



Rokeby rugs

The Ferrisburgh museum hopes to hook visitors this weekend with a historic rug exhibit. Arts + Leisure.



BBA bitten

The Tiger boys' lacrosse team went on a big midgame run to take charge in a Monday win. See Page 1B.



Sweet charity

The group 100+ Women Who Care designated money for three organizations. See Page 13A.

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Making it Green

THIS PAST SATURDAY saw beautiful springtime weather across most of the Green Mountain State. That was a good thing, because it was Green Up Day, which for more than half a century has seen Vermonters come out and clean up roadsides and natural areas. Here, Dan Beaupre tosses a couple bags of trash he cleared from the Painter Road area to Chad Kim — a Middlebury College senior and the town of Middlebury Green Up coordinator — on Green Up Day in Middlebury. Seen another Green Up photo on Page 4A. Independent photo/Steve James

Middlebury hires Mott as town clerk

Board picks Co-op official for the job

By JOHN FLOWERS

MIDDLEBURY — Karin Mott, a longtime manager at the Middlebury Natural Foods Co-op, will succeed Ann Webster as Middlebury's new town clerk.

"I'm very grateful for this unique circumstance," Mott said on Wednesday about her new job.

Mott was one of 10 applicants for the town clerk job, which the Middlebury selectboard posted after no one ran for the elected position in this past March's municipal election. Webster said a year ago that she would not stand for re-election.

Middlebury's town charter calls

for the selectboard to appoint a local resident to fill an elected officer's vacancy until the ensuing annual town meeting, at which time the appointee can run for the balance of the term vacated by the prior office holder.

Webster has provided exemplary service as Middlebury's town clerk since 2001. She announced a year ago she wouldn't seek re-election, figuring she'd give would-be candidates plenty of time to size up the post and get on the ballot. But no one filed petition papers in January to run for the job. Webster agreed to



KARIN MOTT

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City eyes Falls Park for disc golf course

By ANDY KIRKALDY

VERGENNES — The city-owned Falls Park in Vergennes could in the near future be home to a nine-hole disc golf course that would be free for all to use.

The Vergennes City Council last week gave a group of disc golf enthusiasts a preliminary go-ahead to begin laying groundwork for such a course in the park, which lies on Otter Creek's west bank below the falls.

As well as providing another recreation option for area residents, course backers Jim Sestokas, Paul

Seyler and Justin Bassett made the case that the new offering would draw more people down to a park that now offers walking trails along the river, picnic tables, a boat ramp and a new pollinator garden.

"It's sort of a diamond in the rough," Seyler said of Falls Park. "We could bring more traffic there."

Backers said volunteers would install and maintain the course, which is not far from the city's wastewater treatment plant. Installation would start with a

(See Disc golf, Page 8A)

VUHS students focus on social justice

Festival, public talk, set for May 17

By ANDY KIRKALDY

VERGENNES — A 25-square-foot canvas that Vergennes Union High School sophomores Tryphene Miguel and Jackson Gernander used for a photo op illustrates both the hopes of the

social justice group they belong to — acceptance of all students regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, gender orientation or economic background — and the challenges they and their school administrators say they face.

Their group, which goes by Full Send, put up a blank canvas in the school and invited students to write anything they wished on it in response to the prompt, "I Dream of a School ..."

Many wrote hopeful comments about belonging and caring, such as "Where I feel respected and

loved and included."

Others added words that could be described as hate speech.

That evidence of bias could be called anecdotal, as are stories some members of Full Send can tell about their experiences with racism or homophobia.

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By the way

Travelers, please note: A major construction project has begun at the intersection of Route 17/East Street and Sawyer Road in New Haven. The project seeks to improve the safety of the intersection through full reconstruction of Route 17 through the project site, including realigning East Street into a T intersection and reconstructing Sawyer Road. Improvements will include roadway widening, modifying the elevation of the road to improve sight distance, and installing new culverts and other drainage features, a new guardrail, signs, paving and associated roadway markings. As a part of this work, access to East Street and Route 17 will be closed during the week of May 15. A signed detour will be in place, and access to East Street

(See By the way, Page 9A)

Shoreham Catholic church gets a reprieve

By JOHN FLOWERS

SHOREHAM — The small congregation of Shoreham's St. Genevieve Church has won a major round in its ongoing fight to keep its 146-year-old place of worship open.

The Dicastery for the Clergy of the Holy See, based at The Vatican, has reversed a 2020 decision by Bishop of Burlington Christopher J. Coyne to close St. Genevieve's.

Coyne had based his closure decision in large part on an

(See St. Genevieve, Page 11A)

Havurah is honoring its Jewish forebears

By JOHN FLOWERS

MIDDLEBURY — Havurah, the Jewish community of Addison County, is taking stock in its future while preparing to honor several legendary local figures who helped give a voice to its small but growing population.

The honors will begin at the group's largest annual fundraiser — a "Spring Soiree," to be held on Saturday, May 20, at 6 p.m., at

(See Jewish community, Page 12A)

Retired nurse shares stories, lessons from global career

Andrews worked three decades in 12 countries

By MARIN HOWELL

BRISTOL — By the time she'd finished second grade in Middlebury, Linda Andrews had already decided the career she'd dedicate more than four decades of her life to.

"I was walking in a Halloween parade, and I was a nurse. I decided I was going to be a missionary nurse in India," the 76-year-old Bristol resident recalled.

Though she didn't end up becoming a missionary, that childhood dream ultimately led Andrews to become a nurse practitioner, spending nearly 30 years working in women's health care in countries throughout Africa and Asia.

Andrews is now looking to share stories and lessons she learned during her time abroad through her memoir, "Building a Better World Together: A Career in Women's Health."

The now-retired healthcare worker published her book last month and hopes it helps those interested in pursuing a career similar to her own.

"I really want people to read this book who are interested in international health, because I felt I learned lessons that led to sustainable programs," Andrews said.

GAINING EXPERIENCE

The book's chapters reflect the chapters of Andrews's international career, each dedicated to her time working in a different country. The chapters are further divided into sections detailing how Andrews found that assignment, her work experience, lessons learned about that country's

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LINDA ANDREWS HAS her face washed with water in celebration of Songkran, a water festival marking the beginning of the traditional Thai New Year. In her new memoir, Andrews shares the importance of embracing other countries' cultural customs while working abroad.

Photo courtesy of Linda Andrews

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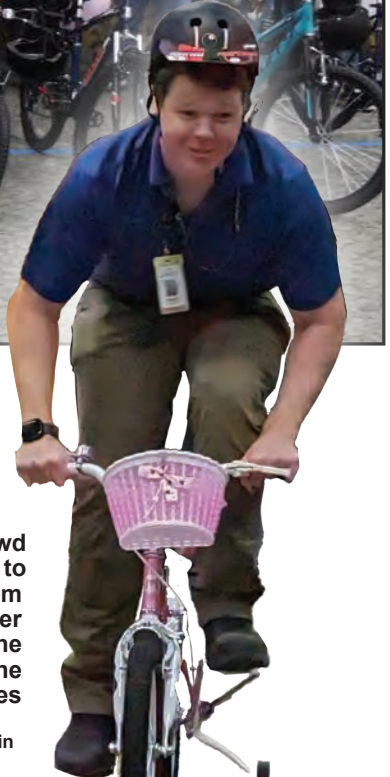




Building bikes for boys and girls

COLLINS AEROSPACE IN Vergennes had a bike-building event on Wednesday, May 3. Eleven teams of four people raced to assemble twelve bikes purchased by Collins. Once assembled, they brought their bikes to an inspection station to inflate the tires and have the bike inspected for correct assembly. Once the tires were inflated and everything looked good, one member of each team put on a helmet and rode their team's bike the length of the cafeteria across the finish line in front of a crowd of cheering fans. After a final safety check, the bikes were delivered (along with helmets and locks) to children at the Boys and Girls Club of Vergennes and The John Graham Shelter. Photos clockwise from top: Collins teams pose with the bikes they assembled; manufacturing engineer and local firefighter Keegan Sullivan riding the smallest bike assembled; the planning team presenting the bikes at the B&G Club. Collins also held a bake sale on that day, which raised \$500. With company matches to the charitable donations, organizers were able to donate \$500 each to the Boys and Girls Club of Vergennes and The John Graham Shelter.

Photos courtesy of Jessica Blouin



ACSD sets rapid timeline

Aims to find interim Superintendent by May 31

By JOHN FLOWERS

MIDDLEBURY — The Addison Central School District board has formed a seven-member Ad Hoc Search Committee to assist it in selecting an interim superintendent by the end of this month.

The board made its decision on Wednesday, May 3, following a roughly 90-minute discussion about how the ACSD should prepare for the June 30 departure of current Superintendent Peter Burrows, who will become the top administrator of the Milton, Mass., school system.

Burrows confirmed his departure plans in early February, whereupon the ACSD board contracted with the consulting firm of MacPherson & Jacobson to coordinate a superintendent search. That search — initiated late in the traditional recruiting season — yielded only 10 applicants, two of whom were tabbed as finalists. Candidate Barbara Anne Komons-Montroll

who has particularly good background on school financing, given that the new hire (and ACSD Director of Finance and Operations Matt Corrente) this fall will be drafting a fiscal year 2025 district budget that'll be devoid of federal COVID relief money. This will force tough decisions on whether local taxpayers should be asked to absorb the added costs of several new jobs that were created at the outset of the pandemic using temporary COVID funds.

Officials acknowledged evaluators will be looking for different standards in an interim leader than they did for a permanent superintendent.

"We're hiring someone to help us stay on task for the next year and not intervene too much in what we want to do," said board member Jamie McCallum. "To me, that means we prioritize someone who has superintendent experience or interim superintendent experience,

"We're hiring someone to help us stay on task for the next year and not intervene too much in what we want to do."

— board member Jamie McCallum

more than someone who maybe has other experience but would be growing into this role."

Board members were split on whether community stakeholders — including parents,

Vermont school district she now leads. The other candidate, Suzanne Gruendling, was interviewed last month but not hired.

With Burrows due to leave in seven weeks and no successor waiting in the wings, school board Chair Barb Wilson convened a special meeting on May 3 to develop a strategy for quickly landing an interim superintendent.

They agreed that a small committee — rather than the full ACSD board — should coordinate the search. After determining a five-member group would be too small, the board settled on a seven-member panel that will include a teacher, a central office administrator, a building-based administrator (such as a principal), and these four ACSD board members: Suzanne Buck, Jason Chance, Joanna Doria and Steve Orzech. Buck will chair the committee.

The ad hoc group's charge will include screening applicants, conducting a first round of interviews and identifying up to two candidates for final interviews with the full, 13-member ACSD board.

Officials have set an ambitious timetable for the search committee. It calls for:

- Receiving applicant materials from McPherson & Jacobson between May 4 and 12.
- Vetting applications, conducting interviews and picking the finalist(s) during next week.

The full ACSD board will then interview the finalist(s) during the week of May 22, a timeframe that will include a community Zoom meeting. The board will then meet in executive session to pick an interim superintendent to start in early- to mid-June.

FINANCE BACKGROUND

Board members at their May 3 meeting agreed on some basic qualities they'd like to see in the district's temporary CEO. They'd ideally like a former superintendent

students and educators — should play a significant role in the hiring process for the interim. Orzech noted the tight deadline for getting a new executive on board.

"This process really needs to be nimble," Orzech said, adding, "this is not a superintendent we're going to have to deal with for the next five, seven or 10 years. We need a stopgap."

"We have two months to get this done; it may be one month," he added. "Yes, it would be nice to involve the entire community (in the interview process), but I don't think we have that luxury at this point."

Doria suggested testimony from the last search could help guide the committee.

"I take community and stakeholder input very seriously, and I think it's really important to have it as part of the process," she said. "We have pages and pages of input from stakeholders, and if there's a way for the ad hoc committee to directly draw on that input, I think that serves a purpose and helps include the stakeholder voice in this expedited process."

Wilson encouraged the board to anticipate all potential outcomes for this current search — including the worst-case scenario of emerging once again without a viable candidate.

"If we have a hesitancy about any of the candidates, what's our recourse?" she said. "Is there a way to make someone 'acting (superintendent),' temporarily, while we continue to look further? (Burrows) is gone come July 1."

Orzech offered his take: "No matter what decision we make, having someone there is better than having no one there, because the consequences of not acting and not having someone in that position are far worse than even having a bad person in that position."

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Show Those Mothers Some Love... Treat Them to Some Co-op Goodness!



THE ADDISON PRESS group shows some of the 28 awards the publications won this past weekend at the New England Newspaper and Press Association annual conference in Waltham, Mass. Pictured, from left, are Jenna Hunsinger, Bill Hunsinger, Christy Lynn, John McCright, Angelo Lynn, Lisa Lynn, Katy Foote and Marin Howell.

Photo courtesy of NENPA

Independent wins multiple awards

WALTHAM, Mass. — The *Addison County Independent* made a strong showing in a recent contest judging the newspaper and website with its peers around the region.

The Middlebury company claimed 21 awards — 10 of them for first place — a haul that was among the largest for non-daily newspapers in New England at the New England Newspaper Press Association (NENPA) annual conference held in suburban Boston this past weekend.

The *Independent's* sister publications — *VT Ski + Ride*, *Vermont Sports* and *The Mountain Times* of Killington — brought home seven more awards in their own right.

In this year's contest, which covered publications in the second half of 2021 and the first half of 2022, the Advertising and Marketing Department had a particularly strong showing. It won first place in eight categories, and second place in five more. Advertising Manager Christy Lynn, Elsie Lynn Parini and Jenna Hunsinger all won multiple awards. Working in concert with the advertising reps, Sarah Pope won first place as Best Ad Designer.

The News side of the house won two first-place nods: Elsie Parini for Best Arts and Entertainment Section (Arts + Leisure) and Karl Lindholm for Best Sports Columnist.

The *Addison Independent* claimed a third-place award for General Excellence among newspapers with a circulation of 5,000 or more.

"Perhaps most notable was our Third Place for General Excellence," *Addison Independent* news editor John McCright told the staff. "We all share in that award, from the people who pick up the phones and greet folks coming in the front door to the dedicated people who deliver the papers, manage the circulation and pay the bills. Third Place out of all of New England is really impressive."

VT Ski + Ride and *Vermont Sports*, led by Co-publisher and Editor Lisa Lynn, earned some great recognition. Lynn

and the publication won first place for Best Niche Publication, Best Special Sports Section, and Best Sports Feature Story. *VT Ski + Ride's* Ryan Mooney won first in the Sports Feature Photo category.

Polly Lynn Mikula of *The Mountain Times* got first place for Best Niche Publication.

The *Addison Independent*, *Vermont Ski + Ride Magazine* and *Vermont Sports* are all published by Addison Press Inc. in Middlebury. Awards presented to the group were as follows:

ALL THE AWARDS

- Best Ad Designer, Sarah Pope
- Sports Columnist, Karl Lindholm
- Digital Product Promotion to Advertisers, Elsie Parini
- Arts & Entertainment Section, Elsie Parini
- Best Niche Publication, *VT Ski + Ride*
- Best Health Ad, Christy Lynn
- Best Sponsored Content, Elsie Parini and Christy Lynn
- Special Sports Section, Lisa Lynn of *Vermont Sports*
- Sports Feature Photo, *VT Ski + Ride*, Ryan Mooney
- Sports Feature Story, Lisa Lynn of *VT Ski + Ride*
- Best Integrated Campaign for an Advertiser, Christy Lynn and Elsie Parini
- Local Display Ad, Christy Lynn and Elsie Parini
- Best Digital Revenue Building Idea, Jenna Hunsinger
- Contests, Jenna Hunsinger and staff

• Best Niche Publication, Polly Lynn Mikula, *The Mountain Times*

Addison Press publications earned 12 second-place awards:

- Sports Action Photo, Steve James
 - Food Page or Section, Elsie Parini
 - Education Reporting, Christopher Ross
 - Best Niche Publication for the Local Farms and Food Guide
 - Contests, Jenna Hunsinger, Elsie Parini and Christy Lynn
 - Audience Building Promotion, Elsie Parini
 - Best Ad Designer, Elsie Parini
 - Advertiser Campaign, Christy Lynn and Elsie Parini
 - Excellence in Revenue Collaboration and Partnerships, Elsie Parini and Christy Lynn
 - Sports Feature Story, Lisa Lynn and Mo Wilson
 - Best Niche Publication, Lisa Lynn, Shawn Braley and Angelo Lynn
 - Best Sponsored Content, Kelly Ault, Jackie Dagger and Lisa Lynn
- The group claimed three third-place awards:
- *Addison Independent*, General Excellence for newspapers with a circulation of 5,000 or more
 - Excellence in Newsroom Collaboration and Partnerships, John Barstow and the *Addison Independent's* Climate Matters column
 - Overall Design and Presentation of a Niche Publication, David Pollard of *VT Ski + Ride*



THIS PHOTO OF Mount Abe wrestler Devan Hemingway nearly pinning his opponent won second place for Sports Action Photo in the NENPA Better Newspaper Contest.

Independent photo/Steve James

Vergennes may see tax hikes

VERGENNES — After two years of seeing the municipal portion of the Vergennes property tax rate remain level at 91 cents, early indications are that city taxpayers could be looking at a significant tax hike this year — perhaps more than 10%.

City officials point to many factors pushing spending higher this year, and the council will determine just how high when it sets the budget and the tax rate in late June.

Those factors include critical infrastructure needs have been ignored for too long, such as paving and sidewalks; costs that have risen across the board due to inflation; increased hours for a police administrative employee; and new employee contracts that include higher salaries, notably a 9% raise for police officers that brings their wages in line with those in other departments in the region.

At the city council's meeting last week, City Manager Ron Redmond presented for councilors' review what he labeled a "Possible Scenario" for a Fiscal Year 2024 (FY24) budget, one that could, if adopted, increase overall spending by about \$500,000 to \$3,172,695.

Because the current (FY23) budget is \$100,000 lower than the spending plan the council adopted in FY22, what Redmond floated on May 2 would be about \$400,000 higher than two years ago.

Redmond's suggested proposal included an infusion of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Water Tower Fund money to limit the tax increase needed to pay for the higher spending, but it would still require a hike of more than 10 cent per \$100 of assessed property value.

Most of the higher spending in Redmond's first draft would be in the city's police and public works departments, with almost level administration costs and a modest hike in city parks and recreation spending.

Redmond's draft contemplated, by department:

- Administration: a \$1,400 increase to \$561,051. The administrative budget encompasses city hall employees' salaries and office equipment and supplies and

a few miscellaneous items.

- Police Department: an increase of roughly \$132,000 to \$1,024,380.

Redmond said police spending in the proposal would follow a recommendation made in last year's International Association of Chiefs of Police study to create a fulltime administrative assistant position for the department and would also fill an officer vacancy. The increase also reflects the 9% raise given to the department's officers in their recent contract.

- Public Works: an increase of about \$250,000 to \$1,068,115. All of the proposed increase, Redmond said, would be due to doubling the city's previous annual commitment to paving to \$200,000 — there is no money for paving in the current budget — and adding \$50,000 to hire a contractor to work on sidewalks.

- Recreation: an increase of about \$13,000 to \$121,861, a rough preliminary estimate related to projected higher health insurance costs.

Redmond said if the council were to approve a 10-cent increase in the tax rate, it would translate to \$350 of new taxes on a \$350,000 home.

That increase would not alone cover the higher spending, because a penny on the tax rate, according to city officials' latest estimates, raises about \$23,800. Therefore, that tax hike would net a bit less than \$240,000 of revenue.

Thus, Redmond's draft recommends using \$250,000 of ARPA funds to underwrite the paving and sidewalk work and \$110,000 of Water Tower Fund money to make the city's annual bond payment for the city police station.

Redmond acknowledged to the council he now regrets not suggesting at least small tax hikes to help support more FY22 and FY23 spending, even with COVID lurking, rather than now asking councilors, and taxpayers, to bite a

larger bullet in the upcoming fiscal year.

"If I had clearer thinking and a clear head, I would have recommended at least incremental increases," he said.

Councilors did not dismiss Redmond's plan out of hand, although Zoe Kaslow said she was concerned if the ARPA funds were used this year what might be the long-range plan for paving and sidewalk work.

Kaslow and Councilor Sue Rakowski both suggested more regular infrastructure investment, and not only in roads and sidewalks — Rakowski said the councilors have to ensure they "take care of all the assets of the city," such as parks, docks in Otter Creek that are known to be in need of repair, and the pool, of which the same can be said.

Redmond did not disagree, but said the council might have to make tough decisions about priorities.

"These are going to be difficult conversations. Everything should be on the table. There are a lot of things that are broken, a lot of things that we need to fix, and we can't do it all at once."

— City Manager Ron Redmond

are going to be difficult conversations. Everything should be on the table," he said. "There are a lot of things that are broken, a lot of things that we need to fix, and we can't do it all at once."

Councilor Cheryl Brinkman suggested creating a spreadsheet listing all the city's assets and their depreciation schedules, and using that to create a five-year plan on which to base decisions.

Redmond responded that he and the city's new accounting firm, RHR Smith and Co., have been working along to accomplish that goal: "We're starting to go toward that."

Councilors took all the information in, but took no action at last week's meeting. They must approve a spending plan and set a tax rate on or before the end of this fiscal year, which comes on June 30.

"I'd like to look at it and think about it a little more," said Councilor Ian Huizenga.

Middlebury Fire Dept. hosts open house

MIDDLEBURY — The Middlebury Fire Department will be holding a recruitment open house on Saturday, May 13, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m., at 5 Seymour Street in Middlebury. The fire department is joining Operation Mayday!, the first statewide effort to recruit new members to the fire service.

The public is welcome to stop by the station to learn about the fire department and its need for interior firefighters. In addition to giving station tours and talking about the benefits of being a volunteer firefighter, firefighters will be demonstrating the flow paths of fire in a structure and walking through turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus. Chief David Shaw stressed the event "is a low pressure, no obligation opportunity for interested residents to see if joining the fire department is something to explore."

The Middlebury Fire Department responds to an average of 250 calls for service each year — day and night. Although the department

currently has 40 members on its roster, each call averages 8-10 responding members. Chief Shaw added, "The fire department has a critical need for new members who have a strong commitment to the community and the interest and time to become interior firefighters."

Prospective members often worry about the time commitment of joining the volunteer fire service. To help with that concern, trainings are scheduled a year in advance so that members can plan for them. The calls, of course, come at any time of the day or night, and that's where the MFD looks to members' deep commitment to the community to answer those calls. Because, if they don't answer them, who will?"

Middlebury residents who are interested in learning more about the fire department and who are unable to attend the open house are encouraged to contact Captain LeRoy Graham by email at middfd54@gmail.com or visit the department website www.middleburyfiredept.org.

According to the Vermont Department of Public Safety's Division of Fire Safety, 11 other area fire departments will also hold open houses on Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. They include:

- Addison Volunteer Fire Dept., 44 Route 17W.
- Brandon Fire Dept., 61 Franklin St.
- Ferrisburgh Volunteer Fire Dept., 3909 Route 7
- Lincoln Volunteer Fire Co., 34 Gove Hill Road
- New Haven Volunteer Fire Dept., 1839 Main St.
- Orwell Volunteer Fire Dept., 604 Main St.
- Salisbury Volunteer Fire Dept., 2399 Route 7.
- Shoreham Fire Dept., 53 Firehouse Road.
- Starksboro Volunteer Fire Dept., 3902 Route 116.
- Vergennes Fire Dept., 50 Green St.
- Weybridge Volunteer Fire Dept., 460 Quaker Village Road.

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Guest editorials

Climate bill doesn't make legislature accountable

On May 4, Gov. Phil Scott vetoed Bill S.5, known as the Affordable Heat Act, and explained his objections in letter to the General Assembly:

As Governor, I believe we must make Vermont more affordable by helping Vermonters keep more of what they earn, while we simultaneously make transformative, strategic investments in important areas like community revitalization, climate action, housing, childcare, clean water, and broadband.

I also believe government transparency is essential to maintaining faith and trust in our democracy. When we pass laws, we must clearly communicate both the burdens and the benefits to Vermonters. From my perspective, S.5 conflicts with these principles, and I cannot support it.

It's important to note despite significant concerns with the policy, I would not veto a bill that directs the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to design a potential clean heat standard — provided it's returned to the Legislature, in bill form with all the details, and debated, amended, and voted on with the transparency Vermonters deserve.

The so-called "check back" in S.5 does not achieve my simple request. Instead, the "check back" language in the bill is confusing, easily misconstrued, and contradictory to multiple portions of the bill.

As I have repeatedly stated publicly, this veto could have been avoided had the Legislature eliminated the confusion and spelled out, in plain language, that the proposed plan would return to the Legislature to be considered for codification and voted on in bill form.

Again, I continue to fully support efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. As the Legislature is well-aware, more than any previous governor, I have proposed, supported, and invested hundreds of millions of dollars to reduce emissions in the transportation and thermal sectors. I'm also committed to following through on the work outlined in our thermal sector action plan.

Here's the bottom line: The risk to Vermonters and our economy is too great; the confusion around the language and the unknowns are too numerous; and we are making real and measurable progress reducing emissions with a more thoughtful, strategic approach that is already in motion.

For these reasons I cannot allow this bill to go into law. It's my sincere hope that members of the Legislature will have the courage to put their constituents ahead of party politics and sustain this veto.

Sincerely,

— Philip B. Scott, Governor

Bill spells out accountability, sets Vt. on path to success

Despite overwhelming Senate and House support and the addition of a "check-back" mechanism per his request, Governor Scott vetoed S.5, the Affordable Heat Act.

Recently, in just over a year, the price of fuel oil rose by \$2 per gallon, and for the first time in Vermont's official tracking history, the thermal sector, which includes residential, commercial, and industrial fuel use, produced the highest amount of climate pollution of any sector tracked in Vermont's official greenhouse gas inventory.

The reality is: for both people and the planet, business as usual doesn't work. Unpredictable and volatile fossil-fuel prices have been and will continue to negatively impact Vermonters until a better path is forged. S.5 offers that path.

Clean heat alternatives like heat pumps, weatherization, and advanced wood heating are cheaper and more sustainable. According to an expert independent analysis, by 2030, the clean heat services that could result from the Affordable Heat Act are estimated to reduce the overall heating costs of Vermonters by \$2 billion, or an average of \$7,500 per household that install clean heat alternatives.

Beyond the tremendous economic benefits, when it comes to climate action, the Agency of Natural Resources projects that a business-as-usual trajectory will bring Vermont only halfway to the 2025 legal obligations and a little more than one-third of the way to the 2030 legal obligations. Without additional policy action, as recommended by the Vermont Climate Council and embodied in S.5, it will be impossible to meet the requirements of the Global Warming Solutions Act. In fact, the Affordable Heat Act is the single largest pollution reduction strategy recommended by the Vermont Climate Council.

At the Governor's request, the Legislature inserted a "check-back" provision before the new, needed program outlined in S.5 could ever be implemented. The bill requires the Public Utility Commission to spend the next two years undertaking an economic analysis, stakeholder engagement and "writing the rules" to regulate the program. In January 2025, the studies and proposed rules will return to the Legislature for review. A bill will then be introduced and discussed based on the new information provided at that time. The program cannot begin without support from the House, Senate, and Governor in 2025.

Should the bill advance to law, the new program will:

- Engage more Vermonters — with a core focus on serving low- to moderate-income Vermonters — to choose to make the switch to clean heat, saving money on their fuel bills over time,
- Assist fuel dealers during a time of rapid industry change, and
- Help Vermont meet the carbon pollution requirements of 2030 & 2050.

"There has been a tremendous amount of misinformation about this policy, which develops a clean heat credit program — but does not implement it. The bill very clearly states that the PUC cannot file final proposed rules 'until specific authorization is enacted by the General Assembly,'" says Rep. Gabrielle Stebbins. "This misrepresentation is a deep disservice to Vermonters. Not only is it scaring them; it runs counter to what voters expect and want from their elected officials."

"The Affordable Heat Act is an essential step forward to plan for and fully understand what it will take, what it will cost and how Vermonters can benefit from more local, cleaner, and more affordable heat," says Sen. Rebecca White. "It is the Climate Solutions Caucus leadership's hope and expectation — as the two recent and decisive House and Senate votes have demonstrated — that the majority of policy makers will continue to support taking the next hard, important step forward toward a more equitable, affordable, cleaner heat future."

— Rep. Gabrielle Stebbins, Chittenden 13, and Sen. Rebecca White, Windsor



Green team

MIDDLEBURY 11-YEAR-OLDS Innis Hohenschau, left, and Autumn Spritzer hold bags of trash they had just cleared from along the Otter Creek off Mill Street this past Saturday as part of their Grade 5 Green Up Day project at Mary Hogan Elementary School.

Independent photo/Steve James

Letters to the Editor

Alcohol-related litter is plentiful

I read with interest the editorial discussing litter and some of its causes ("Green Up: Plan to make it fun" April 27, 2023). However, as a frequent cyclist on Vermont's roads (preferably the gravel ones) I have an additional perspective.

Moving at a slower pace than in a car, one sees in greater detail the detritus on the roadside. To my dismay and great anxiety as a vulnerable road-user, much of it is alcoholic beverage containers (more so than soft drink containers). I suppose these litterers must be "knocking back a cold one" en-route and, to avoid being cited for an open container in case of being pulled over, just jettison the evidence. Coupling this with the volume of DUs described in the various police logs in the paper (many of them multiple offenses), an alarming connection can be made. The beauty and safety of our byways are compromised by this specific type of behavior and litter.

Blair Peterson
Cornwall

Libby's Trail in need of clearing

To Porter Hospital and Helen Porter Nursing home regarding Libby's Trail out behind Porter. Someone from the Maintenance Department placed caution taping on part of this trail due to fallen trees, but no further action has been taken. I have been trying to contact someone since December 2022 about trees on the path. We cut several smaller ones that were across the path, but no chainsaw is available.

How can we get some action to clear this path so its use can be enjoyed in its entirety?

