Wadhams, Emma Finly, Zach Stockman, Brittany Angelo, Allison Visconti, and Kip Spangler.

KMS Celebrates Most Successful Season Ever

Killington Mountain School (KMS), one of the top ski academies in the country, showcased unprecedented results across alpine, freestyle and snowboard disciplines during the 2010-2011 season, to cap off its most successful season in the school's 36-year history in the heart of the Green Mountains of Vermont. Results included junior national and state championships, NCAA All-America honors, and a Junior World Champion title.

KMS student-athletes and alumni competed in eight states, three Canadian provinces, and two countries (Finland and Australia) to bring home more than 1,000 top-30 finishes, more than 250 podiums, 10 Mid-Vermont Council victories, five student-athletes named to the 2010-2011 VARA Team, seven Vermont State Championships, four Canadian K2 Championship titles, two Junior National Championship titles, one First-Team All-American, one Academic All-American, and one Junior World Champion title.

"These accomplishments do not happen by accident or overnight," said Head of School Tao Smith. "The hard work and dedication of our student-athletes is foremost in the list of reasons why, followed closely by the dedication and skill of the coaches and teachers at KMS. From parents to alumni, trustees to teachers, coaches to students, mountain employees to volunteers, it is a community effort, and the list of individuals that contribute to the KMS experience is vast."

The academy's staff and faculty presented KMS's 2010-11 academic and recognition awards on April 2. Academic Department Awards for outstanding commitment to studies and exceptional work included: Wyatt Queirolo, Science; Carolyn Hofley, Mathematics;

Kenny McNeill, English; Heather Desino, History; Jerica McMahon, Foreign Language; and Jeffry Griffin, Arts.

The Dorm Leadership Award, given to the dorm student who best exemplifies the spirits of community living as shown by his or her positive attitude and willingness to serve others was presented to Jerica McMahon. The Head of School Award, given to the underclass student-athlete who most demonstrates the qualities of leadership, dedication and commitment, was presented to Dylan Malone.

Senior awards included: Brendan Bucksbaum, Academic Excellence Award; Brittany Angelo, Senior Award; and Tyler Wadhams, Fred Coriell Cup, the school's most prestigious award. A number of student-athletes also were recognized with athlete awards in all disciplines.

KMS' five-month program is unique—offering the "best of both worlds"—by allowing students to remain part of their home and community for a majority of the year, while at the same time offering a top-notch ski academy experience.

As the longest-running winter-term ski academy in the U.S., KMS is a fully approved Vermont independent school serving grades 7-12 (PG) with a mission is to inspire students to pursue excellence in academics and athletics in a culture that promotes integrity, leadership, responsibility, and respect. The academic program is a focused five-month program that provides students with instruction and support alongside high-level athletics. KMS alumni include Olympians Michael Morse, Evan Dybvig, Alex Wilson, Chuck Martin, and Bob Aldighieri. To learn more about alpine, snowboard, freestyle, and freeride training and opportunities, call 802.422.KMS1.

The Circus is Coming to Town!

The Town of Killington is happy to announce that Vermont's award-winning Circus Smirkus be calling Pico Mountain home for a fun-filled weekend in August. The traveling youth circus will feature 30 of the country's most talented child performers for four shows on Sunday, August 14 and Monday, August 15. Youth performers from as far as California and New Zealand will amaze children and adults as year's traveling Circus Smirkus troupe.

2011's Circus Smirkus Big Top Tour creates a circus-style tribute to old-time journalism with its theme of Front Page Follies: Big Top Big News! Families and children of all ages are invited to join newshounds and newsclowns as they seek the headlines and beat the deadlines. Whether it's juggling paperboys, acrobatic announcers, paparazzi clowns or wacky weatherman, each two-hour show is a dazzling spectacle of talent, with aerials, acrobatics, clowns, jugglers, high wire and trapeze artists, live music and more.

"The Circus is a great addition to our expanding summer lineup," says Suzie Dundas, EDT Events Coordinator. "The Circus fits perfectly into our goal of providing

exciting events for families and bringing award-winning entertainment to Killington."

Circus Smirkus is the only American youth circus to travel under its own big top, center-ring circus tent. The touring company consists of some 80 people, including the performers and coaches, counselors, costumers, tech crew, roustabouts, circus chefs and a live circus band.

Troupers consist of children ages 10-18 selected for skill, character, and personality through an audition process that begins each fall. Performances require months of training and dedication before hitting the road in June for a series of performances across New England.

To learn more about Circus Smirkus and other Killington events, visit www.DiscoverKillington.com or follow DiscoverKillington on Facebook. Tickets for Circus Smirkus in Killington go on sale May 1 at www.Smirkus.org. Advance purchase is recommended.

Smirkus performers stay with area families during their performances. Any families interested in hosting a Smirkus youth may contact Meg Horrocks at meg@town.killington.vt.us for more information.



VSMC Road Race

Question: What's the difference between a jogger and a runner?

Answer: It's the registration that you fill out and the entry fee you pay to participate in the Vermont Sports Medicine Center's 19th Annual 5k Run/Walk coming on Saturday, April 30, 2011. Be a runner!

Proceeds will benefit Kids on the Move, a pediatric rehabilitation program. Kids on the Move serves children who have rehabilitation needs in order to reach their potential. This is achieved through quality, cost effective rehab therapies conducted at the outpatient clinic, in the home, in a school or elsewhere in the community. Kids on the Move is the only pediatric rehabilitation program within a 60 mile radius of Rutland.

This exciting 5K race will begin and end at the Vermont Sports Medicine Center at 5 Albert Cree Drive in Rutland, just north of the Rutland Regional Medical Center.

On Race Day Saturday, April 30, 2011, registration will run from 8-9:30 am. At 10am, it's the Kids Fun Run. The 5K Run/Walk will begin right afterward.

Pre-Registration Entry Fees:
 - Kids Fun Run Free to Kids 10 & under (T-shirt not included).
 - 5K Run/Walk: Under 10, \$5. Ages 10-15, \$10. Age 16 & older, \$15.
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 Kids Under 10, \$5. Ages 10-15, \$15. Age 16 & older, \$20.
 Refreshments will be available for all.

Green Up Day at Lucy Mackenzie

Join other volunteers at Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society in Brownsville, VT, on Saturday, May 7, from 1:00PM - 3:00PM to help clean up the grounds for spring.

Help to make the Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society's 12-acre property ready for use in the warmer weather, and give the animals at the shelter room to play. After a long, snowy and windy winter, the dog walking trails need clearing and trimming, parking lots need sweeping, trees need grooming and mulching, windows need washing, entrance pots need planting, and gardens need care.

Please join in and bring any or all of the following items to assist in the efforts: gloves, rakes, shovels, push brooms, garden clippers, long handled clippers, and long handled saws. Wheelbarrows, garbage bags and window washing supplies, as well as light refreshments will be provided.

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HEALTH CALENDAR

Apr. 26 - Randolph. American Red Cross Blood Drive, 11:30-5pm, Vt Technical College Shape Facility. Enter to win Red Sox tickets. 800-RED-CROSS.

Apr. 27 - Rutland. RAVNAH Blood Pressure & Foot Care clinic: Godnick Center, 12:30pm. Suggested donation \$2 blood pressure, \$5 foot care. 775-0568.

Apr. 27 - Rutland. Rutland County Prostate Cancer Support Group Meeting, 5:30pm, RRMV CVPS Leahy Conf Ctr Rm. D. Dr. Bove presents. Spouses welcome! Info, 483-6220.

Apr. 28 - Fair Haven. RAVNAH Blood Pressure & Foot Care clinic: Appletree Apts 9:30am. Suggested donation \$2 blood pressure, \$5 foot care. 775-0568.

May 4-5 - Rutland. RAVNAH bereavement workshop, Understanding Grief, available. May 4, 6-7:30pm or May 5, noon-1:30pm. Free, open to public. Pre-registration require, 770-1516. RAVNAH Office.

May 17 - Rutland. RSVP now for RSVP Bone Builders workshop to qualify volunteer trainers for osteoporosis exercise program. 9am-2:30pm, Rutland Parks & Rec Bldg. Reserve spot at 775-8220. Free of charge!

Mons. - Rutland. Look Good...Feel Better program. Free. Female cancer patients learn beauty techniques; 1pm, 1st Mon. of e/o month (June. 6 next), RRMV. 1-800-ACS-2345.

Mons. - Rutland. Low impact exercise group for those with Parkinson's Disease, 2:30pm Mondays, Godnick Adult Center. Free. RSVP sponsors.

Mons. - Bridgewater. Zumba at Bridgewater Grange, \$4. 6:30pm.

Mon. Wed. Fri. - Rutland. 10:30-11:30am - Arthritis Pool Class. You don't need to have arthritis to benefit from this comprehensive fun exercise program. Locker room & towels included. \$40/10 classes. Holiday Inn Pool, 775-1911.

Mon. & Thurs. - Rochester. Bone Builders exercise program meets 9am, Park House. Lightweight resistance training to help slow down or reverse osteoporosis. 767-3416.

Mons. & Thurs. - Rutland. Commit to Quit program at RRMV. 4 wk program begins 1st Mon. of each month. Mons. 4:30-5:30pm or Thurs. 9-10am. Register 747-3768. Free!

Tues. Sex Addicts Anonymous - SAA. Are you suffering from compulsive sexual behavior? Call hotline 1-800-477-8191. Rutland's 12 step group meets weekly at Grace Church, 8 Court St, Rutland. 6:30-7:30pm.

Tues. - Rutland. Woman to woman cancer support group meets 1st Tues. of month, 5-6:30pm, CVPS/Leahy Comm. Health Ed Ctr, Conference Rm C. Potluck meal. All women with any type of cancer welcome. 747-1693.

Tues. & Thurs. - Mendon. Weekly Senior Citizens Bone Builders free exercise classes. 10-11am. Mendon Methodist Church. 773-2694.

Mon., Tues. & Thurs. Killington - Anusara Inspired Yoga classes at Killington Yoga, Mon. 8:30am mixed level, Tues Level 1 & Thurs Level 2, 5:30pm. killingtonyoga.com. 422-4500.

Weds. - Mendon. Mendon Senior Citizens plan meeting 1st Wed. of month at Mendon Methodist Church. 773-4187.

Weds. - Dorset. RAVNAH & Dorset Nursing offer 6-session grief education & support group, e/o week. Dorset Nursing Office, noon-1:30pm. Pre-registration required, 770-1516.

Weds. - Rutland. Tea for the Soul support group for those with chronic illness or life-threatening illness. 1st & 3rd Wed., 2-2:30pm. CVPS/Leahy Ctr at RRMV. 747-1693.

Weds. - Rutland. Man-to-Man Prostate Cancer Support Group meet 5:30pm, 4th Wed. of month @ RRMV. Spouses welcome. 483-6220.

Thurs. - Mendon. Mendon Sr. Citizens monthly gathering for meals at Countrymen's Pleasure, 4pm or Sugar & Spice 11:30am. 2nd Thurs. of month, rotating location. \$5 donation. RSVP 773-4187.

Thurs. - Brandon. Weight Watchers Meeting, 5pm, Brandon Senior Center.

Killington - Kripalu Yoga LouiseHarrison@live.com or call Louise 747-8444. Weds. 8:45am, ongoing class. Private & small group classes by appt.

Poultney - Young at Heart Senior Center has Free Bone Building Class Tues & Thurs, 9:30-10:30am. 287-9200.

Pittsfield - Bikram Yoga @ Pilates, Yoga & Adventure Center. Mon. & Wed. 5:30 & 7:15pm. Tues. & Thurs. noon, 5:30pm. Fri. noon. Sat. 9am. Sun. 9am & 4pm. All ages & abilities. 866-677-4268.

Castleton - Castleton Community Center offers Bone Builders, Movement Medley, Better Balance programs, more. Call 468-3093.

Rutland - Pyramid Holistic Wellness Center offers yoga, kickboxing, meditation, dance, martial art & more. All classes drop-in. See ad for details. 775-8080.

Rutland - RAVNAH and RRMV offer classes for parents-to-be including Birth and Beyond, Birthshop. Register: 775-0568.

Rutland - AA Hotline, Rutland area: 802-775-0402, 24 hours.

Rutland - AI Anon: Call Pete: 773-9548 or Marcia: 775-7479 for meeting info. Beginner meeting Fris, 7pm, The Evergreen Ctr.

Killington - AA Meetings, Sherburne United Church, (little white church, Rte. 4). Tues., 7pm. Thurs., noon. Sats., 7:30pm.

Prostate Cancer Support Group

There will be a Rutland County Prostate Cancer support group meeting on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. It will be held at Rutland Regional Medical Center, Meeting Room D, CVPS Leahy Conference Center.

Dr. Bove will present an update on the management of incontinence after treatment of prostate cancer.

Wives, partners, men newly diagnosed, men dealing with recurrent prostate cancer, men dealing with the

side affects of treatment, and men who have been successfully treated for the disease are welcome to attend. Any men dealing with advanced prostate cancer are also encouraged to attend in order to benefit both themselves and others by sharing their experiences.

For more information contact Bob Harnish at 802-483-6220; Jim Russell at 802-362-2244; or Jennifer Blacklock, American Cancer Society, 802-872-6308.



Mother's Day Magic Comes to Rutland

Novelist Peter deVries once said "A suburban mother's role is to deliver children obstetrically once, and by car forever after." Since many kids have been delivered to a shopping mall by their moms, it's time to return the favor by doing something magical for mom.

At the Diamond Run Mall in Rutland you can create some Mothers Day Magic!

Just come to the Mall on Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 11am to 2pm and you can make a Mother's Day gift magically appear.

The Breast Care Program at Rutland Regional Medical Center will provide the supplies and you provide the creativity to make a Mom a Mother's Day card, a pair of earrings, a bracelet, a new key ring or one of several other craft kit ideas.

Supplies are limited so craft kits are limited to one per child. Mother's Day Magic is put on by the Breast Care program at Rutland Regional and supported by a grant from the Susan G. Komen for the Cure Vermont-New Hampshire Affiliate.

Prescription Drug Abuse – Issue of Local Concern

Prescription drugs. They seem safe enough – after all, a doctor prescribed them. How could a seemingly 'safe' prescription drug be abused? What many adults don't know is that there is a trend in communities across the country, including in Woodstock, Vermont, of abusing prescription drugs to get high, 'down' or into an altered state of consciousness. Prescription drug abuse can take place in many forms; including mixing prescriptions, mixing pills and alcohol, taking a dosage well beyond the safe dose or chopping the drug into small pieces and inhaling or smoking it. Now second only to marijuana use, prescription drug abuse is more common than any other drug use among 12-17 year olds.

The Ottauquechee Community Partnership set out to learn more about local prescription drug abuse to raise awareness about the issue and to create a PSA to promote the second national Take Back Day on April 30th. OCP interviewed school nurse, Anne Marinello, town police Officer Peter Mantello and Sheriff Chamberlin, local pharmacist Jim Marmar, OHC physicians Drs. Steve Smith and

Mike Kilcullen and a local teenager. The disturbing thing that every one of these people talked about is how commonly available abused drugs are – they are in mom and dad's or grandma's medicine cabinet!

Officer Mantello, who has been in law enforcement for 25 years, talked about one pattern he sees that is an indicator that there is a local problem: Mantello said that the first thing police officers ask when they've been to a house that has been burgled is "Are you on medication?" The police officers ask this because the most common cause for breaking and entering is to find prescription drugs for either use or street sale. "That never would have happened 25 years ago," said Mantello.

The good news is that there is now a way to safely dispose of prescription medications that are no longer being used. Sheriff Mike Chamberlin and the Windsor County Sheriff's office is joining the rest of the nation in hosting a Take Back Day on April 30th from 10-2 at nine locations throughout the county. On this day, concerned citizens are encouraged to take their unused medications to the County Sheriff's office to be safely and properly disposed of. No questions asked – all simply dump the pills into a big bin that will later be incinerated.

Take Back Day is open to all who want to responsibly dispose of excess prescriptions. It will take place on April 30 from 10-2 pm, Windsor County Sheriff's Department at 62 Pleasant St. in Woodstock, Vermont. For more information or for information about other Take Back Day locations in Windsor County, call 457- 5211.

If you are currently using a prescription make sure it is safeguarded and, when done with the prescription, dispose of responsibly.

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GolfNews

Dear Friends of Jeff,

Thunder rumbles in the distance, the snow is receding and, finally, Green Mountain National's tees, greens and fairways are welcoming the spring rain. It's time to register for the 7th Annual Jeff Hadley Day ALS Benefit Golf Tournament, Wednesday, May 25, 2011.

This year's event marks an important transition for our fund raising activities. After much discussion with Jeff's family and the Tournament Committee, I have decided 2011 will be our last Pro-Am event. Future fund raising ideas are under consideration and, as long as ALS remains untreatable and incurable, I'll be asking for your help. This year, though, circumstances are forcing change.