Lois Farnham
Middlebury

Addison delays town hall project

On Nov. 8, 2022, a majority of residents of the Town of Addison voted to approve a bond to finally renovate the historic Town Hall. It was well warned, and the vote was during the national election to ensure the greatest possible turnout. Prior to the vote, several selectboard members made it clear they were opposed to the project.

Since that time the selectboard has shown themselves to be masters of delay. First it was an unwillingness to proceed with filing a variance application to allow an ADA accessible entrance so that all citizens could access the building — an entrance that is required by both federal and state law. In February, three different versions of access were presented to the board. They have never responded to these proposals.

More recently, the board has changed its reason for delay. Now the board is unwilling to proceed until a new, recently appointed "Facilities Committee" can study the four corners area and determine the best use of the town "facilities." This new tactic has essentially shelved the project for the immediate future. In the meantime, the old Town Hall continues to deteriorate. It is ironic that the board feels the need to now study the Four Corners area as part of the town hall project. Historically, it can be asserted that this area has been earmarked for community use for a long time.

In 1967, the state Legislature authorized municipal planning commissions to create 5-year town plans for their community. The idea was to define and implement community objectives by anticipating future needs. In 1972, the Addison Planning Commission worked diligently to create a town plan that identified ways to improve and meet the future needs of the town. The first town plan in 1972 recognized the historic Town Hall. "The Town Hall should be refurbished, running water installed and generally made into an attractive, functional community building." This recommendation has long since been ignored.

On Aug. 12, 2014, the
(See Paradis letter, Page 5A)

Grandfather left enduring legacy

My paternal grandfather lived well into his nineties. After raising four sons who eventually towered above him in height, and after many years employed by the U.S. Postal Service, he had a nice pension and no difficulty maintaining his simple lifestyle.

Grandpa was a small, serious man who stood straight and took pride in having become a modern American. He learned to cook in his seventies after Grandma died, showing off his succulent Swedish meatballs made from just three ingredients. He told me how to make eggplant salad from the old country and said the trick was grilling a green pepper under the broiler before chopping it into the baked eggplant and olive oil. He held clear memories of the māmāligā his own grandfather prepared, a corn porridge he shook out of the skillet as a round cake. Grandpa never figured out how to do that, though he kept trying.

My grandfather read the *New York Times* every day. After it was delivered, he went through the table of contents on the front page and circled items he would read that day. He also read American and world history texts. When he eventually landed in assisted living, he attended Bible discussions and lectured his peers on factual Biblical history. They nicknamed him "the Professor."

As a young adult, I loved visiting my grandfather and hearing stories about his childhood in Romania, how he and his siblings traveled by boat to America with his mother when he was fourteen. "She took a sack of onions with her," he recalled, "so if they

served us sardines on the boat she would have onions to go to the sardines." He emphasized the word "to," even though he meant "with" the sardines, as if the raw onions were drawn to them, creating a sumptuous pair.

Grandpa's mind remained sharp. He recalled childhood games he played in the streets of his village and the night he went outdoors to relieve himself and was awestruck by the countless stars that filled the sky. Having parented during the Great Depression, he was always happy to hear when each grandchild found "good, steady work."

Like many older adults, Grandpa's hearing and short-term memory faltered as he aged. When he turned 90, our extended family threw him a party. I was living out of state and missed the event. The next time I saw him, I asked about his big bash. After I repeated the question louder, he paused thoughtfully, then responded. "That might have happened," he said honestly, "but to tell you the truth, I don't remember." Grandpa was undeterred by the loss of his memory and carried on boldly with what he still had.

Now that I have clearly crossed the line into senior status, I find myself in similar situations, vividly recalling events and conversations from decades ago but forgetting whether I took my vitamins this morning. When I turned 70 last year, a slightly older friend shared that I was now ready to address some of life's big questions, like why did I come into this (See *Ways of Seeing*, Page 5A)

Ways of Seeing

By Alice Leeds



New dress is 'sew' much better

"No offense," Mark said, "but you look like you're wearing a tablecloth."

I could see why he was confused; I was, in fact, wearing a tablecloth. It had only recently retired from a long career on our kitchen table.

But it wasn't really clothing; it was a mock-up — or "toile," as the sewing people say — of a linen summer dress I was planning to make.

You heard that right. I have found yet another time-sucking, all-consuming pastime: I'm learning to sew my own clothes.

Unlike you, whose body is no doubt proportioned for the way retail clothes are designed, I have trouble buying off the rack. For you, sleeves are always the right length; the waist and hips of your pants match your shape; you don't have fabric straining here or gapping there. Congratulations on being perfect. I'm not so lucky.

I first realized buying clothes in adulthood was going to be a problem when I was 22 and getting fitted for a bridesmaid's dress. The seamstress ran her tape around my hips, waist and bust and jotted down some numbers. Then she rechecked her paper and said with a sigh, "It's too bad. If you had a little more up top, you'd have a nice figure."

I managed to reframe that as a compliment (two out of three ain't bad, after all). But from a strictly sartorial perspective, she had pinpointed just one of several issues that would dog me forever, especially when wearing dresses: whatever fits me below the equator will be falling off me in the northern hemisphere.

I try to compensate for this disparity with stretchy fabrics. But in the summer, I'd like to wear cool cotton and linen tops and dresses, not smothering spandex blends. So I decided to teach myself to sew.

Technically, I've known how to sew things like curtains and quilts for a long time. But with my general approach to life — "If a thing is worth doing, it's worth doing hastily and carelessly" — I'd never made anything wearable.

I was going to have another go at sewing, but this time I'd do it the recommended way: I'd read the instructions more than once, measure and cut with accuracy and take my time. None of this sounded right to me, but so far my method — winging it — hadn't worked.

Heading to YouTube, I found hundreds of videos on how to sew and, critically, how to customize sewing patterns. The big moment came when I (See *Jessie*, Page 5A)



Around the bend

By Jessie Raymond

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Letters to the Editor

Without retiring

For Peter Lebenbaum and his long service with the Counselling Service of Addison County.

Perhaps Peter has crossed your path, too. Living here, for so many years, it's likely you and your family have called him,

when you needed a bee to listen, a lamb. Two of the creatures he's raised, with his wife Marg, in their backyard.

Although you may not know Peter earned his doctorate in listening and sweeping out a barn. Tall,

as the tallest leprechaun, endearing him to children and neighbors at their wits' end. When a friend

was needed to come over, walk-in a front door. Sit down in his office of their living room. When it could take

more than a professional, to hear what could be heard, say what Peter

could say. Through the wool of his beard. Like any psychologist, he could run his hand through. Like a wise man. Like a sheep shearer

shearing a ewe. A beekeeper knowing when to leave enough honey for the queen to make it

through the winter. A story he could tell you of the times, in the middle of the night, he needed

to bring a struggling lamb into the house, nurse and name it. For the days to come. For the time,

before you knew it, you would feel better. Without really knowing how it happened. And Peter was there. Sitting with you.

Gary Margolis
Cornwall.

Notes of appreciation

Food shelf says thank you to Middlebury Lions Club

Let the Lions roar!... and so they did. With their annual Food for the Heart food drive and their additional donation of \$1,000 dollars to our food shelf the Lions Club of Middlebury

once again has stepped up to the plate with service, kindness and compassion for the families of Addison County. CVOEO appreciates the consistent and heartfelt dependable support that

we receive every year. Thank you, Lions.

Donna Rose
Food Shelf Coordinator
Addison Community Action/
CVOEO

Jessie

(Continued from Page 4A) learned that my particular fitting issue had a solution: the "small-bust adjustment," or "SBA."

If the term was common enough to get an abbreviation, I wasn't the only person whose sundress straps were always too long, whose blouses sported enough extra fabric under the arms to smuggle puppies, for whom bust darts were a cruel joke.

I called Mark at work to share the exciting news: "There's nothing wrong with me!" I shouted. "It's the clothes that are wrong!" The line went dead, indicating he had dropped the phone with relief.

Over the next few weeks, I devoured dozens of YouTube

videos with titles like "You Can Make Buttonholes" and "How to Sew a Neckline Facing." Crazy, exhilarating stuff.

Once I had practiced on the toile, I was ready to start sewing for real. Working precisely and slowly like a serious sewist (the word looks pretentious, but you can't really use "sewer" in print), I made an adorable linen dress with a buttoned bodice. And when I put it on, for the first time in my life I felt like I was wearing something that had been made for me. Talk about an epiphany.

I skipped into the kitchen to model the dress for Mark, who briefly looked up from his work. "It fits," he said, gushing, at

least on the inside. "I know!" I squealed, with the enthusiasm of the first person to decode the entire human genome.

I finally got it: My clothes could — and should — fit my body. Maybe someday I could learn to make shirts whose cuffs reached my wrists and, in my highest aspirations, pants whose waistbands didn't get all up in my ribcage.

I had spent decades blaming my imperfect proportions for the ill fit of store-bought clothes. But all this time, I'd had it backwards.

I don't need "a little more up top." My dresses just need a little less.

Ways of Seeing

(Continued from Page 4A) room?

My priorities as an elder are both similar to and different from those of my grandfather. I am thrilled to be fully present and ready for action nine years into retirement. When I first stopped teaching, it felt like playing hooky, but now it's all one big summer break.

I am grateful for the luxury of curling up with a good book after lunch, the freedom to take advantage of a sunny afternoon to weed the garden or go for a hike or dive into an art project. And I appreciate the spaciousness

of time to volunteer in my community, to get to know my neighbors, to read the newspaper and respond to local concerns.

When I hear about the graying of Vermont, I sometimes wish we were more valued as a group for our contributions. And when I reflect on such seniors and role models as Madeleine Kunin and Bernie Sanders and, even closer to home, our beloved Bunny Daubner, Ron and Peg Rood and many more, I am grateful for the elders who enrich our lives.

Before he died, I interviewed my grandfather for a historical

society project that published a series of American history texts based on waves of immigration. He was subsequently quoted in the series describing his experience of coming to the United States as a boy. When I let him know, Grandpa nodded his head in satisfaction.

Alice Leeds, of Bristol, taught in a variety of private and public schools and colleges for forty years. Presently retired, she tries to engage in some useful endeavor each day. She enjoys hearing from readers at a Leeds@gmavt.net.

Pythagoras and his school

2nd in a series

There is no doubt that Pythagoras (570-490 BCE) is familiar to us because of the famous theorem that bears his name, the Pythagorean theorem, which states the square of the hypotenuse of a right triangle is equal to the sum of the squares of its adjacent sides. (Modern scholarship has discredited his discovery, finding that the Babylonians may have already figured it out.)

But what we know about Pythagoras is this: As a youth he was driven by curiosity and travelled to Egypt and Mesopotamia in search of knowledge. Then, around the middle of the 6th century BCE, he settled in the Greek city of Croton, located in southern Italy, and founded a school there. The subjects taught fall into two main groups — mathematics and psychology.

Pythagoras did not leave to posterity any written work. And much that has been attributed to him probably was the work of others, members of his school, his successors. Nevertheless, looking over the ancient sources, there is a unity or coherence to his thinking.

He or his early followers concluded that numbers are basic to the existence of everything. And that the number 1, the unit, is basic to all numbers. By adding 1 to any number, odd numbers are made even and even numbers are made odd, and if you divide any odd number in half, you will end

up with two sets of equal numbers, flanking the number 1, a perfect symmetry.

This led to other thoughts, such as that everything that exists is one thing. That is, recognizing the fundamental unity of everything that exists, or to quote the 18th century philosopher Joseph Butler, "everything is itself, and not another."



The History of Philosophy by Victor Nuovo Middlebury College professor emeritus of philosophy

Imagine how hard it would be, if not impossible, to think coherently if we lacked the number 1, which is the very idea of Unity. But even more, no one could make sense of what I have just written without thinking about numbers abstractly. We become educated not just by learning things, but by learning to think about them abstractly.

This may have been the most fateful discovery resulting from Pythagoras's reflections on numbers, for it seems that by thinking about a number and its sequences, Pythagoras developed the art of thinking abstractly, which would be no small accomplishment. Two-thousand years later, Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679) defined thinking as essentially counting. What we learn by reading and writing would be of little value if we did not also learn arithmetic.

Said another way, mere learning in a mind lacking the art of abstraction would amount to nothing. It is by abstracting the form or inner structure of something that its essential nature is revealed. Take music, for example. Pythagoras is reported to have been the first to

have discovered the harmonic scale by noting that its structure is determined by mathematical intervals, which he concluded is the key to harmony.

He imagined this to be a principle not just of music. He imagined the universe as a system of concentric spheres, and thus gave birth to the notion of celestial harmony. In retrospect, all this may seem fanciful, but the idea is undeniably coherent.

It also seems that Pythagoras was the first philosopher to teach about the soul. He believed that the soul is immortal, and that it transmigrates from one life to another. These are doctrines that were and are central to Hindu and Buddhist writings, in particular the Upanishads and Buddhist Sutras. And although there is no indication that Pythagoras was familiar with either, the coincidence is not without interest.

In any case, from then on the soul became a major theme for Greek philosophers. The modern doctrine of the self has its roots there. In the Pythagorean school, this doctrine became the reason not to harm other living things, for they are all ensouled. The care of the soul became a major theme of philosophy. It inspired Socrates, and was given classical expression by his successors, Plato and Aristotle.

Finally, Pythagoras is credited with having been the first to give philosophy its name, and to call himself a philosopher.

In closing, here are a few Pythagorean maxims:

- "May you remain awake in your mind, for its sleep is akin to death."
- "Choose to be strong in your soul rather than in your body."
- "Whatever you ought not to do, do not ever think of doing."

Paradis letter

(Continued from Page 4A) selectboard formally adopted the latest town plan covering the period of 2016-2021. That plan states "The Addison Town Plan constitutes a vision statement of how the town's future development should proceed to promote the health, safety and welfare of Addison's citizens. The plan serves as the foundation for subdivision, zoning, and other regulatory documents that implement the plan..." In discussing the Town Hall, the plan states "We will do the following:

1. Investigate ways to renovate the Town Hall so it can serve as a fully functioning facility

2. Include the Town Clerk's office, incorporating new enlarged vault space, into the Town Hall

The Planning Commission thought so much of the Town Hall that its picture serves as the front cover of the plan.

In reading through all these town plans, what's striking is almost every single recommended course of action in the plans was ignored. For example, since 2009, each plan recommended updating our zoning and subdivision

regulations. Another example is that a professional website was to be established before the end of 2021. Each plan called for action to be taken long before 2023 was upon us.

So where has all of this delay left us in 2023? We have no Town Plan. It has expired. We have never updated our 2007 zoning regulations first called out as a goal in the 2009 Town Plan. We have not yet established a professional website. The Town Hall project, fully funded, is once again stalled so we can "study" the Four Corners area facilities.

Presently, while we "study" the problem, our town employees and

municipal boards are expected to all function in a 600-square-foot office of a converted house remodeled in 1972 into town offices. It's time to say enough is enough. We have studied this problem enough. We have a professional architectural plan for new offices, the funding to do it, and the consensus of a majority of the Addison residents.

If we continue on this path, maybe Mark Twain was right when he said "never put off for tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow."

Vince Paradis
Addison

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Obituaries

Patricia Jackman Kellogg, 84, of Vergennes

VERGENNES — On May 1, 2023, Patricia Jackman Kellogg was welcomed into the presence and embrace of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, whom she served with joy. Patty was born on Oct. 19, 1938, the first child of Charles and Jeanne Jackman. She attended Saint Mary's Academy, graduated from Vergennes High School and Trinity College. She left her teaching career to dedicate herself to raising her growing family of three daughters and a son.

Patty was active in the many communities in which she and her family lived. She volunteered regularly, and helped organize and run multiple thrift shops supporting families in need. She volunteered for years at the Santa Claus Club, and the Penny Fair, conducted surveys to study high-risk behaviors in adolescents, and was a census data collector. Patty was also an active member of the St. Anne's Society, where she joined with other women of faith in support of the church and greater community.

Her many years of caring for others were even more evident in the love of her family. For over 25 years, Patty was the "Queen Mother" at the Jackman camps on Lake Champlain, a place Patty loved so much. During those years, she welcomed nieces and nephews, some who spent days or weeks, others the entire summer. Patty could make the most reluctant child

PATRICIA JACKMAN
KELLOGG

do some yardwork or cleaning for the prospect of fried bread dough with maple syrup or skiing as a reward. Those years were cherished by Patty and treasured by the many young nieces and nephews who built special relationships with her.

Patty loved so many things; she was a formidable opponent when it came to discussing politics, she campaigned actively for many candidates over the years. She also loved playing bridge and cards, both having been taught to all of us by our parents. She loved singing, and would accompany her sister to Project Independence, where she loved both the singing and visiting with participants. She always

looked forward to her Book Club, and the special women with whom she became good friends. And most importantly, she loved her family and faith. They were her greatest strength and joy.

Patty is survived by her husband, Bob, married for 60 years; her daughters, Deb (Glenn), Katie (Tim), and Jennifer (Marc); grandchildren, Nicholas, Devyn (Matt), Maya (Ryan), Maddie, and Emma; and her precious great-grandson, Carter. She also leaves her siblings Alice, Michael (Marcia), Mary, Tom (Arlene) and John (Maureen). Patty leaves her Uncle Jim Senesac (Sally), her brother-in-law, Steve (Amy), her stepson, David, many wonderful Jackman and Senesac cousins, as well as nieces and nephews whom she loved very much.

She was predeceased by her parents; her son, Rob; her brother-in-law, Tom, and her sisters-in-law Elaine and Madeline.

The family would like to especially thank Addison County Home Health and Hospice for their compassionate and dedicated care.

Funeral services will be held at Saint Peter's Catholic Church in Vergennes on Monday, May 15, at 10:30 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her name to Saint Peter's Catholic Church or Addison County Home Health and Hospice. ♦

Ronald C. Lewis memorial service

BRANDON — The memorial service and reception for Ronald Lewis, 72, who died March 7, 2023, will be held at 1 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, at the Brandon Inn in Brandon, Vt. There will

be time for reflection, sharing thoughts and memories and of course, poetry. Please come and bring your collective memories of Ron to share with family and one another. ♦

Jeffrey T. Smith, 79, of Leicester

LEICESTER — Jeffrey T. Smith, 79, of Leicester Vt., died Sunday May 7, 2023, at the Rutland Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Westfield, Mass., on Nov. 15, 1943, the son of Wendell and Marian (Pomeroy) Smith. He attended Washburn University and then Washburn Law School to obtain his law degree.

Jeffrey married Linda Miller on June 3, 1966. He practiced law in Brandon and Middlebury, Vt., for more than 40 years, until his

retirement.

He enjoyed the last 20+ years living on Lake Dunmore in Leicester, Vt. Jeffrey enjoyed fly fishing (fishing), hunting, skiing and golf.

He is survived by his sons Justin and wife Eileen of Leicester and Brenton and wife Brenda of California.

Per his wishes, there will be no services. A celebration of life will be held during the summer.

Arrangements are with the Aldous Funeral Home in Rutland. ♦

Charles Sabukewicz celebration of life

MIDDLEBURY — A celebration of life for Charles Sabukewicz, who died Dec. 21, 2022, will take place on Saturday, May 20, at the Middlebury Inn at 2 p.m., followed by light refreshments. Everyone is welcome.

Michael Jenkins, 71, of Poultney

POULTNEY — Michael Jenkins, 71, left this earth on April 13, 2023, but his memory will last forever. He was self-employed in construction/renovation and knew just about everything there was to know in that trade.

He left many structures in Addison County for us to see his handiwork. He leaves his wife, Marleen; his daughters, Emily and Elizabeth; his grandchildren; brother Alan, Ian and Mark; sister Susan; and his stepmother Lynne. He leaves many lifetime friends, close neighbors, many nieces and nephews. A family celebration will be held this summer.

Ralph Ernest Burt Jr., 83, of Panton

PANTON — Ralph Ernest Burt Jr., age 83, died at Porter Medical Center on Monday, May 8, 2023.

Ralph was born to Ralph Ernest Burt Sr. and Lucile (Matthews) Burt on May 10, 1939, in Springfield, Mass.

He was a 1963 graduate of the University of Connecticut. Ralph was at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory from 1963-1968. Ralph worked at Sanders and Associates in Nashua, N.H. from 1968-1979. Following the move to Panton, Vt., he worked at BF Goodrich from 1979 until his retirement in 2005.

Ralph spent his retirement years building a kit sport-airplane (and learning how to fly it), going to kettlebell classes, volunteering as a puppy-raiser for Guiding Eyes for the Blind, and walking his beloved



RALPH ERNEST BURT JR.

dog Fresca.

Ralph leaves his wife of 59 years,

Joan of Vergennes; his sons Russell (Susan) of South Burlington and Steve (Kent) of Wichita, Kansas; grandchildren Kirby Burt, Ryan Burt, Jessica Burt, Bailey Burt, Oliver Bailey-Burt, Ryan Croxford and Ruth Croxford. Ralph also leaves a sister, Elizabeth Boulanger (Gerald) of Easthampton, Mass., as well as several nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held on Saturday, May 13, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Brown-McClay Funeral Home in Vergennes. Those wishing to honor his life can make a donation in his name to Guiding Eyes for the Blind through their website donate.guidingeyes.org. To send online condolences to his family please visit www.brownmccclayfuneralhomes.com.

Gov. signs reproductive protection bills

Legislature debates childcare funding, Senate overrides S.5 veto

By SARAH MEARHOFF
VTDigger.org

MONTPELIER — Against a national backdrop of ever-tightening restrictions on abortions and gender-affirming care, Gov. Phil Scott on Wednesday signed two high-profile "omnibus" bills that seek to expand protections for and access to reproductive care in Vermont.

"Today, we reaffirm once again that Vermont stands on the side of privacy, personal autonomy and reproductive liberty, and that providers are free to practice without fear," the Republican governor said in a press release announcing his signatures Wednesday.

When the U.S. Supreme Court last summer struck down Roe v. Wade case precedent, thereby ending the federal right to an abortion, dozens of states immediately outlawed or severely restricted access to the procedure. Meanwhile, numerous state legislatures have also taken aim at transgender rights, passing laws regulating gender-affirming care for patients who are transitioning, particularly minors.

In a patchwork nation of disparate laws regarding reproductive health care, Vermont lawmakers set out to make the state a refuge for these procedures — not just for residents, but out-of-state patients who travel to receive the procedures, as well.

H.89 is the Legislature's so-called shield law, protecting Vermont doctors from being forced to cooperate with out-of-state investigators, should they seek to prosecute a patient who traveled to Vermont to obtain care from a state where abortion or gender-affirming care is outlawed.

Lawmakers were clear from the start: Vermont can only shield doctors and patients so long as they remain in state lines. But H.89 does offer out-of-state patients some level of protection, by essentially kneecapping any investigations.

The Senate's companion bill, S.37, offers doctors professional protections for providing reproductive care in Vermont, such as barring medical malpractice insurance companies from hiking rates on providers, or preventing providers from having their medical licenses revoked.

The legislation also includes a section taking aim at so-called crisis pregnancy centers, which are nonmedical facilities that advertise themselves for pregnant patients, offering some basic obstetrics — such as pregnancy tests and ultrasounds — but actively seek to dissuade patients from obtaining abortions. Critics have long called these facilities' advertising strategies misleading, and S.37 makes them subject to Vermont's existing false and misleading advertising statutes.

Collectively, H.89 and S.37 go a step further than Article 22, an amendment to the state constitution guaranteeing "reproductive liberty" that passed with majority support in every Vermont city and town last fall.

Such laws are among the first in the nation. In the words of David Cohen, a Drexel University law school professor, they represent an advent of the post-Roe "interjurisdictional abortion wars."

Both bills passed overwhelmingly in the Vermont House and Senate. They were widely supported by prominent Vermont medical organizations and institutions, as well as reproductive care and LGBTQ+ advocacy groups such as Planned Parenthood of Northern New England and OutRight Vermont. Anti-abortion rights groups such as Vermont Family Alliance objected to the legislation.

While the two bills saw broad support among legislators, there was a last-minute hiccup: When news broke that a federal judge in Texas ruled that Food and Drug Administration approval of mifepristone, a widely used

abortion medication, should be revoked, lawmakers scurried to add in additional, specific protections for abortions carried out by medicine. Medication is the most commonly used method for abortion nationwide and in Vermont.

KEEP AN EYE ON THESE

With the House and Senate still at loggerheads over how to pay for it, a push by Democrats to inject a historic infusion of cash into Vermont's ailing childcare system is at risk of collapsing.

Lawmakers have been negotiating behind the scenes for weeks over how to finance S.56, a bill that would pump about \$120 million a year into the state's childcare subsidy program. But House and Senate negotiators appear no closer to a deal as Friday, their planned adjournment date, creeps ever closer.

"We have hit an impasse on funding," Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Baruth, D/P-Chittenden Central, conceded Tuesday evening.

— Lola Dufford

The Vermont Senate this week voted to override Gov. Phil Scott's veto of S.5, a bill that would set up, but not implement, a clean heat standard.

The body needed a two-thirds majority to overcome Scott's veto, and senators cleared that threshold with a 20-10 vote Tuesday. The measure now returns to the House, which is scheduled to hold its own override vote Thursday. If Democratic leaders of the House are also able to summon a two-thirds majority, the bill would become law over the Republican governor's objections.

Conor Kennedy, chief of staff to House Speaker Jill Krowinski, D-Burlington, said he's confident the House also has the votes to override Scott's veto.

— Emma Cotton

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Submissions must be received by 11 a.m. on Wednesday for publication in the Thursday paper. Email obits@addisonindependent.com or call 802-388-4944 for more information.

Mt. Independence to host pre-season bird walk

ORWELL — Mount Independence State Historic Site in Orwell will host an "Early Bird Nature Walk" on Saturday, May 20, from 8-11 a.m. The walk, led by bird expert Sue Wetmore of Brandon, is a special event before the museum opens for 2023 on May 26.

Wetmore is an engaging guide, and will introduce participants to the birds of spring, spring migration, and identifying

whatever birds appear. Wear sturdy shoes and dress for the weather. Bring water and your binoculars if you want. No pets please.

Meet in front of the museum. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$1 for children 14 to 6, under 6 free.

Mount Independence is located on Mount Independence Road, six miles west of the intersections of VT Routes 22A and 73 near Orwell village.

ADDISON COUNTY

School News

Middlebury Union High School graduate Lacey Greenamyre was recently named the Castleton University women's lacrosse team's Most Valuable Player.

Greenamyre, a senior, finished the year with 118 draw controls — second-most all-time in a single season in program history — and ranks third all-time in the program with 260 career draw controls. She is tied for seventh on the all-time career assist list with 53, and her 90 career caused turnovers ranks sixth.

This season the Middlebury resident had seven assists in a win over Mitchell College, a number

that ranks second all-time in a single game for the Spartans.

Greenamyre was named to the Castleton Dean's List for the fall semester of the 2022-23 academic year.

Middlebury's Bree Cotroneo was one of four Saint Michael's College men's and women's tennis student-athletes to qualify for College Sports Communicators NCAA Division II Academic All-District honors.

Eligible students must have at least a 3.50 cumulative grade-point average by their sophomore seasons.

Cotroneo, a graduate of Middlebury Union High School, appeared at No. 2 singles and No. 1 doubles during the fall, aiding the squad as a captain. A Media Studies, Journalism & Digital Arts major with a 3.69 GPA, Cotroneo has landed on the NE10 Academic Honor Roll six times, earned ITA Scholar-Athlete accolades three times, and claimed a pair of D2 ADA Academic Achievement Awards.

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SOPHOMORES TRYPHENE MIGUEL, left, and Jackson Gernander are two members of Full Send, the growing group of VUHS students who are working with administrators and board members to plan next week's second annual Social Justice Festival and Community Discussion at the Vergennes school. Full Send is dedicated to improving the school's climate for all.

Independent photo/Andy Kirkaldy

VUHS

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Full Send member Claire Clark, who is Asian, for example, spoke to the *Independent* of one teacher who consistently confused her with a male Asian student. At a parent-teacher conference, another teacher assumed that her father, who is white (Claire is adopted), was the parent of a much older white student with a similar name. Other stories of racism have been more direct.

But now Addison Northwest School District administrators and school board members also have troubling hard data: VUHS students' results in a national survey on school climate show many are unhappy. Only 41% of the school's students — grades 7 through 12 — said they felt a sense of belonging there.

"It was shocking to me to hear the extent of non-belonging," said ANWSD Board Member Laurie Childers, a member of the board's Community Engagement Committee.

Miguel said the members of Full Send were not as surprised. As well as having read the slurs on their canvases to remind them of what they knew, they had also navigated the lonely COVID shutdown times and the painful reintegration into school life that followed, all during already difficult tween and early teen years. They see the issues as related.

"We did do a canvas thing, and we got kind of similar shocking results on it. It, I guess, shows why the data is like that," Miguel said.

It should be noted that the survey's low numbers dropped further for minority students — 34% for Latinx or Black students and 13% for Asians felt a sense of belonging at VUHS. For LGBTQIA responders, the number

was 31%.

The results also showed an economic divide: 32% of students eligible for free breakfasts and 29% for reduced-price meals felt a sense of belonging at the middle/high school.

"Coming off the experience of COVID, which was very isolating for people, I think our culture, our climate, our community is really suffering from a great deal of loneliness and lack of connection. So I think the students' data reflects that."

— Superintendent Sheila Soule

Full Send members and administrators — including board members and Monica Desrochers, ANWSD's Recovery Coordinator for Equity and Inclusion, and ANWSD Director of Learning Gabe Hamilton — say they have been taking steps to improve the school's climate.

Next week all will cooperate on their next moves. On Wednesday, May 17, Full Send and its advisors, including Desrochers and Hamilton, will stage their second annual Social Justice Festival at VUHS. The ANWSD board will piggyback that event with a community discussion led by Full Send members. The topic of that discussion: "How can we enhance safety and belonging in our schools and in our community?"

Community Engagement Committee members made it clear students would spark that discussion. ANWSD board member Erica Andrus called the event "different and important" because of the joint coordination effort by students and adults.

"The event in the evening involves the students very centrally," Andrus said. "The students will be leading the discussion. They'll be helping drive what questions are asked and what we'll be asking people to share and what topics we want to talk about in these discussions."

This year, Full Send members said they have already gained traction with workshops and events, some that have reached out to the larger community.

Clark said she believes both that Full Send is making a difference, and that larger outreach is critical.

"I definitely do think we're going in the right direction now," Clark said. "I think race enmity is taught. Nobody is born with a ton of hate in their heart or a ton of hate in their head. Your mindset comes from your environment, I believe, and your parents and their beliefs, and from friends, too."

The Social Justice Festival at the school will kick off with an outdoor lunch between 11 and 11:40 a.m.

Next up, St. Michael's College Professor Rebecca Haslam will speak for about 25 minutes in the school auditorium on what a white person can do to stand up again racism.

What will follow are three 30-minute rotations that will offer students a choice of six or seven activities in each time slot. For example, the first block offers soccer; embroidery, "Hot Chocolate and Conversation" on sensitive issues of inclusion, tie-dyeing PRIDE shirts, a workshop with a representative from the Vermont Holocaust Museum, and an opportunity to work with the

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Vermont State Police Log

ADDISON COUNTY — This past January, Vermont State Police in New Haven barracks began an investigation into Thomas Utter, 34, of Bristol for numerous offenses spanning July of 2022 to January of 2023.

Police late last week reported that their investigation showed that Utter had committed multiple offenses during this period. On May 4 they cited him for two counts of domestic assault, cruelty to a child, unlawful restraint in the second degree, three counts of committing an offense in presence of child, disorderly conduct, violation of conditions of release and violation of abuse prevention order.

In other recent activity, troopers:

- On May 1 at a few minutes after 10 p.m. stopped a motor vehicle on Route 7 near Fern Lake Road in Leicester. The trooper identified the passenger of the vehicle as Christopher L. Herring, 42, of Rutland City. The officer arrested Herring, who had a warrant out for his arrest for grand larceny less than \$900. Police took him to the Marble Valley Correctional Facility where he was lodged.

- Police identified the driver in the May 1 incident as David R. Farnham, 43, of Rutland City. While speaking with him, troopers detected indicators of impairment, so they screened him and arrested him on suspicion of driving while under the influence of drugs. Farnham was taken to Porter Medical Center to be evaluated after a medical incident. Police cited Farnham for DUI and for driving with a criminally suspended license.

- On May 2 at 10 minutes to 5 p.m. responded to a one-car rollover on Shard Villa Road in

Salisbury. Police determined that Pamela Thomas, 58, of Whiting was travelling southbound on Shard Villa Road when she lost control of the 2010 Kia Soul she was driving due to a defective wheel. Thomas went into the ditch and her vehicle rolled onto its roof.

Thomas was evaluated by EMS and taken to Porter Medical Center for suspected minor injuries. Later, police issued her a ticket for driving a motor vehicle with defective equipment, a violation that carries a penalty of \$105.

State police were assisted by the Salisbury Fire Department and Middlebury Regional EMS.

- On May 4 at 1:05 a.m. checked on a disabled vehicle near the intersection of Route 7 and Little Chicago Road in Ferrisburgh. Police cited Neeraj Bharati, 33, of South Burlington for driving under the influence of drugs.

- On May 4 at around 10:41 p.m. responded to a one-car rollover on Route 22A near Mutton Square Road in Orwell. After investigating, police said Joseph Marcotte, 37, of Corinth was driving a 2019 Chevy 6500 HD northbound on Route 22A when the trailer he was towing began to fishtail.

Marcotte lost control of the vehicle and left the northbound lane. He attempted to reenter the roadway, struck a utility pole and the Chevy came to rest across both lanes of Route 22A. The passenger and owner of the trailer — Chris Khamnei, 57, of Burlington — sustained suspected minor injuries and was transported to a local hospital. Marcotte was uninjured.

The Vermont State Police were assisted by members of the Orwell Fire Department and Middlebury Regional EMS.

- On May 8 at a little before 12:30 p.m. troopers on patrol came upon a two-vehicle crash on Route 7 near the Starry Night Café in Ferrisburgh. Police report that Wayne Lachat, 57, of Shoreham was driving a 2018 Ford Expedition southbound at a reasonable speed when June Hendrick, 69, of Vergennes, driving a 2003 BMW 325iT entered Route 7 from a private driveway off the southbound lane without yielding to Lachat's SUV. The Expedition struck the front of the BMW's passenger's side, forcing it into the northbound lane. The Beemer then returned the southbound lane before leaving the roadway and overturning. Both vehicles were towed from the scene and Lachat was transported by ambulance to UVM Medical Center with reported back pain. No injuries were reported for Hendrick.

Police issued Hendrick a traffic ticket that carries a fine of \$220 and 2 points on her insurance. Troopers were assisted on scene by Vergennes police, Vergennes Area Rescue Squad and Ferrisburgh Fire Department.

- On May 9 at a few minutes before noon logged a report of a vehicle driving erratically and then crashed on Route 116 South near River Road in Bristol. Troopers found the driver, who identified himself as Tyler Pion, 33, of Westmore. Pion was transported to Vergennes Police Department for processing and eventually charged for driving under the influence of drugs, negligent driving and violation of conditions.

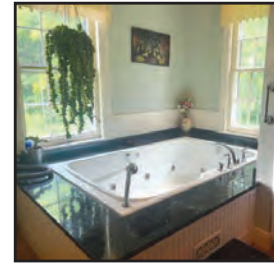
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Elder care scholarships available

WATERBURY — A Vermonter's quality of life is significantly enhanced by their ability to receive in-home care versus residential care in a facility such as a nursing home. According to the most recent U.S. Census data, the State of Vermont's median age is the second oldest in the United States. The shortage of direct care nursing staff statewide is a challenge to providing those critical in-home supports. A new initiative is underway to address this critical staff shortage within in-home health.

The Vermont Direct Care Initiative is an intradepartmental collaboration within Department of Disabilities, Aging, and Independent Living between the Adult Services Division (Money Follows the Person Program, a federal demonstration project funded through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid services) and HireAbility Vermont (formerly VocRehab). The goal is to increase the number of trained Direct Care Workers providing in-home health care, improve recruitment and retention of Direct Service

Workers, and promote the healthcare career ladder through scholarships and mentorships.

"This program is a great example of a state and federal partnership that addresses a critical need in supporting the safety and security of some of our most vulnerable citizens. Caregiver support is a vital component for older Vermonters and people with disabilities who wish to remain in their own homes and communities," said Lynne Cleveland Vitzthum, Project Director for the Money Follows the Person Program.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Scholarship Program is now accepting applications. Each scholarship will be valued at \$5,000 and can be used towards education or training for in-home Direct Care Workers. This could include LNA certificate programs, LNA-LPN-RN career ladder or specific skill development (behavior management, nutrition, Alzheimer's specialty training, etc.).

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS:

- At least 12 months of work

as a Direct Care Worker providing in-home care.

- Priority given to those who are currently employed with a Home Health Agency or Homebased Provider and providing in-home care.

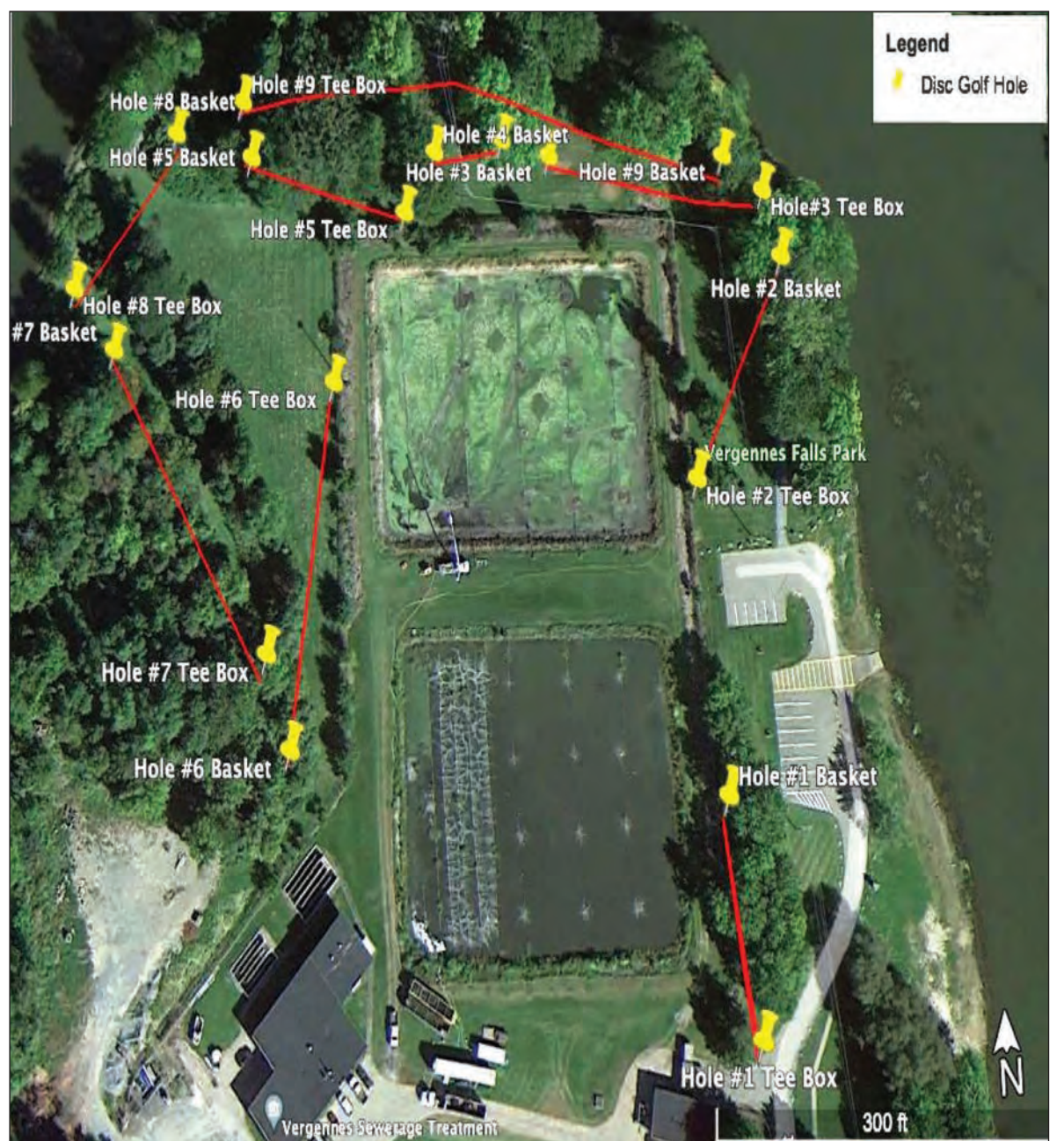
- Personal goal to continue education and employment within in-home direct care.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

- Completed Application Form
- Short essay
- Updated Resume
- Mentorship Program.

Mentorships provide an opportunity for Direct Care Workers to deepen their knowledge, connect with others in the field, and have the support of an experienced Direct Care Worker to reflect and ask questions. The Mentorship Program is still in development stages with an anticipated Spring 2023 start date.

More information can be found on our website: Vermont Direct Care Initiative | Disabilities Aging and Independent Living.



THIS MAP SHOWS the layout of a nine-hole disc golf course proposed for Falls Park next to Otter Creek in Vergennes. The park, which has gained preliminary approval, would skirt existing recreation sites on the island, and holes direct Frisbee throws away from a pollinator garden (top rectangle).

Students

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school band to create a social justice song.

Activities in the other blocks include a Rokeby Museum presentation on abolition, mural painting, volleyball, a movie about BIPOC students in Vermont, West African drumming, "Planting for Peace," and banner painting.

The larger community outreach session begins at 4:30 p.m. and includes a viewing of a short documentary about Middlebury's Yellow House Community (learn more at tinyurl.com/b5rnxskf), dinner provided by the district food service, and then the Community Discussion.

Miguel said the students in Full Send have recently felt like partners in organizing events, citing a sit-down with teachers as well as the board members' and administrators' collaboration on next Wednesday's events.

"We're working and communicating with each other," she said. "Each and every one of us are becoming leaders and able to share ideas and opinions."

STUDENTS' OUTLOOK
Despite the data and the negative sentiments they face at times, Full Send members who sat down with the *Independent* in advance of next week's Social Justice Festival and community discussion, said overall they are not discouraged.

Even though Miguel said last year's Social Justice Festival was a bit "chaotic" due to lack of planning time, and Clark noted some students decided to skip school because it was half day, they

said its messages of acceptance for all and anti-bias landed at least "for some people," in Miguel's words.

And they said this year a group reinforced by strong middle school numbers — there are about a dozen-and-a-half members — has made an impact.

"We started this year at our first meeting and said, 'We're going to build off of that (last year's festival),'"

Miguel said. "Through that buildup people are going to start slowly understanding why we're doing this. And I think from last year to this year there's definitely been more understanding."

Germader joined in April after being recruited by Miguel. He was pleasantly surprised to see the number of members in the group, most of them middle schoolers, and to see momentum.

"A lot of them are younger kids, which is a very positive thing, because that means there is a future to this," he said. "Tryphene and Claire can teach them what we've done in the past and what they've done to lead the group. Which is a good thing, because I think it's going to have a lot of positive change."

Clark acknowledged Full Send has a few growing pains as it absorbs so many new people and opinions, but agreed it's a not a bad problem to have.

"It's good that we have more people joining. With so many people we have to, like, figure out how to structure it better," she said, also echoing Germader. "It's really important for these guys to step up and take it over when we're gone."

All agree with administrators

and board members that the focus on the larger community, not just the school, should be productive.

"A lot of students have bias," Miguel said. "But it's not really their bias. They grew with that, from their parents and the things they have seen. And by talking with the people that have been raising them we will be allowing them to be understanding what we're doing."

Soule said making the larger connections can only help foster that sense of belonging students and adults alike seek.

"I think to connect our adult community with our student community to recognize and support students' feelings about belonging is very important," Soule said. "And the issues highlighted in the Social Justice Festival are related to a student's, a child's, sense of belonging. We want everyone to feel like they belong in our schools, right? And in our community."

Clark and Miguel also brought home why minority students might feel less comfortable in school. They pointed to a curriculum that doesn't highlight accomplishments of people of color, as well as the racial issues they face personally.

Soule said those feelings, and those of other students as seen in the survey results, would form "the basis for our discussion" at Wednesday evening's community meeting. She hoped those discussions could be a "reflection of those feelings she's describing."

Clark also summed up Full Send's mission.

"Full Send is full of very passionate people," Clark said. "We're just hoping to spread awareness in the school and create a better community. And hopefully we can change others, or have others think of others' points of view on occasion."

Disc golf

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donation of four surplus disc baskets from an existing course at Vergennes Union High School.

"There really is no extra cost," Seyler said. "We'll be maintaining the course year-round."

They were also confident it would be a draw for Vergennes, noting they and a number of others who enjoy the growing sport now travel to courses as far away as Milton and New York state.

"I think this course would build up a community," Sestokas said.

Backers said they had worked with the city's Parks and Recreation Committee and Recreation Coordinator Martha DeGraaf in crafting the proposal.

They described a course that would be more user-friendly and versatile than the one installed about a decade ago behind VUHS. For one thing, DeGraaf noted to the council that course is off limits during school hours.

Proponents added the course would have two tees for each hole, offering both shorter and longer throws between the tee and the basket into which players try to toss their discs (commonly

called Frisbees), while the VUHS course offers only longer distances.

"It's a course for all skill levels," Sestokas said.

Backers also emphasized the course is sited not to interfere with use of existing park amenities, such as the picnic tables and trails. And, they said, even though the course runs around the pollinator garden, including into trees in the area, the holes are laid out so that players' throws lead away from the garden.

They have designed the course not to interfere with Green Mountain Power rights-of-way in the area, and GMP is on board.

Sestokas said they were "mindful of its a multi-use park" when proposing the course site and layout.

Councilors were supportive, but wanted to formalize a maintenance arrangement, probably by, as City Manager Ron Redmond put it, making the course part of the city's Department of Parks and Recreation's offerings.

Deputy Mayor Dickie Austin suggested the three presenters at the meeting could be part of a "recreation advisory committee" that could "work closely with

our recreation committee" on the course.

The backers estimated an installation cost of \$5,000, saying they could raise \$3,000 and asking for \$2,000 of support from the city's Watershed Fund. That funding would buy the remaining baskets, plus signs and tee pads.

That funding request proved to be at least a temporary sticking point. Redmond and the city treasurer are in the process of pinning down the Watershed Fund's exact balance. The council is limited to spending only a portion of the interest of that fund, which was created in the 1990s, when the city sold its former reservoir property in southwestern Bristol for \$300,000 and dedicated the interest accrued from the proceeds to supporting recreation.

Councilor Sue Rakowki summed up the council sentiment on the request.

"I'm not going to be able to vote in the affirmative unless we have a fund balance," she said.

Redmond said he expected to have a favorable number by the next time the council meets, and suggested, to the council's agreement, that the project backers could work with DeGraaf to put the project in motion.

"There's no reason they can't start it," he said. "This is a program of Vergennes Rec, and in terms of a fund balance, I think we're close ... For sure at the next meeting."

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Board endorses housing grants

By JOHN FLOWERS

MIDDLEBURY—In addition to hiring Karin Mott as Middlebury's next town clerk, the Middlebury selectboard on Tuesday took action on several items.

Board members unanimously endorsed Summit Properties' revised application for a \$1,250,000 grant through the Vermont Community Development Program that will help subsidize Stonecrop Meadows, a project calling for 250 new mixed-income homes to be located at 53 Seminary St. Ext.

They also endorsed the same developer's application for \$239,543 through the Vermont Community Development Revolving Loan Fund, to help subsidize Stonecrop Meadows and thus make the units more affordable to low- to moderate-income households.

In addition, board members:

- Appointed resident Natasha Sen to fill a vacancy on the Ilsley Library Board of Trustees. Sen will serve until next March, when

she and others will be able to run for the spot.

- Granted permission to Middlebury Regional EMS to hold a coin-drop fundraising event on May 27 at two locations in town — along Route 30 adjacent to Sanderson Funeral Home, and along North Pleasant Street, just north of the Maplefields store.

- Received a report from Addison County Solid Waste Management District Manager Teri Kuczynski on efforts to establish a new transfer station in New Haven that will accept residential trash, recyclables and, eventually, household hazardous waste. The district recently acquired 5.4 acres for the transfer station project, to be located at 65 Campground Road, close to Route 7. The *Independent* reported specifics of the plan in its May 4 edition.

- Agreed to enter into agreements with four companies that will participate in a design competition for a major makeover of the Ilsley Public Library. The winning company will be awarded the

design contract for a renovation-and-expansion project intended to make the 100-year-old library more user-friendly. The four design firms are gbArchitecture, Smith Alvarez Sienkiewicz, Vermont Integrated Architecture and Wiemann Lamphere/ReArch.

- Authorized Town Manager Kathleen Ramsay to enter into a site access license agreement with the Addison County Regional Planning Commission to oversee the identification, implementation, operation and maintenance of a riparian buffer planting for Barnes Brook, a topic covered in the May 4 edition of the *Independent*.

While it wasn't on their agenda, the selectboard also heard a presentation from Middlebury Consulting Group on potential strategies for helping the town achieve its goal of cutting its municipal carbon emissions by 80% before the end of this decade. The *Independent* will publish a story on this college student-led effort during the coming weeks.

Mott

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extend her tenure up to the end of this June to give the town a chance to recruit and appoint a successor who she could then train.

The town clerk is a full-time position in charge of municipal record keeping, issuing licenses and official documents, and conducting local, state and federal elections. Middlebury is among Vermont towns that continue to require local residency for the town clerk.

Earlier this spring, the selectboard formed a town clerk search committee that received 10 applications. The panel whittled the list down to three finalists who were interviewed. The selectboard on Tuesday unanimously nominated Mott to fill the job until next March, when she'll be able to run for the final two years on the term.

"I feel Karin is going to be a great addition to the town offices," Webster told the *Independent* on Wednesday. "We are thrilled to have found someone of her caliber and professional experience. After reaching a point of real concern about finding an appropriate candidate to fill the position of town clerk, the town was fortunate to have several stellar applicants step forward. I think Karin will bring great energy to the office and will work well serving community members."

Mott holds a bachelor's degree in clinical psychology from Old Dominion University (class of 1992) and completed master's work in ecological anthropology — with a focus on ecotourism — in 1997.

After serving four years with the Washington, D.C.-based U.S. Agency for International Development — first as a project assistant, then as a program coordinator — Mott helmed restaurants in Boulder, Colo., and Boston until 2002. That's when she and her family moved to Middlebury and Mott joined the Middlebury Natural Foods Co-op (MNFC), starting in the produce department and working her way up to her current role as marketing, education and membership manager.

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— Karin Mott

While she said she wasn't quite ready to commit to the town clerk job prior to the March election, Mott is now all-in and plans to seek re-election next March.

She's thoroughly enjoyed her almost 21 years at the Co-op, but Mott said she's now ready for a new challenge that will continue to allow her to serve the public.

"I get a great deal of satisfaction out of finding ways to 'make people's days.' I love customer service and I would love the opportunity to give back to the community that's given so much to me," said Mott, who with her husband Greg — a longtime educator at Proctor High School — have two daughters.

"I feel like this is the next step in my career," she added. "I'm very excited to learn new things that I wouldn't have had the chance to

learn about in any other way."

Mott has already begun weekly training sessions (Tuesdays) with Webster, according to Town Manager Kathleen Ramsay.

The MNFC has proved somewhat of a farm system for emergent Middlebury town clerks. Webster had spent 13 years as manager of the co-op prior to her town clerk tenure. Mott knows it's just a coincidence that both she and Webster have MNFC service on their resumes, but she sees logic in the career transition.

"There are some natural parallels between cooperatives and local government," she said. "Both involve a lot of voices, and when you're used to working with a lot of voices and trying to please a lot of people with different opinions, it's a natural training ground for moving into some stage of local government — especially a town clerk position, which is so forward facing."

"I'm used to thousands of people walking in every day who need things from us and who I'm excited to see and engage with," Mott added.

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A real stunner

IT'S NOT OFTEN that Blue Jays stop long enough for viewers to see the lovely patterns on their tail feathers. Thanks to a Weybridge resident, this photo captures them for all to see.

Photo by Susan Humphrey

By the way

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will be maintained via River Road. The closure is anticipated to be in effect until end of day on Friday, May 19. Motorists traveling through the project are asked to slow down and be alert for changes in traffic patterns.

The Middlebury Area Land Trust will hold an invasive species removal event on May 13 from 9:30-11:30 a.m., at Otter View Park off Weybridge Street. No experience or plant identification knowledge is required; MALT staff will train all volunteers on how to go about removing the targeted plants. Invasive species are non-native plants that have been introduced to an ecosystem by humans. Often, these plants compete with important native plants for space and resources and can cause issues throughout an ecosystem. Garlic mustard and poison parsnip are the main invasive species that threaten Otter View Park, and you can make a measurable difference by showing up on Saturday. Just register at tinyurl.com/27kwus2s, and show up with long pants, long sleeves, work gloves and any garden trowels or small digging tools you have. MALT will have some work gloves and garden trowels, but extras will be helpful.

If you live or travel through Middlebury during the next few months, you might notice hydrants around town flowing. There will be yellow signs placed next to the hydrants indicating that the town's water department is at work exercising the water system.

Middlebury's Quarry Hill School

is turning 50, and you're invited to the party, set for Saturday, May 20, from 7-10 p.m., at 2409 Munger St. in New Haven. Enjoy live music, hors d'oeuvres, and a cash bar while admiring beautiful mountain views from the school's spectacular party barn. Purchase a ticket online or at the door; proceeds will benefit the nonprofit school. Tickets are priced per-person, on a sliding scale — pay as much as you can comfortably afford. There will also be a silent auction benefiting the school's effort to buy a new outdoor play structure. Email erinpowersvt@gmail.com with questions and check out tinyurl.com/mr3835ba for tickets.

Last weekend's food drive spearheaded by Bristol's Five Town Partnership announced the effort yielded more than 60 bags of groceries and \$475, all collected to benefit the Have a Heart Food Shelf in Bristol and the Little Free Pantries of Monkton, New Haven, and Starksboro. The partnership is giving a big shout-out to all the donors and also to Shaw's Supermarket and the Bristol Fire Department.

Elderly Services Inc. in Middlebury has just launched a new series of virtual information sessions to be held on the third Thursday of each month from 10:30-11:30 a.m. The purpose of these sessions is to provide general information about caring for an elderly loved one here in our community, as well as offer an overview of the ESI adult day program, Project Independence. ESI's Project Independence is Vermont's largest adult day program, serving the region five

days a week. The organization also offers onsite nursing care, daily exercise programs, walking groups and Bone Builders programs to keep the strength and vitality elders have. To learn more about or register for one of these information sessions call Eileen Lawson at (802) 388-3983 or visit elderlyservices.org.

Average gasoline prices in Vermont have fallen 2.5 cents per gallon during the past week to \$3.53, according to GasBuddy's survey of 626 stations. Prices in the state are 9.7 cents higher than a month ago and 85.6 cents lower than a year ago. The cheapest station in Vermont was \$3.35 this week, and the most expensive was \$3.69. The national average is \$3.50 per gallon.

Those walking the Bristol Trail Network on select Sundays this summer and fall will be serenaded while they hike. It's called "Music On The Trail," and will feature a rotating cadre of musicians who will perform at a different spot on the trail from 1-4 p.m. during the second Sunday of each month, beginning June 11 and ending Oct. 8. Performers will include the "Va et Vient" (trio) on High School Trail on June 11; the Daddy Longlegs trio on Coffin Loop on July 9; Caleb Elder (duo or trio) on the Dump Trail on Aug. 13; Tim McKenzie on Basin Street Trail on Sept. 10; and Rodrigo Valencias on Business Park Loop on Oct. 8. There will be signs for the musical events at entry points to the trail. Look for a small white tent; that's where the musicians will set up. Bring a chair or stool if you wish to sit and listen, or simply pause while hiking the trail.

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SIXTEEN HANNAFORD CAREER Center students participated in the recent SkillsUSA-Vermont state competition. Out of the 16 students who competed, 9 medaled, including three gold medalists who will then represent Vermont at the upcoming National Championships. The student winners include: Diesel Equipment Technology — Walter Schondube (Gold), Spencer White (Silver), Hunter Collins (Bronze); Carpentry — Declan Anderson (Gold); Early Childhood Education — Carsyn Jennings (Silver); Culinary Arts — Jordan Hall (Bronze); Automotive Service Technology — Lucas Glover (Bronze); and Related Technical Math — Margaret Orten (Gold) and Lucy Podushnick (Bronze).

Photo courtesy of Nick Cantrick

Local man cited for disorderly conduct

MIDDLEBURY — Middlebury police cited Matthew Hall, 45, of Middlebury for disorderly conduct, assault on a law enforcement officer and criminal threatening, following an incident on Bakery Lane at around 8:21 p.m. on Friday, May 5.

Police said they took Hall to receive detox services in Rutland after citing him.

In other action last week, Middlebury police:

**Middlebury
 Police Log**

- Assisted state police on May 1 by performing a DUI drug evaluation on a person troopers had arrested for that offense on Porter Drive.
- Assisted Middlebury Regional

EMS (MREMS) on a medical call in the College Street area on May 1.

- Investigated a three-car crash, with no reported injuries, on Court Street on May 1.
- Assisted a woman in looking for a child who hadn't arrived on the school bus on May 1.
- Responded to a vandalism complaint in the Frog Hollow area on May 1.
- Investigated a disorderly

conduct complaint in Court Square on May 2. Police said two people had shoved each other during a verbal argument.

- Assisted MREMS on a medical call in the Daisy Lane area on May 2.

• Were informed of the theft of prescription paper from a printer at Porter Medical Center on May 3. Police said the case remains under investigation.

- Served a final stalking order on a Middlebury resident on May 3.
- Assisted Vermont State Police with a roadside DUI screening on Route 7 during the evening of May 4.

• Responded to a noise complaint at 1 Jayne Court during the evening of May 4.

- Investigated a hit-and-run accident at the intersection of College and Academy streets on May 4.

• Received a complaint about an alleged road-rage incident on Cross Street on May 4. The complainant said another driver had followed her, yelling at her about being an "aggressive driver."

- Assisted with "juvenile issues" at Middlebury Union Middle School and Mary Hogan Elementary on May 4.

• Responded to a reported domestic-abuse situation at a Court Street residence on May 4. But Police said they found no evidence of such a crime at the home.

- Performed a DUI drugs evaluation of a driver who had been stopped in town by state police on May 4.

• Assisted MREMS with a drunken man who had fallen in the Jayne Court area on May 5.

- Helped local U.S. Postal Service staff with a man they said had been verbally abusive on May 5.

• Investigating a retail theft complaint at a Court Street store on May 5.

- Assisted state police with traffic control on College Street related to a May 5 funeral.

• Cited Maranda Aunchman, 22, of Middlebury with trespassing on a Court Street property on May 5.

- Issued a noise ordinance violation to the hosts of a loud gathering at 48 Washington St. at around 1 a.m. on May 6. Police said the complaints related to loud music and yelling coming from the address.

• Received a report about a potentially impaired driver in the Monarch Court area on May 6. Police determined the driver wasn't impaired.

- Investigated reports of a loud party at 53 N. Pleasant St. during the afternoon of May 6. Police said the host shut the party down.

• Responded to a report of some "unruly" guests at the Middlebury Inn on May 6.

- Received a report on May 6 about a juvenile being injured by another juvenile who was using a pellet gun in the Munger Street area on May 6.

• Assisted a local resident who on May 7 reported receiving unwanted phone calls from a person.