As many of you know, Jeff's good friend and Jeff Hadley Day founder Dave Pfannenstien is no longer working for the Killington Resort. Dave has been the driving force behind Jeff Hadley Day since the first event in 2005 but, now, his career path is likely to lead him away from the Killington area. All of us in the Hadley family are forever grateful to Dave for his friendship, dedication and generosity. It is not Dave's idea to downsize this event. He is definitely committed to finding a cure for ALS and is fully invested in this year's tournament. But it is not realistic to expect him to shoulder so much responsibility for so large an undertaking from afar.

The thought of organizing this event without Dave has occasioned some soul searching of my own. Each year I spend months planning this event and while it brings me great joy to celebrate Jeff's life, it also brings great pain when, each year, I relive his death. Jeff's family understands the emotional paralysis this causes. They are encouraging me to let go and move on.

I am able to do this for only one reason: Jeff's three siblings have been screened for the ALS gene carried by

the Hadley family and all of them tested negative. This means Jeff's immediate family no longer lives with the threat of suffering and dying as Jeff did. Though Jeff certainly wanted to help all 400,000 people world-wide suffering with ALS, his primary fundraising goal was to find a treatment before the disease claimed the lives of his brothers and sister. Thankfully, they are safe. This blessing allows me to believe Jeff would support my decision to take his fundraiser in a new direction.

Since 2005, we have raised almost half a million dollars for ALS research. I am so proud of and so grateful to all of you who have made this possible. But not only have we raised money, we have raised awareness. All of you now understand the heartache this incurable disease inflicts on its victims and those who love them. You also understand you can make a difference.

So, let's make this Jeff Hadley Day a celebration to remember! Register or donate today at Green Mountain Na-

tional Golf Course or online at www.alstdigolf.com.

I look forward to seeing everyone May 25. Thank you so much for caring!

Very Sincerely,
Alice Hadley



Rules of the Game

By Alan Jeffery

USGTF Certified Golf Professional

QUESTION: Jamie and Rick are playing in a tournament. On one of the holes, a retaining wall has been built within a water hazard. Jamie has stroked his ball into the hazard and it rests in a playable position although there is a stone which has broken away from the retaining wall in front of the ball. Jamie reaches down and removes the stone before he plays the stroke. Rick says he is not allowed relief without penalty. Is Rick correct?

ANSWER: Once the stone has broken away from the retaining wall, it becomes a movable obstruction and Jamie is allowed to move it without penalty. See USGA Decisions On The Rules Of Golf, 2010-2011, 24/6 and 24-1. Sorry Rick.

If weather conditions are acceptable, we will conduct Tuesday evening clinics, May 3rd, 5:30-6:30 and Saturday clinics, May 7th at 10:30-12:00. Please check conditions by calling the Pro shop, 422-GOLF Remember, the swing's the thing and continuous improvement is what it's all about.



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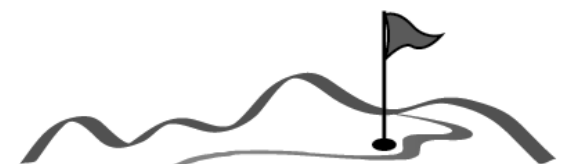
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The tournament format is Captain and Crew with teams of four players. The cost is still only \$125 per person and includes greens fees, cart rental, awards banquet at the Killington Grand Hotel, goody bags, a chance to win great door prizes, team prizes and trophies. This is a great networking opportunity and an important Chamber fundraiser.

Mark your calendar and watch your mail for the brochure to sign up your team, or call RRCC (802-773-2747) to sign up now. There are sponsorship opportunities still available by calling John Gales at 802-558-2717.

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MUSIC

Apr. 26 - Univ. of S. ME Wind Ensemble at WUHS, 1pm.

Apr. - Randolph. Chandler Events: Apr. 23 - Connie Dover & Skip Gilman perform music at Chandler Upper Gallery. Apr. 29, Myra Flynn performs 7:30pm. Admission. 728-6464 to reserve tickets.

Apr. 29 - Proctor. Rutland Curbstone Chorus performs at Proctor Union Church, 7pm, in the Sanctuary. Admission by donation, \$10 adults, \$4 kids age 8+ suggested. Doors open 6:30pm. Benefits Parish Hall re-siding project.

Ongoing:

Mons. - Rutland. Rutland Curbstone Chorus practices 7pm, Rutland High School. Open invitation for any men interested in singing - join them!

Suns. - Brandon. Informal musical entertainment Sunday afternoons, if & when musicians turn up! We invite competent musicians to come & perform - no fee, no formality! Brandon Music.

SPORT/LEISURE

Thru Apr. 22 - Brandon. Pre-registration for Youth Turkey Hunting Event Apr. 24 at Neshobe Sportsman Club at Forest Dale Grocery. BBQ 1pm, celebrations 2pm. 247-6687.

Apr. 27 - Vermont Walk at Lunch Day! Woodstock Rec Ctr walks, 12:30pm. No walk organized?

Start your own. Join Woodstock Rec, 457-1520. May 1 - Mendon. Mendon Historical Society walk on Old Turnpike Rd, 12:30-3:30pm. Members and non-members meet at Mendon Town Hall parking lot Rt 4. Access from Wildcat Rd. Wear sturdy shoes. 773-4854.

Now - Rutland. RNRCD offers Spring Trout Stocking Program - 6-8" & 10-12" rainbow & brook trout on May 21. Pre-order thru May 18, 775-8034 x17. You pick up at Conservation District office.

Ongoing:

Rutland - Swimming - The Mitchell Therapy Pool at VAC offers general swimming, aquacise & aquaerobics, swim lessons for infants to adults & private pool rentals. 773-7187 for more info.

Pittsford - Pittsford Rec Dept offers guided walks on Pittsford Trail Network. Walk, hike, snowshoe. Get some exercise, meet new people, get to know trail system. RSVP 468-6500 x17.

Thurs. - Rutland. ACBL Sanctioned Bridge Games nights @ Godnick Senior Center. \$5/player, guaranteed partner. 287-5756.

Thurs. - Rutland. Chess Club, 7pm, Dana Rec Ctr. Rm. 32. Open to public, free, all ages. Beginners welcome. 773-1822.

Thurs. & Suns. - Wells. Modern Woodmen of America holds Bingo, including special game to benefit a local charity or good cause.

Fridays - Pittsford. Adult Women's Basketball - Open Gym. Friday nights, 6-8PM. Police Academy, Furnace Road. More info: Tara 417-7331.

VARIETY

Apr. - Ludlow. Classes at Fletcher Farm School: Apr. 15-17, Painting Flowers. Apr. 28-May 1, Stained Glass Workshop. More upcoming. 228-8770 for times, fees, details.

Apr. 22 - Rutland. Documentary showing of Ask Us Who We Are, foster care film, 7pm, Rutland HS. \$10 adults, \$5 students, at door. 592-3190 for info.

Apr. 23 - Rutland. First work day of the year at Pine Hill Park. 9am. Work on main entrance & Giorgetti trails. BBQ at 11:30am. Bring gloves, rakes & yourself! Upcoming day, May 15. 773-1822 x13.

Apr. 23 - Woodstock. 93rd Glad Rags Sale, 9am-12:30pm & 1-3pm. Masonic Temple. All proceeds benefit local charities.

Apr. 23 - Downtown Rutland. Easter Egg Scramble in Depot Park, 10am-noon. Open to ages 2-8 yrs. Bring your own basket. 773-9380 for details.

Apr. 23 - Woodstock. Family Day at the Farm at Billings Farm & Museum. 10am-3:30pm. Programs with farm's lambs, chicks, calves. Heirloom garden activities, wagon rides. 457-2355. Admission.

Apr. 23 - Pittsfield. 2nd Annual Ham & Leek Party at Clear River Tavern. 12 noon, leek foraging. 2pm, Ham & Leek Feast w/live entertainment. 746-8999.

Apr. 23 - Rochester. Naturalist and children's book illustrator Jim Arnosky comes to Rochester Public Library. 1pm. Lively, interactive presentation with music & drawing. Free, open to all. 767-4258 for info.

Apr. 23 - Rutland. Paramount Theatre presents Big Flicks at Paramount Spring Film Series, "Back to the Classics." This week, The Ten Commandments (1956). 3pm & 7:30pm shows. \$6 adults, \$4 12 & under.

Apr. 23 - Killington Spring Fling Extravaganza Party at Saint's Pub. Live Music with Frank Chase 5-8pm. Food stations, all you can eat \$15, prizes & giveaways. 422-3535.

Apr. 23 - Rutland. Rutland Co. Women's Network & Shelter benefit at Rutland Country Club, 7pm. Live auction, cash bar, music by Jenni and the Junketeers. 353-8642.

Apr. 24 - Killington. Easter Sunrise Service at Killington Resort. K-1 Gondola open 5:30-6:30am for rides to Peak for Sunrise Service. Free, open to 1st 300 people. Service 7am. Continental breakfast follows. 8:30am Easter Egg Hunt - see Easter Bunny! Egg Hunt for kids 5 & under 9:30am. 800-621-MTNS.

Apr. 24 - WRJ. Easter Bunny Express! 1.5 hour excursion on White Rive Flyer train. Easter Bunny boards at Montshire. Easter Egg hunt & Easter candy at depot. Bring your basket! Adult \$24, child \$18. 800-707-3530.

Apr. 26 - Wallingford. Wallingford Historical Society hosts evening of poetry at Town Hall, 7-8pm. Bring a poem to read if you wish. 446-3560. Free, open to public.

Apr. 26 - Rutland. Documentary showing & discussion of The Blood in This Town, 7pm, Rutland Free Library. Steve Costello & Jim Sabatano there to answer questions. 773-1860.

Apr. 27 - Killington. Kindergarten Registration 2011-12 at Sherburne Elem School.

Apr. 27 - Rutland. Comedian superstar Brian Regan comes to Paramount Theatre. Tickets \$39.50-\$59.50, 775-0903. Limited seats left.. hurry!

Apr. 29 - Rutland. Mentor Connector's Wii & Kinect Dance Competition, 6-10pm, Knights of Columbus Gym. Open to public. \$10 registration at door, pre-registration discount at 775-3434. Prizes, food, beverages.

May 7 - Volunteers wanted at Lucy Mackenzie Humane Society for Green Up Day activities, 1-3pm. 484-5829 to help.

May 7 - Green up Day in Vermont. Get green bags at your town office and help clean up litter on Vermont's roadways. Wear gloves & sturdy shoes.

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Killington-Sherburne Memorial Library Events: Killington Arts Guild acrylics workshop meets every Tues., 10am-noon, free. Tues, 2pm - Matinees. Weds - Mother Goose Story Time - 10:30am. Fris - Preschool StoryTime, 1:30pm. 422-3824.

Woodstock - Woodstock Farmer's Market held in social hall of the Woodstock Unitarian Church, 10am-1pm, 4th Saturday of the month through April. 457-3889.

Mons. - Pittsfield. Pittsfield Historical Society meeting, Town Hall 3rd Monday of the month, 7pm.

Tues. - Rutland. 1st & 3rd Tues. of month, Rutland Area Toastmasters Club meets 6:30-8pm, Dana Rec Ctr. Open to all. International organization which fosters public speaking & leadership skills through local clubs.

Weds. - Killington. Killington Rotary Club meets at Summit Lodge 6-8pm for full dinner, guest speaker and/or discussion. Seeking new members! Apr. 27, Howard Shaffer, American Nuclear Society - VT Pilot Project.

Sats. - Rutland. Farmers' Market, inside at Rutland Co-op, Wales St. Vendors sell fresh veggies, flowers, breads, baked goods, maple products, much more. Live entertainment. 10am-2pm.

MUSEUMS & EXHIBITS

Thru May 15 - Castleton. Arcadia Now - Contemporary Art in Country exhibit at Christine Price Gallery at CSC.

Art & Antiques on Center - 17 Center St, Downtown Rutland. Apr. 18-May 14, NEW HOURS: Wed-Sat, 10-2 (closed 2-5pm). Open ArtHop Fri, May 13, 5-8pm. Closed Mon & Tues. Normal hours resume May 14, Mon-Sat, 10-5. 786-1530.

Billings Farm & Museum - Woodstock. Rt 12N & River Rd. 457-2355. A first-class working farm, operating with a museum of Vermont's rural heritage, dating back to 1871. Winter Film Series, Sat. thru Apr.

Brandon Artists Guild - Brandon. Open daily 10am-5pm. New Show - Manipulating Polaroids "Manipulations" by Lowell Snowdon Klock, thru Apr. 30.

Brandon Music - 62 Country Club Rd., Brandon. Art Gallery open 10-6 daily, closed Tues. Harmony English Tea room 2-5pm daily, closed Tues.

Brick Box - at Paramount Theatre, Center St., Rutland. Gallery hrs: Thurs-Fri, 11am-6pm & Sat., 10am-2pm & during Paramount Theatre performances. 775-0903.

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Chaffee Center for the Visual Arts - S. Main St., Rutland. Weds.-Sat. 10-5, Sun. 10-4, closed Mon. & Tues. 775-0356. Apr. 22-Jun. 18, Human=Landscape: Aesthetics of a Carbon Constrained Future exhibit. Opening reception, Apr. 22, 5-8pm.

Chandler Gallery - Randolph. Gallery hrs: Thurs. 4-6pm, Sat. & Sun. 1-3pm. 728-9878.

Green Mountain College - William Feick Arts Center, Poultney. Gallery hours M-F, 1-5pm. 287-8000.

Killington Arts Guild Fine Art Gallery - at Cabin Fever, Rt. 4. Open business days 9-6:30pm. All Members Show - "March On" - thru May. 422-3824.

Maclure Library - Rt. 7, Pittsford. Mon., Tue., Fri., 1-6pm; Wed., 10-8; Thur., 10-6; Sat., 9am-noon. 483-2972.

Montshire Museum of Science - Norwich. Open 7 days year round, 10am-5pm. 649-2200. Blue Man Group-Making Waves exhibit thru May 8.

New England Maple Museum - 4578 Rte 7, Pittsford. Open for the season. Off-Season Rates. Groups over 12 can request "Sugar on Snow" by reservation. 483-9414 for info. Spring hours 10AM-4PM daily.

Norman Rockwell Museum - Rt. 4E, Rutland. 773-6095. Self-guided tour. Open daily.

Norman Williams Public Library - Woodstock. 457-2644. Open Mon., Fri., & Sat., 10-5, Tues., Wed., Thurs. 10-7.

Rutland Historical Society - 96 Center St., Rutland, 775-2006. Year-round, Mon., 6-9 pm, Sat, 1-4pm, by appointment for schools or other groups.

Rutland Railway Association - Center Rutland Depot. Former Rutland Railroad depot. Museum exhibits the Rutland Railroad. HO & N scale models. Open Saturdays 11am-3pm.

Slate Valley Museum - Water St., Granville, NY. 518-642-1417 for info.

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Spring Into Arts and Crafts

by Laurie Marechaux

Creativity is the best way to deal with spring fever. Join in the fun at Fletcher Farm School for the Arts and Crafts is one of the Countries finest, independent, Arts and Crafts Schools.

April 30, Join Barbi Weaver and learn ONE Stroke® Painting-Paint a Flowerpot for Spring. These hand painted flowerpots make great containers for candles, potpourri or candy, too. Beginners welcome.



On May 14, Sally Mack will be instructing Copper Etching for Jewelry and more! Do you love the look of etched metal jewelry? Come play with copper and chemistry to create copper etched beads, elements, pendants or findings.

Look for Solarplate Printmaking on May 14 & 15 and Viking Knit Jewelry on May 21 & 22.

Students do not need any prior skills to join any of our classes. All ages are welcome and please feel free to call if you would like to participate as a Parent and Child we will offer special pricing for you and your youngster! Group inquires welcome.

Please call 802-228-8770 for a free course flyer or info on tuition pricing. If you are a Ludlow, Cavendish or Proctorsville resident (age 7 & up) you are entitled to 50% off one class per calendar year.



Family Day at the Billings Farm

Billings Farm & Museum, gateway to Vermont's rural heritage, will feature Family Day at the Farm on Saturday, April 23, from 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. featuring family-centered programs with the farm's lambs, chicks, and calves, plus heirloom garden activities, and wagon rides.

Visitors can learn about the importance of heirloom seeds and plant seeds saved from the Billings' garden and take some home to plant in their own gardens. Heirloom Gardening Today – a colorful presentation and discussion of the importance of

old vegetable varieties – will be held several times during the day.

Admission includes all programs and activities, the farm life exhibits, plus the working dairy farm and horse-drawn wagon rides. For additional information, contact the museum: 802-457-2355 or www.billingsfarm.org.

The Billings Farm & Museum is owned and operated by The Woodstock Foundation Inc., a charitable non-profit institution founded by Mary French and Laurance Spelman Rockefeller.

Foster Care Film

Kingdom County Productions is proud to release the documentary film Ask Us Who We Are-- Foster Care, the search for family and a sense of belonging. The film is focused on the challenges and extraordinary lives of Vermont youth in foster care. Although the film highlights the heartbreak that many foster care youth carry with them as they move through their lives, the documentary also reveals the tremendous strength and perseverance that grows out of their determination to survive and thrive.

Ask Us Who We Are will tour to sixteen towns in Vermont in April and May. The film will play Rutland on Fri. April 22nd, 7pm at Rutland High School. The documentary also focuses on the lives of foster care parents and kinship families that open their homes to children. Through small and large acts of kindness these adults can change the course of children's lives and give them a sense of place if only for a brief time.

Tickets for the screenings are \$10 adults, \$5 students. Discount tickets for foster families in need are available. All tickets are sold at the door. For more information call 802-592-3190.



Michael Mullady (from Rutland) former foster care youth

Brandon Music Presents Royal Weddings Talk

Everyone is talking about the forthcoming wedding of Prince William to Kate Middleton on April 29th, 2011 in Westminster Abbey.

To mark this very special occasion Stephen and Edna Sutton of Brandon Music invite you to a free and very light-hearted and informal talk on 20th and 21st Century English Royal Weddings and their music on Saturday the 30th of April and Sunday the first of May. The talk will start each day at 2pm and finish by 3pm. You will hear about the royal engagements, the wedding dresses, the receptions and the gifts and in true Brandon Music tradition, the music chosen and played for these very special occasions.

We also hope that visitors will bring along their special wedding mementos to share with others including those precious photographs, keepsakes and even, for the more adventurous, that special wedding outfit. Door prizes will be given to any visitor who comes along with a wedding treasure.

The event will be held in the Harmony Music Café at Brandon Music. Look for the big red barn at 62 Country Club Road, Brandon. For more information, contact 802-465-4071.



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Facebook 101 Seminar



The Rutland Region Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a morning and an evening instructional seminar entitled Facebook 101 & More.

The first seminar will be on Thursday, May 19 from 8 - 10 AM and the second seminar will be that evening from 5 - 7

PM. The classes will be held at the Franklin Conference Center in Rutland and will be presented by Facebook guru Kayte Munger.

"The first hour of each seminar will be about how to create a Facebook page and the second hour will be instructions and tips for your business, organization or personal page," said Tom Donahue, Chamber Executive Vice President.

The cost is only \$25 per session for non-members and \$20.00 for RRCC members and will include coffee and light snacks. Pre-registration and payment is required.

It is highly recommended that you bring your lap top computer to the seminar. Wi-Fi will be available. Folks that already have a Facebook page can arrive for the second hour's instructions if they choose.

For information or to register call RRCC at 773-2747.

E-Jazz in Tinmouth

Toe-tapping, old style New Orleans jazz standards will fill the Old Firehouse Stage in Tinmouth on Saturday April 30, at 7 PM. Z-Jazz is a 5-piece jazz group hailing from Waterbury Center and Burlington. Featuring Greg Evans on guitar, Corey Beard on standup bass, Don Einhorn on drums, Larry Damon on cornet, and Dan Liptak on tenor sax, the band will inspire and enthrall. The Old Firehouse Stage is an intimate venue with awesome acoustics.

The Old Firehouse Concert Series benefits the Tinmouth Community Fund, a private non-profit supporting community-based projects in Tinmouth. Tinmouth's Old Firehouse Stage is located in beautiful downtown Tinmouth right on the green. Doors open at 6:30 and there is open seating; \$9 donation at the door. Delicious refreshments will be on sale. For more information contact Colleen at (802) 414-0011.

Celebrate Vermont's Young Composers in a FREE Live Concert April 28th

Announcing a celebration of Vermont's young composers with a live performance of original student compositions by professional musicians. This year's Opus 22 concert will be held on Thursday, April 28th at the Chandler Music Hall in Randolph, VT at 6:30 pm. Admission is free but donations are gratefully accepted. Opus 22 is a production of the Vermont MIDI project, a nonprofit organization that serves over 5000 students as they explore music composition.

Currently 64 students from 17 different schools in Vermont, Connecticut, and New York have submitted compositions for feedback by professional composer mentors on a password protected website. We are proud to have received compositions from the following schools

this year: Barnet School, Bellows Falls Middle School, Burlington HS, Champlain Elementary and Edmunds Middle School (Burlington), Dummerston School, Guilford HS (CT), Hartford HS (White River Jct.), Little Red School House (NYC), Maple Street School (Manchester), North Country UHS (Newport), Poultney HS, Proctor JR/SR HS, Putney Central, Randolph UHS, Springfield HS, and The Grammar School (Putney).

Students and mentors continue to work together through online discussion by posting their composition files and revisions until March 31. Approximately 24 selected pieces will be announced on April 4th on our website.

Please visit www.vtmidi.org for more information or a sneak preview of the scores.

Comedy with Brian Regan at Paramount



The Paramount Theatre in downtown Rutland, VT announced today that limited tickets remain for comedian superstar Brian Regan on April 27, 2011.

Critics and peers agree: Brian Regan has distinguished himself as one of the premier comedians in the country. The perfect balance of sophisticated writing and physicality, Brian fills theaters nationwide with fervent fans that span generations.

"Brian Regan is to comedy what Brad Pitt is to Hollywood - an absolute superstar!" commented Eric Mallette, The Paramount Theatre's Programming Director. "We are fortunate to have a comedian of Brian's celebrity on our stage - he regularly sells out houses three to four times the size of The Paramount in markets including LA, NYC and Boston; this is an exciting opportunity for the comedy fans in Vermont!"

In March of 2010, Brian broke the record for the most consecutive shows by a comedian at Abravanel Hall in Salt Lake City with five sold out performances. The previous record was four shows set by Jerry Seinfeld in 2005.

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Tickets are \$39.50 - 59.50 plus tax and are available now by phoning The Paramount Theatre Box Office at 802 775-0903. Tickets may also be purchased online at www.paramountlive.org or at The Paramount Theatre Box Office at 30 Center Street.

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Freelance Family Singers Concert

Join the Freelance Family Singers for their joyful Spring Concerts. On Saturday May 7th at 7:00 p.m. and on Sunday May 8th at 3:00p.m., the Woodstock based community chorus, directed by Ellen Satterthwaite, will perform at Woodstock's First Congregational Church, 36 Elm Street.

Popular songs will be presented in chorus, small group, solo, and instrumental formats. From a Mennonite turn of the century hymn, to Billy Joel, to Vermont's official anthem, to Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy, there is something for all.

A guest appearance will be made by the University Chorus of the Upper Valley, also directed by Satterthwaite. The concerts are free and family friendly. Donations of non-perishable food items for the community food shelf are suggested.

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More on Chianti

Within the collective Chianti region more than 8 million cases of wines classified as DOC level or higher are produced each year. Most Chianti falls under the two major designations of Chianti DOC and Chianti Classico DOCG. Together they produce most of the DOC/G wines by volume in Italy. As of 2006, there were 17,640 acres of vineyards in the Chianti Classico region, which covers an area of approximate 100 square miles between the city of Florence to the north and Siena to the south. The four communes of Castellina, Gaiole, Greve and Radda are located entirely within the Classico region, as are parts of Barberino Val d'Elsa, San Casciano and Tavarnelle in Val di Pesa as well as Castelnuovo Berardenga and Poggibonsi in Siena.

The soil and geography of this region can be quite varied, with altitudes ranging from 800 to 2000 feet, and rolling hills producing differing microclimates. There are two main soil types in the region: a weathered sandstone known as 'albarese' and a bluish-gray chalky marlstone known as 'galestro'. The soil in the north is richer and more fertile with more galestro, while to the south it gradually becomes harder and stonier with more albarese. The Arno river in the north can influence the climate, keeping the temperatures slightly cooler, which diminishes further south in the warmer Classico territory towards Castelnuovo Berardenga.

Chianti Classico wines tend to be medium-bodied with firm tannins and medium to high acidity. Floral, cherry and light nutty notes characterize the aromas



and the wines express more on the mid-palate and finish than the front of the mouth. Similar to Bordeaux, different regions of Chianti Classico can have unique characteristics that can be exemplified and perceived in the wines from those areas. Wines from Castellina tend to have a very delicate aroma and flavor, Castelnuovo Berardenga wines tend to be more ripe and rich tasting, while wines from Gaiole are characterized by their structure and firm tannins and Greve area wines tend to have more concentrated flavors.

Since 1996 the blend for Chianti, Chianti Superiore and Chianti Classico has been 75-100% Sangiovese, up to 10% Canaiolo and up to 20% of any other approved red grape variety such as Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot or Syrah. In 2006 the use of white grape varieties such as Malvasia and Trebbiano became prohibited in Chianti Superiore and Classico, which must have a minimum alcohol level of 11.5% or 12% respectively with a minimum of 7 months aging in oak. Chianti Classico's labeled Riserva must be aged at least 27 months at the winery, with a minimum alcohol level of at least 12.5%. The harvest yields for Chianti Classico are restricted to no more than 3 tonnes per acre. The minimum alcohol level for basic

Free Screening of "The Blood In This Town"

Great Jones Productions announced today that "The Blood in this Town," the Rutland-focused documentary about community revitalization, will have a free screening and community-building panel at the Rutland Free Library as part of the film's ongoing outreach program. The event will take place in the Fox Room at the Library on Tuesday, April 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

The free screening will be followed by a community-building discussion featuring Jim Sabatano of Sustainable Rutland, and Steve Costello, Director of Public Affairs at Central Vermont Public Service and a driving force behind Rutland's famed Gift-of-Life Marathon Blood Drive. The panel will explore Rutland's innovative community-based initiatives to revitalize the city and create new paths to economic development. It will also focus on how community members can get involved with current initiatives.

More information about the event, call Rutland Free Library website at 802-773-1860.

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Mettawee Chili and Mac N' Cheese Cook Off



All are invited to enter the Mettawee Chili and Mac N' Cheese Cook Off to be held on Thursday, May 5 at the Mettawee

Community School (VT- 153) in West Pawlet. The Cook Off, tasting and judging, will be held between 5:30 - 6:45 PM, with the Cook Off Awards being announced thereafter.

Entry into the Cook Off is free. You may enter more than one "dish," perhaps one in both the Chili and Macaroni and Cheese divisions.

Chili Award categories: Most Unique, The Spiciest, Best Vegetarian and Best Overall Chili. Macaroni N' Cheese Award categories: Most Unique, The Cheesiest, Most Flavorful and Best Overall Best Mac N' Cheese. One entry, either Chili or

Mac N' Cheese, will earn the title of Best Display. Please note that all entries MUST be NUT-FREE in all aspects (including cooking oil).

The community at-large will be judging the event. There is a \$5.00 per person fee to taste and judge. Additionally The Mettawee Community PTO is looking for sponsors for this event. Sponsorship is \$20 for the evening. All tasting fees and sponsorships will go to the Mettawee Community School's Music and Band programs. Additional donations are welcome.

Please confirm your interest in entering the Mettawee Chili and Mac N' Cheese Cook-off by e-mail to: lmaness@mettaweeschool.org or by calling the Mettawee Community School at (802) 645-9009, during school hours 8 AM - 3 PM; please include your name /business name, contact phone number and the name of your entries. Please RSVP no later than Tuesday, April 26th.

Share Southern Vermont Hosts Third Annual Memory Walk

Share Southern Vermont, Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support (SSV) hosts their 3rd annual Walk for Hope and Remembrance on Saturday, May 7th along the Toonerville Trail in Springfield, Vermont.

This annual walk provides families who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or the death of an infant an opportunity to remember their angel babies publicly. Last year, despite the rain, more than 70 participants



came out for the memorial service and three mile walk. Although the annual memory walk is a community service event, the generosity of participant's hearts raised over \$880 dollars for loss support.

"This event is a service to the grieving communities of Vermont and New Hampshire" says Cara Tyrrell, founding director and board president of SSV. "Free registration allows hurting families to invite their entire support system to walk with them: family, friends, medical staff; in short, anyone who is part of their grief journey."

Day-of registration begins at 9am. The 2011 memorial, featuring Vermont singer/songwriting Karen McFeeters performing her song Hope Begins In

The Dark, begins at 10, followed by the walk and a complementary lunch. Childcare will be provided at the kid's tent where they can make butterfly crafts, blow bubbles, and more. And don't forget to visit the bake sale to take home a cheesecake, carrot bread or pecan pie. All items are made by bereaved families in memory of their children.

Share Southern Vermont is a 501 c 3, not-for-profit organization, fully supported by donations. All donations are tax deductible. Your generosity allows SSV to continue supporting grieving families in Vermont and New Hampshire. To learn more about SSV's services, other annual events, or monthly support meetings in Chester and Rutland, call 802-226-7231. Pre-registration for the walk is highly recommended.

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Local News

MOUNTAIN MUSINGS

What's Happening In & Around Killington



By Debbie Burke

At the April 6 meeting of the Town of Killington Planning Commission, Mogul's Sports Pub owner Sal Salmeri advised that after meeting with his attorney he does not feel it is right that he has to file and pay for a new application to have the outside music/entertainment restrictions removed from Mogul's deck permit. He feels it is the Planning Commission's job to come up with rules and regulations. He noted that the Town currently does not have a noise ordinance but the State has guidelines in place and he felt that it is not his place as a property owner to set the guidelines for the Town on this issue. Dick Horner explained that when Sal applied for the deck permit, he had indicated to the Commission that he had no intention of having any outside entertainment on the deck and due to the noise complaints the Commission was receiving at the time, it placed the condition prohibiting outside music/entertainment on the deck. Dick Horner explained that the Commission cannot act unless there is an application before it so that it can be discussed at a publicly warned meeting. The Commission noted that they did not expect Sal to set guidelines on this issue. They again suggested that he submit an application for this change and encouraged him to approach the Board of Selectmen with a request to waive the application fee.

Under Correspondence, the Commission received notices and minutes from the Economic Development and Tourism Commission; a notice that the Rutland Regional Planning Commission is having an Open House on Thursday, April 28 from 5pm to 7pm at the Opera House in Rutland on the 3rd floor, and Dick Horner encouraged the Commissioners to attend; outside consumption permits for the Pico Base Lodge for April 2 and Bear Mountain Base Lodge; the Vermont League of Cities and Towns newsletter; the Green Mountain National Forest schedule of proposed actions for 2011, and Dick noted that there are no projects proposed in Killington.

Dick Horner then presented his Planner's Report. Dick noted that the Planning Commission will meet on April 27, May 11 and 25.

With regard to the Zoning Regulations changes, Town Attorney Kevin Brown and SP Land Attorney Tim Eustace spoke on April 5 and laid the ground work for future discussions. Kevin would like to hear from the Commission as to how it wants the process to work for an actual hearing. Dick explained that the current process after which the Commission discussed how it wanted to proceed. Dick also noted that Kevin does not think the proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations will have a large ripple effect throughout the document due to the major revision which was undertaken by the Commission not too long ago. The document will need to be checked for consistency, however, no major problems are anticipated.

Dick advised that the Board of Selectmen have warned a Public Hearing on the Official Town Map for April 25 at 7:30pm.

Dick is waiting to hear back from Ed Bove, from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission with regard to the Limited Impact Development Grant. No dates have been set for these meetings.

The application for renewal of the Vistas at Sunrise PUD is still not complete. Dick will keep the Commission advised.

Jeff Temple, Killington/Pico Ski Resort Partners, will attend the Commission's April 27 meeting to provide an update on the Resort's summer projects.

Dick has spoken with Seth Webb regarding any suggested zoning changes he may have. Seth simply suggested allowing festivals, banners, etc. Dick reminded the Commission that banners are now a Town Ordinance and are the responsibility of the Board of Selectmen.

Under New Business, the Ridgetop/Highridge review and sign findings were discussed. Dick distributed the draft Findings of Fact and did not receive any changes from the Commission. Commissioner Lee moved to approve and sign the Findings of Fact for the application to extend the PUD for four years as amended, Commissioner Linnemayr seconded the motion; Commissioner Barbash noted that he was under the impression that the tree removal condition would not be removed, and the Commission noted that it voted to remove this condition on March

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CVPS Honored by National Arbor Day Foundation

Central Vermont Public Service has been named a Tree Line USA Utility and winner of the 2011 Tree Line USA Award by the National Arbor Day Foundation.

The award is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of State Foresters, and recognizes utilities that provide high-quality tree care, annual worker training in tree care and tree planting and public education programs. This is the ninth straight year CVPS has been recognized as a Treeline USA Utility.

"Utility providers like Central Vermont Public Service are setting a good example about the importance of recognizing the taking of care of a valuable community resource like trees," said John Rosenow, the founder of the Arbor Day Foundation.