- Received a report about an "irate" customer at the Maplefields store on North Pleasant Street on May 7.

• Responded to a complaint about a loud party at 14 Court St. at around 10:42 p.m. on May 7. Police said the party included loud music and people congregating outdoors.

- Restored the peace at a loud party at 14 Cross St. at around 1 a.m. on May 8.

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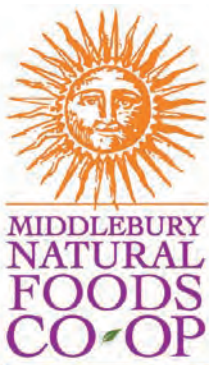
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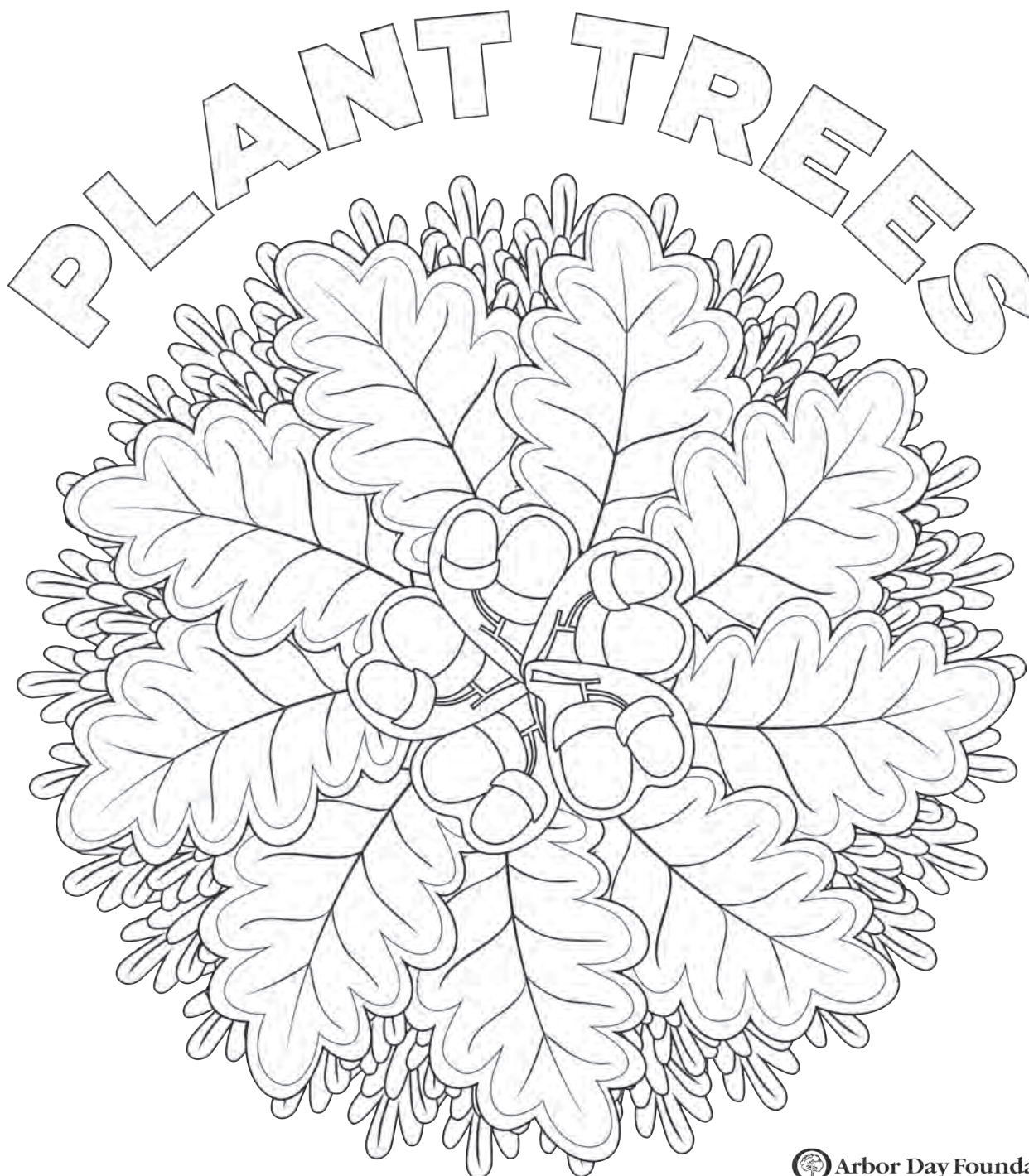
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St. Genevieve

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 ongoing decline in the number of St. Genevieve parishioners and the need for substantial renovations to the majestic church building at the intersection of Main Street and Route 22A.

But a core group of St. Genevieve parishioners — headed by Shoreham's Randall and Kathleen Brisson — want to keep the building open for at least two Catholic services per year and as a hub for worship, outreach and charity, including as a food shelf and clothing outlet for low-income families and migrant workers.

The Brissons — with the help of a Massachusetts lawyer — appealed Coyne's decision to the Dicastery on April 14, 2022.

"We bring this petition for hierarchical recourse to your congregation in order to avert a manifest injustice which we will suffer if Bishop Coyne's decree is not overturned, this being the deprivation of our right and the rights of all other Catholics to retain St. Genevieve Church as a chapel at our own expense," reads the appeal.

Those rights, according to the Brissons, include a minimum of two Catholic masses annually at St. Genevieve, one on the Feast of St. Genevieve (Jan. 3) and on the anniversary of the date of the church's dedication.

St. Genevieve is part of a Catholic parish that includes St. Bernadette Church in Bridport and St. Mary's Church in Middlebury.

As previously reported in the *Independent*, St. Genevieve Church needs repairs, including an estimated \$14,000 to fix rotting foundation supports, \$5,000-\$30,000 to stabilize the choir loft, \$90,000 to replace the stained-glass windows, along with exterior refurbishing and painting.

Professionally, the Brissons have a lengthy history of acquiring and renovating historic properties and they have cultivated a network of Shoreham-area folks who feel strongly about St. Genevieve's long-term survival — even if parishioners have to take on that assignment. They don't want to see the property sold and the church

building potentially demolished. The town of Shoreham has expressed no interest in acquiring the St. Genevieve building.

In 2020, the Diocese of Burlington (aka the St. Bernadette/St. Genevieve Parish Charitable Trust) and a newly-formed, nonprofit St. Genevieve Church Preservation Society tried to hammer out a five-year lease (at \$1 per year) for use of the church. Among other things, the proposed lease called for the tenants to ensure that:

"The Diocese was open to St. Genevieve being rented to a Preservation Society as a private chapel, in which private prayer and charitable services could be offered. That offer was declined by the interested parishioners."

— Father Luke Austin

• The church would be used by lessee as a "Roman Catholic private chapel and that the remainder of the premises will be used by lessee for purposes in conformity with the teachings of the Roman Catholic faith and not for any charitable, commercial, entertainment or residential purpose without the written authorization of lessor."

• That the building be repaired and made safe and up to code, that it not be used for "liturgy or public celebrations (including funerals), that the lessee be responsible for all necessary insurance policies."

Father Luke Austin — who leads the congregations of St. Mary's in Middlebury, St. Bernadette in Bridport and St. Genevieve — said "an impasse occurred in the negotiation over the building's canonical status and liturgical use" in a March 1, 2022, letter regarding the status of the lease.

He elaborated during an email exchange with the *Independent*: "The Diocese was open to St. Genevieve being rented to a Preservation Society as a private chapel, in which private prayer and charitable services could be offered. That offer was declined by the interested parishioners."

The Brissons this week contended the Diocese wasn't prepared to have the lease reflect Canonical law that they said gives the parishioners the legal right to two masses per year.

"We felt we needed to hold fast to this right as determined by the highest Catholic law," they said on a statement. "It was right and just."

LAY CATHOLICS

So the Brissons connected with attorney Brody Hale, founder of

the Catholic Church Preservation Society (CCPS). The CCPS is spearheading what is called the "St. Stephen Protomartyr Project" to "take custody through lease or conveyance, in accordance with canon law, Catholic churches which have been deemed to be no longer needed by the entities which own them (parishes, religious communities, etc.) in cases where no other party is present which could fund their continued care as sacred spaces (not relegated to profane but not sordid use)," according to the group's mission statement at churchpreservation.net.

The CCPS lists more than two-dozen churches nationwide that are now maintained by lay Catholics. None are in Vermont.

Hale agreed to help the Brissons with an appeal of Bishop Coyne's decision.

"We argued that since a plan was submitted by us for a nonprofit group to pay all of the costs associated with continuing to maintain the church as a Catholic chapel, no grave cause existed to completely shut the church down," the Brissons wrote in a communique to fellow St. Genevieve supporters.

Brody had not replied to an interview request from the *Independent* by the deadline for this newspaper.

The Brissons, during a phone interview, praised Brody for his work organizing the appeal of Coyne's 2020 decision to close St. Genevieve. And now, a year after the appeal was filed, the Vatican's Dicastery has ruled in the Brissons' favor.

It's a decision that in part reads, "The recurrences do not find there is cause of sufficient gravity, either on its face or assembled through the valid conglomeration of 'just' causes, exist which allows for the relegation of the church."

The Dicastery also wasn't sold on Bishop Coyne's specific reasons for closing St. Genevieve, those being a declining and aging parish, a lack of available clergy, a decline in student population, a dwindling number of dairy farms (once a major source of Catholic parishioners) and the availability of services at other Catholic churches

in the county.

And the Dicastery also rebuffed Bishop Coyne's assertion that repair needs should also seal the church building's fate.

"The costs to address these (St. Genevieve) safety issues ranged from \$17,000 to \$31,000," reads the Dicastery decision. "Additionally, the estimates to address the needed repairs and preservation of the church stained-glass windows (in excess of \$90,000) and repair and preservation of the church exterior, would mean expending more than \$120,000. These additional repairs, however, are not immediately necessary and do not represent a threat to the financial wellbeing of the parish."

The Brissons are pleased to have made their case to arbiters in the Vatican.

"We are heartened that the highest law of the Catholic Church has revoked the bishop's decree to close and possibly destroy St. Genevieve's Church," the Brissons said through a statement.

"As a preservation group, we hope to work with the diocese to keep St. Genevieve's as a beacon of hope in our small town. In addition to offering a place of quiet prayer and reflection, we also hope to offer essential community charity services from the attached annex, possibly including a food shelf/thrift shop."

Father Austin said no church services are being scheduled for St. Genevieve while its status remains "in contention."

Asked about the annual cost of maintaining the empty church building, Father Austin replied,

"We argued that since a plan was submitted by us for a nonprofit group to pay all of the costs associated with continuing to maintain the church as a Catholic chapel, no grave cause existed to completely shut the church down."

— Randall and Kathleen Brisson



PARISHIONERS OF ST. GENEVIEVE on Route 22A in Shoreham have won at least a temporary reprieve for their place of worship, which Roman Catholic Bishop of Burlington Christopher J. Coyne has tabbed for closure.

Independent file photo/John Flowers

"There is no direct financial cost to the Diocese to maintain the church. Rather, the primary impact is on the parish. The Bishop, as overseer and trustee for the parish, is concerned about long-term sustainability, given the small number of Shoreham residents who actually attend the parish Mass. As I understand his position, it is not simply a question of short-term building repairs and (he) disagrees with the congregation's analysis of treating it as such."

Bishop Coyne has 60 days in which to appeal the Dicastery's decision, issued on April 3. The appeal would be made to Apostolic Signatura — the Catholic Church's

highest judicial authority.

"We sincerely hope he does not (appeal) and that instead he follows in the footsteps of other bishops in the U.S. who are negotiating agreements with Catholics who wish to maintain sacred churches like St. Genevieve as Catholic sacred spaces at their own expense," the Brissons said in a recent message to supporters. "We have reached out to Father Austin and the Diocese of Burlington, asking them to meet with us to reach a negotiated solution to the question of the future of St. Genevieve Church."

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Jewish community

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the Havurah's meeting house at 56 North Pleasant St. in Middlebury. The event will include a raffle and will feature an evening of drinks, hors d'oeuvres, musical entertainment and dedication of Havurah's small library to the late Lyn Lifshin. Lifshin was a nationally renowned poet who once resided at 56 North Pleasant St., the former Lazarus family home that the clan donated to the Jewish community in 1999. It has since served as a hub for the spiritual sustenance, fellowship and educational opportunities for the Jewish community.

A sign and other tributes are also being prepared for a special ceremony this fall that will honor the Lazarus family. They were the first Jewish family to settle in Middlebury back in 1919. The ceremony will include dedication of the "Lazarus Family Hall," which among other things now hosts Havurah's flourishing Hebrew school.

The group will further honor its benefactor with a "Lazarus Family tree" that will be planted in the yard of the meeting house.

"We decided this year to do something social, fun and simple that will get people together," Sarit Katzew, Havurah's director of education and its program/outreach coordinator, said of this year's fundraiser.

Money raised through the soiree — more about that below — will help the organization continue its programming for members regardless of their ability to pay, and to ensure its ongoing support for community initiatives, including free meals provided through the Middlebury-area religious community. Havurah also occasionally hosts speakers and screens films that are of interest to the community at large.

Havurah began its life as an unaffiliated, lay-led, volunteer-driven community — and it's continuing in that tradition. Katzew is one of few paid staff in

the group's history, and her energy is inspiring. Her expansive job description runs the gamut from teaching Hebrew school, to serving as the group's website director, to troubleshooting occasional plumbing issues at the building.

Everyone pitches in to preserve the Jewish community's traditions and voice.

"Without the people power and a little money to back that up, there wouldn't be a Havurah, which literally means, 'a fellowship,'" Katzew said. "It's people coming together for a common cause who want to provide these unique Jewish experiences and have a unified idea that there needs to be Jewish life around here that's supported. We do the best we can to meet the needs as they arise."

At last count, Havurah's membership was 65 households, which translates to around 90 individuals, according to Katzew.

"(Membership) ebbs and flows, but we are steadily working our way toward growth," she said.

A key harbinger of that growth has been Havurah's Hebrew school, which each Monday afternoon (during the academic year) imparts Jewish customs and Hebrew language to children ages 5 through mid-teens. Enrollment during the past year swelled from six to 14 students. This fall, the school's ranks are expected to rise to more than 20.

Some of that increase can be traced to pandemic transplants and the employment market bringing in more Jewish residents. Katzew is glad to be able to hire students from the college's Hillel organization to help teach Hebrew classes. The educational relationship goes in both directions, as Katzew is the Shlichei Tzibur Fellowship Instructor at the college.

"Living in a rural area, the closest infrastructures synagogue is in Burlington or Rutland," Katzew said. "That's a hike for people, especially those with young kids. The fact we can offer a Hebrew school program, an adult education



SARIT KATZEW stands outside Havurah, the Jewish community of Addison County, where she is director of education and program/outreach coordinator. She's organizing a May 20 fundraiser at Havurah's Middlebury homebase that will support the organization's programming and honor people who were instrumental in supporting the local Jewish community.

Independent photo/John Flowers

program, when someone needs to say prayers around burial rites or marking the anniversary of a death — different things that arise in Judaism. Not having to say, 'How can I get to a synagogue,' which is maybe an hour away... Being able to offer those things right here is very important."

Havurah doesn't yet offer weekly Jewish religious services, but that time will come. And thanks to its close relationship with Middlebury College, Havurah is able to ensure the vast majority of the local Jewish congregation's spiritual needs can be met locally.

The group can also deliver on special requests from local Jewish folks and visitors. For example, a Jewish person might be visiting Middlebury College and have a need to say kaddish, a prayer to mourn a loved one who has died. This requires convening a minyan

— a group of at least 10 people to help recite the prayer.

"I contact people on my Havurah list and say we have someone who needs to say kaddish, and people show up," Katzew said.

The same help is offered to Jewish families in need of funerals, shiva minyans (spiritual healing gatherings), bar and bat mitzvahs, baby naming ceremonies, and more. Havurah is fortunate that Katzew can lead many of the aforementioned services. She serves a high holy day pulpit at a small congregation at Temple Concord in Binghamton, N.Y., and has been their Cantorial soloist since 2013. Katzew holds an Executive Master's Degree in Jewish Education from Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.

LAZARUS LEGACY

David Rosenberg, a longtime member of Havurah, is assembling an archive called "Preserving the Lazarus Family Legacy." His research notes that Harry and Stella Lazarus (their children were Eugene, Frieda, Stanton and Herbert) moved into 56 North Pleasant St. back in 1919. Harry and Stella had arrived in Middlebury in 1911 to open a clothing store called the Middlebury Supply Company, which was located in what became known as the Lazarowitz Block on Main Street. In 1946, Harry's son Stanton took over the business and renamed it the Lazarus Department Store.

A fire destroyed the original building in 1964, after which the store moved into the adjacent Beckwith Block (now the Duclos Building), until a two-story replacement was built in 1970. Several businesses rented space in the Lazarus building from 1984 until its demolition in 2015. The Beckwith Building was also home to the well-known United Five and Dime store, run by Stan's brother Eugene "Mike" Lazarus from 1939 to 1985. Stan sold the department store to long-time employee Helen Haerle, who moved the store back

to the Beckwith Block and operated it until it closed in 1996.

The town of Middlebury paid tribute to the family with the dedication of the new Lazarus Park on Aug. 21, 2021. The park is located off Printer's Alley on the site of the former Lazarus Department Store on Main Street.

Stan Lazarus served in the Vermont House of Representatives as a Democrat — at a time when Vermont was decidedly Republican. He and his family established scholarships for area high school students, and Stan, at his store, was known to give shoes or a winter coat to children of families that had fallen on tough times.

Lyn Lifshin was one of Frieda Lazarus's two daughters. During Lyn's childhood she, her mother and her sister Joy lived in the Lazarus home at 56 North Pleasant. She became one of the most widely published American contemporary poets. A documentary film, "Lyn Lifshin: Not Made of Glass," describes her emergence as an early feminist poet. Author of more than 130 books and editor of four anthologies of women writers, she taught poetry at the University of Rochester, Antioch, and Colorado Mountain College.

Lifshin died in 2019. Her life partner, Albert Jordan, made a donation to Havurah earlier this year that included funds and many of Lifshin's published books of poetry and other Lazarus Family memorabilia.

Rosenberg modestly calls himself "more of an editor than an author." He continues to gather bits and pieces of Lazarus family news for the archive — an assignment rendered more difficult by the fact that there are no more descendants who can speak for the family.

"Preserving the Lazarus Family Legacy" is now in its 8th draft, and there will be more, Rosenberg assures. He'll be visiting the Sheldon Museum archives later this month, which will undoubtedly add to the book.

The Rosenbergs arrived in Middlebury in 1972 with their two young children who would get clothed and shod at Lazarus Department Store. Stan Lazarus introduced David Rosenberg to the community and local politics. Rosenberg also came to know Lifshin and her celebrated career as a poet.

"It's been a labor of love for me," Rosenberg said of the book, an endeavor he will discuss at a Sheldon Museum talk tentatively set for June 28.

Judaism — like many other religions — is respectful of its past. And that's a big reason for the tributes being planned for Lifshin and the Lazarus family. Signs and plaques are being prepared to salute the honorees.

"We're doing a lot of things right now to try to bolster and honor this amazing family's legacy, because it's so integral to the history of Havurah," Katzew said. "We want to lay this solid foundation and then shift our attention to, Where is Havurah headed? What does the current membership want it to be? How is it evolving and adapting to current times? What does the current membership have the energy for?"

"This next year is going to be a re-envisioning year of leadership structures, priorities and values," she added. "It's a really exciting time. We know where Havurah has been; now we need to chart where Havurah is going, and we have this great upward momentum of a growing school and new families coming into the fold."

Get full details about Havurah's Spring Soiree at tinyurl.com/mrxmppy. Please RSVP by May 17; admission is \$20. Raffle tickets are \$10 each and place you in the running for a suite of prizes that include a "Night-on-the-Town" — featuring a local restaurant gift certificate, Marquis Theater movie passes, with soda & popcorn, and a "Spoil Yourself Basket," featuring a massage with Mary Caron at Otter Creek Yoga Studio space, and CBD massage products.

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VERONICA CIAMBRA OF Addison Allies Network accepts a check for \$11,130 from 100+ Women Who Care of Addison County at their quarterly meeting in Bristol on April 18.

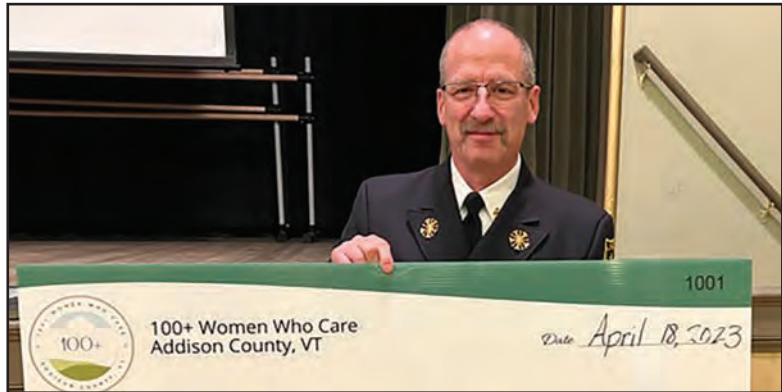
Group donates to local organizations

BRISTOL — The organization 100+ Women Who Care of Addison County had their first in-person meeting at Holley Hall in Bristol on Tuesday, April 18. More than 70 area women participated in person or on Zoom.

100+ Women Who Care, Addison County is a charitable giving circle that gathers quarterly to choose three nonprofits to receive its collective donations. Every quarter, each member contributes one hundred dollars to go toward local organizations — 159 members gave this quarter, which meant that \$15,900 was available to gift.

The three finalists for this quarter were the Opera Company of Middlebury (for their Young Artist Program), The Battell Hose Company/Middlebury Fire Department (for outdated-equipment upgrades providing safety for Addison County residents) and The Addison Allies Network (for providing needed services and goods to migrant farm workers and immigrants living in Addison County). All three of the finalists gave engaging presentations. Addison Allies was the top vote recipient. They received 70% of the available funds. The runners-up both received 15% of the available funds.

100+ Women Who Care Addison



MIDDLEBURY FIRE CHIEF David Shaw accepted a check for \$2,385 from 100+ Women Who Care of Addison County on behalf of the Battell Hose Company/Middlebury Fire Department



THE OPERA COMPANY of Middlebury, represented by Allison Steinmetz, was awarded \$2,385 from 100+ Women Who Care of Addison County for its Young Artist program.

Photos courtesy of Judy Kowalczyk

County would love to welcome new members who share its commitment to supporting each other and the community. Find them

at www.100wacvt.org to learn more. The next meeting will be July 18 at the Town Hall Theater in Middlebury.

Turtles must remain in their habitat

MONTPELIER — The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department reminds Vermonters that keeping native turtles as pets is prohibited. It can harm the turtle and pose threats to wild turtle populations.

“Capturing a wild turtle and keeping it as a pet, even if only for a short time, is detrimental to that individual turtle and also to Vermont’s turtle populations as a whole,” said Vermont Fish and Wildlife herpetologist Luke Groff. Releasing captured turtles back into the wild also has risks, according to Groff, including introducing diseases or disrupting the genetics of wild populations.

“Adult turtles often have well-defined home ranges and know exactly where to find shelter, food and mates. Turtles released in unfamiliar habitats are likely to be disoriented and stressed, and they may attempt to return home, potentially causing them to cross roads and be struck by vehicles.”

Groff says taking a turtle out of the wild means removing its reproductive contribution to the population. “Turtles are slow to develop, especially those living at northern latitudes where the growing season is short. Many of Vermont’s turtle species do not reproduce until they are at least 10 years of age. Older, sexually mature females are critically important to the long-term persistence of some Vermont turtle populations. The loss of even a couple mature females from some populations may have serious consequences.”

Some common species you are likely to see include the painted turtle and snapping turtle. The wood turtle, spotted turtle and spiny softshell are rare in Vermont, and the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department urges you to report sightings of these species to the Vermont Reptile and Amphibian



BRINGING HOME A native Vermont wild turtle to keep as a pet is illegal because it can be harmful to the individual animal and local turtle populations.

Photo by Luke Groff, VTF&W

Atlas at www.vtherpatlas.org.

If you see some of Vermont’s native turtles, Groff says to feel free to take a photo home with you, but support Vermont’s turtles by leaving them in the wild.

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Bristol Beat

Bristol creates grant writer role, considers ARPA projects

By MARIN HOWELL

BRISTOL — The town of Bristol is in the process of developing a grant writer and administrator position that municipal officials hope will help the town bring in more money. The Bristol selectboard at its meeting on Monday pledged approximately \$65,000 of the town's American Rescue Plan Act funds to support the position for the first year, an amount subject to change depending on when and by whom the role is filled.

Bristol Town Administrator Valerie Capels said the selectboard was very supportive of creating the new role and that town officials feel the new position will be a big

help to the municipality.

"The different departments have a lot of things going on and they don't always have the capacity to apply for grants that might be available. And once the grants are awarded, they have to be complied with, all of the different requirements and conditions have to be met," Capels told the *Independent*. "This position would help support departments in both obtaining additional grants and administering them."

A draft job description for the position summarizes the grant writer and administrator's responsibilities as "to assist the town in securing and administering a wide range of grants to support

the operations of each department and other municipal government functions," as well as helping with project management like drafting requests for proposals.

Other duties of the grant writer and administrator are expected to include:

- Researching grant opportunities that align with the municipality's functions and departmental priorities.

- Writing grant proposals that specify the need or activity to be addressed and proposed use of the requested funding.

- Supporting department heads and staff in administration of grants, including necessary reporting, documentation and other requirements.

Capels said the town plans to advertise the hourly, full-time position as soon as possible. The new role is intended to remain a permanent town position.

ARPA, POLICE STATION

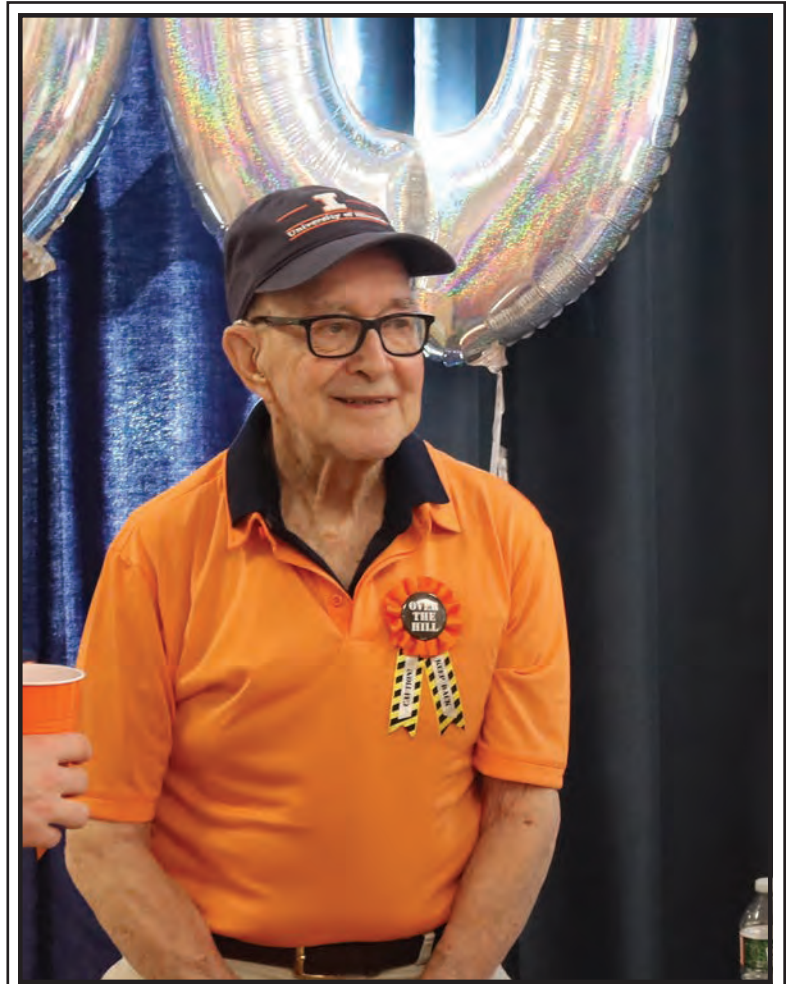
In other activity at its May 8 meeting, the Bristol selectboard:

- Allocated \$1,000 of the town's ARPA funding to support Bristol CORE's efforts to bring back

the Bristol Farmers Market and Pocock Rocks Festival. The board reviewed a list of ARPA funding allocation proposals compiled by the town's ARPA Funding Advisory Committee and will solicit more detailed cost proposals for the identified projects before making additional ARPA funding allocation decisions.

- Approved an amendment to the Bristol Police Department's rental agreement for its space at BristolWorks, extending the current 10-year lease agreement by three years. The lease was previously set to expire in September, and the town is in the process of considering long-term plans for the police station's location, as the department has outgrown its current home on Munsill Avenue.

- Authorized a request to apply for a \$4,000 capacity grant through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program. If awarded, the grant would support hiring a grant writer to develop an application up to \$500,000 through the Municipal Energy Resilience Program, to support municipal building renovation projects that increase energy resilience. This grant writer position is separate from the one discussed above.



Start of 10th decade

THE FAMILY OF Bristol's Joe Devall, formerly the long-time CEO of Co-operative Insurance Companies and a current member of the breakfast klatch known as the Old Farts Club, decided to throw a party to celebrate his completion of 90 years on this Earth. They thought they'd invite a few people to the Bristol American Legion for an intimate affair, but Joe kept inviting more and more people. On this past Saturday around 70 came out to give their best wishes to Joe, to share some stories and to honor Joe for the work he's done in the community. As it turns out, the actual date of the anniversary of Joe's birth is today, May 11. Wish Joe a Happy Birthday when you see him.