CVPS is on the cutting edge of forest management in the utility industry, creating practices that have improved reliability and the environment. The CVPS Forestry Department's innovative and cost-effective forestry program has reduced herbicide use by 90 percent, and CVPS was the first utility in the country to replace fossil-based chainsaw oil with oil made from animal fat.

The forestry department at CVPS consists of five certified arborists with degrees in urban forestry, environmental science, forest studies and botany. These employees put environmental policy

first, under the belief that sound environmental policy ultimately improves tree health and reduces outage problems.

"By focusing on the quality and type of trees in our rights-of-way, rather than clear-cutting like most utilities, we have improved biodiversity, plant health and service quality," said Duane Dickinson, the systems forester for the company.

CVPS has planted dozens of crabapple orchards in transmission corridors to ease out taller species and reduce the need for cutting, mowing or even selective spraying. The trees selected for this purpose hold their fruit well into the winter, providing an excellent feed source for wild turkeys. As a participant in the National Wild Turkey Federation's Energy for Wildlife Program, the company also focuses on soil conservation, native plant protection and water-quality in streams, lakes and other bodies along rights-of-way, aesthetics and education.

The company also plots deeryards with GIS, and manages transmission corridors to improve deer habitat by providing good feed and cover.

"We're not just forest managers, but stewards of the environment," Dickinson said. "As a utility, we understand that our work affects the environment, but we strive to incorporate best practices to not only reduce our impacts but actually improve wildlife habitat."

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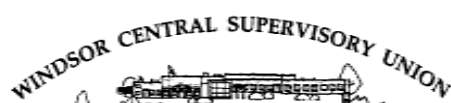
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Children entering Kindergarten must be age 5 on or before September 1st. Please plan to bring child's birth certificate and immunization records to registration.

- Barnard Academy (234-9763) – May 26, 2011 (Pre K & K)
- Bridgewater Village School (672-3464) – May 12, 2011, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
- Reading Elementary School (484-7230) - May 12, 2011, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
- The Pomfret School (457-2067) – May 13, 2011, 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
- Sherburne Elementary School (422-3366) – April 27, 2011
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Town of Killington Wins Governors Award

The Town of Killington was recently awarded the 2011 Governor's Award for Marketing Excellence at the 28th Annual Vermont Travel Industry Conference (VTIC.) The Governor's Award winner is selected by the VTIC Board of Directors, and honors a tourism-related business, region, or association that has shown a clear understanding of the Vermont brand and has successfully incorporated it into at least one marketing initiative. The award also recognizes an ongoing commitment to Vermont's tourism industry.

The Town of Killington was selected as the 2011 winner based upon the extensive marketing and rebranding effort undertaken by the Office of Economic Development and Tourism from May to December, 2010. The multi-prong, community-supported effort packaged target marketing to audiences likely to visit events like the Killington Stage Race and Cooler in the Mountains Summer Concert Series, special projects, and extensive PR and media efforts to bring attention to the region. The award acknowledges the measurable results the EDT tracked over the year.

"We're very honored and pleased to accept this award on behalf of the Town of Killington," says Seth Webb, Director of Economic Development & Tourism. "We have a lot of work to do, but this is a very nice acknowledgment that as a community, we're going in the right direction."



Seth Webb, Director of Economic Development and Tourism accepting the 2011 Governor's Award for Marketing Excellence. Vicky Tebbetts presented the award.

"The panel of judges strongly felt that Killington's grassroots project truly exemplified a successful, pro-Vermont campaign, and set the bar for what other Vermont towns can accomplish when they pool their resources," said Cindy Delany, VTIC organizer and board member.

The Town has also been recognized this year for other marketing and community building efforts. The Vermont Chamber of Commerce chose the Killington Classic Motorcycle Rally and Killington Hay Festival as Top 10 Fall Events in Vermont for 2011, and the Vermont Department of Transportation recently approved the Killington-led effort to designate Route 4 as a Vermont Byway.

Information on how businesses can participate in Town activities can be found online at www.KillingtonTown.com.

Mendon/Chittenden/Pittsford/Brandon Notes

by Debbie Burke

Rocks, Cliffs & Glaciers: Walk & Talk Series takes place in Hawk Hill in Brandon on Saturday, April 30, at 10am, and on Sunday, May 1, at 12 noon. Meet at Otter Valley Union High School Parking Lot. One of the most striking features of Hawk Hill is its steep cliffs. What formed these cliffs? Why is Hawk Hill so steep, while the surrounding landscape is so flat? Castleton State University geology professor Helen Mango will lead a walk around Hawk Hill to take a closer look at the area's rock formations and geologic history. Saturday morning walks at Hawk Hill—the ridge behind Otter Valley High School—are happening this spring. The Hawk Hill Committee, who maintains the property, and the Staying Connected Initiative, a group with the goal of spreading awareness about a local wildlife corridor, are co-sponsoring this free series. The walk starts at 10 am and lasts approximately 2

hours. Families are welcome. For all walks, please meet at the far end of the Otter Valley High School parking lot. With questions, please call 446-7030.

The Brandon Farmer's Market takes place on Fridays from 9am to 2pm in Central Park in Brandon, Vermont from May 27 to October 7. Over 50 local farmers, specialty food producers, and artisans sell their goods weekly in Brandon's Central Park. The mission of the Farmer's Market is to provide fresh produce including such items as plants and flowers, maple syrup, honey, canned goods, sauce and jams, meat and cheese, soap, fiber, woven and sewn items, paintings, jewelry, wood crafts, delicious specialty foods and baked goods, and many different handmade art and crafts for sale. For more information or to become a vendor, please call the market manager, Wendy Cijka at 802-273-2655.

Sherburne Elementary School Has a New Name!

As the town of Killington celebrates its 250th birthday, the Sherburne Elementary School Board has voted to change the name of our town's school to Killington Elementary School, effective July 1, 2011, the start of the 2011-12 fiscal year. The decision to change the name Sherburne Elementary School to Killington Elementary School is one that the board made carefully and after hearing the community's input. The board is very excited about this change and what it will mean for the future of our amazing school. It is the board's position that the

town of Killington and its taxpayers will now benefit from the much deserved praise and accolades that its school has received over the years and will continue to receive in the years to come.

The citizens of Killington are welcome to tour our school and see firsthand what an incredible place Killington Elementary School is. The board thanks the community members who gave their input on this important decision and looks forward to celebrating the Town's 250th birthday this summer, along with the school's new name.

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by Johnnie Goldfish

The pursuit of money as a means to anything usually means (almost always means) that someone, somewhere, at least momentarily, has taken their "eye" off of what it is they really want. The pursuit of money as a means to anything should always be secondary to the pursuit of what you want. Tricky that way, huh?

The Pittsfield Federated Church will have an Easter Sunrise Service on April 24 in the meadow directly behind the Pittsfield Fire House, followed by the regular Easter service at 9 am in the church. On Maundy Thursday, April 21 there will be an evening service at 7 pm. On Good Friday the church will be open from 8 am to 4 pm for personal meditation and reflection. The church welcomes flower donations for the regular Easter service and will gladly publish the names of any desiring to be honored or memorialized. Howard says Grace and peace.

The Federated Church of Rochester will have an Easter sunrise service on April 24 at 6 am at Waggoner's on Quarry Hill Road. The regular Easter Sunday Worship will be at 10 am at the church. Maundy Thursday on April 21 will begin at 6 pm with a Pot Luck Supper followed by a 7 pm Worship Service in Fellowship Hall. The church will be open on Good Friday for private reflection and prayer.

The Rochester Fire Department will hold their Annual Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 24 from 6 to 11 am in the Rochester School gym.

Speaker, author, and coach Garry Carlson will present a lecture in leadership and goal setting on Saturday, April 23 from 12 noon to 3 pm at the Stockbridge Meeting House on the Stockbridge Common. All are welcome and a potluck lunch is planned. For more information contact Leslie Chadwell at 802-558-3747.

The Gaysville Community Church is collecting good, clean used or new blankets to send to Japan. They can be dropped off at the church on Route 107 on Friday, April 22 between 12 noon and 2 pm. For more information please call Ellen Dorman at 234-9281. If you cannot get your blankets to the church, you can drop them off with Howard at the Pittsfield Federated Church parsonage on the Village Green

The Peace Report: Civilization will not last, freedom will not survive, peace will not be kept, unless a very large majority of mankind unites together to defend them and show themselves possessed of a constabulary power, which barbaric and atavistic forces will. -Winston Churchill.

Worthwhile news from afar: Vermont needs Foster parents, these are people who are able to care for Vermont's chil-

dren who are in custody of the state. Long term, short term and respite care providers are needed. Training is free and ongoing support along with a monthly stipend is all allocated to the Foster parent. There will be training in White River Junction on Saturdays, April 30 and May 14 from 9 am to 4:30 pm and on Tuesday, May 17 from 6 to 9 pm. There is no charge for the training, however you must pre-register by calling 802-295-8840. Get the information, speak with the staff and see if this is something you and your family would be interested in.

A free event at the Rochester Public Library sponsored by Sandy's Books and Bakery will feature guest speaker, Jim Aronsky, illustrator and naturalist, where Jim will demonstrate how he creates his art. He will discuss his animal adventures and perform a sing-a-long with his guitar and sign copies of his books. For more information please call Jeanette Bair at 767-3927.

Family Matters Report: Compliment your child or spouse and ask opinions on issues that affect the family.

The Stockbridge Central School has announced those young scholars who achieved the lofty goal of making the Honor Roll. Drum roll please for 4th graders Rhiannon Begin and Erin Shands; 5th graders, Margaret Chadwell, Madison Colton, Emma Labadie, and Sydney Veilleux; and 6th graders Tony Burke, Brianna Hillier, Abby Levy, Lizzie Olsen and Meghan Shirley. Got scholars!

The Friendship Report: (Not for sissies or willy-nilly friends), When you fall, I will laugh at your clumsy ass, but I'll help you get up.

The Thrift Shop at the Federated Church of Rochester will be open on Friday, April 22 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm and Saturday, April 23 from 9 am to 12 noon. The Women's Alliance operates the Thrift Shop and they always welcome new volunteers.

The 4 Year Old Love Report: or What does love mean to a 4-8 year old: During my piano recital, I was on stage and I was scared. I looked at all the people watching me and saw my daddy waving and smiling. He was the only one doing that. I wasn't scared anymore. Cindy-age 8.

Thought for the Week: "Conversation becomes intolerable when you are with men whose brain is full of boxes where everything is stowed away in order and nothing external can enter. Let us bear hospitable minds and hearts." - Joubert, (French moralist and essayist).

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23. The voting on Findings of Fact as presented was 5 in favor, Barbash opposed.

A discussion on the proposed changes to the Zoning Regulations was next on the agenda. Dick Horner distributed copies of noise ordinances from Middlebury and Burlington, information on noise control and its expense from ThomasNet, a copy of the Vermont Noise Regulations from Act 250 and copies of V.S.A. 13, Chapter 19 and 1026 on Disorderly Conduct and V.S.A. 13, Chapter 19 and 1022 on Noise in the Nighttime. He noted that none of this information addresses decibel levels and based on this information he was not sure that the Zoning Regulations was the proper way to approach this. He suggested having a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen, Constables and State Police, form a committee to look at this and find

a reasonable way to enforce it or even determine if this is necessary. Commissioner Leonard advised that since this is a resort community, it makes sense that businesses within the Killington Basin have the flexibility to have outdoor music. He agreed that the Zoning Regulations may not be the best place to address this but feels that some type of framework should be in place so that businesses that choose and want to have outdoor entertainment can do so. It was noted that businesses that do not have the "no outside entertainment" restriction can already do this and for those businesses that have the restriction can apply to have that restriction removed. After some further discussion, the general consensus of the Commission was that there was no need to take further action on this.

Proctor Place

by Stacy Bates

The Rutland Curbstone Chorus will be performing at the Proctor Union Church Sanctuary on Friday, April 29th at 7:00 pm. You can relive the years of harmonizing with these thirty-two gifted local singers who have brought smiles to the faces of so many in this area. The concert will be benefiting the Parish Hall re-siding project. Admission is by donation. (Suggested donation \$10.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children over the age of eight.) Bring the family, friends and those who love a capella harmony to a very special evening. Don't miss this concert! Doors open at 6:30 pm.

Here is the second part of the Selectboard meeting minutes from March 28 that discussed work projects for 2011-2012:

Here are proposed highway department projects. A status update on project activities was provided. They approved the Agency of Transportation Annual Financial Plan for Town Highways for FY2012 and also to update town road and bridge standards. The also will hold a special meeting to discuss relinquishing local control of Route 3. Rick Anderson thanked Todd Blow for stepping in to fulfill the functions of the Road Commissioner on an interim basis. Next was the Board of Water Commissioners. They approved the draft Long Range Plan Update as revised with the addition of project descriptions for Contracts 2, 7, and 8. They also approved the loan documents increasing the DWSRF loan to \$1,391,933.38. Smith provided an update on the bid analysis and recommenda-

tion to award the contract to Casella Construction. He reviewed the next steps to award the contract, including the pre-construction conference. Dick Norris made the motion to execute the Notice of Award, but not date the notice at this time; and authorize Rick Anderson to sign a letter to the Facilities Engineering Division requesting permission to award the contract. The motion was approved.

Later in the meeting Baccell, of the Parks and Rec Committee indicated that a closeout report for the rink will be prepared and confirmed the Elricks will not serve as the Rink Managers in 2011-2012. The Selectboard agreed to send a letter of commendation to the Elricks for their years of service as the Rink Managers. Dick Norris made the motion to charge the Parks and Recreation Committee with updating the job description for the Rink Manager and soliciting interest for the position for 2011-2012. The motion was approved.

Rick Anderson cited an article in the March 25, 2011 edition of the Rutland Herald "Mediator wading into Williamstown dispute" and its parallels to the strained relationships on the Proctor Selectboard. Rick Anderson made the motion to investigate hiring a mediator to help restore civility on the Proctor Selectboard. The motion was approved by a majority.

If you would like to submit something to Proctor Place please email proctornews@hotmail.com

Children's Book Illustrator Comes to Rochester

Naturalist and children's book illustrator Jim Arnosky will be in Rochester on Saturday, April 23rd, 1 pm at the Rochester Public Library.

Arnosky's newest titles include "Man Gave Names to All the Animals," based on a song made famous by Bob Dylan, "Wild Tracks, A Guide to Nature's Footprints," amongst others. Arnosky is also the creator of the woodland gnome, Crinkle-root, whose exploits in woods and fields

are chronicled in a fabulous array of children's picture books. Kids of all ages who love the outdoors and all manner of bugs, birds, plants, and wild things, will enjoy this fun Saturday afternoon event.

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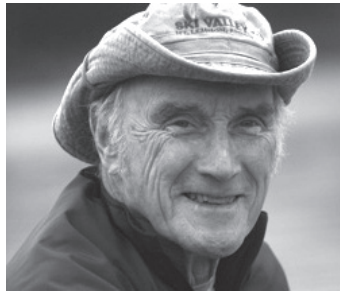


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Obituary



John Jewett Little, 82, of Rutland, VT died at home in The Gables at East Mountain surrounded by his family on Thursday, April 14, 2011. He was born November 15, 1928 in Hinsdale, IL to Jessie Mae Fulton Little and John Shirley Little.

Hiking and skiing and were his lifelong passions. He climbed many 14000' peaks in Colorado, some with his wife, Betty, and was the very first to play "Frisbee" at the summit of Longs Peak, CO. After retiring to Vermont he hiked often with the Green Mountain Club and on his own in the Presidential Range. John lived to ski, and did so up to the end. He skied many U.S. areas, in Canada and New Zealand. Was a member of Schussbaumer Ski Club in Georgetown, CO and a Charter member of the Black River Corporation in Plymouth Union, VT. Had a private pilot's license in NJ and flew for pleasure and worked on a geological survey in NJ and PA. He enjoyed choir singing, starting as a boy soprano in a Westfield, NJ church; continued at Loomis Preparatory School, CT; Brown University; sang nineteen years in Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, N. J.; and nine years in Grace Congregational UCC in Rutland, VT.

John was most importantly, chief copy-editor for Betty, a writer, and also for the Killington Arts Guild and contributed poems to two KAG poetry books.

A memorial service will be held at Grace Church at a future date, to be announced. In Lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to one of the following in memory of John J. Little:

Green Mountain Club, Attn: Gift in Memory of John J. Little, 4711 Waterbury-Stowe Road, Waterbury Center, VT 05677.

RAVNAH, Attn: Gift in Memory of John J. Little, 7 Albert Cree Drive, Rutland, VT 05701.

Center for Biological Diversity, Attn: Gift in Memory of John J. Little, P.O. Box 188, Richmond, VT 05477-0188.



March For Babies

The March of Dimes March for Babies event will be on Saturday, April 30th at Mill River Union High School in No. Clarendon. Registration starts at 9am, the Walk at 10am. Come support the March of Dimes, and walk together for stronger, healthier babies. Official event t-shirts will be issued to all walkers raising \$200 or more. Other incentives including free airline tickets are available for those who raise their money in advance.

Please register your team or as an individual today,

or sign up on the day of the walk with your donations. Contact Dot for more information at (802) 775-2311 ext 217.

This year the Re-Max hot air balloon is coming to support the Rutland March for Babies event. Weather and time permitting, tethered rides will be offered for \$5.00 per child and \$10.00 per adult. A baseball autographed by Kevin Youklis of the Boston Red Sox is being raffled off, \$1.00 per ticket or \$5.00 for 6 tickets. All proceeds go to the March of Dimes and their mission to improve the health of babies in our communities.



Dear Editor:

On the evening of Monday May 9, there will be an important town meeting at the elementary school. Among the many topics to be discussed and voted on include the amended budget, a change to Australian ballot and a change from a three person to a five person select board.

In the past 15 years, in addition to the traditional services provided by our hard working town employees, town government has taken on extra accountabilities not usually associated with small town government in Vermont. The golf course, more roads, more condominiums, the village that will be built up at the Killington Base, the EDT, the possibility of a new municipal water system are just a few.

The form of government we have in Killington, based upon a town manager and volunteer committees all reporting to an elected select board, creates a bottleneck for decisions. A three-person board is

very limited in the way it can do business. Since two selectmen create a quorum, members cannot legally discuss ideas outside of a select board meeting, thus limiting discussion to just a few times a month. While many of the issues brought to the select board can be easily addressed no matter how many people serve on the select board, difficult issues requiring thoughtful consideration suffer with the current board size. For instance, with a 5-person board, sub-committees could be formed, problems could be delegated and delved into more deeply, resulting in more ideas and more opportunities for good solutions. Our community would have better diversity in its representation, in the long-term, more stability and a better ability to respond to the challenges we face.

It is time to realize that the situation we are in may very well be a result of the inability of a three person board to be able to adequately keep an eye on all the issues of a town as economically complex as ours. The people who serve our community on the current, and past select boards, are volunteers who work hard and deserve our support. Part of that support includes adjusting the size of the board to match the scope of the issues facing our town.

Making this change will no doubt be tough, but the longer we wait to make this change the harder it will be. Patty McGrath

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Killington Arts Guild

by Betty Little

For Art Mix, the Early Summer Art Show, Killington Arts Guild Members should bring their pieces to the Upstairs Gallery above Cabin Fever Gifts on Route 4 opposite the Access Road by April 27, 28. The Show will open May 3, 5-7PM with a Killington Chamber of Commerce Mixer sponsored by KAG and Diane and Mike Miller. KAG members are invited. The Show opens to the general public May 4.

Saturday, April 16th, there was a breakfast for Ann Wallen at the Summit Lodge. Forty people from many parts of her life came to celebrate her "thirteen years of amazing service to the Killington Arts Guild, to Art in Vermont and to the people of this area." Alice Sciore, KAG Vice President and a founder, presented a plaque on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Killington Arts Guild, Members and Friends. Maurie Harrington, master of ceremonies, also a founder, reviewed the history of the Guild, Donna Martin read an interview about Ann's life, and the organizing committee gave her a copy of journalist Yvonne Daley's newest book, "Octavia Boulevard." (Drafts of this were read in June KAG Memoir workshops.) Maurie created a watercolor painting which included Ann's poem "Ap-

preciation" and gave a poster to each participant. Louise Hansson made favors- little packages of her brownies and a paint brush. Wanda Gropler brought flowers for the tables. Rev. Diane Root gave a blessing and a moment of silence for the late John Little, a charter member. Mike Young, Diana Miller, Margaret Campbell and George Lyons were among those who spoke. Ann Wallen responded with thanks and quotes. There was a greeting sent by the new KAG President Sally Curtis and many brought cards. Gail Weymouth, scheduled to speak and Betty Little, event organizer, were not able to attend. Pictures painted by Ann, photos of activities and other memorabilia were on display. Maurie closed by saying "We will try to live by Ann's motto, 'Expect the worse, hope for the best and take whatever comes.'" The breakfast was a celebration of Ann's contribution and honored all those who have worked with her to bring art to Killington. We thank the Summit for the wonderful breakfast, the generous use of their space and George Lyons for playing the piano.

For information about KAG, membership, workshops, programs, or art shows, contact President Sally Curtis at (802)-422-3852.



Killington-Pico Rotary News

by Janina Curtis

Each Wednesday the Killington Pico Rotary Club meets at the Summit Lodge from 6PM - 8PM for a full dinner, fellowship, and a guest speaker. We are actively seeking new members who are interested in serving their local community and beyond. It's a great opportunity to get involved and meet new people. If you are interested in learning more about Rotary International, call 422-5499 to make a reservation to attend a dinner meeting. Upcoming programs are:

Apr 20 - Sarah V. Jackson, spokesperson for the "Stay In The Picture - Buckle Up" campaign sponsored by the Vermont Teen Leadership Safety Program (VTLSP) and the Governor's Highway Safety Program. "One Life, One Captain" is her presentation on personal responsibility, healthy choices and wearing a safety belt.

Apr 27 - Howard Shaffer - American Nuclear Society - Vermont Pilot Project

Our speaker on April 13 was Ann Weinstein of Vermont's Be Seat Smart campaign, which operates in concert with the Governor's Highway Safety Program. There is nothing more important than keeping our children safe. Every year children are injured or killed in car accidents, when proper use of child safety seats could have minimized

their injuries. As a parent, you may find it difficult to sort out conflicting or confusing car safety seat information as your child develops and grows. Child safety seats work best when used correctly. But how do you know what's correct? Certified safety technicians are available to help you to evaluate which developmental stage your child is in and find out how to buckle your kids in their car or booster seat safely at free special Child Safety Seat Checks and Fitting Stations throughout Vermont. In the Rutland area, the Regional Ambulance fitting station is open every Thursday from 3-6 PM. The phone number is 802-773-1746; please call for an appointment.

The Rutland fitting station is also looking for 1-2 active people who are willing to take the 5 day national certification course (held in Williston during June) and who are willing to donate their time to the fitting station during the year. If interested, call 802-847-1215 for more info.



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Rutland Rec News

- Flip Side Skatepark Opens May 21

We are now taking registrations for Flip Side day camps. Do not wait to register these camps fill fast and kids are guaranteed to have a blast. All levels are welcome we will be offering camps for beginner to intermediate levels. Skateboarding and BMX riding are among the camps focus.

Call Rutland Recreation and Parks Department at 802-773-1822 for more info on events or to register. The Rec Department is located at 39 East Center Street in Rutland.

PEGTV Killington Office Relocating to Mountain Times

PEGTV, Rutland County's public access television station, will be moving its Killington office from the ERA Mountain Real Estate building in Killington to the Mountain Times office building at 5465 Route 4 (Sherburne Flats), Killington. The move is expected to be completed by May 1.

Local PEGTV VIP producers will be able to sign in/out for equipment at the new office during all normal Mountain Times business hours:
9 a.m.- 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, and most Saturday mornings from 9 a.m.-noon.

The space is being donated by The Mountain Times as a public service.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Apr. 21 - Hubbardton. Hubbardton Senior Connection serves luncheon at noon. \$3.25 suggested donation for age 60+, \$4.25 others. Reservations required, 273-2953. Socialization & entertainment follow.

Apr. 21 - Woodstock. Hand in Hand community meal, Thurs., 5-7pm. This Week: Easter. Social Hall, N. Unitarian Chapel Society. All welcome, donations accepted. 457-9272.

Apr. 22 - Wallingford. Odyssey of the Mind Team holds Pasta Dinner fundraiser to travel to World Finals, 5:30-7:30pm, Wallingford Elem School. \$8 adults, \$5 kids. Live music.

Apr. 24 - Killington. Easter Sunrise Service at Killington Resort. K-1 Gondola open 5:30-6:30am for rides to Peak for Sunrise Service. Free, open to 1st 300 people. Service 7am. Continental breakfast follows.

Apr. 24 - Rutland. Easter Brunch at Rutland Country Club. Seatings 10, 11, 12 noon, & 1pm. RSVP (requested) 773-9153.

Ongoing

Mons. - Rutland. Rutland Kiwanis Club meets at South Station Restaurant 6:30pm. All welcome. 773-6251.

Mon.-Sat.- Wallingford, Hands for Hope Thrift Store open, 9am-6pm Mon-Fri & Sats, 9am-2pm.

Mons. & Weds. - Brandon. Meals-On-Wheels delivered to Brandon Senior Citizen Center, except holidays. \$3. Age 55+. 247-3121 to sign up or come by.

Tues. - W. Bridgewater. Blanche & Bill's hosts Aunt Francie's Southern Kitchen community dinner each week, 5:30pm til food runs out. \$12.50/ person, family style.

Tues. - Brandon. Lions meet at Brandon Senior Center, 7pm. 1st & 3rd Tues. of the month.

Weds. - Brandon. Cub Scouts - Wolf Den 123 meet at Brandon Senior Center, 3-4pm.

Thurs. - Hubbardton. Hubbardton Senior Connection program lunch every 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month, at Hubbardton Town Hall, 12:00 noon. All welcome. \$3.25/seniors, \$4.25 anyone else.

Thurs. - Rutland. Vt Christian Riders from Motorcyclists for Jesus Ministries meeting 3rd Thurs. of month, Denny's Restaurant. 6pm. 483-2540 or Email Bikingforj@Msn.Com.

Thurs. - Danby. Christian Reading Room @ Danby Congregational Church parsonage open Thurs., 4:30-7pm. Check out, reference or personal study books & computer reference material. 770-2976.

Thurs. - Rochester. Acapella singing group meets Thurs., 5-6pm, Federated Church of Rochester. Practice spiritual music to sing to ill folk. Come & sing! 767-3012.

Thurs. - Rochester. Green Mountain Interfaith Group sponsors Spiritual Cinema Circle 2nd & 4th Thurs., 7-8:30pm, Park House. 767-4905.

Fris. - Rochester. 1st & last Fris. of month, Rochester Federated Church invites parents & kids for Play Group. Birth - 2 yrs. 10:30am-noon, nursery rm. above Fellowship Hall.

Killington - Saturday Worship, Roman Catholic Mass, 4pm. Our Lady of the Mountains. 457-2322, call for Holy Day schedules.

Killington - Sunday Worship, 9:30am, Church of Our Saviour (Episcopal). Small, welcoming, inclusive. 422-9064.

Killington - Sunday Protestant Service, 9am, Sherburne United Church of Christ, Rt. 4. All Welcome. 422-9440.

Mendon - Community Church, (50 Rte 4 East) Communion 1st Sunday of each month; Sunday worship 9:30am; Children's church 9:45am; Fellowship 10:30am; Adult study time 11am. Rev. Ronald Sherwin, 459-2070.

Pittsfield - Sunday Worship, 9am. Pittsfield Federated Church. Rt. 100 N. Communion Service 1st Sun. each month. Bible Study Weds. Eves 7pm. Rev. Dr. Howard Gunter, Pastor. 746-8698.

Chittenden - Sunday Worship, 11am. United Methodist Church of the Wildwood. Open hearts, open minds, open doors. Rev. Shirley Oskamp. 483-2909.

Rutland - Unitarian Universalist Church, 117 West Street, Rutland, VT. 802-775-0850. Sunday Services Begin at 10:30 a.m. Rev. Erica Baron.

Rutland - Sunday Service, children & adult religious instruction 9:30am. Sat., 5:30pm worship. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. 773-9659.

Rutland - Weekend Catholic Mass, Christ the King, Sat. 5:15pm, Sun. 7:30, 9:30, 11am. Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sat. 4:30pm, Sun. 8am, 10:15am. St. Peter, Sat. 5:15pm, Sun. 8:30, 10:30am.

Rutland - Sunday Worship Services, 10:30am, First Baptist Church of Rutland City. Sunday School Classes, 9am for all ages. 773-8010.

Rutland - All Saints' Anglican Church welcomes new members. Services at Messiah Lutheran Church Suns., 4pm & Thurs. 8:55am & most holy days.

Brandon - Sunday Services: 10am, Adult Bible Study, 5+ Sunday School, Nursery. 11am, Worship service. Wed. Services: 6:30pm, Adult Prayer & Bible Study, Youth Groups 5+. Brandon Baptist Church. 247-6770.

Rochester - Federated Church of Rochester invites everyone to Bible Study Tues., 10:30am in French Rm. & 6pm Weds. at parsonage & Thurs., 7pm at Mather's on Kirby Dr. 767-3012.

Fair Haven - Our Lady of Seven Dolours Mass Times: Saturday 4:30pm. Sunday 9am.



**TOWN OF KILLINGTON
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The Warning for the Special Town Meeting is available on the Town's website, www.killingtontown.com, and is available upon request from the Town Offices, 2706 River Road, 422-3241. The Warning is also posted in public places in the Town of Killington, including the Post Office, the Sherburne Memorial Library and the Town Offices.

The Selectboard's revised General Fund budget proposal is also available on the Town's website and at the Town Offices.

Sherburne Women's Club News

by Janina Curtis

The Sherburne Women's Club is a charitable organization whose focus is providing a socializing network and supporting fundraising efforts that nurture our local community.

The Club is now accepting requests from local charities or organizations for financial support. Causes that positively impact our local community are especially encouraged to apply. Requests must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Club by Friday, April 22, 2011. Any group or organization that would like to be considered for a donation should mail a request to SWC, PO Box 68, Killington VT 05751, or via email to kim.j.evans@hotmail.com.

As part of our annual fundraising ef-

forts, the Club held a giant raffle with over \$5,000 in prizes donated by area business owners. The fundraiser culminated with a Raffle-Drawing Party at On the Rocs on April 9th at 6:30. We would like to express our gratitude to all the local businesses who donated gift certificates and merchandise to the fundraiser, making it a huge success. We would also like to thank the local community for purchasing raffle tickets, attending the party and participating in the festivities on the 9th!

Upcoming events for the SWC include:

- May 12 – Annual Meeting and Disbursements
- May 19 - Book Club meeting, House of Spirits
- June 28 - Book Club meeting, The Bean Tree



Killington Remembered

by Bernie Pfenning, current resident of Burlington who attended Elementary School in Sherburne

As I reflect on the memories of attending school in a one-room schoolhouse (now the firehouse on River Road) I realize how lucky I was to have grown up in these years of such complete contentment and adoration. Arriving at school early gave us time to play a game of Kick the Can or Ante Over. Ante Over was a simple game of tossing a tennis ball over the school house to a handful of kids on the other side. The throw of the ball and the shout of "ANTE-OVER" served as notice that the ball was on its way and was to be caught by the team on the opposing side. Upon a catch, the team would come running around both corners with the goal to tag as many kids as possible before they could escape to the other side of the building. All that were tagged became a part of the team that caught the ball. This scenario would play out again and again until the iron bell on top of the schoolhouse would clang from a rope pulled from inside signaling

the start of classes. All eight grades had only one teacher.

Since there was no running water, the chore of the older students was to hand carry a crock of water every morning from a neighbor's house. Two chemical toilets and a chunk stove near the back of the room completed the necessities of comfort. At the end of my fourth year, the Selectmen and School Directors decided that a larger building was needed, so a larger two room schoolhouse was built about a mile north (now the Town Offices). We entered into a world of modernization with a wall switch buzzer to replace the bell and rope. We enjoyed the new toilets that flushed and we had a basement almost high enough for a basketball hoop, if one didn't arch the ball. A kitchen just off the basement served us hot lunches through the winter months, and we all looked forward to Mrs. Cady's macaroni and cheese made from government donated cheese. We ate our meals on drop leaf counters fasted to the wall that would be folded flush after the meal so we could resume our game of dodge ball until the buzzer rang again.

Come and See – Go and Share!

All Saints' Anglican Church in Rutland is welcoming new members. We are an orthodox Christian church in the Anglican Church of North America (ACNA) and a mission church in the Archdeaconry in New England.

We currently hold worship services at Messiah Lutheran Church, 42 Woodstock Avenue, in Rutland. Our Bishop, the Right Reverend Donald F. Harvey, visited re-

cently and was presented a crosier which was made locally from Vermont white maple. Also present were the Venerable Michael McKinnon, priest and senior pastor and the Reverend Dwight MacPherson, assistant pastor.

All are welcome! Services are currently held at 4:00 p.m. Sunday, Thursday morning at 8:55 a.m. and on most holy days.