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NEWS

LINCOLN — "Create Your Emergency Exit File: Let's Talk About What You Do Not Want to Talk About," a finalizing financial peace of mind presentation with Christine Moriarty will be held at the Lincoln Library on Tuesday, May 16, at 6:30 p.m. The greatest caring gift you can leave behind is documentation to take care of the details of your passing so that your loved ones can grieve in peace. Facing the facts does not have to be scary or overwhelming. Once you have a plan in place, you can rest easy that your wishes will be followed financially and physically. This session will help you answer these questions: What do you want? What common mistakes need to be avoided? How can you be sure your wishes are followed? How do you organize for the next stage of life? What are your specific needs?

Moriarty will teach participants how to plan for death and disability in a way that is easy, caring, and gentle — all in the safety and community of the library. Come learn! Pre-registration suggested but not required.

There will be a quilt raffle to benefit the Lincoln Library. Tickets are \$5 each or 5 tickets for \$20 and will benefit the services and programs at the library. The quilt is made by Lise Lathrop and measures 55 by 43 inches. The winner will be drawn on Saturday, May 27.

Quest and Quest Again! Lincoln
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Andrews

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culture and other stories from her time stationed in each country.

The memoir's introduction tells the story of Andrews's life and work prior to starting her international career, including her journey to becoming a nurse practitioner. She describes her childhood dream to become a nurse as being shaped by the careers and experiences of her family members.

During her time growing up in Middlebury, Andrews's father worked as a family physician at Porter Hospital. Her grandfather and great-grandfather had also worked in the medical field, with her great-grandfather serving as the fifth medical superintendent of the former Mary Fletcher Hospital in Burlington.

On the other side of her family tree, Andrews's maternal grandparents spent more than four decades living and working in Rawalpindi, India, where her mother was raised.

"I had the international from mom and the health part from my family," Andrews explained.

With both sides of her family inspiring her, Andrews set her sights on working in international healthcare. It was a long road to getting a position overseas, but one she was committed to.

"Since I decided to be a nurse and work overseas in second grade, all my decisions were based on that," she said. "I was really lucky, I already knew what direction I

wanted to go."

Andrews got her nursing degree from the University of Vermont in 1969. She spent the next five years working as a nurse in Boston and Washington and received a Women's Health Care Nurse Practitioner certificate in 1974. Ten years later, she received her Master's in Public Health from the University of California, Los Angeles, and set her sights on her next goal — finding a long-term assignment overseas.

She completed shorter-term projects in India and Nigeria and finally, found and was offered a two-year population service internship with the University of Michigan to work in Thailand with the Family Health Division of the Ministry of Health.

"That was a really nice way to start your career, when the Ministry of Health wants you," Andrews said.

WORK OVERSEAS
Upon beginning her internship in Thailand, Andrews was surprised to discover she'd be focused on improving the country's well-child

clinics rather than working in the family planning program.

Andrews said the experience was part of an important lesson she learned during her time abroad — to enter each country with an open mind.

"You don't come in saying, 'Oh, I know everything and I'm here to help you.' You find out what they want, what their needs are," she said.

Andrews learned that while Thailand had a well-established family planning program, the country's well-child clinics lacked health education for mothers, physical examinations, advice for the child's physical and mental development.

To help improve these clinics, Andrews consulted with Thai pediatricians and wrote a proposal to the World Health Organization (WHO) requesting support to hold a conference with pediatricians and government officials.

The WHO agreed, and following the conference, a medical advisory committee was formed to establish standards for the well-child care services. Andrews also helped develop a pilot program that trained for auxiliary midwives.

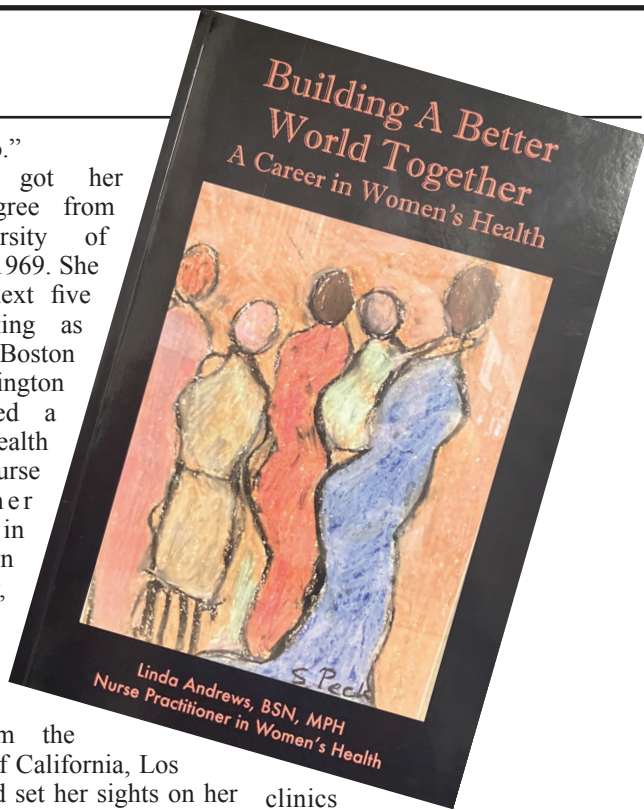
Andrews said listening to, and collaborating with, her Thai colleagues was a key part of helping implement sustainable programming in the country's well-child clinics.

"I listened and learned from my colleagues, I utilized the national experts, I was a team member," Andrews said. "You have to become part of the team. It's critical to have good relationships with people."

LEARNING THE CULTURE
Outside of the office, Andrews leaned on her colleagues to learn more about the culture of the country she was working in.

She said understanding the culture was a key part of forming strong relationships with colleagues during her assignments.

"You've got to study the culture and you've got to understand the culture. I didn't know anything about the culture, so I had to learn a lot about it," Andrews said.



LINDA ANDREWS SMILES with a baby at a well-child clinic during her time working in Thailand. Andrews's new memoir, "Building a Better World Together," details her work and life experiences in Thailand and the other 11 countries in which she worked for nearly three decades as a nurse practitioner. Photo courtesy of Linda Andrews



IN 2016, BRISTOL resident Linda Andrews ended a nearly three-decades-long, international career working in women's healthcare. Now, Andrews is sharing stories and lessons from that career with her new memoir, "Building a Better World Together." Independent photo/Marin Howell

She learned that in Thai culture, for example, it's frowned upon to touch someone's head or point your feet at anyone.

Andrews said her coworkers helped her navigate the cultural customs of Thailand and the other countries she worked in.

"My colleagues, they directed me. You just have to have good people, because they're so much cultural stuff that you have to learn," Andrews said.

Her experiences in Thailand and Somalia are but some of the many stories Andrews shares in her memoir.

After completing her internship in Thailand, Andrews found it easier to find positions working in other countries. She spent the next nearly three decades traveling to and completing assignments in 12 different countries.

From working to improving the quality and access to family planning services in Bangladesh to encountering hippos while water skiing in Malawi, Andrews's memoir details the memories, friendships and contributions she made during her assignments in those 12 countries.

"I loved each country, I can't even really tell you my favorite country."

— Linda Andrews

loved all my jobs and all my positions and all the people I met."

'A BIG MILESTONE'
Andrews put her international career to rest in 2016. She returned to the United States at 70-years-old, after completing a final assignment in Tanzania, where she helped develop a national program for cervical cancer screening.

Months after entering retirement, Andrews received her own diagnosis — stage 4B uterine cancer. She was given a 17% chance of living longer than five years.

Andrews began receiving counseling at the University of Vermont Medical Center, working with Dr. Shira Louria to help process her diagnosis and the end of an international career she loved. It was Louria, along with a handful of Andrews's friends, that encouraged her to document her career in a memoir.

Andrews's long-time friend Lorrie Byron helped her compile the book during chemotherapy treatments.

"I'm sitting there at UVM getting chemo in my arm and (Lorrie) sat there with a computer, 'Tell me about Uganda, tell me about this or that,'" Andrews said.

Andrews spent the next several years working on the book, eventually collaborating with an editor prior to having the memoir published.

"Building a Better World Together" was published by Bristol Press LLC earlier this year, six years after Andrews received the diagnosis that got the ball rolling.

"It feels like a big milestone," she said.

The memoir began as a way for Andrews to process the loss of her career and a bleak diagnosis, and now, she's hopeful the book will be able to help readers.

She wants the lessons she's learned to inform those interested in pursuing a career in international healthcare and anyone else looking to spend time in another country.

"Anybody who's traveling to these kinds of countries where I went, it's really important to know the culture and respect the culture," Andrews said.

Sales of the book will further support the next generation of healthcare workers, with proceeds going to the Jean Andrews Nursing Scholarship Fund, a scholarship established by the Porter Hospital Auxiliary in 1970 to honor Andrews's mother.

"I'm happy about that," Andrews said. "I don't know how much it will be, but it just feels right to me."

Lincoln

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community quests will reopen mid-May. Please contact Wendy at the library if you are interested in helping with the route setup and putting out the end boxes. The library will also be writing new quests for this summer and would welcome anyone to participate in that process.

The next senior lunch will be held on Thursday, May 18, at Burnham Hall. Music begins at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is served at noon. Cost of the lunch is by donation. Please contact Nancy Orvis at 802-453-4573 if you have any questions.

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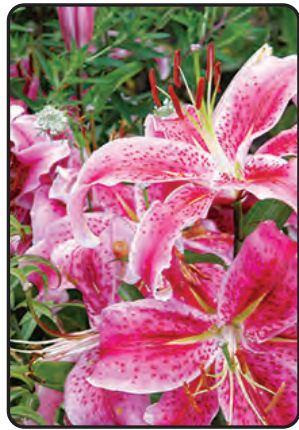
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SENIOR MIDDIE HENRY Hunsdorfer races past a Burr & Burton defender during the Tiger boys' lacrosse team's 15-7 home victory on Monday.

Independent photo/Steve James

Tiger boys leash Bulldogs

By ANDY KIRKALDY

MIDDLEBURY — Early in the second quarter of the Middlebury Union High School boys' lacrosse team's Monday home game vs. Burr & Burton Academy, the Bulldogs took advantage of Tiger turnovers to score two transition goals and take their first lead of the game, 5-4, with 8:21 on the clock.

They didn't score again until 7:50 of the fourth period, and by that time they trailed, 14-5. In the end the Tigers prevailed, 15-7.

Clearly, something clicked in for the Tigers, who used that 10-0 surge to improve their record to 6-2 and

remain in third place in Division I heading into a Wednesday game at fourth-place Essex. That game was played after the deadline for this edition.

According to senior attacker and co-captain Owen Lawton, whose game-high four goals on Monday included the 100th of his career, energy sparked that surge.

"It starts here on the bench. We've got a great group of vocal guys, and when we get quiet we play quiet as a team. So what it really took was one big play to get everybody going," Lawton said. "And we kind of rebounded from there. Everything

comes together when everyone is focused and sharp. And that comes, like I said, with the energy. Everybody got dialed in."

It's not hard to single out what might have gotten the Tigers fired up. After junior attacker Toby Draper (three goals, two assists) scored a nifty tying goal at 6:30, the go-ahead strike came on the kind of play that can get a team's blood pumping.

Junior defender Gavin McNulty scooped a ground ball on the Tiger side of midfield and bolted forward. Just past the center line an

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TIGER SENIOR MIDDIE Willem Berry lines up a shot just outside the crease during the MUHS boys' lacrosse team's home win over Burr & Burton on Monday.

Independent photo/Steve James

Men's lax earns NCAA berth

By ANDY KIRKALDY

MEDFORD, Mass. — Undefeated and top-seeded host Tufts bolted to an 11-1 halftime lead and dealt the second-seeded Middlebury College men's lacrosse team a 19-6 loss in Sunday's NESCAC championship game.

Despite the setback, the 16-2 Panthers received an at-large bid to the NCAA Division III tournament; they will travel to a regional hosted by Union College (11-6) in Schenectady, N.Y., this weekend. The Panthers defeated the Dutchmen, 15-9, at a neutral site this spring.

The Panthers will open at noon on Saturday by playing either St.

Mary's of Maryland (14-5) or Merchant Marine (10-6), and then Union will take on Western New England (12-8) at 3 p.m.

Saturday's winners will advance to the regional final at 3 p.m. on Sunday. The winner of that game is likely to face RIT (18-1) the following weekend at a sectional hosted by either RIT or Tufts.

This past Sunday, Tufts (18-0) got an offensive spark from Jack Boyden (five goals) and Jack Regnery (four goals). Two Jumbo goalies combined for 15 saves.

Six Panthers scored a goal apiece: Logan White, Jack Sheehan, Billy Curtis, Tyler Forbes, William Ryan and Patrick Jamin. Starting goalie Hayden Kern made nine saves, and

Matt Dailey made three.

The Panthers reached Sunday's final by defeating Williams at Tufts in a Saturday semifinal, 14-7. Against the Ephs (10-7), Middlebury erased a 5-3 first-quarter deficit to go up by 8-7 at the half and then shut out the Ephs in the second half to prevail.

Ryan led the Middlebury attack vs. Williams with three goals, and Sheehan and Cooper DeMallie scored two apiece. Jake Peluso, one of six Panthers with one goal, added two assists, and Jamin also assisted two scores. Williams goalie Matthew Freitas made 15 saves, and Kern stopped seven shots for the Panthers.

MUHS softball sinks Commodores

Defense a factor for both teams as Tigers' record reaches .500

By ANDY KIRKALDY

VERGENNES — The Middlebury Union High School softball team on Tuesday picked up a needed win after a recent rough patch, playing excellent defense and getting hits from everyone in the lineup in a 12-3 victory at Vergennes.

The Division II Tigers had lost three straight, two to tough D-I competition and one to 2022 D-II finalist Enosburg. Tuesday's result moved them to 4-4 at the season's midway point.

MUHS Coach Timm Hanley cited the Tigers' effort in the field: They made only one error, and third baseman Meredith Cameron set the tone with five assists and a putout.

"They played very well defensively, something they've been working hard at. We haven't had a lot of time on our field, so it's been hard, but the last two games, two games in a row, they've played real solid defense," Hanley said.

He also noted pitchers Emma Deering (three innings, four hits, no runs, four strikeouts, one walk) and Abby Stafford (four innings, one earned run, three hits, no walks or Ks) made the Commodores earn their way on base.

"They threw strikes," Hanley said.

Offensively he said the strategy was to put pressure on the Commodores.

"We put the ball in play. We moved the baserunners around, stole a few bags, tried to bunt them over, tried to get the ball moving and make the defense make some plays," he said.

That proved a sound approach when VUHS did not have its best day in the field, a seven-error outing.

VUHS Coach Travis Scribner acknowledged the 3-4

Commodores didn't match the Tigers defensively.

"I figured this game would be a fairly even game," Scribner said. "We had a few costly errors that impacted that. And Middlebury's bats were able to get going. Towards the later innings we were able to get our bats going

a little bit, too, but defense was the key to today's game on both sides. They played really crisp, clean defense."

The trouble for the Commodores and starting pitcher Savannah Blaise started in the second with back-to-back errors (See Softball, Page 5B)



TIGER JUNIOR EMMA Deering fires a pitch during Tuesday's game at Vergennes. She started and tossed three scoreless innings in her team's 12-3 victory over the Commodores.

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Girls' tennis shows well in loss

By ANDY KIRKALDY

MIDDLEBURY — This spring always promised to be a developmental season for the Middlebury Union High School girls' tennis team after two consecutive appearances in the Division II finals: For the second straight season, most of the team's starters graduated — five out of nine, to be exact — and only two seniors remained.

The good news is that development appears to be occurring, at least based on the evidence on display during Friday's match against Harwood. The visiting Highlanders prevailed, 5-2, but decisive tiebreakers ended four matches, three of which went Harwood's way. A fifth tiebreaker ended the second set of No. 2 singles match in Harwood's favor and voided the need for a match-deciding tiebreaker.

The Tigers also dropped a Monday match at U-32 by the same score, with more close individual results.

Overall, Coach Dan Comar is pleased with the improving quality of the Tigers' play given three of the top four singles slots are occupied by players who were on doubles teams a year ago: senior Maeve Roche, junior Audrey Carpenter, and junior



TIGER NO. 1 GIRLS' tennis player Maeve Roche lines up a forehand during her close match vs. Harwood's Ella Dice on Friday. A tiebreaker decided it after she and Dice split two sets.

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Caroline Nicolai.

Returning senior singles player

Paige Hescoco is slotted in at No. 3 singles and picked up one of the two Tiger wins on Friday, playing steadily and choosing her spots wisely to go for winners. Sophomore Piper Farnsworth debuted at No. 5 and lost a competitive match. Junior Dinara Myers, absent on Friday, returned to the singles lineup on Monday.

On Friday, the No. 2 doubles team of sophomore Subia Khan and freshman Anna Wolisinski earned the other MUHS point, winning in a tiebreaker. The No. 1 doubles team of junior Amelia Coburn and Sophia Boise played a marathon match, splitting sets decided by tiebreakers before falling in a match tiebreaker.

Comar pointed to the improvement, even in matches. Carpenter steadied her game at No. 2 on Friday and forced a second-set tiebreaker after losing the first set, 6-0, and trailing, 5-2, in the second set, for example. She also bounced (See Tennis, Page 3B)



MUHS NO. 2 GIRLS' tennis player Audrey Carpenter lays into a backhand, which was a weapon for her on Friday as her comeback vs. Harwood's Cierra McKay fell just short in a second-set tiebreaker.

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Yoshida, Koji, Ohtani — and Horace Wilson

Who is that fellow playing left field for the Red Sox this season? He bats left-handed and throws right-handed and is hitting .327 with six homers and 22 RBI after a slow start and has led the Red Sox recently on an eight-game win streak — and has hit safely in 16 consecutive games at the time of this writing.

Sports (Mostly) KARL LINDHOLM

No, it's not Ted Williams who played left magnificently for two decades. Ted was tall (6'3") and this fellow is not (in fact, he is diminutive, 5'8" 175 pounds). Nor is it another great leftfielder, Carl Yastrzemski, who like Teddy Ballgame and the new man, also batted lefty and threw righty.

About this new leftfielder, 29-year-old Masataka Yoshida, *Boston Globe* columnist Dan Shaughnessy wrote on March 30, "(He) looks soft. Is this what the Sox get for \$105.4 million? There was no weaker clean-up man in the bigs in the first three weeks. Maybe it will get better."

Well, it did get better. One of the hottest hitters in baseball, Yoshida is now leading the surprising Red Sox (21-15) in the tough American League East. On March 23, Yoshida hit two homers in the eighth inning, one a grand slam, in a 12-5 win over the Milwaukee Brewers.

Wouldn't it be great if Yoshida won the Rookie of the Year Award as his countryman, Ichiro Suzuki, did in 2001? Ichiro was the first Japanese position player to play in Major League Baseball.

We're getting ahead of ourselves here — it's way too early to anoint Yoshida as the next great Boston leftfielder. He certainly built an impressive resume in his seven years playing for the Orix Buffaloes in the NPB (Nippon Professional Baseball), Japan's equivalent to the MLB in the States.

In his last three seasons for the Buffaloes, he hit .336 .353, and .336 again. His style of play is particular well-suited for the changes in the MLB game this year: he puts the ball in play, rarely striking out. In his career in Japan, he had 120 more walks than strikeouts.

He struck out just once in those seven games and was named to the All-World Baseball Classic Team.

Sixty-seven Japanese players have played in the Major Leagues and eight are currently on MLB rosters. There are no Japanese players in Baseball's Hall of Fame in Cooperstown — yet! Ichiro will qualify in 2025 and is a certain first ballot inductee.

If Shohei Ohtani plays at a level anywhere near his performance to date, there will be statues of him in Cooperstown at the Hall of Fame, one hitting and one throwing!

The Red Sox have been active in signing Japanese players. The first was Hideo Nomo, who pitched a no-hitter in his first start for the Red Sox on April 4 in 2001, his only year with the team.

The most popular Japanese player in Red Sox history is undoubtedly the exuberant Koji Uehara, whose popularity was second only to David "Big Papi" Ortiz himself in the Red Sox improbable run to the World Series Championship in 2013.

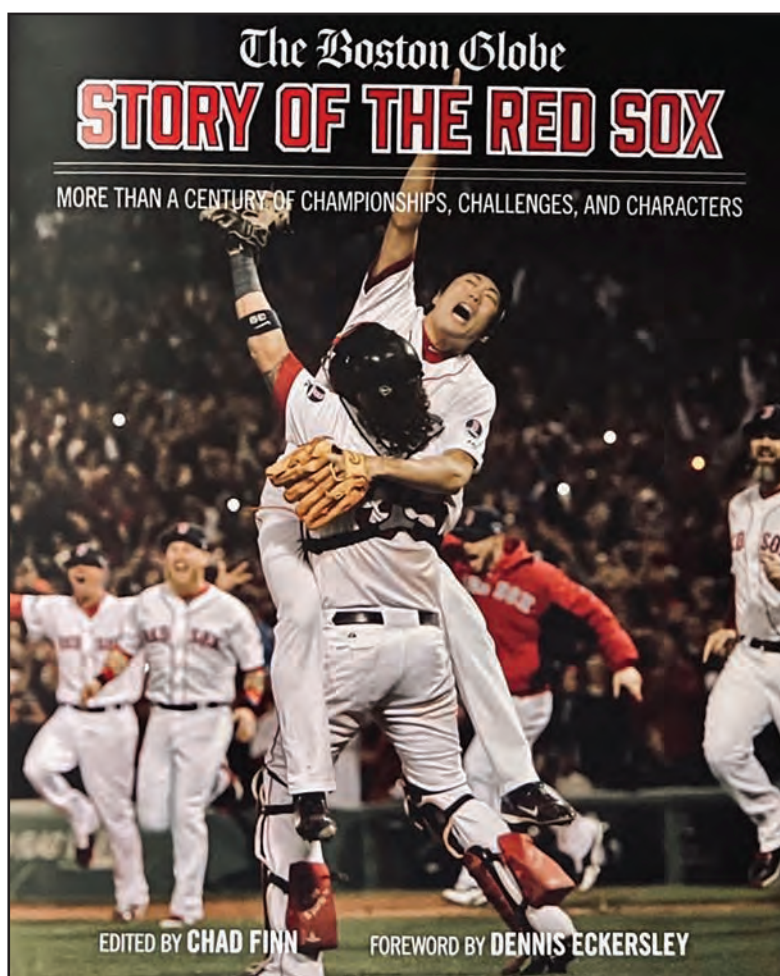
Papi, Koji, and a wild Band of (Bearded) Brothers brought joy to Boston that summer in the wake of the shocking Boston Marathon bombing on Patriot's Day (April 15). Koji's infectious enthusiasm was tonic. As one Boston writer put it, "He was a joy to behold and a nightmare to hit."

Uehara became the Red Sox closer by default when the two pitchers designated for that role went down with season ending injuries. He was devastatingly effective, ending up with 21 saves, a 1.09 ERA, the American League Championship Series Most Valuable Player Award, and a World Series ring.

A slender righty, Koji did not throw hard. His best pitch was a split-finger pitch that darted down and away from a right-handed batter — it was, in the parlance of the great Satchel Paige, a "bat dodger."



NEW RED SOX leftfielder Masataka Yoshida set a record for RBIs for the Champion Japanese team in the 2023 World Baseball Classic with 13 in seven games.



THIS RECENTLY PUBLISHED book chronicling the long Red Sox history, chose for its cover the joyful celebration of Japanese relief pitcher Koji Uehara and catcher Jason Varitek after Uehara struck out Cardinal Matt Carpenter for the last out in Boston's 2013 World Series victory.

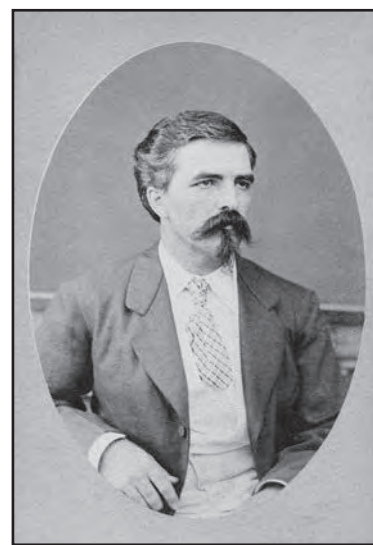
Recently, I received a note from a former student of mine from my very first year teaching, way back in 1968, at the Kents Hill School in Maine. He asked me if I knew that the man who introduced baseball to Japan was a Mainer who went to Kents Hill.

Well, I knew of Horace Wilson, who is credited as the progenitor, but I didn't know we shared that association: I was the baseball coach at Kents Hill for two years.

Acknowledged as the "Father of Japanese Baseball," Wilson was enshrined in Japan's Baseball Hall of Fame in 2022 when Japan celebrated its baseball sesquicentennial.

Wilson was born in Gorham, Maine, in 1843 and attended Kents Hill School where he presumably played the fledgling game of base ball (two words in the 19th century). He left Maine to fight in the Civil War and then headed for Japan in 1871, "one of the many outsiders to teach the ways of the West to the country as it emerged from two centuries of isolation."

A schoolteacher, Wilson taught the game of baseball to his students in 1872 as a diversion from their studies at what later became the University of Tokyo. The game caught on like wildfire there in the decades after the Civil War, just as it did in the United



AMERICAN HORACE WILSON from Gorham, Maine, is the acknowledged "Father of Japanese Baseball" for introducing the game to Japan in 1872.

States. Wilson was not in Japan long, returning to the States in 1877 and spending the rest of his life (he died in 1923) in the San Francisco Bay area.

It may be, you know, that the greatest player in the history of baseball, America's pastime for a long time, is a Japanese player in the game today: Shohei Ohtani.

The Red Sox have a lot of money (Forbes reports the franchise is worth \$4.5 billion) and they have this positive history with Japanese players — maybe Shohei will end up in Boston with the Red Sox when he becomes available in the next year.

That would be fun.
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TIGER NO. 3 PAIGE Hescocock, one of two seniors on the girls' tennis team, prepares to hit a backhand during her 6-4, 6-4, victory over Harwood's Liv Sprague on Friday, earning her team one of its points in a 5-2 setback.

Independent photo/Steve James

Tennis

(Continued from Page 1B)

back to force a tiebreaker vs. U-32's No. 1 player, and Coburn and Farnsworth won their first career matches on Monday.

"They're learners, right?" Comar said. "Everyone is playing long points, and they've developed a lot, even down to No. 2 doubles, where they haven't even played a match yet this year."

He expects more development as the season progresses.

"We see a lot of potential in everybody," Comar said.

Meanwhile, the team is also enjoying the experience, he said.

"They're a tight group, and they like being around each other, and they like practicing," Comar said. "As long as the practices are happening, we're getting better every single time."

The individual match results on

Friday were:

No. 1 singles, Ella Dice (H) defeated Roche, MUHS, 6-7 (4-7), 6-2, 10-3.

No. 2 singles, Cierra McKay (H) defeated Carpenter, MUHS, 6-0, 7-6 (10-8).

No. 3 singles, Paige Hescocock, MUHS, defeated Liv Sprague (H) 6-4, 6-4.

No. 4 singles, Maeven Cattnaugh (H) defeated Nicolai, MUHS, 4-6, 6-4, 10-5.

No. 5 singles, Quinn Nelson (H) defeated Piper Farnsworth, MUHS, 7-6 (7-3), 6-1.

No. 1 doubles, Cassidy Berry/Hadley Anderson (H) defeated Coburn/Boise, MUHS, 7-6 (7-3), 6-7 (5-7), 10-4.

No. 2 doubles, Khan/Wolisinski, MUHS, defeated Mae Murphy/Nina Herzel (H) 7-5, 3-6, 10-6.

On Monday the Tigers lost to host

U-32, 5-2, in another contest that saw at least a few close individual matches due to Roche's and Hescocock's absence from MUHS lineup.

Results in those matches were:
No. 1 singles, Salome Tchantaridze (U-32) defeated Carpenter (MUHS) 6-1, 4-6, (10-7).

No. 2 singles, Jin Clayton (U-32) defeated Dinara Meyers (MUHS) 6-4, 6-4.

No. 3 singles, Maya Elliott (U-32) defeated Nicolai (MUHS) 6-2, 6-2.

No. 4 singles, Farnsworth (MUHS) defeated Sophie Martel (U-32) 6-4, 6-2.

No. 5 singles, Coburn (MUHS) defeated Annora Sylvester (U-32) 6-3, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles, Yvette Petrella/Meredith Wilcox (U-32) defeated Subia Khan/Wolisinski (MUHS) 6-1, 6-1.

Boys' tennis still unbeaten

SOUTH DUXBURY — The Middlebury Union High School boys' tennis team picked up two more wins in recent matches to improve to 5-0.

The Tigers were expecting their biggest challenge of the season thus far on Wednesday, when they were set to host fellow Division I title contender South Burlington, after the deadline for this edition.

On May 5, the Tigers won at Harwood, 6-1, dropping only their second individual match of the spring.

The individual match results were:

At No. 1 singles, Jackson Murray (M) defeated Lucas Brumm (H) 6-3, 6-0.

At No. 2 singles, Lewis Suchomel (M) defeated Cole Baitz (H) 6-3, 6-4.

At No. 3 singles, Kellan Bartlett (M) defeated Alvar Calvo (H) 6-0, 5-7, 1-0 (10-8).

At No. 4 singles, Aidan Chance (M) defeated Daniel Steber (H) 6-3, 6-2.

At No. 5 singles, Colby Englehardt (H) defeated Brian Newton (M) 8-3 (Superset).

At No. 1 doubles, Iver Anderson and Milo Rees (M) defeated Christopher Cummisky and Ollie Kottke (H) 6-3, 6-0.

At No. 2 doubles, Eliot Heminway and Eddie Fallis (M) defeated Jeswin Antony and Jack Wolfe (H) 6-0, 6-1.

On Monday, the Tigers blanked visiting U-32, 7-0. MUHS surrendered more than one game in only one set.

The individual match results were:

At No. 1 singles, Murray (M) defeated Lincoln Smith (U-32) 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 2 singles, Suchomel (M) defeated Finn O'Donnell (U-32) 6-0, 6-0.