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<p>Holy Wednesday, April 20th 8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer • 5:30 p.m. Holy Eucharist</p> <p>Maunder Thursday, April 21st 8:45 a.m. Morning Prayer 7:00 p.m. Holy Eucharist, Reservation of the Holy Sacrament, Stripping of the Altar 8:00 p.m. overnight watch begins</p> <p>Good Friday, April 22nd 9:00 a.m. overnight watch ends • 12 Noon Stations of the Cross</p>	<p>7:00 p.m. Good Friday Office, Veneration of the Cross, Communion from the Reserve Sacrament</p> <p>Holy Saturday (Easter Eve), April 23rd 8:45 a.m. Holy Saturday Office, Chapel 8:00 p.m. The Great Vigil of Easter Festal Holy Eucharist with Choir</p> <p>Easter Sunday, April 24th 8:00 a.m. Festal Celebration with Choir (traditional) 10:00 a.m. Festal Celebration with Choir (contemporary)</p>
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All Saints' Anglican Mission Church
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www.AllSaintsRutlandVT.org

Holy Wednesday - The movie 6:30p.m. – Mel Gibson's "The Passion of Christ" – begins with a potluck soup/supper at 5:45p.m. (Bring snacks to share)

Holy Thursday - Maunder Thursday liturgy 6:30 – followed by the All Night Vigil at the Altar of Repose 9:00p.m. Until Friday 7:00a.m.

Holy Friday – Good Friday - Good Friday Liturgy for the three dark hours 12Noon – 3:00p.m.

Holy Saturday - The Great Easter Vigil begins at 7:00p.m.

Easter Sunday - A festival Solemn High Mass at 4:00 p.m. with Jr. Choir, Cantor and Trumpet

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Good Friday – April 22nd 7:00 PM Tenebrae Service "Paradoxes of the Cross"

Easter Sunday – April 24th 10:30 AM
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<p>Maunder Thursday Service April 21 • 7:00 PM Choirs and Soloists</p> <p>Good Friday Tenebrae Service April 22 • 7:00 PM With Sanctuary Choir, Soloists and Instrumentalists</p>	<p>Easter Sunday, April 24 6:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service at Mill Village Chapel 9:00 AM Easter Breakfast 10:00 AM Sanctuary Service With Brass, Timpani, Sanctuary Choir, Soloists and Organ <i>Interpretation for hearing impaired</i></p>
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HOLY WEEK at Sherburne United Church of Christ
On Maunder Thursday, April 21st at the Sherburne United Church of Christ.
There will be a traditional service of Tenebrae and Holy Communion preceded by a pot luck supper at 6PM.
Tenebrae and Holy Communion 7:00 p.m.

On Good Friday, April 22nd, The Sherburne UCC will be open for silent prayer and meditation from noon to 4:00 p.m.

An **Easter Sunrise Service** will be celebrated at Killington Peak Ride to the peak at 5:30 a.m. on the K-1 Gondola. (Killington Base)
Last ride at 6:30 – Worship at 6:45 a.m.

Easter Morning Worship will be celebrated at the Sherburne UCC at 9:00 a.m.

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Easter Sunday Mass will be celebrated on Easter Sunday, April 24th at 11:00 a.m.
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The Easter Mass Schedule for Our Lady of the Snows in Woodstock will be:
Holy Saturday: 8:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Church of Our Saviour Episcopal

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Maunder, Thursday, April 21	7:00 PM
Good Friday, April 22	7:00 PM
Great Vigil Easter, April 23	8:00 PM
Easter Holy Communion, April 24	9:00 AM



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Rutland Report

by Lani Duke

"Less is more," contends Dr. Dennis McCullough, author of *Slow Medicine*, in a program at the PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly) headquarters, 5 General Wing Rd., Rutland, 9:30-11:00 a.m. Thursday, April 21. He argues that expensive state-of-the-art medicine often has less than spectacular outcomes. Call 775-2990 ext. 4 to reserve a seat; space is limited.

Center Fest, a substance-free concert by and for youth and young adults in the Rutland area, features four live bands and several other performances from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m., Friday, April 22, at the Knights of Columbus Gym, 21 Merchants Row. The evening is an all ages show, high school and up. Organizers are looking for volunteers; call Brooke, Sarah or Alisha, 747-4944 ext. 16, to give your support.

The Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St., Rutland celebrates Earth Day with the opening reception of *Human = Landscape* from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday, April 22. Mihali Savoulidis of Twiddle provides music. If you're one of the first 50 guests, receive a special Earth Day gift.

Bob O'Brien offers a one-day workshop in Floral Watercolors at the Chaffee on the following day. Call 775-0356 for details.

Saturday, April 23 is full of activities. The Rutland Downtown Partnership sponsors the Easter Egg Scramble from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon in Depot Part. The event is open for children age two through eight. Please bring your own baskets to hold your children's eggs. Call 773-9380 for details.

Also starting at 10:00 a.m. Saturday is Field Prep Day for West Rutland's recreation program. Players and families of those involved in T-Ball, Mighty Mite, Minors Baseball and Majors Baseball are all asked to help get fields and the recreation building ready for the coming season. The more shovels, rakes, and wheel barrows present, the more can be easily done. Free lunch of grilled hot dogs, chips and drinks for all who work.

The Red Sea parts twice on Saturday as the Paramount Theatre shows *The Ten Commandments* at 3:00 and 7:30 p.m., part of the Big Flicks Series. Thank you, dreamers and doers, who created the series, got the big screen and new projector, and keep it all going. Call 775-0903 for information.

Evening also offers Jenni and the Junketeers (jazz and blues) at the Rutland Country Club in a benefit for the Rutland County Women's Network & Shelter starting at 7:00 p.m. A live auction and cash bar fill out your evening. To find out more, call Linda at 353-8642.

The downtown parking garage and adjacent Asa Bloomer Building may pass into private ownership. The state Senate has been considering sale of the properties as part of a capital construction bill already passed by the House.

Rutland needs a children's museum, filled with activities for children to undertake, a group within the Rutland Creative Economy believes. An opportunity for educational fun, the museum may well begin with a core of three exhibits "on the street" at both Friday Night Live and the Downtown Rutland Farmers' Market. The first, *Energy in Motion*, a collection/explanation of simple machines, will appear at the two downtown locations in mid-July. The second, *Farm to Fit*, illustrates the importance of farming, sound nutrition, The third focuses on sustainability. To help with exhibit building, or be involved other ways in developing a children's museum for Rutland, call Candace Lewis or Myra Peffer at the Community College of Vermont, 786-6996.

If you've wondered what all the fuss is about concerning the documentary *The Blood in This Town*, filmed in and about Rutland and the Gift-of-Life Marathon, find out for yourself in a 7:00 p.m. showing Tuesday, April 26. Steve Costello of Central Vermont Public Service and Jim Sabatano of Sustainable Rutland will be on hand to answer your questions.

Stand-up comedian Brian Regan nails the humor in everyday events while avoiding profanity and off-color material – and he's coming to the Paramount Theatre at 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 27. Come hear him turn everyday events like shipping a package or visiting an optometrist into giggling good fun. Call the box office,

775-0903, for tickets.

Or use your Wednesday evening for more serious purposes. At the Rutland Free Library, listen to Matt Dunne, past gubernatorial candidate and current Google exec, discuss using technology to present your messages, whatever they may be. That's in the Fox Room, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

On the other hand you can join an afternoon presentation (1:00 p.m.) on *Managing Emotions and Thriving Under Pressure* given by retired Colonel Leonard Benson in the BROC building, 60 Center St., Rutland. He demonstrates how personal and business values can build individual businesses. Get details by calling 665-1744.

Go beyond the city boundaries to the "after hours" gathering held by the HEAT Squad/NeighborWorks of Western Vermont at 110 Marble St. in West Rutland, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday. Call 438-2303 ext. 223 for specifics.

Mount Saint Joseph Academy is going to the Vermont State One Act Play Festival, having been selected for that honor at the recent regional drama festival at Bill River Union High School. MSJ senior Briana Patten, junior Mara Scaralia, sophomores Alex Reedy and Abby Harvey, and freshman Kit Hudson received excellence in acting awards at the regional meet. Jennifer Bagley was the play's director, assisted by Jessica Audette.

Letter to Editor:

Australian Ballot and why should you should vote for it!

Australian ballot is a secret ballot. Polls are open from at least 10:00 am to 7:00 pm and voters can show up any time to vote by marking a printed ballot. The Australian ballot allows people to vote quickly and at a time that is convenient for them. This system also allows a person who is sick or out of town or prefers not to come to the polls on election day to vote early or vote by mail using an absentee ballot.

Town Meetings still occur with Australian ballot voting and the community would still have the opportunity to discuss issues and hear from candidates. Town Meeting would also serve as an educational session to inform voters about the issues they would be voting on.

Towns that use the Australian ballot generally have much higher voter participation rates than those that do not. The Vermont Secretary of State web site states that in 2008 towns that held traditional town meetings and Australian ballot had a 47.8% turn out for Australian ballot and in towns that held only a traditional town meeting the turn out was 21.1%.

If you want all registered voters in town to have access to voting please vote YES on the Australian ballot Articles. These Articles are part of a Special Town Meeting to be held on May 9th at 7:30 PM in the Sherburne Elementary School Gymnasium.

The three Australian Ballot Articles read as follows:

Article 4 - "Shall the Town of Killington adopt its budget article or articles by Australian ballot?"

Article 5 - " Shall the Town of Killington vote on all public questions by Australian ballot?"

Article 6 - "Shall the Town of Killington elect officers by Australian ballot?"

If you feel that the right to vote should be as accessible as possible to the most people as possible this is the right thing to do. Supporting the Australian Ballot Articles will greatly improve access to voting in the Town of Killington.

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ARIES: March 21 – April 20: There's too much coming at you to even begin to think about how it's all connected. If nothing makes sense what makes you think it has to? Parts of this scenario are pretty cut and dry; what's harder to reconcile are the loose ends from the past that keep popping up to remind you that certain things are as nuts as they ever were. In the midst of trying to pull our lives together it's usually the case that everything we thought was over and done with starts leaking through the cracks. If things are nuts take it in stride and deal with one thing at a time.

TAURUS: April 21 – May 20: You can't complain about the way others do things if their efforts are all made out of love. Part of this has to do with you releasing the need to have it all done your way. There's nothing wrong with letting someone else take over – especially now, at a time when you're trying to figure out how to make your life easier. Too much emphasis on being the one to do it all has turned you into a machine and you're so worn out from having to be 'On' all the time it would be wonderful if you could lighten up, lower your standards, and let a few things slide.

GEMINI: May 21 – June 20: Major changes have raised more than one question. If things have gotten out of hand it's because the truth was kept hidden for far too long. Up until now none of this seemed to be an issue – but all of a sudden the enormity of your choices and the delayed reactions of those who weren't included in them have turned this into quite a scene. That you of all people would be caught up in this much drama is as amusing as it is scandalous. Laughing it off would be easier if the ones who have a problem with it could lose the need to blame you for busting their bubble.

CANCER: June 21 – July 20: You think you have it all figured out. Maybe so, but it's always good to check in with yourself. Whatever you're putting up with needs to change; and if you can't change it you need to adjust yourself enough to be able to live within those patterns without losing yourself. It's a tricky thing to have to navigate your Karma with so much external pressure coming from others to meet their needs and expectations. Don't lose yourself to the thought that you're a better person for putting up with all this nonsense or get complacent about putting yourself on hold.

LEO: July 21 – August 20: Too many things have lost their flavor for you to have any sense about what turns you on. The desire to do absolutely nothing battles with the idea that you really ought to be doing something constructive. If this confuses you it's only because you are transitioning into a whole new ball game and you don't have a clue what it involves. The old stuff is there to support whatever happens from here on out; fortunately you can do all of that with your eyes closed. As far as the latest clue to the new direction goes; it'll reveal itself to you when you least expect it.

VIRGO: August 21 – September 20: You could skip this and let someone else handle it. Covering the situation won't heal it and you really aren't qualified to be doing rehabilitation in your spare time. It's one thing to care and quite another to be able to have it make a difference. Whoever you're trying so hard to fix up may not respond to anything you do; and you can ignore the fact that maybe this little crusade is really about you needing to be the one to save the day. If it is you'd do better to look at why life seems to require you to be heroic in situations where others don't have the strength for it.

LIBRA: September 21 – October 20: You need to settle down long enough to look at what this situation is doing to you. It's one thing to try to inject a little light into people's lives but when it gets to the place where they depend on you for it, you gotta wonder what the point is. You didn't come here to be anyone's savior and you're not the least bit interested in hanging around so how are you going to remove yourself from this situation without coming across as a total jerk? You may have to face the fact that there's no way to walk away from this without hurting others on the process.

SCORPIO: October 21 – November 20: You can't seem to get anything rolling where you are. No matter how perfectly you approach your life your efforts either don't get noticed or they hold no promise of advancement. When things are at a standstill, it's usually the universe asking you to stop and look at where you're going. If you're smart you'll start imagining other options because nothing will change until you understand that you're not rooted to the spot. A little foresight and half a dose of common sense will show you that life is calling you to move on to greener pastures.

SAGITTARIUS: November 21 – December 20: You should know enough to see what straddling the fence gets you. Too many things have been lost to your need to have it both ways. If you're smart you'll reflect upon the past long enough to accept the need to take a stand this time. Whatever you think you'll lose by stating your case will only be lost if you say nothing. In the act of playing both ends to the middle it becomes difficult for anyone to respect us. You need to take a risk and choose. Controlling the outcome has less to do with strategic indecisiveness than it does with knowing what you want.

CAPRICORN: December 21 – January 20: Telling the truth is easier when people want to hear it; very few of us want to hear what we don't want to hear. And what you're trying to do is admirable but the truth is falling on deaf ears. It's either not time, or it's one of those things that can't be achieved with the direct approach. Backing off out of respect for other people's values and/or their need to be handled with care is no sign of weakness. Your true confessions may have lost this battle but the war is ongoing and sooner or later others will be able to understand what you've been saying all along.

AQUARIUS: January 21 – February 20: None of this makes sense, but who cares? You've been trying to figure it out for quite some time and you're not any clearer about it than you were a year ago. The only thing you're sure about is; you don't have a clue. They say that enlightenment begins when we realize that we know absolutely nothing. If you're used to having all your ducks in a row this probably feels a little strange; but it's a far cry better than the thought of having to return to the things that led you to this place. In time the fog will lift and your whole life will be beautifully rearranged.

PISCES: February 21 – March 20: You think you have it all figured out. Maybe so, but it's always good to check in with yourself. Whatever you're putting up with needs to change; and if you can't change it you need to adjust yourself enough to be able to live within those patterns without losing yourself. It's a tricky thing to have to navigate your Karma with so much external pressure coming from others to meet their needs and expectations. Don't lose yourself to the thought that you're a better person for putting up with all this nonsense or get complacent about putting yourself on hold.

Mother of the Skye

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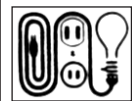
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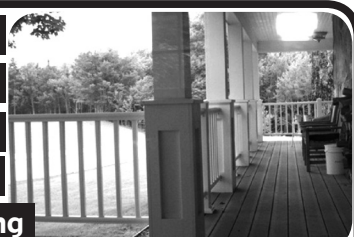
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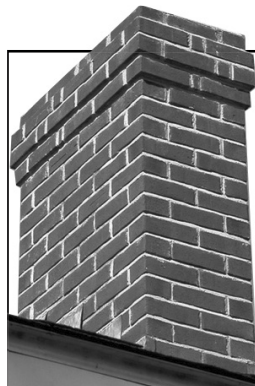
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View From Ludlow

by Ralph Pace

Ludlow will conduct its annual Great Ludlow Easter Egg Hunt for children up to 10 years of age on Saturday, April 23 at the Ludlow Elementary School playground. The event, starting at 10AM, will feature over 2,500 chocolate-filled eggs hidden throughout the playground. In case Mother Nature creates some inclement weather, the egg hunt will be held inside the Ludlow Community Center. More information is available at the Ludlow Recreation Department, 802-228-2655.

Black River Academy Museum (BRAM) is preparing for its involvement in three activities prior to its June opening of the museum.

On April 30, BRAM will sponsor its 5K Walk for Local History starting from BR High School and wandering through the village of Ludlow. Information on the walk, a fund raiser for the museum's elevator, is available by calling 802-228-5050. BRAM's talent show, "Black River's Got Talent," scheduled for Friday, June 3 at the Ludlow Auditorium, has a deadline for potential competitors to submit five minute or less videos or audio tapes of their capabilities by May 6 to BRAM at PO Box 73, Ludlow, VT 05149. Finally, in a joint effort with Black River Middle School, BRAM will aid the eighth grade class in its original play, "Peoples of the Past" that will be performed at the Ludlow Auditorium on May 13 and 14. The students wrote the play about famous residents of Ludlow, Mt Holly, and Plymouth and did all their research at BRAM.

LPC-TV, the local cable public access station covering Ludlow, Plymouth, Cavendish, and Mt Holly, will start its capital fund drive with a Kentucky Derby motif on Saturday, May 7 from 5 to 11 PM at the Pot Belly in Ludlow. The event will feature food and beverages appropriate to the derby. Advanced tickets are \$25 and may be purchased at a number of sites in the Ludlow area; tickets at the door will be \$30. For more information on this "running for the roses" event, call 802-228-8808.