At No. 3 singles, Bartlett (M) defeated Julian Fitz (U-32) 6-0, 6-1.

At No. 4 singles, Chance (M) defeated Phinn Low (U-32) 6-0, 6-1.

At No. 5 singles, Newton (M) defeated Brody Beaudet (U-32) 6-1, 6-0.

At No. 1 doubles, Anderson and Rees (M) defeated Zephyr Low and Noah Kopsco (U-32) 6-1, 6-3.

At No. 2 doubles, Heminway and Fallis (M) defeated John Stafford and Landin Drown (U-32) 6-1, 6-1.

Local track athletes fare well

SOUTH BURLINGTON — Athletes from Mount Abraham, Middlebury and Vergennes union high schools scored top-six finishes at a major track meet on Saturday hosted by South Burlington that drew more than 20 teams, many of them Division I squads.

The best Addison County finish overall came from Mount Abe senior Gavin Bannister, who finished second in the boys' 110-meter hurdles; he also placed in the 300-meter hurdles.

Also placing in individual events were Eagle junior Joseph Darling and Tiger sophomore Jazmyn

Hurley.

Two MUHS girls' relay teams scored third-place finishes, and one Tiger boys' relay team finished fifth, as did a Commodore boys' relay unit. A Mount Abe girls' relay team earned a sixth-place finish.

The boys' point-scoring results were:

• 110 hurdles: 2. Bannister, Mt. Abe, 16.13.

• 300 hurdles: 5. Bannister, Mt. Abe, 44.31.

• 4x400 relay: 5. MUHS, 3:52.21 (Kaden Hammond, Ronen Silberman, Ben Seaton, Eliot Schneider).

• 4X800: 5. VUHS, 9:07.12. (Calvin Gramling, Riley Gagnon, Ryder Messinger, Grey Fearon).

• Long jump: Darling, Mt. Abe, 6.09 meters.

The girls' point-scoring results were:

• 400: 6. Hurley, MUHS, 1:02.62.

• 4x100: 3. MUHS, 54.80 (Solstice Binder, Navah Glikman, Alexia Williams, Hurley).

• 4X800: 3. MUHS, 11:29.79 (Beth McIntosh, Lily Lapiner, Sarah Benz, Mary Harrington); 6. Mt. Abe, 12:01.79 (Emily Fritz, Isabella Shea, Lauren Cousino, Kayla Friend).

Mt. Abe wins highlight softball

By **ANDY KIRKALDY**

ADDISON COUNTY — Mount Abraham picked up three wins, one over Vergennes, to highlight high school softball action between May 4 and 9.

Elsewhere, the Commodores dropped a game, Middlebury found tough going on the road, and Otter Valley saw a winning streak end with a home loss to a traditional rival.

The Commodores also hosted the Tigers on Tuesday; see story on Page 1B.

EAGLES-VUHS

On May 4 the Eagles coasted past visiting VUHS, 13-1, banging out 14 hits in five innings, including three apiece from **Madelyn Hayden**, **Payton Vincent** and **Gabrielle LaFreniere**; one of LaFreniere's hits was a third-inning homer. **Lucy Parker** added a two-run single, and **Abigail Parker**, **Eve McCormick** and **Joanna Toy** added RBIs in the game-ending, six-run fifth inning.

The Eagles played errorless ball behind the one-hit pitching of Vincent, who struck out seven.

Losing pitcher **Savannah Blaise** had the only Commodore hit, and **Jasmine Little's** first-inning fielder's choice plated the VUHS run.

TIGERS

On May 4 host Colchester defeated the Tigers, 7-3. Laker pitcher Lila Robinson allowed nine hits, but struck out 11 and surrendered just one earned run. **Meredith Cameron** (three hits) and **Skylar Choiniere** (two hits) led the MUHS offense, and **Lexi Whitney**

took the pitching loss.

On Saturday host Enosburg, a Division II finalist a year ago, rolled past the Tigers, 17-2, in five innings. **Ireland Hanley** poked two hits, Cameron doubled in a run, and **Lily Dame** also doubled for MUHS.

On Monday host Rice pulled away from a sixth-inning tie to best the Tigers, 15-10. Rice's Finley Strong went five-for-five with a homer and seven RBIs to spark her team, including knocking in three runs in the decisive sixth inning. Cameron and **Abby Stafford** each had two hits and an RBI for the Tigers, and **Lexi Orleans** doubled and drove in three runs. The Tigers dropped to 3-4 heading to VUHS on Tuesday.

EAGLES

On Saturday the Eagles topped Rice in five innings, 12-0. McCormick went the shortened distance for the pitching win, allowing one hit and fanning seven and also belted a grand slam. LaFreniere homered for the second straight game and also singled, driving in two runs and also scoring twice, and Vincent doubled.

On Tuesday the Eagle picked up another five-inning win, 16-4 at Milton. McCormick homered again

and drove in four runs; Lucy Parker tripled, singled twice and drove in a run; Hayden and **Patty Mc Nerney** each had two hits and an RBI; and LaFreniere added two hits. Vincent picked up the pitching win and chipped in two hits and an RBI as the Eagles improved to 7-2.

COMMODORES

Host Milton on Saturday earned a six-inning, 16-4 victory over the Commodores. Winning pitcher Grace Williams allowed four hits, walked eight and struck out 13 Commodores. VUHS was 3-3 heading into Tuesday's game vs. the Tigers.

OTTERS

On Tuesday the Otters saw their five-game winning streak end with a 14-6 home loss to Rutland. Rutland's Kayla Olszewski tossed a complete-game four-hitter, striking out seven.

The Otters put singles by **Mackenzie McKay** and **Sierra Cormany** together in the fourth to cut an early RHS lead to 5-4, but Rutland responded with six runs in the fifth. McKay started and took the pitching loss. Cormany threw well in relief as OV dropped to 5-3.

Tiger nine takes 2; Eagles get first

By **ANDY KIRKALDY**

ADDISON COUNTY — Middlebury won twice, once over Vergennes, to highlight local high school baseball play between May 4 and 9. Mount Abraham, also at the Commodores' expense, broke through for its first win, and the Commodores also won once, while Otter Valley came up short twice.

RIVALRY GAMES

On May 4 the Eagles broke through for their first win of the season — and of new **Coach Jason Barnard's** varsity career — by downing visiting VUHS, 13-3.

Winning pitcher **Gus Hill** went four innings, allowing the three runs, but also driving in three runs with his bat. Contributing to the Eagle offense were **Caleb Russell** (two doubles and a single), **Aricin Griffin** (two doubles, a single and four RBIs), **Chance Denecker** (three hits) and **Tanner Castillo** (four runs).

Gabe Scribner and **Xavier DeBlois** knocked out two hits apiece. **Tyler Kimball** took the pitching loss.

On Tuesday the Tigers visited VUHS and outlasted the Commodores, 8-6, pulling away from a 2-2 fourth-inning tie. **Tim Whitney** went the distance on the mound for MUHS, allowing three earned run on 10 hits and striking out four. Whitney also drove in two runs with a pair of hits. **Carter Paquette** and **Landon Shubert** each doubled and singled for the Tigers, and **Tucker Morter** added a pair of hits as the Tigers improved to 5-3.

Peyton Paquette (4.2 innings) and Scribner (2.1 innings) shared mound duties for the Commodores, who dropped to 2-7. DeBlois and **Nate Muzzy** each doubled and singled, and Dubois poked out a pair of hits for the home team.

COMMODORES

On Saturday the Commodores snapped what had been a five-game skid by erupting offensively in a 14-9 victory at Milton. **Elijah Duprey** led the attack by going four-for-four with a homer, three RBIs and three runs. **Eyon Tembreull** (a hit and two RBIs), Scribner (single, double, RBI), DeBlois (double, RBI), Peyton Paquette (double) and Kimball (hit, RBI, and three runs) also contributed to the VUHS attack.

OTTERS

On May 4 visiting Hartford (4-1) topped OV, 12-6, taking advantage of four Otter errors in the first inning

to take a 7-0 lead. **Gavin Parry** led OV with two hits.

On Tuesday visiting Rutland scored three unearned runs off OV starter **Andy McEnery** in the first inning and made them stand up in a 3-2 victory. RHS pitchers Chase de Castro and Sam Arnold combined to strike out 15 batters; Arnold tossed three innings of scoreless relief.

OV scored twice in the fourth inning. A **Caleb Whitney** sacrifice fly scored **Jordan Beayon**, and **Isaiah Wood** scored on an error. **Luca Polli** had a hit earlier in the game. The Otters dropped to 4-5.

TIGERS

On May 4 host Colchester topped the Tigers, 15-2, in five innings. Winning pitcher Jackson Pecor limited the Tigers to three hits, two of them by **Alex Sperry**. Tim Whitney went four-plus innings and took the pitching loss.

On Friday host Missisquoi edged the Tigers, 2-1, in a game postponed from earlier in the week. The T-Birds' Eli Calhoun tossed a complete-game three-hitter, allowing no earned runs and fanning nine Tigers.

The Tigers bounced back on Saturday to top host Enosburg, 7-3,

behind Morter's complete-game pitching; he allowed five hits and two earned runs while striking out 12. **Riley Disorda** had a hit and two RBIs for MUHS, and Sperry, **Cole Warren** and Whitney each had a hit and an RBI.

EAGLES

On Saturday the Eagles dropped a 12-2, five-inning contest to host Missisquoi, which improved to 8-0. T-Bird pitcher Parker Hakey allowed just three hits and one earned run over five innings, and his team erupted for a combined eight runs in the third and fourth innings to put the game out of the Eagles' reach.

On Monday visiting Rice erased a 7-1 Eagle lead with nine runs in the fifth and five in the sixth to prevail, 15-8. Denecker and Griffin led the Mount Abe attack with two hits apiece.

On Tuesday host Milton got past the Eagles, 8-5. Carter Abell went the distance for Milton, allowing seven hits and four earned runs to earn the win. **Colt Bagnulo** (two RBIs), Castillo and Hill (double, RBI), each had two hits to lead the Eagle offense. Denecker took the pitching loss.

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PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF POTENTIAL ADVERSE EFFECT TO A HISTORIC PROPERTY

The USDA, Rural Business Service (RBS) has received an application for financial assistance from Thirty-Four North, LLC (AKA Vergennes Village). The proposal consists of the following work located at 34/40 North Street in Vergennes: complete demolition and removal of the structure at 40 North Street; removal of the northern wall of 34 North Street; construction of an addition with a parking garage, to be attached to 34 North Street at the north end; full renovation of the 34 North Street building (interior and exterior); installation of new pathways to entrances from expanded parking area and public right of way. If implemented, the project will adversely affect a property that is listed or eligible for listing with the National Register of Historic Places. The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of this proposed adverse effect and request comments concerning the proposal, alternative sites or actions that would avoid these impacts, and methods that could be used to minimize these impacts.

The building at 40 North Street is not eligible for the State Register of Historic Places. However, the building at 34 North Street is listed as a contributing resource to the Vergennes Historic District which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and, therefore, is considered a "historic site". The building at 34 North Street will have a historic renovation as part of the project.

The project has been reviewed and approved by both the City of Vergennes, and Vermont Act 250, which includes the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation.

In accordance with 36 CFR Part 800.6, a draft Memorandum of Agreement has been prepared by RBS, Thirty-Four North Street, LLC, and the Vermont State Historic Preservation Office.

The environmental documentation regarding this proposal is available for review at the USDA Rural Development office at 87 State Street in Montpelier. For questions regarding this proposal contact Kenneth Yearman at 828-6083.

Any person interested in commenting on this proposal should submit comments to the address above by May 18, 2023.

A general location map of the proposal is shown below.



Lacrosse

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unfortunate Bulldog tried to body-check McNulty. He was rewarded by being pancaked as the Tiger bench erupted.

McNulty kept trucking, dodging to his left as he reached the BFA box and honing in on the goal, finally finishing low into the left side to complete his 60-yard jaunt at 4:10. It was 6-5, and the Tigers were rolling.

A minute later, Draper connected from long range: 7-5. Twenty seconds later Lawton whipped in a high shot off the crossbar and in, on a feed from freshman Logan McNulty, and the lead was three. At 2:05, McNulty converted in transition from Draper, and it was 9-5.

Then Tiger goalie Kegan Brown made two key saves on BBA standout Peyton Gray in the final 1:25 of the half, one with five seconds to go in the half, and the Tigers went into the break with the four-goal lead.

MUHS Coach Matt Rizzo said big factors in the surge were the Tigers making better decisions on the attack and taking care of the ball.

"We didn't shoot the ball well that first quarter. He (BBA goalie Miles Kaplan) had four or five saves where we just threw the ball right in his stick," Rizzo said. "We were getting opportunities, and we weren't shooting very well. I think what clicked was we started doing the things we normally do, which is running our motion offense."

When the Tigers stopped committing the turnovers, the Bulldogs' high-percentage



TIGER DEFENDER GAVIN McNulty collides with Bulldog goalie Miles Kaplan as he completes a coast-to-coast run and scores the go-ahead goal in the MUHS boys' lacrosse team's 15-7 home win on Monday.
Independent photo/Steve James

transition chances also dried up. Rizzo said the Tigers' settled defense — led by senior Fynn Whitlock and featuring a cast including Gavin McNulty, Charlie Stone, George Devlin, Penn Riney, Noah Doherty-Konczal, Marshall Eddy and Cam Whitlock — then locked down the Bulldogs.

"The D looked great," Rizzo said. "Once we got settled, we were fine in the settled defense. Fynn was awesome."

The Tigers made sure the Bulldogs would not get back in the game with third-period goals by senior middle Willem Berry; Lawton, from sophomore middle, Luke Nuceder; and Draper. Brown

added four of his 12 saves in the period.

Berry finished with two goals and two assists; Logan McNulty, two goals and an assist; and Angus Blackwell, two goals. Cam Stone held his own facing off against a player Rizzo called the best in the state on the faceoff dot.

For BBA, Gray (two assists), Reed Brown and Connor Kelly scored two goals apiece, and Adam Murnaghan scored one, while Kaplan made 12 saves. The Bulldogs dropped to 6-3.

The Tigers also defeated BFA-St. Albans, 10-6, on Saturday in a game played at Middlebury College to allow Fucile Field to dry out.

The Tigers led throughout, but clinched the victory by outscoring the Bobwhites by 5-3 in the fourth quarter.

Lawton led the attack with six goals and an assist, and four Tigers added a goal apiece: Logan McNulty (two assists), Berry (assist), Zach Jette and Blackwell. Brown made eight saves. Jaedyn Allen led St. Albans (2-7) with three goals and an assist, and a goalie not identified in the scorebook made 15 saves for the visitors.

Before the Tigers' recent wins, they dropped two close games to undefeated multiple-time defending state champion Champlain Valley on May 3 at home, 11-7, and second-place South Burlington (7-1) on the road, 12-10.

Lawton said the Tigers have to put 48 minutes together of effort and the "fluid game" they play when they're at their best to knock off those two foes.

"It's going to be consistency," he said. "It's just maintaining high energy and high focus so we can play our best lacrosse throughout the entire game."

Rizzo said he took the losses to South Burlington and CVU with a grain of salt: The Tigers were missing two starters in each of those games, and either still could have gone either way. Rizzo said he is confident about a rematch with SB, and that his team simply needs to gain full faith in its ability to handle CVU.

"They've won 9 state championships in a row, and our guys, there's a little bit of deer in the headlights, and we play tight," Rizzo said. "And we talked about that in the game. We can't seem to catch the ball, we turn it over. We've talked about it all season. The only thing between us and a state title is us. If we play well and don't turn it over, no one can beat us."

MAV boys net a pair

BRISTOL — The Mount Abraham-Vergennes boys' lacrosse team claimed a pair of home victories in recent action, including a win over defending champion Montpelier in a rematch of the 2022 Division III final. The Eagles improved to 5-2 with the two wins.

On Saturday, the Eagles rallied in the fourth quarter to force overtime and then prevailed, 8-7, when Jonah Howell picked up a loose ball outside the Solon crease and stuffed it home with 2:34 remaining in the extra session.

The Eagles trailed by 6-3 in the fourth quarter, but scored three times to tie the score while playing a man-up after the Solons drew a two-minute penalty with the offender locked in the penalty box. Then each team found the net once more in regulation.

Henry Anderson and Sawyer Leonard each had two goals and an assist to lead the Eagle attack, while Sawyer Shepard scored twice, Noah Ladeau scored a goal and added two assists, and Howell tallied the game-winner and assisted one score. Eagle goalie Walker Forand stopped 13 shots, six more than the Solon goalie.

On Monday, the host Eagles rolled past winless Otter Valley, 22-1. Anderson (six goals, two assists), Ladeau (four goals, one assist), Shepard (four goals, assist), Finley Kaeck (three goals) Jake Prouty (two goals, assist) and Leonard (four assists) led the offense, and Forand (one save) and Connor Nason (three) combined for four saves.

Thomas Politano scored for OV, and goalie Damon Wood made seven saves.

Panther nine prevails in first round of NESCAC playoffs

MIDDLEBURY — The Middlebury College baseball team swept visiting Trinity, 14-7 and 13-12, on Saturday, to win a best-of-three NESCAC quarterfinal series.

The 25-9 Panthers, the defending NESCAC playoff champions, advanced to next weekend's double elimination final four tournament hosted by Colby College from Friday to Sunday. The winner will earn the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament.

Middlebury will open the NESCAC final four by taking on Colby (24-10) at 2:30 p.m. on Friday, with Bowdoin (18-15) set to face Tufts (28-9) at 6 p.m. The rest of the schedule will pivot on Friday's results.

During this past Saturday's opening game vs. Trinity, the Panthers led, 2-1, entering the bottom of the sixth and rallied for four runs. They added two more in the seventh on Sammy Smith's two-run homer, and made it 14-1 with a six-run eighth inning during which Kyle McCausland drilled a three-run homer, Smith nailed an RBI triple, Nathan Samii contributed an RBI double, and Alec Ritch poked an RBI single.

Alex Price went six innings, allowing one earned run on three hits to earn the pitching win. The Bantams rallied for six runs with one out in the ninth, but Jackson Atwood came in to retire the final two batters.

Ritch had two hits, two runs and two RBIs; McCausland finished with three hits, five RBIs and two runs; Andrew Gough had two hits and two runs; Smith contributed three hits, scored three runs and drove in four; and Samii had two

hits, two RBIs and scored a run

In a see-saw second game, Trinity scored a run in the first, and the Panthers answered with three in the bottom of the inning, loading the bases on a hit batter, a John Collins single, and a walk. Mitchell Schroeder singled in one run, and two walks followed to make it 3-1. That score held until the fifth, when Trinity scored four times off Panther starter Sawyer Duarte to take a two-run lead.

In the bottom of the inning, McCausland cleared the fence with two runners on board after a hit batsman and an error. The Panthers added another run on an RBI ground out, and it was 7-5.

Trinity answered in the sixth, using four walks, two hits and a sacrifice fly to score four times and take a 9-7 lead. A walk and another hit batter in the bottom of the inning set the stage for a Collins three-run shot, and Middlebury regained the lead at 10-9.

A walk, a double and a single put Trinity back on top in the seventh, 11-10. A Gough leadoff homer tied the score for Middlebury in the bottom of the inning, and then two walks, a long fly ball that allowed the runners to advance, and a wild pitch allowed Middlebury to go up, 12-11, after seven innings.

A Bantam solo homer tied the score in the top of the eighth, but McCausland answered by leading off with a solo shot of his own in the bottom of the inning for what proved to be the winning run. Spencer Dessart tossed the final two innings for the Panthers and allowed one run on three hits, working around a leadoff double to throw a scoreless ninth inning.



UNIOR TOBY DRAPER fires in one of his three goals in the Tiger boys' lacrosse team's 15-7 victory over visiting Burr & Burton on Monday.
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MUHS girls' lax hits rough patch in recent games

MIDDLEBURY — The Middlebury Union High School girls' lacrosse team dropped three games between May 3 and 9. The Tigers' record dropped to 1-7 for the season with the setbacks.

On Wednesday, May 3, Essex pulled away with a big second half in a 15-4 victory in a game played at Mount Abraham because the Tigers' Fucile Field was too wet to host. Lily Boutin led 10 Hornet scorers with three goals, and Essex goalie Sierra Harris made five saves.

Ada Weaber led MUHS with two goals, and Nora Wooten and Lia Robinson (nine ground balls) added a goal apiece for the Tigers. Goalie Ava Schneider made eight saves.

On Saturday, host Mount Mansfield edged the Tigers, 9-7. Alyssa Benson sparked the Cougars with four goals, and MMU goalie Lillian Bosley made eight saves.

Wooten (assist) and Hana Doria each tossed in two goals for the Tigers, and Robinson, Weaber and Ronan Young added a goal apiece. Schneider made eight saves.

On Monday, host CVU — Division I's top team — cruised past the Tigers, 18-3. Stella Dooley (six goals) and Amelia Scharf (three) accounted for half the Redhawk offense, and goalie Clare Stackpole-McGrath made two saves.

Wooten, Young and Robinson scored for the Tigers, and Schneider made 13 saves.

The Tigers were set to visit St. Albans on Wednesday.

Girls' Ultimate takes one of two

By ANDY KIRKALDY

MIDDLEBURY — The Middlebury Union High School girls' Ultimate team split two recent home games, battling both their foes and windy conditions in each. The Tigers are 2-2.

On May 4 Montpelier topped the Tigers, 14-5. The Solons improved to 3-1.

Elise Heppell led the MUS team with three goals, while Vivian Ross and Melody Berenbaum added a goal apiece. Ross led MUHS with three assists.

Pilar Abele led Montpelier with five assists and four goals, and Finley Torrens-Martin contributed five assists and a goal.

MUHS Coach Michelle Steele praised her team's defensive effort, and said both squads displayed great spirit.

On Tuesday the Tigers bested Mount Mansfield in a low-scoring game, 7-4, on what Steele called a "very windy" day. Ari Graham-Gurland led the Tigers with three points, and Berenbaum, Maggie Conklin, Mahina Elchibekova and Heppell contributed one apiece. Ross led with four assists, Heppell had two, and Graham-Gurland added one.



TIGER LEXI ORLEANS slides safely into home as Commodore catcher Samantha Hallock snags the throw during Tuesday's game at VUHS, won by the MUHS softball team, 12-3.

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Softball

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double to plate them both. Blaise struck out the next hitter, Abby Stafford, but on a wild pitch, and another wild pitch put runners on second and third. RBI bunts by Lexi Orleans and Skyler Choiniere made it 4-0.

More trouble for VUHS came in the next inning. Cameron reached on a dropped fly ball, and Rubright followed with an infield hit. Blaise hit Whitney to load the bases, Stafford singled one run home, another came home on a passed ball, two more scored on an infield error, and it was 8-0.

The Commodores loaded the bases with two out in the bottom of the inning on singles by Maddie Laberge, Jasmine Little and Rory Couture, but Deering ended the threat and her outing by striking out the next batter.

The Tigers finally got an earned run in the fifth to make it 9-0. Whitney tripled and came home on Choiniere's two-out infield hit.

MUHS added two more off in the sixth off Maddie Laberge, who tossed the final two innings. Deering singled, moved up on a grounder and a stolen base, and scored on Rubright's single. Rubright stole two bases and scored on a wild pitch to make it 11-0.

The Commodores scored their runs off Stafford in the sixth. Little singled to lead off, and Couture reached on the only Tiger error. Katie Laberge tripled them home and scored on Maddie Perkins' ground out.

The Tigers picked up an



COMMODORE SHORTSTOP JASMINE LITTLE throws home to nail a Tiger runner at the plate during Tuesday's softball game at VUHS.

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unearned run in the seventh even though Little at shortstop made two good plays. Maddie Laberge walked Stafford, and she moved to third base on a wild pitch. Orleans also walked, and the runners tried to work a double steal. But Little threw out Stafford at home, with catcher Sam Hallock applying the tag.

Little then snared a Choiniere liner, but threw high trying to double off Orleans at third, and she

trotted home with the game's final run.

Hanley said the result was important for the Tigers after the recent setbacks.

"It's huge. We're headed toward the final stretch. You're going to have losing streaks. It's how you recover from them that matters the most," Hanley said. "That's a good start in the right direction."

Scribner said the Commodores talked after their game about their

tough Lake Division schedule and the need to be continuing to "put their best effort forward" while not letting adversity affect their play. He remains confident they can compete well in the D-III postseason.

"I still think we have what we need to make a decent tournament run," Scribner said.

Panther men's tennis advances in NCAA tournament

BALTIMORE, Md. — The fourth-ranked Middlebury College men's tennis team on Sunday defeated host No. 10 Johns Hopkins, 5-2, in an NCAA regional final to advance to the program's

eighth straight and 18th overall elite eight appearance.

The 17-3 Panthers will head to Orlando, Fla., between May 14 and 17 for rest of the tournament. Their quarterfinal NCAA foe will

be Bowdoin, the team they recently edged, 5-4, in the NESCAC title game.

On Sunday, Middlebury took a 2-1 lead with tiebreaker victories in two doubles matches. Joe Mairs

and Julian Wu at No. 3 and Aidan Harris and Noah Laber at No. 1 both won by 8-7.

In singles matches, the Panthers lost at No. 2, but picked up straight-set wins from Wu at No. 4, Robby

Ward at No. 5, and Neel Epstein at No. 4 to end the match.

The Panthers reached the regional final by defeating Christopher Newport on Saturday, 5-1.

MAV girls' lacrosse splits contests

By ANDY KIRKALDY

VERGENNES — The Mount Abraham-Vergennes girls' lacrosse team split a pair of recent games against two of the top teams in Division II. The Commodores' record remains at .500 at 4-4.

On May 5, third-place host U-32 (6-2) defeated the Commodores, 16-6, pulling away from an early 4-4 tie in a game played at Norwich University. Annie Dufault (three goals), Nell Harvey (two goals)

and Reese Gernander found the net for MAV. Willa Long tossed in seven goals for the Raiders.

On Tuesday, the Commodores rallied from a 6-1 deficit and eventually defeated visiting second-place Spaulding in overtime, 12-11. Harvey scored the tying goal with 1:26 left in regulation and the winning goal 21 seconds into overtime. Critically, Gernander controlled both draws to give the Commodores the

opportunities to tie and then win the game.

Harvey led MAV with four goals and two assists, followed by Anna Stillwell (three goals, assist), Gernander (two goals, assist), Dufault (goal, assist) and Kennedy Denecker and Siena Stanley (one goal apiece). Carley Cook backstopped the win with 14 saves, while two Tide goalies combined for seven saves.

Women's tennis wins in NCAAs

MIDDLEBURY — The fourth-ranked Middlebury College women's tennis team on Sunday blanked Skidmore, 5-0, in an NCAA regional final in Middlebury to advance to the program's eighth straight and 18th overall elite eight appearance.

The 16-3 Panthers will head to Orlando, Fla., between May 14 and 17 for rest of the tournament,

and their first opponent will be No. 15 Johns Hopkins.

Against the 13-8 Thoroughbreds the No. 1 Panther doubles team of Amy Delman and Sahana Raman blanked their opponents 8-0, and the No. 2 team of Gena Huang and Claudia Miller and No. 3 pair of Nina Farhat and Sami Remis also prevailed.

The Panthers then clinched

the match with straight-set wins by Delman at No. 2 singles and Huang at No. 6 singles.

As the match was clinched, Raman at No. 1, Lulu Wu at No. 3, Nathalie van der Reis at No. 4, and Miller at No. 5 were each up by a set.

The Panthers also bested visiting Drew, 5-0, on Saturday to reach Sunday's regional final.

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Science Café in Middlebury. Thursday, May 11, 5 p.m., Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St. Get ready for firefly season with Greg Pask. As a Middlebury College biology professor, one of the insects Pask studies is the Winter Firefly, a Vermont native sometimes found enjoying maple sap buckets in March and April. Unlike most of the fireflies we know from their flashy performances during summer evenings, the Winter Firefly does not produce light as an adult. Doors open at 5 p.m., the discussion starts at 5:30 p.m. and runs until 6:30 p.m. Coffee provided free of charge along with vegan nut-free snacks.

"Elemental: Redefine Wildfire" screening and discussion in Bristol. Thursday, May 11, 7 p.m., Holley Hall, 1 South St. Filmed across the West and narrated by Emmy-nominated actor David Oyelowo, "Elemental: Reimagine Wildfire" takes viewers on a journey with experts to better understand fire. Includes voices of climate experts, Indigenous people, firefighters, and survivors who lost everything. Discussion with director Trip Jennings will explore myths and realities of wildfire and draw insights for management of Vermont forests.

may 12 FRIDAY

Green Mountain Club trail work in Ripton. Friday, May 12. Small group outing for quick clearing and scouting areas needing major work. Contact Ellen Cronan for more information, ecronana@yahoo.com. More at gmcbreadloaf.org.

New England Quilt Museum bus trip from Middlebury. Friday, May 12, 7 a.m., Meet at Hannaford's parking lot, 260 Court St. Middlebury's Milk & Honey Quilt Guild is offering a full-day field trip to the museum in Lowell, Mass. Includes a tour by the museum curator, including the special exhibit "Quilts Japan," lunch at a nearby restaurant, and a visit to the Bott Cotton Mills Museum a few miles down the road. Cost \$85 for guild members/\$100 non-members, includes bus fare, entrance to both museums and lunch. More info and registration at cilla.leng@gmail.com.

Riparian Tree Planting in Middlebury. Friday, May 12, 9 a.m., East Munger St. Addison County River Watch is partnering with Vermont Land Trust to do a riparian planting in the Muddy Branch watershed, which flows into the New Haven River. This project has been in progress for a week and on May 12 the group will be finishing up. Come help on the last push. More information can be found at vit.org/events/legend-farm-tree-planting-day.

Mini golf course grand opening in Middlebury. Friday, May 12, 4 p.m., Kenyon Arena, Middlebury College, Route 30. Educators, students, activists and artists have come together to build the first-ever feminist reproductive justice themed mini golf course.

may 13 SATURDAY

Monthly wildlife walk in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, 7-9 a.m. (note earlier time), meet at Otter View Park parking area, Weybridge St. and Pulp Mill Bridge Rd. Otter Creek Audubon and the Middlebury Area Land Trust invite community members to help survey birds and other wildlife at Otter View Park and the Hurd Grassland. Beginning birders are welcome. Come for all or part of the walk. For information, including the latest COVID constraints, call 802-388-6019 or 802-388-1007.

Green Mountain Club trail work in Ripton. Saturday, May 13. Possible large group outing on Long Trail tread and drainage. May have rock work focus. Contact Ellen Cronan for more information, ecronana@yahoo.com. More at gmcbreadloaf.org.

Sheldon Museum opening day in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, Sheldon Museum, 1 Park St. The Sheldon is open for another season with four new exhibits — Artists in the Archives/Unseen Neighbors: Community, History & Collage; Variety Sew: A Sampling of Textile Tools and Devices; Stellar Stitching: 19th Century Vermont Samplers; and Recent Acquisitions.

Big Truck Day in Shoreham. Saturday, May 13, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Shoreham Elementary School, School St. Shoreham's fire department kicks off the day with a pancake breakfast from 8-10 a.m. Trucks will be parked at Shoreham Elementary 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Fire department open house 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Shoreham athletic department kids' games 9 a.m.-10 a.m., refreshments at the Congregational Church 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Come check out some neat trucks, tractors, race cars and more. Basket raffle and bake sale to raise funds for the A.R.K. Child Care at Whiting Playground improvements.

Fire Department open house in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Middlebury Fire Station, 5 Seymour St. Middlebury's fire department is joining Operation Mayday!, the first statewide effort to recruit new members to the fire service. Stop by the station to learn about the fire department and its need for interior firefighters. Unable to attend? Email Capt. LeRoy Graham at middfd54@gmail.com or visit the department website www.middleburyfiredept.org. According to state officials, 10 other Addison County fire departments are holding open houses at the same time: Addison, Ferrisburgh, Lincoln, New Haven, Orwell, Salisbury, Shoreham, Starksboro, Vergennes and Weybridge.

Safety Day in Brandon. Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m.-noon. Brandon Fire Department will have an open house promoting safety and inviting new members.

American Red Cross blood drive in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., LDS Church, 133 Valley View Dr. Donate and save up to three lives. All donors will get a \$10 gift card to a merchant of your choice plus have a chance to win a four-night trip for two to the 2023 MLB All-Star Game in Seattle. Includes flights, hotel



The bells are ringing

JUDY BLAKE'S BELL collection numbers more than 5,000. She will have some on display when she talks about her passion for bell collecting on Saturday, May 20, at the Shoreham Congregational Church.

Photo courtesy of Judy Blake

and \$750 in spending money. Sign up at www.redcrossblood.org, 1-800 Red-Cross, or the Blood Donor App.

Invasive Species Removal Day in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, 9:30 a.m., Otter View Park, Weybridge St. and Pulp Mill Bridge Rd. Come help MALT keep garlic mustard, buckthorn and poison parsnip out of OVP and allow native plants to flourish. Volunteers will receive training on how to identify and remove invasive plant species. There may be several other maintenance needs we will address at OVP, depending on turnout. Visit maltvt.org/events to sign up.

Spanish-English storytime in Middlebury. Saturday, May 13, 11 a.m., Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St. Continues every 2nd and 4th Saturday. Bring your baby through pre-K to Ilsley's Jessica Swift Community Room for books, songs and fingerplay in a bilingual format.

Imagine Zero Music Festival in Brandon. Saturday, May 13, noon, Solarfest, 144 Steinberg Rd. Imagine Zero Music Fest's mission is to have a festival that is zero carbon and zero waste. That means having the show entirely powered by renewable energy and have no trash. The festival features headliner Dawes with support from Kat Wright, Myra Flynn and others. Black Flannel brewing will be there along with several food carts and a kid's corner.

Prize Bingo in Leicester. Saturday, May 13, 1 p.m., Leicester Senior Center, Leicester Four Corners. Refreshments served and all are welcome. Sponsored by the Leicester Historical Society.

Monkton Community Dog Park anniversary and fundraiser in Monkton. Saturday, May 13, 3-5 p.m., Pond Road parking lot in front of the Dog Park. Beverages catered by BEVO, and authentic Guatemalan tostadas with a variety of fillings prepared to order by La Chapina. maple sap bucket planters, 50/50 raffle tickets, Guatemalan Tres Leches anniversary cake, and lots of fun for everyone. Rain location — Pavilion next to the Dog Park.

Bingo in Vergennes. Saturday, May 13, 5 p.m., St. Peter's Parish Hall, 85 S. Maple St. Doors open at 5 p.m., Bingo starts at 6 p.m. This is a family friendly event. All cash prizes, 50/50 raffle. Refreshments sold. Sponsored by St. Ambrose & St. Peter's Youth Ministry to benefit the on-going program costs and the upcoming trip to Rome.

Takeout only roast pork supper in Vergennes. Saturday, May 13, 5-6 p.m., Vergennes United Methodist Church, Main Street, (across from Vergennes Opera House). Menu includes roast pork, stuffing, baked potato, vegetable, roll and dessert. Adults \$12. Take out preorder only. Must place order by 7 p.m., Thursday, May 11. To order call 802-877-3150.

may 14 SUNDAY

The Vermont Sun 5K, 10K and Half Marathon in Salisbury. Sunday, May 14, Branbury State Park, Lake Dunmore. Pre-registration/bib pick up between 7:45 and 8:45 a.m. sharp at Branbury State Park on race morning. All runs start at 9 a.m. more info at vermontsuntriathlonseries.com.

Breakfast Buffet in Vergennes. Sunday, May 14, 8-10 a.m., St. Peter's Parish Hall, 85 S. Maple St. Omelets to order, scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, fruit, plain and blueberry pancakes, maple syrup, sausage gravy on biscuits, corn bread, home fries, mini muffins juice, milk and coffee. \$10 adults/\$6 children 8-12/\$32 immediate family maximum. Sponsored by Vergennes Council Knights of Columbus.

may 16 TUESDAY

Green Mountain Club hike in Starksboro. Tuesday, May 16, Western Flank of Monroe Skyline. A steady uphill on a woods road in a private working landscape. Nearly 1,300 ft. elevation gain over about 4.0 miles round trip. Moderate difficulty at a pace for observation and identification. Views of the Adirondacks, a gorgeous waterfall, glimpses of Mts Ellen and Abe and the turnaround at a babbling creek. Limit of 6 hikers. May be wet/underfoot in places. More info and registration contact Cecilia Elwert at 802-377-7196 or ceciliaelwert@yahoo.com More at gmcbreadloaf.org.

"Cultivating Food Sovereignty Through Community" in Middlebury. Tuesday, May 16, 6 p.m., 51 Main St. ACORN, Addison Allies, Viva el Sabor and Middlebury College students have collaborated on two senior capstone projects focused on the newly opened ACORN Food Hub and potential community commercial kitchen project. Learn about this work and support food sovereignty initiatives happening in our community. The short film "Sabor y Amor," filmed by Middlebury College student directors, will be screened and food will be for sale. Free will donation. All donations will go toward the continued development of the ACORN Food Hub + Community Commercial Kitchen. RSVP at tinyurl.com/Acorn-51-main.

may 17 WEDNESDAY

Together in Belonging in Vergennes. Wednesday, May 17, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Library, Vergennes Union High School. Join this free community event and discussion with students on how we can enhance safety and belonging in our schools and community. The discussion follows the Vergennes middle and high school Full Send's Social Justice Festival. Free dinner and babysitting and a viewing of the short film "Boom & Whoa: The Yellow House Community." Register online at bit.ly/3pmlWTQ.

may 18 THURSDAY

American Red Cross blood drive in Brandon. Thursday, May 18, 12:30-5 p.m., Brandon Congregational Church, 1 Carver St. Donate and save up to three lives. All donors will get a \$10 gift card to a merchant of your choice plus have a chance to win a four-night trip for two to the 2023 MLB All-Star Game in Seattle. Includes flights, hotel and \$750 in spending money. Sign up at redcrossblood.org, 1-800 Red-Cross, or the Blood Donor App.

"From Homebrew to the House of Fermentology" in Bristol. Thursday, May 18, 7 p.m., Howden Hall, 19 West St. The Bristol Historical Society hosts William Mares for this talk. Mares began making his own beer 45 years ago, when home brewing was illegal and there were no microbreweries in America. Mares will offer a short history of beer itself, and discuss the American beer revolution, Vermont's small but significant contribution, and his co-ownership of a brewery.

may 19 FRIDAY

Backyard compost Workshop in Middlebury. Friday, May 19, 12:30-1:30 p.m., Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St. Learn what makes a compost pile successful, the different types of compost, how to build a pile, and ways to troubleshoot common compost problems.

"Taste of Summer" in Ferrisburgh. Friday, May 19, 4-7:30 p.m., Ferrisburgh Union Meeting Hall, Route 7. Five food vendors serving a mix of traditional fair food, authentic Mexican and Guatemalan food, snow cones, Bloomin' Onions and smoothies. Live music and dancing, a market on the green, and an art show. More info at unionmeetinghall.org/programming-and-events. Parking is at the FUMH and across Route 7 at the Historical Society and Ferrisburgh Central School.

may 20 SATURDAY

Green Mountain Club paddle in Chittenden. Saturday, May 20, Chittenden Reservoir/Leffert's Pond. Kayak paddle at Chittenden Reservoir/Leffert's Pond. Chittenden is an almost 700-acre mostly undeveloped high-altitude lake sitting under the spine of the Green Mountains. Leffert's is a counter point to Chittenden. It's small and only 12 feet deep, a quiet wetlands ecosystem. The group will have a choice of paddling one or the other, or both. Contact Barry Francis for details, barryfrancis@gmavt.net. More at gmcbreadloaf.org.

"Stop The Bleed" first aid training course with Josh Dishaw in Middlebury. Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m., Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St. The Stop The Bleed campaign was initiated to build national resilience by better preparing the public to save lives by raising awareness of basic actions to stop life-threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies and human-made and natural disasters. This course has limited capacity, please register on the Ilsley website.

Med47 Garden Shoppe opening in Bristol. Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m., 3319 South 116 Rd. Opening weekend of this annual fundraiser to benefit the Brendon P Cousino Med47 Foundation. Veggie starts, annuals, perennials, hanging baskets, plantings, house plants and succulent gardens. Also handcrafted garden decor and gifts.

Bingo in Vergennes. Saturday, May 20, 5 p.m., St. Peter's Parish Hall, 85 S. Maple St. Doors open at 5 p.m., Bingo starts at 6 p.m. This is a family friendly event. All cash prizes, 50/50 raffle. Refreshments sold. Sponsored by St. Peter's Cemetery Committee to benefit the on-going efforts for cemetery improvements.

Tag Sale fundraiser in Bristol. Saturday, May 20, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., First Baptist Church in Bristol, 10 Park St. Lots of treasures — housewares, holiday items, books, games, puzzles, etc. Proceeds benefit church programs.

Ferrisburgh festival kicking off summer

FERRISBURGH — The Friends of the Union Meeting Hall (FUMH) will host their third annual Taste of Summer event on May 19, 20 and 21 at the Union Meeting Hall in Ferrisburgh. This three-day celebration brings the community together to enjoy food, live music, antique cars, and a vibrant market with artisan crafts. It's a celebration of the sights, sounds and flavors of the coming season and an opportunity for neighbors to gather on the grounds to support the efforts of the FUMH to restore the historic property.

Festivities will begin Friday, May 19, from 4-7:30 p.m., with a public ribbon cutting event from 4:30-5 p.m. to celebrate the completion of the second exit at the Union Meeting Hall. A "Family Fun Night" with activities for the entire family will take place from 5-7:30 p.m. Popular fair food will be served all day including fried dough and snow cones, as well as authentic Mexican and Guatemalan cuisine from Viva El Sabor. Farmers Market LLC will also be serving wood-fired pizza.

The event will be in full swing Saturday, May 20, with activities happening from 11 a.m. -7:30 p.m. Visitors can try their hand at ax throwing provided by Burly Axe from 12-3 p.m. The "Market on the Green," from noon-7 p.m., will feature a diverse selection of artisan products for sale. From 1-1:30 p.m. Sarah Frederikson from Elevate

will hold a free 30-minute yoga session on the green for all ages and levels. No mat required.

In addition to the regular food trucks, FUMH will also host Greene Mountain Smoothies, who will be serving healthy fruit and protein smoothies. Farmers Market LLC will also serve wood-fired pizza from 4-7:30 p.m. Musician Mike Scott will play a mix of local tunes from 5:30-6:30 p.m. The Ferrisburgh Historical Society will also be hosting an open house across the street.

Sunday, May 21, the last day of Taste of Summer, will run from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. and will feature a classic car display by Snake Mountain Cruises. Steve Audy will perform live acoustic covers from all eras from 12-1 p.m. Green Mountain Smoothies will be on-site in addition to vendors serving traditional fair food and Mexican and Guatemalan dishes.

The event is open to the public and will take place rain or shine. Parking, including designated handicap parking, is available at the Union Meeting Hall, located at 41 Middlebrook Road in Ferrisburgh. Additional parking can be found at the metal building directly to the south. On Saturday parking will also be available at the historical society as well as at Ferrisburgh Central School. For a full schedule of events visit unionmeetinghall.org. Questions? Email the FUMH at unionmeetinghall@gmail.com.



TIGER FOOTBALL CELEBRATES two members who were honored at a banquet at Castleton University on Saturday. Pictured, from left, are Assistant Coach John Nucedor, Head Coach Jed Malcolm, senior Penn Riney (a National Football Foundation Hall of Famer), retired Head Coach Dennis Smith (NFF Coach of the Year), and Assistant Coach John Rouse.

Locals honored at recent football banquet

CASTLETON — The Vermont Chapter of the National Football Foundation (NFF) handed out its annual awards and scholarship on Saturday at a banquet hosted by Castleton University, and several went to local honorees.

The Vermont Chapter recently retired Middlebury Union High School Coach Dennis Smith as its Coach of the Year.

Middlebury Tight End/Defensive End Penn Riney earned a \$1,000 scholarship for

being named a Vermont High School Scholar-Athlete Inductee to the NFF Hall of Fame.

A High School Community Service Awards went to Mount Abraham-Vergennes lineman Caleb Russell.

Middlebury College football defensive lineman Ryan Whitney was inducted to the NFF Hall of Fame as a Vermont College Scholar-Athlete.



SOME OF JUDY Blake's bell collection will be on display on Saturday, May 20, at 2 p.m. at the Shoreham Congregational Church, when Blake will give a presentation on her passion for bell collecting.

Photos courtesy of Judy Blake

Woman to share her love of bells

SHOREHAM — Shoreham resident Judy Blake will highlight her lifelong passion for collecting bells at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 20, in the Fellowship Hall of the Shoreham Congregational Church.

Blake's collection of over 5,000 bells is displayed in her Shoreham Bell Museum, and she knows the history behind almost all of them. The bells are made of materials like pewter, glass, crystal, bronze, brass, clay, wood, and

straw. Bells can be used on animals, in homes or schools or workplaces, as jewelry or toys. Bells can depict people, animals, buildings, or other objects.

A long-time member of the American Bell Association, Blake will bring a sample of bells to the presentation. Some of them can be handled and rung by those present, and some are rare and only for viewing.

This event is free and open to all ages.

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK FROM AREA HIGH SCHOOLS

Middlebury Union High School

Henry Hunsdorfer

Henry Hunsdorfer is Middlebury Union High School's latest Student of the Week. He lives in Weybridge with his parents, Natasha Causton and Scott Hunsdorfer. His older brother, Timothy, is a student at the University of Miami, where he is studying Aerospace Engineering and his younger sister, Juliette, is a sophomore at MUHS. They have two dogs and a cat who are important family members.

He is looking ahead to graduation with anticipation and reflects on the last four years with appreciation. The pandemic hit in the midst of his 9th-grade year, and Henry quickly pivoted to a new learning environment and admits that he was glad when things returned to "normal." He has challenged himself by pursuing the full International Baccalaureate diploma and says the rigor of the program has been demanding, but he believes it has prepared him well for what is to come when he enrolls in college. He has enjoyed each of his classes, especially Spanish and Mathematics.

Henry is a three-sport athlete, competing in soccer as a left back, in hockey where he plays wing and defense, and at midfield in lacrosse. His teammates chose him as a team captain for the 2022-23 hockey season. Henry says he loves the camaraderie of team sports; he has been on the ice with some of the same players since he was five years old. He's served as a Peer Leader and been involved in Best Buddies.

Last summer Henry worked as a server at Quimby Country, in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom. He spent six weeks in Averill, a tiny town that hugs the Canadian border, and he says he loved the location and atmosphere. He enjoyed the interaction with guests and the ample time outdoors. His warm and positive attitude made him a great fit for the position.

Henry says MUHS has been a great setting for his high school experience, and he advises others to "try new things, get involved in activities and to explore new areas of interest."

He plans to enroll at Dickinson College in Pennsylvania and says he chose it as he appreciates its eco-friendly campus, the global focus and its academic programming. We wish Henry well in college and in the future.



Henry Hunsdorfer
MUHS

Vergennes Union High School

Finnley Jacobson

Finnley Jacobson of Ferrisburgh is Vergennes Union High School's Student of the Week. Finnley has made a strong academic showing at VUHS, with consistent appearances on the honor roll and induction into the National Honor Society, for which she serves as secretary. She says her favorite teacher is Mr. Thomas, who always makes language classes fun with stories — everything from his adventures in Peru to announcing track meets in high school. Her favorite class this year was "Small Engines." She really enjoyed the hands-on approach to taking apart and rebuilding an engine with a partner for a semester.

Finnley plays volleyball in the fall and basketball in the winter. She was selected for the volleyball first team this fall and second team for basketball. She's trying out track and field for the first time this spring. She also participates in Math Team when she can.

Last fall Finnley joined the Ferrisburgh Volunteer Fire Department and says she absolutely loves it, so much so that she plans on making firefighting part of her future career plans. She also works at the Black Sheep Bistro, will start working at Basin Harbor this summer, and is a lifeguard at Vergennes's Sam Fishman pool.

When she has spare time she likes to play sports. She also loves paddleboarding and hanging out with friends. What time is left to her Finnley spends with her family — mother, father and two younger siblings — along with her German Wirehaired Terrier Indy, 30 chickens and four ducks.

Finnley has been accepted at Paul Smith's College in New York State and will matriculate this fall to study Disaster Management and Response as well as Wildland Firefighting. All of us here at VUHS wish her the best of luck.



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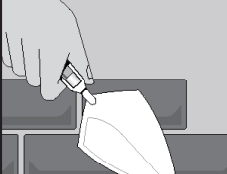


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Public Meetings

AL-ANON OFFERS HELP and hope to anyone who has been affected by a loved one's drinking. Middlebury hosts an online meeting Sunday night 7:15pm and a face to face one Wednesday at 1:30pm at CVUUS (2 Duane Court Middlebury near the high school) that you can also access by Zoom. Visit vermontalananonlateen.org for links and list of other meetings in the region. If you'd like to speak to an Al-Anon member, call our answering service (866-972-5266) and an Al-Anon member will call you back.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS in person meetings are available. For a list of local virtual meetings visit <http://bit.ly/district9aa>. For more information visit <https://aaavt.org/> or call the 24 hour hotline at 802-802-AAVT (2288).

THE TURNING POINT CENTER of Addison County is open for in-person services, Monday through Friday, 10am-4pm, 54A Creek Road, Middlebury. We are available by phone 24/7 at 802-388-4249.

Public Meetings

VERGENNES FREE THINKERS Founded in 1935 on the principle of one alcoholic helping another to achieve sobriety, A.A. is an effective and enduring program of recovery that has changed countless lives. A.A. has always been committed to making its program of recovery available to anyone, anywhere, who reaches out for help with an alcohol problem. The Vergennes Free Thinkers meeting was created in January of this year to maintain a tradition of free expression, conduct a meeting where alcoholics may feel free to express any beliefs, doubts or disbelief they may have, to share their own personal form of spiritual experience, their search for it, and/or their rejection of it, without having to accept anyone else's beliefs or having to deny their own. Meetings are held with a high regard for compassion and inclusion without judgment or exception. If you think we can help, please join us on Thursdays at 6pm by contacting Vergennesfreethinkers@gmail.com for Zoom and in-person meeting information.

Public Meetings

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ESTATE SALE: Saturday, May 20th 9am-3pm. 1870 Shard Villa Road, Salisbury.

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Help Wanted



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Please send resume to mhendy@monroetractor.com or call 802-771-3007.

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- Full/Part-Time Servers**
Sign on bonus **\$500**

Please inquire about per-diem shift openings for all departments

Applicants must be able to work weekends. Background checks required.

Please email your resume to Kristen LaFlam at klaflam@residenceottercreek.com or use our new QR Code.



The Residence at Otter Creek
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Garage Sales

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Ripton Community Yard Sale & Fundraiser

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH
9AM - 1PM

Ripton Community House
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As part of a caregiving team with a highly varied day, our nurses wear many hats in an upbeat community atmosphere. The nursing role includes assessment; symptom observation; medication administration; blood sugar/insulin/ oxygen management; dementia care; physician and family communication; education of elders, family and staff; falls and crisis response; nutrition and hydration monitoring; health promotion; and case reviews.

We welcome applications from RN's to whom our mission and unique practice setting appeal. If you have excellent communication, leadership and management skills and thrive in a fast-paced, collaborative team environment, we offer a loving culture, generous time off, and flexible supportive scheduling.

Please send your resumé, cover letter, and three references to Kristin Bolton, Elderly Services, P.O. Box 581, Middlebury, VT 05753 or to kristin@elderlyservices.org.

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38 Pond Lane, Middlebury, VT 05753

Help Wanted

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PT Seasonal and FT Positions available for all positions
Warehouse Worker Job Purpose: Loading and Assisting with Customer Orders from the Yard, Warehouse and Store, Stocking Shelves and Filling Propane Tanks. Up to 40 hours per week.
Skills/Qualifications: Ability to lift 50lbs repeatedly throughout the day. Weekends and dependability a MUST! Preferable age 18+.
Please fill out an application in person.
Middlebury Agway - 338 Exchange St. - Middlebury, VT.

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PT Seasonal and FT Positions available for all positions

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Middlebury Agway 338 Exchange St. - Middlebury, VT.

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Help Wanted ads can be found on Pages 10B, and 11B.

Help Wanted

For Rent

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Help Wanted

For Rent

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For Rent

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Check out all our jobs at <http://eastviewmiddlebury.com/join-our-team>



SUMMER CAMP COORDINATOR

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To learn more and apply visit:
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Position Based in Middlebury

Position Description

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Town of Salisbury Town Clerk

Are you a tech savvy person with strong communication and interpersonal skills? Are you looking for a work situation that has some flexibility and will provide the opportunity for professional growth? Salisbury is seeking an individual interested in diving into town government. Someone with the ability to deal effectively with a variety of personalities, who is organized, adaptable and interested in serving the community.

If this sounds like you and you'd like to learn more, please contact Patrick Dunn, Select Board Chair (802/352-4432) or Paul Vaczy, Vice Chair (802/349-4514).

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25 Schoolhouse Road
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Fax: 802.352.9832
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INVITATION TO BID

SEALED BIDS FOR:
 Furnishing and placing bituminous materials at instructed locations will be received at the office of the Ferrisburgh Town Clerk, 3279 Route 7, Ferrisburgh, Vt. 05456 until 4:00 p.m. on May 16, 2023 and will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Selectboard meeting at 6:30 p.m. on May 16, 2023 at the Ferrisburgh Town Clerk's office.

Specifications for bidders and bid forms may be obtained without charge at the Ferrisburgh Town Clerk's office, 3279 Route 7, Ferrisburgh, Vt.

The Town of Ferrisburgh, Vt. reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject any and all bids, or to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Ferrisburgh.

ANWSD BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETINGS
MAY 2023

The following schedule of the Board of School Directors' meetings is announced for the month of May 2023:

TBD	7:30 AM	Facilities Committee Meeting ANWSD Conference Room
Monday, May 8	4:30 PM	Policy Committee Meeting VUHS Library
	6:00 PM	ANWSD Board Meeting VUHS Library
Monday, March 15	5:00 PM	Finance Committee Meeting VUHS Library
	6:00 PM	ANWSD Board Meeting VUHS Library
Wednesday, May 17	4:30 PM	Community Engagement Committee Event "Belonging Together" VUHS Library

ADDISON COUNTY SOLID WASTE
MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS, CONSTRUCTION, PHASE 1
ACSWMD TRANSFER STATION, NEW HAVEN, VT
REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Addison County Solid Waste Management District (ACSWMD) is inviting bids from qualified Contractors to construct Phase 1 of a proposed regional, residential solid waste transfer station on Lot 6 of the so-called Norris Business Park located off Campground Road in New Haven, Vermont. Contract Documents will be made available at Blueprints, Etc. of South Burlington, Vermont (802-865-4503). The engineer of record is Weston & Sampson Engineers of Waterbury, Vermont. There will be a Pre-BID Site Meeting on Friday, May 12, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. (EST) held on Lot #6 off of Campground Road, New Haven, VT. Attendance is encouraged, but not mandatory. BIDS are due by 1:00 p.m. (EST) on Friday, May 26, 2023, and will be received by the ACSWMD at the ACSWMD Office, 1223 Route 7 South, Middlebury, VT 05753 and then opened and read aloud. Each sealed envelope containing a BID must be plainly marked on the outside as "Bid - ACSWMD New Haven Transfer Station Phase 1", and the envelope should bear on the outside the name of the Bidder.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE), Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Business Enterprises (WBE) are encouraged to participate.

NOTICE OF TAX SALE

The resident and non-resident owners, lienholders and mortgagees of property in the Town of Salisbury, in the County of Addison and the State of Vermont, are hereby notified that the taxes assessed by such Town for the tax years of 2014-2021 remain unpaid, either in whole or in part, on the following described property in such Town, to wit:

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Sandy Beauregard and Timbo Williams, identified as Parcel no. 1353134.054, and located at 54 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Michael Boynton, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.079, and located at 79 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Robert Daley, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.070, and located at 70 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Toby Danzig, identified as Parcel No. 0502017-MHNL, and located at 1625 Shared Villa Rd., Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Heather Dyer, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.057, and located at 57 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Roy Emery, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.122, and located at 122 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Hilton Foote, and being all and the same lands and premises conveyed to Hilton W. Foote by Warranty Deed of June Marie Mitchell and Jason E. Mitchell dated January 28, 2005 and recorded on February 1, 2005 in Book 58 at Page 91 of the Town of Salisbury land records [E911 Address: 1932 Leland Road, Salisbury.]

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Michael Kalagian, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.060, and located at 60 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Michael Kalagian, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.072, and located at 72 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Bryan Keefe, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.174, and located at 174 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Angela Lafountain, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.073, and located at 73 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of John Martell, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.056, and located at 56 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Bill Martelle, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.145, and located at 145 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Keith McCutcheon, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.100A, and located at 100A Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

Being property taxed as real estate, now or formerly of Melissa Mitchell, identified as Parcel No. 1353134.076, and located at 76 Kampersville, Salisbury, VT.

And pursuant to 32 VSA § 5254, so much of such property will be sold at public auction at the Town of Salisbury Town Office, a public place located at 25 Schoolhouse Road, Salisbury, VT, on the 9th of June, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., as shall be requisite to discharge such taxes with costs, unless previously paid.

Dated at Salisbury, VT this 28th day of April 2023.
 Mindy Goodrich
 Collector of Delinquent Taxes
 Received for record at the Town of Salisbury Clerk's Office on this 28th day of April, 2023. Recorded in Book ATT2 at Page 435-436 of the Town of Salisbury land records.
 Town Clerk, Town of Salisbury

Man allegedly forced family car off road, attacked them

VERGENNES — Vergennes police allege that a man on Sunday forced a car driven by his mother and stepfather to pull over on Main Street and then attacked them and their vehicle. They said he then chased them when they drove off and found a nearby city police officer on patrol.

As we went to press, police were preparing a series of charges, one of them a felony.

Police said they would identify the man when they filed charges of unlawful mischief, a felony count because of the amount of damage done to his parents' vehicle; domestic assault; grossly negligent operation of a motor

Vergennes Police Log

vehicle; disorderly conduct; and reckless endangerment.

Police allege the man, after he forced the vehicle to pull over across from the city green, jumped out of his vehicle and onto the hood of the vehicle occupied by his parents and kicked in its windshield before hopping onto its roof and jumping up and down on it. When his parents drove off, they allege he further pursued the vehicle in his vehicle until they came across the

city cruiser occupied by an officer, who then made the arrest.

The *Independent* plans to identify the suspect in next week's edition.

In other action between May 1 and 7, city police conducted 17 patrols by cruiser, four property watches and nine traffic stops; fingerprinted eight job applicants; and also:

On May 2 helped Vermont State Police find a man who was missing and reported to be dealing with mental health issues. A city officer found him on Main Street.

On May 3:

- On behalf of state police checked out a report of a possible domestic dispute on Little Chicago Road in Ferrisburgh, but found no issue.
- Responded to a one-car accident in which a car swerved and damaged a mailbox on Hopkins Road.
- Escorted Vergennes Union Elementary School pupils on their weekly Walk To School day.

On May 4:

- Heard from a Green Street resident that a contractor who had been paid \$17,000 to make home improvements had not shown up for months and was not responding to efforts to make contact; police said the case is under investigation.
- Heard a complaint from two Macdonough Drive juveniles that two men had demanded a backpack from them in a threatening manner; police advised them to call if the men returned.

On May 5:

- On behalf of state police checked an unfounded report that the crossbar at the nearby Route 7 railroad crossing was malfunctioning.
- On behalf of a concerned citizen checked the welfare of a young woman walking a dog on the city green, but found no problem.