Black River High School students took second place in the state-wide Odyssey of the Mind competition. This made them eligible to join the 25,000 to 30,000 participants at the World Competition in May to which top teams come from all over the U.S. and abroad—Cuba, Japan, Germany. They are now in the process of raising money so that they may participate in the world competition from May 26-31 at the University of Maryland. They still have a long way to go to raise the monies needed for the trip. Contact baitzh@ludlowelementary.org for more information.

Recently the United Church of Ludlow held a special meeting to discuss the need for and use of "Advanced Directives", enabling people to define how they desire to have critical decisions made under a variety of health

and mental conditions. Robert Kottkamp, President of United Church, will be a guest on TW3 - That Was The Week That Was, on its Thursday, April 21 broadcast to discuss Advanced Directives.

Following its successful first efforts at showing movies in the Ludlow Auditorium, FOLA has scheduled a series of movies for the rest of the year. Calling it the "First Thursday Movie," since the films will be shown in the Ludlow Auditorium, starting at 7 PM, on the first Thursday of the month, the future films for 2011 include Secretariat, Mamma Mia, Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, To Kill a Mockingbird, Chariots of Fire, Close encounters of the Third Kind, Harvey, and North by Northwest. The movies are free. For information, call 802-228-7239.

The folks in Cavendish are already planning for their July 2 Old Home Day Celebration. Sponsored by the Cavendish Historical Society, the event will also mark the 250th anniversary of the signing of the town's charter. For those interested in a booth for the event, space is free but does require registration. More information may be obtained at 802-226-7807.

Easter events planned for by the Perkinsville Community Church (United Church of Christ) include three events. On Wednesday, April 20, at 6:30 p.m., the monthly film will be "Jesus Christ Superstar." On Good Friday (April 22) from noon to 3 p.m., the Church will be open for quiet meditation and prayer. The Easter Sunday service (April 24) will be at 10 a.m.

Finally, some good news from Springfield. It looks like the Keen Cinema will be reopening in early July. The theater has been out of operation ever since the devastating fire destroyed most of the building it was in. We understand that the first film it may be showing will be the last of the Harry Potter's series.

But we close this week's column on a somber note. Last week a Mt Holly barn was destroyed by fire. According to Paul Faenza, a Mt Holly volunteer fireman, "a fire was reported in a large dairy barn on Healdville Road in Mount Holly. Arriving Fire Department personnel were met with a fully involved structure fire. Mutual aid was provided by Ludlow, East Wallingford, Shrewsbury and Wallingford Fire Departments. The barn which is owned by Ken & Polly Bartow, was being leased to Patty & Kevin Plew who had 200 chickens and 3 calves housed therein." Fortunately, no persons were injured in this early morning blaze. But it does represent a major loss to the folks depending on it for a livelihood and, in a broader sense, the loss of another piece of Vermont's history.

(If you have any comments or news about the Ludlow or Black River area, contact Ralph Pace at ralphpace@tds.net.)

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Lakes Region News

by Lani Duke

Happy Easter. If you are not currently affiliated with a church or specific congregation, now is a good time to visit with one of the numerous church families that dot the Lakes Region.

Bring dogs and children to a dog show and family fun day at 1146 Danby-Pawlet Rd. in Pawlet, for classes, prizes, a puppy social, demonstrations, food, face painting, pony rides, and a raffle. The fun runs from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturday, April 23, and benefits the Hayes Foundation Odyssey of the Mind Team.

Buddy Rich big band music dominates the free concert that the Castleton State College Jazz Ensemble performs in the Casella Theater on Tuesday, April 26 at 8:00 p.m. Also performing is the Castleton One O'clock Jazz Combo, directed by Hank Vaughan.

Does climate change favor invasive species? Cascade Sorte, Ph.D., of the Environmental Earth and Ocean Sciences Department, University of Massachusetts-Boston, takes a look at this topic at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, in Room 334-Ackley Hall, Green Mountain College, Poultney.

Come see Rusty DeWees, better known as "The Logger," on Thursday, April 28, at Casella Theater, a performance re-scheduled from March 31. The comedy and music 8:00 p.m. show is free, a presentation from the college's Residence Hall Association.

Downtown preservationists descend on Poultney and Green Mountain College all day Friday, April 29, for the State Downtown Program and Preservation Trust of Vermont Annual Conference. Keynote speaker Tripp Muldrow of Arnett, Muldrow & Associates discusses why downtowns are important. Workshops follow three tracks: a history track covers telling the story of each unique community; a streets-as-places track looks at "placemaking," transforming public spaces in community places; and a downtown revitalization track lays out a number of tools to assist revitalization of downtowns and village center. The conference concludes by "progressive reception," exploring a number of historic buildings in East Poultney. Call Leanne Tingay, state downtown specialist, 828-3220, to register or find out more.

Friday is also the day for the first of three George Jones Lectures, part of Poultney's 250th birthday celebration. Planned is a look at the role of famed cartoonist Thomas Nast and the New York Times in bringing down the corrupt Boss Tweed and the Tammany Hall Ring, in a discussion at the United Baptist Church of Poultney, On the Green, East Poultney.

The Castleton Community Center's Knitters Network recently donated 13 blankets to David's House, for very ill children. The little patients each may choose one blanket plus a stuffed animal to comfort them while they are in the hospital. The knitters have more recently been making "cough pillows" for surgical patients. Help them out if you have extra fabric, polyfill, yarn, needles or other sewing supplies.

Although a few minor repairs have answered some critical needs at Castleton's Town Hall, neglect and

community dissension have brought the structure to a point where it needs to be made more accessible and functional. Recognizing the need for some renovation, the select board is gathering information in preparation to make decisions in the future.

An all-day event in Castleton will give young hunters an opportunity to improve their skills in May. The NRA Youth Hunter Education Challenge, scheduled for Saturday, May 21, offers skill improvement in firearms, archery, and land navigation at Edward Kehoe Conservation Camp. Sponsors are the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department, Friends of the National Rifle Association, and the Vermont Bearhound Association. To participate, youth must have a hunter education safety certification card or valid license; pre-registration is mandatory.

Congratulations to Fair Haven Union High School, one of only four schools in the state to achieve Adequate Yearly Progress this year. In other news at the school, its assistant principal, Len Doucette, recently received the honor of being named the 2010-11 Vermont Assistant Principal of the Year. He and his 49 other state counterparts will be honored at a ceremony in Washington, DC.

A number of FHHUHS sophomores and juniors recently took part in the Rutland Area Counselor Association College Fair held at Castleton State College, with the opportunity to meet with representatives from more than 100 colleges, universities, and technical schools.

Benson 8th graders are raising money for their trip to Washington, DC, tentatively scheduled for the week of May 22nd. Events at the school include a May 6 Mother's Day dinner at 6:00 p.m., sponsored by the PTO, and a May 7 performance of Alice in Wonderland.

Orwell Village School celebrates its annual Arts' night Tuesday, April 26, with a 7:00 p.m. concert. Band students should bring their parents at 6:30 to enjoy children's art as the musicians tune up. There is also time after the concert's 7:30 conclusion to tour the school, viewing student art projects, sample refreshments, in the library, and take part in a "free" raffle of prizes that support the arts.

The Rutland County Solid Waste District offers household hazardous waste pickup at 8:00 to 9:30 a.m., Saturday, April 23, from the Pawlet transfer station; from the Middletown Springs station from 10:30 to noon; and from the Ira station 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The Fair Haven/West Haven station in Fair Haven sees pick-up from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. the following Saturday.

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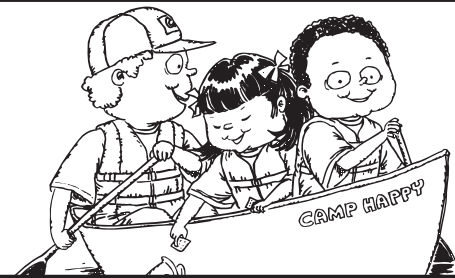
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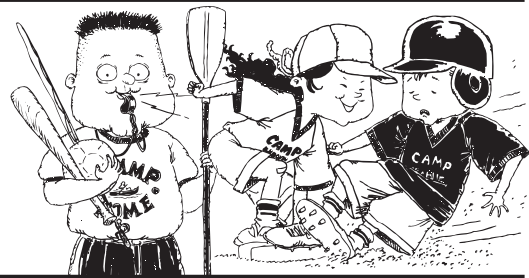
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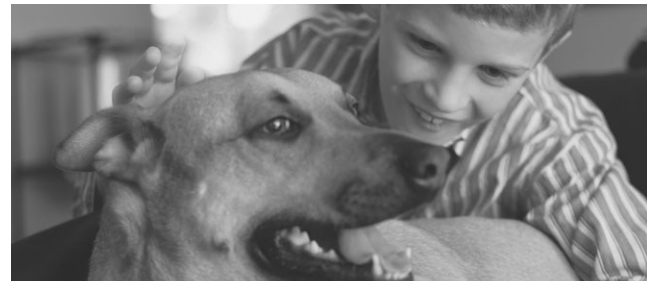
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Lots of help is needed in performing general facilities and grounds maintenance to prepare the camps for the nearly 1,000 campers who attend during the summer. Help is needed raking, performing general repairs, painting, cleaning, and numerous other tasks to ensure that the camps are ready to welcome the campers for the season. This spring, the Fish and Wildlife Department will be hosting its annual volunteer work weekend on May 14th and 15th at both camps.

Volunteers can stay for as long as possible during the weekend. Meals will be provided, and people are welcome to stay overnight in the cabins, or they are welcome to bring tents or campers.

The Buck Lake camp is located off Route 14 in Woodbury. The Kehoe Conservation Camp is on the west shore of Lake Bomoseen in Castleton.

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Each block is divided by its own matrix of nine cells. The rule for solving Sudoku puzzles are very simple. Each row, column and block, must contain one of the numbers from "1" to "9". No number may appear more than once in any row, column, or block. When you've filled the entire grid the puzzle is solved.

This week's solution on page 32

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- Across**
- Energy
 - Idles
 - Follow
 - Cherished
 - Settlement in Argyll and Brute, Scotland
 - 1969 Peace Prize grp.
 - Period of development between youth and maturity
 - Black gold
 - Mum
 - Jurassic plant-eater with a small head and long neck and tail
 - An ascetic holy man, Hinduism
 - Freezing rain
 - Water frozen solid
 - "What's gotten ___ you?"
 - Someone who travels for pleasure
 - Pressing importance
 - Long live
 - Group of families with a common ancestor (pl.)
 - Expression of satisfaction
 - Like a rainbow
 - Billiard cushion
 - Friendly
 - "Fiddler on the Roof" setting
 - Brook
 - Disc-operating system (acronym)
 - Long stories
 - Take back
 - Knickknacks
 - Mexican afternoon nap
 - ___ grass, cultivated for its edible grain
 - Dec. 25 (pl.)
 - Compete
 - Linen fabric
 - Writer Wharton
 - "To ___ is human ..."
 - Bluish gray
 - "Absolutely!"

- DOWN**
- Astrological sign
 - King Mark's bride
 - Suppoorted, as with plants
 - Anita Brookner's "Hotel du ___"
 - Aces, sometimes
 - Old Indian copper coins worth 1/16 of a rupee
 - School teachers and administrators
 - Dorm room staple for music
 - Relating to the refraction of light
 - Assortment
 - First-place
 - Operatic villains, often
 - Tall upright megalith (pl.)
 - Swindled
 - Body of work
 - Cook, as clams
 - Broadcasting (2 wds)
 - "The Three Faces of ___"
 - Discarded
 - Committee head
 - "60 Minutes" network (acronym)
 - "Well, ___-di-dah!"
 - Aardvark
 - ___-___; **unsurpassed**
 - Intoxicating liquor
 - Sanctified
 - Colors slightly
 - Small African mammal with rodent-like incisors and hooflike toes
 - A group of eight (pl.)
 - Hiding place
 - Thin line
 - Query before "Here goes!"
 - Didn't go straight
 - "Aquarius" musical
 - Bank deposit?
 - Comprehend

Answers on page 32

Capsule reviews of films opening this week by The Associated Press

"Scream 4"

by David Germain, AP Movie Writer



Ghostface's 11-year layoff hasn't made this horror-comedy franchise any fresher. But with a decent beginning, a mushy mid-section and a killer ending, the latest installment at least isn't any staler. Honestly, it's not an unwelcome thing to watch the return of Neve Campbell as the slasher victim who wouldn't die, Courtney Cox as the tabloid hack in bloodlust for a story and David Arquette as the bumbling Barney Fife of fright-flick cops. Director Wes Craven has added an attractive cast of young co-stars, led by Emma Roberts, Hayden Panettiere and Rory Culkin. Still, the movie, the movie is an over-long, sometimes plodding collision of characters, any of which could turn out a killer or victim in the arbitrary world of the franchise. The crisscross of blind clues and red herrings almost makes it feel as if Craven left the unmasking of Ghostface for the last day of filming then simply handed a knife to someone with the instruction to start stabbing. What comes after that unveiling is great fun, however, a really clever twist on the clichés of slasher-movie violence.

R for strong bloody violence, language and some teen drinking. 111 minutes.

Two and a half stars out of four.



"Rio"

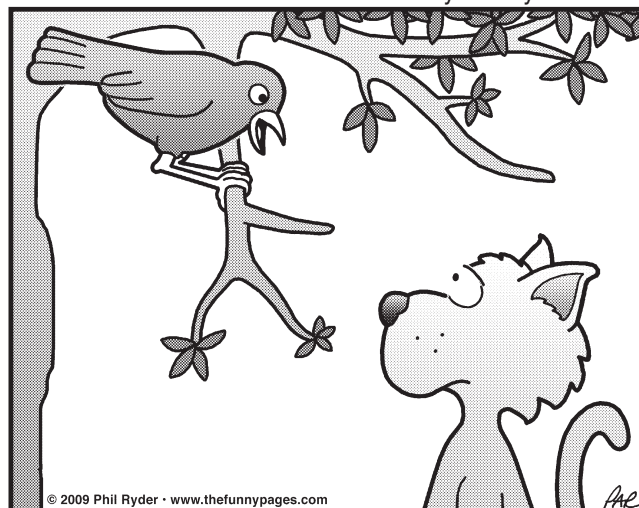
by Christy Lemire, AP Movie Critic

A lot of passion and personal feeling clearly went into this 3-D animated adventure from director Carlos Saldanha, who devised it as a love letter to his Brazilian hometown. It's strikingly gorgeous, bursting with big images and vibrant colors. And the use of 3-D, which so often feels so needless and like such an afterthought, is surprisingly effective in the hands of Saldanha (director or co-director of the "Ice Age" movies) and his team. Stuff doesn't come flinging at you in cheeky, knowing fashion, but in the flying sequences especially the chase scenes, the 3-D provides an extra thrill, an added layer of immersive oomph. Blu, a cerulean macaw who's the film's reluctant hero, hang-glides around the mountain-top Christ the Redeemer statue, and the depth of field that results is sort of awesome. The whole film has a tremendous energy about it, not just in the way it moves but in the snappy banter and screwball antics between Jesse Eisenberg, who voices the character of Blu, and Anne Hathaway, who voices the free-spirited bird Jewel. Eisenberg works his patented halting, neurotic delivery to ideal comic effect, while Hathaway is confident, bold and impatient as the female of the species who is his destiny. Leslie Mann, George Lopez and will.i.am are among the voice cast. G. 96 minutes.

Three stars out of four.

THE JOKE'S ON YOU

by Phil Ryder & YOU



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- Vanessa Brown • Salem, OR

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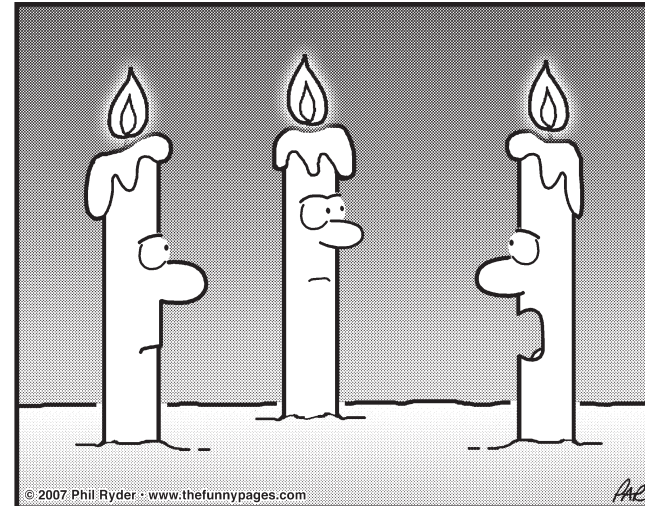
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"My brother was eaten by a three year old."

- Darlene Carr • Halifax, VA

Home & Garden

An Easter Basket of Flowers

by Dr. Leonard Perry, UVM Extension Professor

The flower that most often comes to mind when we think of Easter is, of course, the Easter lily. But there are other flowers appropriate for this time of year as well, all with rather interesting origins.

In the Alps, the narcissus has been associated with Easter for centuries. In fact, even before Christianity, the narcissus represented springtime in Greek mythology. It is still widely used as the main Easter flower in many countries.

In England and Russia, pussy willows are used for Easter flowers. In the Middle East, it is wild tulips, while in Mexico, tropical flowers fill the churches during this spring holiday season. The early Germans decorated with red flowers and red fruited plants such as English holly, believing the red color represented the blood of Christ. The field anemone (*Anemone coronaria*) also was associated with the passion of Christ.

The Easter cactus (*Hatiora gaertneri*, formerly *Rhipsalidopsis*), is so named as this relative of the Thanksgiving and Christmas cacti, all looking almost identical, blooms in spring. The funnel-shaped, flaring flowers are either rose purple or scarlet orange, coming out of flat, segmented leaves. These, as their kin, are often found in hanging baskets where they're well adapted, growing naturally on trees in Brazil. The flowers open during the day, closing at night. Being a cactus, keep this one on the dry side.

Do you know the Bermuda lily? You probably do, as this is the true name of the Easter lily, deriving from its origin. It is a pure white flower, believed to symbolize purity. Coming from one bulb, the flower is said to represent the tomb of Jesus with the blossoms symbolizing his life after death. It is the most common flowering potted plant of spring.

When buying a lily, select a plant with many unopened buds and leaves all the way down the stem. Poor growing conditions or root disease will cause the loss of leaves from the bottom up, so be sure to pull back the wrapper to check.

Choose a well-proportioned plant, one that's about two to three times as high as the pot. Check the buds, flowers, and leaves--especially the undersides--for signs of insect pests and disease.

To keep your lily healthy at home, remove the decorative foil or paper covering the pot, or make a hole in the bottom, to allow better drainage. Put your plant where it will get plenty of bright, indirect light and cool temperatures. About 40 to 50 degrees F at night, or as cool as possible, and below 68 degrees F during the day is ideal.

You also will need to keep the soil constantly moist. To prolong the life of the blossoms, remove the yellow, pollen-bearing pods or anthers found in the center of each flower as it opens.

Don't expect your lily to flower again as it's already been "forced" once by the grower to bloom in time for Easter. However, you might get your lily to bloom again next fall by planting it outdoors once the soil has warmed up.

If you plan to replant your lily outdoors, remove the flowers as they fade. Put the plant on a sunny windowsill for four to six weeks until the foliage matures. Continue to water. When the leaves turn brown, cut the stem off at the soil line. Then in late May, plant the bulb four to six inches deep in a sunny, well-drained location. Fertilize twice during the summer. With luck, your lily will bloom this fall. Just don't count on it surviving a northern winter.

Other appropriate flowers for Easter, and spring in general, are other bulbs such as tulips and hyacinths, and azaleas. The bulbs can be purchased as cut flowers, or in pots. If potted, the hyacinths can be planted outside in warmer weather, and may survive to future years. Most tulips, however, will not come back next spring. If giving the hyacinth as a gift, make sure the recipient isn't allergic to the strong odor of the flowers.

Azaleas come in reds, white, and pinks. They are tender, so won't survive winter outdoors in northern climates. Still, they are a good value. Keep them moist (not wet), and cool with plenty of light, and you should get several weeks of blooms indoors.

Pruning's a Necessary Evil, and Can be Done Well

by Lee Reich, AP

Pruning can't help but wound a plant. But the injury doesn't have to compromise its health.

Your job, as a pruner, is to pinch, snip, lop or saw in such a way as to facilitate your plants' natural healing.

Plants have an uncanny ability to deal with wounds. Immediately after any wound, whether from high wind or from the sharp edge of your pruning saw, cells around the wound burst into activity. Their goal: to prevent the spread of infection and seal off the wound.

Unless the weather is frigid, rapid respiration ("breathing") and cell division occur, during which natural antimicrobial chemicals are released and new cells grow to seal off the wound. With little or no microbial growth in frigid weather, the plant can wait to begin repair.

PLANT, HEAL THYSELF (WITH SOME GOOD CUTS)

The first thing you can do to encourage healing is to make all cuts clean. Ragged edges leave more damaged cells and more surface area to close over. Sharp pruning tools are a must.

Smaller cuts leave smaller wounds, so prune off that misplaced maple limb when you can do it with hand shears rather than when you need a chain saw. Pruning away small stems, rather than large ones, also removes less stored food or food-producing tissue of a plant, which is desirable unless you are deliberately attempting to dwarf a plant.

Pruning off diseased stems can be a way to thwart diseases, but watch out that you don't inadvertently spread infection in the process. When disease transmission is a hazard - as it is, for example, with fire blight disease of pears - sterilize your pruning tool between cuts by wiping the blades with alcohol.

Young, actively growing stems heal easiest and quickest, which makes pinching out a growing point between thumbnail and forefinger the least damaging method of pruning. No special instructions here, except, perhaps, to clean under your fingernails. (Just kidding.)

PRUNING STEMS, PRUNING LARGE LIMBS

Shortening a stem must be done with more care. Cut it back to a bud, which is where a leaf is growing or grew the previous season. To avoid leaving a dead stub, or killing the bud, shorten the stem to a little beyond the bud, at an angle, so that the cut slopes down ever so slightly behind the bud.

Removing a large limb with a single pruning cut can tear long shreds of bark from a tree as the limb comes toppling down. Avoid this by making three separate cuts. First undercut the limb one-quarter of the way through about 12 inches further out than your eventual cut. Next,

saw through from the top, near the first cut but a couple of inches further out on the limb. After the limb falls (without tearing any bark), saw off the easily held, foot-long stub that remains. But do not cut it back flush to the trunk; cut back to just beyond the ring of bark at the base of the limb.

After you have cut off a branch or limb, do nothing to the bare wound that stares you in the face. Marketing or an innate desire for nurturing has induced humans for centuries to cover wounds with dressings ranging from clay to manure to tar. Such dressings, for the most part, keep the wound moist, maintaining a hospitable environment for disease-causing microorganisms.

A good pruning cut - not a poultice - allows a woody plant to seal off the wound and prevent spread of infection. Take care how you cut, and appreciate a plant's natural ability to heal itself.



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Food Tips: Save Money at the Grocery Store

courtesy Scripps Howard News Service

Saving money doesn't mean you have to sacrifice flavor. Use these tips to make your shopping budget go further.

-- Plan ahead before you shop.

While it's tempting to run into the store on your way home to pick up food for that night's dinner, you'll save money if you plan ahead.

Plan the week's meals in the kitchen, so you can check the cabinets and the fridge to avoid buying duplicate items. Making a list ensures you'll have what you need on hand, and will help you avoid impulse purchases.

-- Reconsider convenience foods.

Compare the cost of convenience foods versus foods made from scratch.

-- Keep your eye out for bargains at the store.

Once you've put together your list, you can still save money at the store with some smart shopping strategies.

In the produce section, stick to in-season fruits and vegetables. In the deli, look for bargains on day-old breads and bakery products. Look for specials at the meat counter. Buy cuts of meat that are on sale and freeze the extras. Buy a whole chicken and chop it yourself to save a few more dollars at the store.

-- Let leftovers do double-duty.

Using leftovers for another night's dinner or a quick lunch helps cut cooking time and food costs. Use leftover pork butt in pulled pork sandwiches, or shred short ribs to serve with rice and beans.

-- Make freezer-friendly foods in big batches.

When your schedule and food budget allow, take a day to make big batches of your go-to dishes. Cook up a big batch of meatballs or chili, then freeze for later in the month. Freeze single-serving portions of soup for quick lunches.

-- Be creative with protein sources.

Try cooking cheaper cuts of meat. Tough, fatty cuts of meat like pork butt, pork spare ribs, beef short ribs and beef shoulder are inexpensive, and get fall-off-the-bone tender in a slow cooker.

Build meals around less costly grains. Stir-fries and pasta dishes are a great way to build a tasty dish around a small amount of meat, poultry or fish.

Easy Ways to Save Money

(StatePoint) Checking your bank account can often leave you feeling frazzled and disappointed. If you're like most Americans, you probably swore you were going to manage your money better this year...then soon let this promise fall by the wayside.

"If the recession has taught us anything, it's that there's no time to lose in making changes towards financial health. But the trick is to actually follow through and make the hard choices," says Michael McAuliffe, president of Family Credit Management Services, a non-profit consumer credit counseling service providing solutions for those seeking financial assistance.

"You must get to know yourself, your personal weaknesses, and then make the changes needed to protect yourself from, well, you," says McAuliffe.

Here are five easy ways to help you gain better control of your finances:

* Set Goals. Where do you want to be financially in one, three or five years? Do you want your credit cards paid off? A fat savings account? Or how about a vacation paid with cash, not credit cards? You probably can have any of these things but you must make them a priority.

* Look at the Big Picture. A \$5 latte may not seem much, but it adds up to more than \$1800 a year or more

than \$9000 in five years. So ask yourself if that \$5 latte is steering you away from your goals. How many other unnecessary expenses are keeping you from reaching your financial destination?

* Spend Rationally. As long as you aren't spending more than you make, you can spend your money on whatever you'd like. The key is to not make impulse or emotional purchases. Put a picture of your goal in your wallet so you are reminded of it each time you are tempted to spend. Another trick is to keep your credit cards in sleeves that remind you to "Stop, Think, Save" before using them.

* Evaluate Debt. It's hard to move forward financially when you are still paying off Christmas presents from three years ago. Create a plan to get out of debt as soon as possible. This may include reviewing your interest rates, increasing payments, or consulting an objective credit counselor. Debt-free living is a reality, but it takes hard work.

* Save. Don't allow a medical emergency, broken furnace, or car repair to create a financial disaster. Create an emergency fund and add to it each pay period. Direct deposit is also a great way to save. Ask your employer to automatically deposit a small portion of your pay into a savings account so you are not tempted to spend it.

Money-Saving Spring Cleaning Efficiency Vermont Offers Tips for Spring Energy Saving

Whether you love or hate spring cleaning, here's some good news: Cleaning could save you money. When you make the following tips part of your annual spring cleaning list, you can cut your energy costs by getting better performance from your appliances, exhaust fans, and air conditioners.

Dry Clothes Faster. Clear lint from your clothes-dryer exhaust hose. A coated or clogged hose can significantly increase the amount of time and energy your dryer uses. Have a flexible hose? Replace it with smooth metal ducting to improve air flow, dry clothes faster, and reduce drying energy use. You also won't need to clean a smooth, metal hose as often.

Don't Make Your Fridge Work So Hard. Clean dust from under your refrigerator, the front vent at the base, and any exposed coils at the back. Another tip: Make sure products aren't blocking the fan vents inside the fridge and freezer.

Clear the Air. Dust bathroom ceiling fan covers and fan blades. Clean dust and grease from the kitchen stove

hood and exhaust fan.

Plug Your Home Electronics Into an Advanced Power Strip. While you're dusting your TV, computer, gaming equipment, and other home electronics, take a look at how they're plugged in. You can stop overpaying to power these big energy users (many draw electricity even when off) by plugging them into an advanced power strip, which automatically cuts electricity to any idle equipment you choose.

Step Outside. Take a look at any accessible exterior vents, such as for the clothes dryer, central-heating system, water heater, kitchen-fan exhaust, or bath-fan exhaust. Clear them of any blockage or buildup of dust, webs, leaves, and lint.

Be Sure to Dust and Clean Your Air Conditioners. Clean the back of window air conditioners, dust central-air system intakes and vents and keep them clear of obstructions. See that central-air filters are clean.

Please call Efficiency Vermont at 1-888-921-5990 for more information about energy efficiency.

19th Annual Letter Carrier's Food Drive

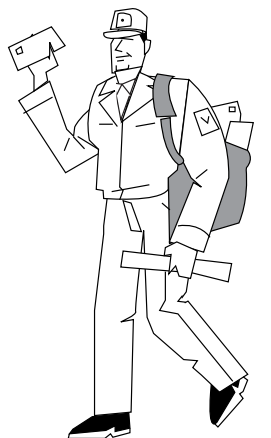
The United Way of Rutland County in conjunction with the National Association of Letter Carrier's #495 will be conducting its annual food drive on Saturday, May 14th. Last year, the local Letter Carrier Food Drive collected over 30,000 pounds of food.

Food Donations are collected all throughout Rutland County by letter carriers along their mail route. The food is taken back to your respective post office and distributed to three local community food shelves – BROCC, The Community Cupboard and The Salvation Army. In the Fair Haven area the food goes to Fair Haven Concerned and the Poultney letter carriers bring the

collected food to the Poultney Food Shelf. Food collection will take place in each of the following zip codes: 05701/05702, 05733, 05743, 05759, 05765, 05777, 05764, 05156 and 05149. If you do not live on a mail route, food donations can be brought directly to the Rutland City Post Office on Saturday, from 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Last year, over 30,000 pounds of food were collected locally, with more than 77.1 million pounds collected nationally.

Summer months create the most hardship for our local food shelves. Demand for food from area families is greatest at this time of year. Please support your community by donating any of the following non-perishable food items: peanut butter, jelly, pasta, cereal, canned vegetables and fruit, tuna fish, canned meats, baby food, soup, puddings, and juices. Cleaning supplies, paper goods and diapers are always in demand as well. Please do not donate outdated products, home-canned goods or perishable items like potatoes, baked goods, onions or bread.

Please leave a bag of food donations at your mailbox, on Saturday May 14th, before your mail carrier arrives. Thank you for your continued support of United Way of Rutland County and your local food shelves. If you have any questions, please call United Way at 773-7477.



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JETTA - 5 year old. Neutered Male. Labrador Retriever mix. I am a big handsome fella who is surprisingly easy-going and I love a good belly rub. I know SIT and SHAKE!



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GLEASON - 2 year old. Neutered Male. Retriever mix. I am a handsome fellow with a gleaming red coat. . .maybe that's why they named me Gleason! I enjoy playing fetch and I am good natured about handling.



LICKINS - 3 year old. Neutered Male. Domestic Medium Hair Black and Brown Tiger. I have such a great name that matches my personality! I seem to always be grooming myself because my looks are important.



Donate to RCHS Yard Sale

Have you started spring cleaning? If so, the Rutland County Humane Society annual Yard Sale is coming up and we'd love donations! The yard sale will be held at RCHS on Stevens Road in Pittsford on Saturday, May 21 from 9 AM - 2 PM. Donations can be accepted at the brown building next to the shelter on Friday, May 20 from 8 AM - 6 PM or on Saturday morning, May 21 from 7:30 AM - 9 AM. All items must be pre-priced (nothing less than 25 cents). We are not able to accept clothing, shoes, textbooks, magazines or computer equipment. For more information please call the Business Office at 483-9171.

Springfield Humane Society News

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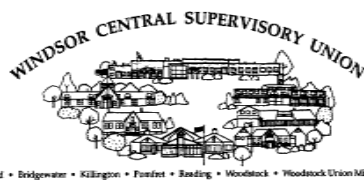
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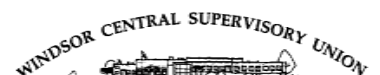
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Vermont Real Estate Sales Jump

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Spring is in bloom this month as home sales increased an impressive 37.7% across New England with each state experiencing an upswing. "After one of the toughest winters in history, we are certainly seeing an uptick in activity and lots of strong energy around the housing market. Buyers understand the long term benefits of home ownership and are recognizing now is the time to take action," said RE/MAX of New England Executive Vice President Jay Hummer.

The state of Vermont experienced the highest month-over-month price in-

crease this month, 2.4%, and was the only New England state to see a year-over-year price increase at 5.4%. Vermont's prices have been stable the last two months. The number of homes sold in Vermont spiked from 246 in February, 2011 to 325 in March, 2011, a 32.1% increase. The decrease in inventory may have contributed to the increase in prices.

- Feb. 2011 vs Mar. 2011

February - Units: 246. Inventory: 7,935. DOM: 182. Median Price: \$190,363.

March - Units: 325. Inventory: 7,838. DOM: 192. Median Price: \$195,000.

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Vermont Median Price: Up 2.4%

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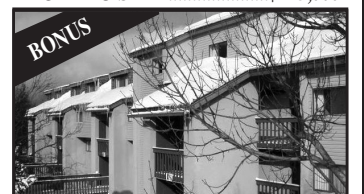


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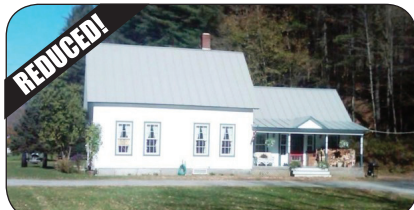
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