On May 7 checked a report of a car parked near the rear of VUES; it was gone upon arrival.

LAKE VIEW CEMETERY
ASSOCIATION NOTICE

The Lakeview Cemetery Association will hold their annual cemetery meeting on Tuesday, May 16, at 7 p.m., at the WestAddison Community House.

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 it gets in the paper.

HEARING NOTICE TOWN OF ORWELL
DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

The Orwell Development Review Board will meet in person on Thursday, May 25th, 2023 at 7:00pm at the Orwell Town Clerk's Office located at 436 Main Street, Orwell, VT 05760.

By Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87159590685> or phone 1-929-205-6099 use meeting ID: #871 5959 0685 to conduct the following business:

- Permit #4-13-23: Thomas & Michael Audet/Ledge Haven Farm 2 Lot Subdivision Final Plat Review located South of Mount Independence Road Orwell, VT 05760.

Information pertaining to this matter may be viewed M, T, Th & Fr. 9:30-12:00 and 1:00-3:30 at the Orwell Town Clerk's Office located at 436 Main Street, Orwell, VT 05760.

Joseph Andriano, Chair
 Orwell Development Review Board

TOWN OF PANTON
NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO DOG ORDINANCE

"E. An owner or keeper of any dog, wolf hybrid or pet that defecates on premises other than that of the owner shall be required to remove the fecal matter and dispose of it in an appropriate container. Should the owner or keeper of the animal not retrieve the feces, said owner or keeper shall be fined \$25.00 for the first offense and \$50.00 for each subsequent offense."

Full ordinance at https://www.pantonvt.us/residents/dog_information/index.php

Direct comments and questions to clerk-treasurer@pantonvt.us or call (802) 475-2334. Registered Pantan voters may petition for a vote on this amendment pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1973.

ACT 250 NOTICE
MINOR APPLICATION #9A0227-6
10 V.S.A. §§ 6001 - 6111

Douglas Sweets LLC has file application #9A0227-6 for a project generally described as "partial findings" review under the Act 250 Criteria for development of ±4.16-acre Lot 2 for future construction of a commercial baking facility with a small retail area and one dwelling unit on the second floor. Other proposed future improvements include driveway access, parking, sidewalks, and stormwater treatment. No construction is proposed at this time and the final permit for construction will be requested in a subsequent application. Positive findings are requested under the following criteria: 1A, 1B, 1D, 1F, 5, 6, 7, 8, 8A, 9A, 9B, 9C, 9D & 9E, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 10. The project is located at the northwest corner of the Route 7 & 22A intersection in Ferrisburgh, Vermont. This application can be viewed online by visiting the Act 250 Database: <https://anweb.vt.gov/ANR/Act250/Details.aspx?Num=9A0227-6>.

No hearing will be held, and a permit will be issued unless, on or before Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 4:30 PM, a party notifies the District 9 Commission in writing of an issue requiring a hearing, or the Commission sets the matter for a hearing on its own motion. Any person as defined in 10 V.S.A. § 6085(c)(1) may request a hearing. Any hearing request must be in writing, must state the criteria or sub-criteria at issue, why a hearing is required, and what additional evidence will be presented at the hearing. Any hearing request by an adjoining property owner or other person eligible for party status under 10 V.S.A. § 6085(c)(1)(E) must include a petition for party status under the Act 250 Rules. To request party status and a hearing, fill out the Party Status Petition Form on the Board's website: <https://nrb.vermont.gov/documents/party-status-petition-form>, and email it to the District 9 Office at: NRB.Act250Barre@vermont.gov. Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law may not be prepared unless the Commission holds a public hearing.

For more information contact the District Coordinator listed below.

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Physical: 111 West Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452

ACT 250 NOTICE
MINOR APPLICATION #9A0215-3
10 V.S.A. §§ 6001 - 6111

The President and Fellows of Middlebury College have filed application #9A0215-3 for a project generally described as replacement of existing, natural grass baseball and softball fields with all-weather turf. The Project also includes: (1) removal of existing fencing, backstop, bleachers, and press boxes and replacement with all new updated components, (2) minor access drive realignment, and (3) installation of five parking spaces. The project is located at 63 South Street Extension in Middlebury, Vermont. This application can be viewed online by visiting the Act 250 Database: <https://annweb.vt.gov/ANR/Act250/Details.aspx?Num=9A0215-3>.

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Slate Valley Unified Union
School District
2011 Dodge Caravan
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The Slate Valley Unified Union School District is selling a 2011 Dodge Caravan with significant rust and 47,255 miles. Reasonable offers will be considered.

If interested please contact Cheryl Scarzello, Director of Finance at (802)265-2561 or cscarzello@svuvt.org.

TOWN OF BRISTOL
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The Bristol Development Review Board will hold the following hearing on May 30, 2023 beginning at 7:00 P.M. The hearing will be held in person at the Town Office, located at 1 South Street. The hearing will also be available via Zoom and login information is below.

Permit #23-301: Masterson Development Properties, LLC of Lower Notch Road (Parcel #090227) is requesting a Conditional Use for a Business Yard per Bristol Unified Development Regulations Article III, Section 350

Copies of the complete zoning applications are available for review at the Bristol Town Office during regular business hours.

ACT 250 NOTICE
MINOR APPLICATION #9A0065-2
10 V.S.A. §§ 6001 - 6111

Clark Investment Properties, LLC has filed Application #9A0065-2 for a project generally described as construction of a single-family residence on ±0.30-acre Lot 4 of a previously approved subdivision. The project is located at 65 West Pleasant Street in Bristol, Vermont. This application can be viewed online by visiting the Act 250 Database: <https://annweb.vt.gov/ANR/Act250/Details.aspx?Num=9A0065-2>.

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ARTS + LEISURE

The Addison Independent

May 11, 2023



"I have given the world my songs" by Liz Marino, South Egremont, Mass.



"In Harriet Tubman I helped hundreds to freedom" by Mary Austin, Seattle, Wash.



"My right is a future of equality with other Americans" by Lisa Meechem, Stillwater Lake, Nova Scotia, Canada.



"I am the Black Woman" by Benita Watford, Raleigh, Norwalk, Conn.



"I have special reservations..." by Tish Murphy, Minneapolis, Minn.

Artists hook into history at Rokeby Museum

This is the week of museum openings! Rokeby Museum, a designated National Historic Landmark situated on 90 acres in Ferrisburgh, is among the many local museums opening this weekend. Rokeby Museum introduces visitors to four generations of the Robinson family and their contributions to the Abolition movement, agriculture, art and literature.

BY **ELSIE**
LYNN PARINI

The education center's main exhibit, "Free

& Safe," documents the site's Underground Railroad history. To hook the interests of museum-goers and new visitors this season, the Rokeby has a special month-long exhibit featuring 15 hooked rugs reproduced from the "I Am a Black Woman" series by Elizabeth Catlett.

Guest curator and third generation rug-hooker Maddy Fraioli approached Rokeby Museum about showcasing this exhibit "Lift Every Voice."

"Fourteen American and Canadian women, spanning the continent from Nova Scotia to Seattle and Vancouver collaborated on

hooking the series of block prints that artist Elizabeth Catlett first produced in Mexico City in 1947," Fraioli wrote in an intro for the exhibit. Catlett created the prints originally to highlight the "fears, struggles and achievements of ordinary African American women" who manage to "persevere and resist through work, their internal drive and an overwhelming desire for change," paraphrased Fraioli, who wrote a feature article published in Rug Hooking Magazine in January this year.

Fraioli called Middlebury home for several

SEE ROKEBY ON PAGE 3

Music festival imagines a world with zero pollution

When the music stops and the crowds go home, every music festival looks the same: a grotesque sea of empty water bottles, red Solo cups, and food wrappers. Enough plastic to start a landfill. The

BY **STEVEN JUPITER**
THE BRANDON REPORTER

garbage gets hauled away, hidden from view, and forgotten. Not to mention the vast amounts of electricity needed to power the affair, electricity that isn't always produced sustainably.

Now, imagine a music festival that's still awesome fun but with zero waste and zero emissions, where food and drink are served only in reusable and/or biodegradable containers and everything is powered by solar. The Imagine Zero Music Fest, to be held in Brandon on Saturday, May 13, is moving us ever closer to that reality.

The festival is the brainchild of Ben Kogan of Reusable Solutions, a sustainability consultancy in Woodstock, and his friend Cliff Johnson, a social-impact entrepreneur. The idea for a zero-pollution music fest came to them on a hike in fall 2022, when they found themselves lamenting the massive waste generated by the music festivals they liked to attend.

Kogan recalled, "Cliff turned to me and said, 'Why don't we put on our own music festival?'"

By December of 2022, we were seriously making it happen."

Kogan is himself a musician (his band will be performing at Imagine Zero) and had already been trying to introduce notions of environmental stewardship into the music world through his organization Musicians for Sustainability, which has gotten pledges from bands and venues to abide by attainable principles of sustainability. But the Imagine Zero festival puts their money where their mouth is, attempting to prove that concerts and sustainability aren't mutually exclusive.

There will be no bottled water and all alcohol will be served from kegs (wine included), to avoid cans and bottles. Black Flannel Brewing Company of Essex Junction even came up with a new Imagine Zero IPA just for the event. The festival will also be powered entirely by solar panels.

"We're not going to get all the way [to zero pollution]," said Kogan, acknowledging the inherent difficulty of his goal. "But we want more festivals to aspire to be zero waste and zero emissions."

The event will take place at SolarFest's compound on Steinberg Road, just north of Brandon Village. Kogan and Johnson are both based in Woodstock and wanted a venue within 100 miles of home that could

accommodate an all-solar event.

"There were dozens of venues we could've chosen, but once we added in the solar, the number of options went down to 2: SolarFest in Brandon and another venue in Woodstock," said Kogan.

Ultimately, they went with SolarFest because of the sustainable-energy collective's prior experience with music festivals, one of which took place at their compound in Brandon last summer.

"I played one of their festivals 13 years ago and people kept recommending them," said Kogan. "It's a great opportunity for them and us both."

The show itself will feature 8 acts, including nationally known bands like Dawes, an L.A.-based folk-rock group, and locally prominent musicians, such as Kat Wright, Myra Flynn, and Ben Kogan himself. The winner of this year's UVM Battle of the Bands—Earthworm—will open the event. Whatever your views on sustainability, if your musical tastes run to indie/folk rock, you're sure to enjoy the lineup.

Kogan emphasized that, ultimately, it's still a music show and not a sermon.

"We've got all the ingredients for a really good time."

Imagine Zero Music Fest will take place on Saturday, May 13 from 12 to 8 p.m. at SolarFest on Steinberg Road in Brandon. Visit imaginezerofestival.com for tickets.

"WE WANT MORE FESTIVALS TO ASPIRE TO BE ZERO WASTE AND ZERO EMISSIONS."

— Ben Kogan

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"I AM THE BLACK WOMAN. I HAVE ALWAYS WORKED HARD IN AMERICA, IN THE FIELDS, IN OTHER FOLKS' HOMES. I HAVE GIVEN THE WORLD MY SONGS. IN SOJOURNER TRUTH I FOUGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF WOMEN AS WELL AS BLACKS. IN HARRIET TUBMAN I HELPED HUNDREDS TO FREEDOM. IN PHYLISS WHEATLEY I PROVED INTELLECTUAL EQUALITY IN THE MIDST OF SLAVERY. I HAVE STUDIED WITH EVER INCREASING NUMBERS. MY ROLE HAS BEEN IMPORTANT IN THE STRUGGLE TO ORGANIZE THE UNORGANIZED. MY REWARD HAS BEEN BARS BETWEEN ME AND THE REST OF THE LAND. I HAVE SPECIAL RESERVATIONS, AND A SPECIAL FEAR FOR MY LOVED ONES. MY RIGHT IS A FUTURE OF EQUALITY WITH OTHER AMERICANS."

This narrative (above) is composed of the titles of Elizabeth Catlett's block prints, and also the titles of the exhibited hooked-rug pieces. It is intended to be read aloud.



"I have special reservations, and a special fear for my loved ones" by Maddy Fraioli, Roseville, Ohio, 14" x 18", wool.

ROKEBY

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years in the 1980s, but now resides in Ohio. Her mom continues to live in Lincoln, Vt., and they have enjoyed practicing the

folk art tradition of rug hooking together for the past 30 years.

During the pandemic, in 2021-2022, Fraioli and the other rug-hooking artists met on Zoom to select the prints, discuss the artist and reflect on how they might approach their hooked pieces to accurately reflect what Catlett intended to convey 75 years ago with her block prints.

"We recognized that Ms. Catlett's images and message resonate as much now as they did then," Fraioli explained. "We wished to honor them in loops."

"This exhibition of hooked rugs is a beautiful and powerful display of Elizabeth Catlett's 1947 series 'I am a Black Woman,'" said Rokeby Museum Director Lindsay Varner. "Accompanying each display are the artist's statements that explore their inspiration and personal connections to the project. During the reception, Ms. Fraioli will speak on the project's creation and its connection to contemporary social justice. We hope that visitors to the exhibition will appreciate the artistry, skill and history behind the creation of each piece."

This is the first exhibit of hooked rugs displayed

at Rokeby Museum.

"In this celebration of the Ms. Elizabeth Catlett's work we hope, as she did, that our collected work 'be of service' and 'work to the end that love, peace, justice and equal opportunity prevail all over the world.' She was and is 'one of our own,'" Fraioli concluded.

Don't miss the opening reception of this exhibition, this Sunday, May 14. Fraioli's talk will begin at 2 p.m., and admission to the museum is free and open to the public that day. The exhibit will be on view through June 10.

Rokeby Museum is open May 13-Oct. 14, seven days a week from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information visit rokeby.org.



Here is the original block print by Elizabeth Catlett, that Maddy Fraioli translated into fiber art. See the full exhibit on view at Rokeby Museum May 13-June 10, with a free opening reception and talk on May 14, at 2 p.m.

Patti Casey and Colin McCaffrey with special guest Eric O'Hara

LIVE at the Vergennes Opera House Saturday, May 20, 7:30pm



Vergennes native Patti Casey returns to delight the hometown crowd with the incomparable Colin McCaffrey and special guest Eric O'Hara. Come enjoy a night of fantastic music and rich vocal harmony!

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Henry Sheldon Museum prepares to open May 13

The Sheldon Museum and Store are opening Saturday, May 13. The crabapple tree buds are about to burst, flowers are blooming in the garden, and lots of exterior painting is happening. And inside... exhibits are being installed, windows and carpets are being cleaned, and the Museum Store is being stocked.

Volunteers have been busy sprucing up the Museum and grounds in anticipation of the reopening.

The Museum and Store will be open Wednesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., beginning May 13. The Research Center will be open Thursday and Friday, from 1-4 p.m., by appointment.

EXHIBITS

The Sheldon will open with four new exhibits on May 13. Here are the details:

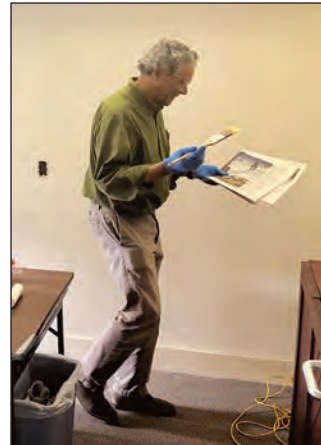
Artists in the Archives: Unseen Neighbors: Community, History & Collage

May 13-Aug. 26

Digital collages and three analog format collages by 23 artists from seven countries that reflect upon the idea of community in the 21st-century world are on view. The exhibit also includes displays of recently-discovered and acquired materials highlighting the presence of Native American, African American, and Asian



Allison LaCroix Hayes and her parents, Don and Irene LaCroix, volunteered their painting and carpentry skills.



Bill Hart painted the staff/volunteer room.



Ron and Nancy Rucker made the front entrance sparkle.

peoples in the Middlebury area.

Variety Sew: A Sampling of Textile Tools and Devices

May 13-Sept. 30

From the collections of the Sheldon Museum comes a plethora of sewing machines, a surfeit of spinning wheels, and a myriad of sewing paraphernalia to discover. Many of these items have not been on exhibit for decades and have Middlebury and Addison County histories.

Stellar Stitching: 19th Century Vermont Samplers

May 13-Jan. 13, 2024

Features textiles as a learning tool through needlework samplers made exclusively by

young girls in the 19th-century depicting alphabets, numerals and decorative elements.

Recent Acquisitions

May 13-Jan. 13, 2024

Recent Acquisitions will feature some new items in the museum's collections including two stunning pieces of furniture by Vermont cabinetmaker Norman Jones, recently donated by Cherie Roberts, along with supporting objects and archival materials.

Come visit the Henry Sheldon Museum at 1 Park Street in Middlebury. For more information contact 802-388-2117 or henrysheldonmuseum@gmail.com.

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Sheldon Trustee Robert Black worked with United Way/Middlebury College student volunteers to paint the garden railings.



Mary Manley assisted Michael Manley with cutting the picture molding that he installed in the New Acquisitions gallery.

ART ON EXHIBIT

ART ON MAIN

25 Main Street, Bristol

Visit artonmain.net or call 802-453-403 for more info.

"3D:On/Off the Wall," is a show of diverse works by member artists Gail Martin, John Arthur, Scott Crocker and Robin Kent exploring scale and the third dimension in metal, wood and collage. On view through May 15.

DAVIS FAMILY LIBRARY

110 Storrs Ave, Middlebury

Call 802-443-5494 for more info.

"Pop-Up Books." A new exhibit of pop-up books has been installed in the Davis Family Library atrium at Middlebury College. This exhibit was curated by Middlebury College student Anne Lofgren, class of 2023. On view through the summer.

EDGEWATER AT THE FALLS

1 Mill Street, Middlebury

Visit edgewatergallery.com, call 802-458-0098 or email info@edgewatergallery-vt.com for more info.

"Introducing!" A group exhibition featuring new 2023 Edgewater artists, including Tracy Burtz/Melanie Considine/Marcia Crumley/Larry Horowitz/Julie Keller/Sasha Dorje Meyerowitz. This exhibit, opening April 25, will be on view through May 25.

EDGEWATER ON THE GREEN

6 Merchants Row, Middlebury

Visit edgewatergallery.com, call 802-989-7419 or email info@edgewatergallery-vt.com for more info.

"Seasonal Majesty," a solo exhibition of new work by Rory Jackson featuring the landscape of Addison County. On view May 9 - June 27, with an opening reception Thursday June 8, from 5-6:30 p.m.

JACKSON GALLERY

68 S. Pleasant Street, Middlebury

Visit townhalltheater.org/jackson-gallery or call 802-382-9222 for more info.

"#Skylights" is a new exhibit featuring Winslow Colwell's paper constructions, light boxes and kites. On view April 21-June 10.

NORTHERN DAUGHTERS GALLERY

221 Main Street, Vergennes

Visit northerndaughters.com or call 802-877-2173

"Verdant." This body of large works from Carla Weeks looks to examine the relationship between architecture and nature, in all shades of green. On view from May 11-June 15, with an opening reception on May 19, from 5-7 p.m.



ARIES: March 21/April 20. Aries, try to rectify an imbalance in a relationship with another person close to you this week. It's never too late to make amends, and the rewards are fully worth it.

TAURUS: April 21/May 21. Taurus, friction can be overcome with patience and perseverance. Take an even-keeled approach and give things time to simmer. Change will come.

GEMINI: May 22/June 21. The brighter you shine, the more things will come your way this week, Gemini. Wear a big smile on your face and get out into the thick of things.

CANCER: June 22/July 22. Cancer, you may have to change your way of thinking to get on the same wavelength as some others this week. Be open-minded to new experiences.

LEO: July 23/Aug. 23. Important lessons about balance could come your way soon, Leo. You need to find that happy medium between work and home responsibilities.

VIRGO: Aug. 24/Sept. 22. Events this week could leave you a little dazed and bewildered, Virgo. Nothing seems to be going to plan and that could get on your nerves. Figure out a way to de-stress.

LIBRA: Sept. 23/Oct. 23. Libra, your urge to take action comes on strong this week. Figure out a project you can put your efforts behind as soon as possible and then dive in with maximum effort.

SCORPIO: Oct. 24/Nov. 22. Use this week as an opportunity to tend to your own needs, Scorpio. Indulge in a spa treatment or play hooky and go on a road trip all by yourself.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 23/Dec. 21. Sagittarius, your desire to get ahead is very strong over the course of the next few days. Now you only need to figure out the venture that you will take on.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22/Jan. 20. Others may be begging for your attention, Capricorn. But this week is all about self-healing for you. Focus inward to bring about any personal change you desire.

AQUARIUS: Jan. 21/Feb. 18. You can accomplish a great deal when you happen to get moving, Aquarius. This week the struggle may be finding the motivation to take the first step.

PISCES: Feb. 19/March 20. Pisces, take a break from reality by reading a good fantasy book, watching a movie or enjoying a stage show. You can use the respite.

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MAY 12 — Katharine Hepburn, actor (d)
MAY 13 — Stephen Colbert, The Late Show (59)

MAY 14 — Cate Blanchett, actor (54)
MAY 15 — Jasper Johns, artist (93)
MAY 16 — Adrienne Rich, poet (d)
MAY 17 — Taj Mahal, blues musician (81)

CALENDAR

MAY 11-18
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THURSDAY, MAY 11

NEON RAMBLERS IN MIDDLEBURY. Thursday, May 11, 7 p.m., Town Hall Theater, 68 S. Pleasant St. Middlebury musician Clint Bierman returns to his home stage at the Town Hall Theater for two special nights of music called G24. Night one will feature Neon Ramblers, a project from The Grift that takes classic (mostly '80s) pop tunes and turns them into Bluegrass favorites. With unique renditions of songs (that you probably know the words to.) It will be a fun show for almost all music lovers. For tickets and info call 802-382-9222.

"ELEMENTAL: REDEFINE WILDFIRE" SCREENING AND DISCUSSION IN BRISTOL. Thursday, May 11, 7 p.m., Holley Hall, 1 South St. Filmed across the West and narrated by Emmy-nominated actor David Oyelowo, "Elemental: Reimagine Wildfire" takes viewers on a journey with the top experts in the nation to better understand fire. Includes voices of climate experts, Indigenous people, firefighters, and survivors who lost everything. Discussion with director Trip Jennings will explore myths and realities of wildfire and draw insights for management of Vermont forests.

INTRO TO DANCE END-OF-THE-SEASON OPEN SHOWING IN MIDDLEBURY. Thursday, May 11, 3-3:30 p.m. Mahaney Arts Center Dance Theater Room 110. Join dancers of Introduction to Dance for their end-of-the-semester showing. Free and open to the public.

FRIDAY, MAY 12

NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM BUS TRIP FROM MIDDLEBURY. Friday, May 12, 7 a.m., Meet at Hannaford's parking lot, 260 Court St. Middlebury's Milk & Honey Quilt Guild is offering a full-day field trip to the museum in Lowell, Mass. Includes a tour by the museum curator, including the special exhibit "Quilts Japan," lunch at a nearby restaurant, and a visit to the Bott Cotton Mills Museum a few miles down the road. Cost \$85 for guild members/\$100 non-members, includes bus fare, entrance to both museums and lunch. More info and registration at cilla.leng@gmail.com.

NESHOBE SCHOOL PLAYERS FILM FESTIVAL IN BRANDON. Friday, May 12, 6 p.m., Brandon Town Hall, 1 Conant Sq. The Friends of Brandon Town Hall have acquired and salvaged videos of a series of six plays performed at the Neshobe School from 1990-2002. Come and see the talented 5th- and 6th-graders that now have 5th- and 6th-graders of their own.

THE GRIFT IN MIDDLEBURY. Friday, May 12, 7 p.m., Town Hall Theater, 68 S. Pleasant St. Middlebury musician Clint Bierman returns to his home stage at the Town Hall Theater for two special nights of music called G24. Night two will feature the full rock spectacle that is The Grift. They will bring their best music and light show to the THT stage to celebrate their 24-year (and counting) catalog of original music. With over 100 original songs (some very exciting new ones!) and more covers than you can count, they are

sure to entertain with their unique brand. For tickets and info call 802-382-9222.

SATURDAY, MAY 13

SHELDON MUSEUM OPENING DAY IN MIDDLEBURY. Saturday, May 13, Sheldon Museum, 1 Park St. The Sheldon is open for another season with four new exhibits — Artists in the Archives: Unseen Neighbors: Community, History & Collage; Variety Sew: A Sampling of Textile Tools and Devices; Stellar Stitching: 19th Century Vermont Samplers; and Recent Acquisitions.

HUMAN POWERED PARADE IN BRISTOL. Saturday, May 13, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., downtown. Decorate yourself and your bike, scooter, wagon, pushcart, etc and join in this celebration of human-powered transportation. Parking at 110 Airport Rd.

IMAGINE ZERO MUSIC FESTIVAL IN BRANDON. Saturday, May 13, noon, Solarfest, 144 Steinberg Rd. Imagine Zero Music Fest's mission is to have a festival that is zero carbon and zero waste. That means having the show entirely powered by renewable energy and have no trash. The festival features headliner Dawes with support from Kat Wright, Myra Flynn and others. Black Flannel brewing will be there along with several food carts and a kid's corner.

JAZZ THROUGH THE DECADES IN MIDDLEBURY. Saturday, May 13, 1 p.m., Ilesley Public Library, 75 Main St.

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Please see the MCTV website, www.middleburycommunitytv.org , for changes in the schedule; MCTV events, classes and news; and to view many programs online. Submit listings to the above address, or call 388-3062.				
<p>MCTV Channel 1071 Friday, May 12 Overnight - State House - Affordable Heat Act , Parts 1 and 2 4:58 a.m. What Percentage of Your Taxes go to the Military? 6:30 a.m. League of Women Voters Ranked Choice Voting in Vermont 7:30 a.m. Congregational Church 10 a.m. Selectboard, Public Affairs 4 p.m. Memorial Baptist Church 5:30 p.m. Energy Week 6:30 p.m. Health Care Today with Dr. Louis Meyers 8 p.m. Montpelier Happy Hour 9 p.m. Ranked Choice Voting Saturday, May 13 Public Affairs - Overnight 4 p.m. Dr. John Campbell 4:30 a.m. Affordable Heat Act 1 & 2 9 a.m. Ranked Choice Voting 10 a.m. Selectboard, Public Affairs 4 p.m. Memorial Baptist Service 5:30 p.m. Eckankar 6 p.m. Energy Week 7 p.m. Catholic Mass 7:30 p.m. Dr. Louis Meyers 8 p.m. Jonathan Billings - Healthcare Today 9 p.m. Will Miller Social Justice Lecture - Kali Akuno 9:51 p.m. Garrett Graff - The State of US Politics Sunday, May 14 Public Affairs - Overnight 6 a.m. Select Board, Public Affairs 9 a.m. Catholic Mass 10 a.m. Energy Week</p>	<p>11 a.m. Memorial Baptist Service 12:30 p.m. Percentage Taxes to Military? 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Celebrating jazz means understanding its roots. Local Jazz musicians Kent Baker (keyboards) and Glendon Ingalls (trumpet, sousaphone, string bass) will present a concert of jazz standards from 1900-1980.

NESHOBE SCHOOL PLAYERS FILM FESTIVAL IN BRANDON. Saturday, May 13, 1-7 p.m., Brandon Town Hall, 1 Conant Sq. See May 12 listing.

KING PEDE CARD PARTY IN FERRISBURGH. Saturday, May 13, 6:30 p.m., Ferrisburgh Town Hall and Community Center, Route 7. A sandwich supper and then on to an evening of fun and games. King Pele is a game that involves "trick-taking" such as in Hearts and Spades or Pitch. This is a game of fun and skill so come prepared to use your strategic thinking.

SUNDAY, MAY 14

THE VERMONT SUN 5K, 10K AND HALF MARATHON IN SALISBURY. Sunday, May 14, Branbury State Park, Lake Dunmore. Pre-registration/bib pick up between 7:45 and 8:45 a.m. sharp at Branbury State Park on race morning. All runs start at 9 a.m. more info at vermontsuntriathlonseries.com.

NESHOBE SCHOOL PLAYERS FILM FESTIVAL IN BRANDON. Sunday, May 14, 1-5 p.m., Brandon Town Hall, 1 Conant Sq. See May 12 listing.

EXHIBIT OPENING IN FERRISBURGH. Sunday, May 14, 2 p.m., Rokeby Museum, 4334 Route 7. Kicking off Rokeby's 2023 season is "Lift Every Voice," a guest curated show of 15 hooked rugs reproduced from the "I Am a Black Woman" series by Elizabeth Catlett. Exhibit runs through June 10.

MIDDLEBURY COMMUNITY WIND ENSEMBLE IN MIDDLEBURY. Sunday, May 14, 3-4 p.m., Mahaney Arts Center, 72 Porter Field Rd. Treat the mothers in your life with this free concert conducted by Dr. Christopher Foster. Selections include works by Holst, Copland, Grainger, Whitacre, and more. Donations will be graciously accepted.

HINESBURG COMMUNITY BAND AND SOUTH COUNTY CHORUS IN HINESBURG. Sunday, May 14, 4:30 p.m., CVU Auditorium, 369 CVU Rd. As part of its celebration of 25 years of local performances, the Hinesburg Artist Series presents this spring concert. The concert is free, with donations gratefully accepted. More info at www.hinesburgartistseries.org.

MONDAY, MAY 15

MIDDLEBURY COMMUNITY WIND ENSEMBLE IN BRISTOL. Monday, May 15, 7-8 p.m., Mt Abraham Union High School auditorium, Airport Dr. Treat the mothers in your life with this free concert conducted by Dr. Christopher Foster. Selections include works by Holst, Copland, Grainger, Whitacre, and more. Donations will be graciously accepted.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

"HERSELF" ON SCREEN IN MIDDLEBURY. Wednesday, May 17, 3 and 6 p.m., Marquis Theater, 65 Main St. Come see this film about a young mother who escapes her abusive husband and fights back against a broken housing system. She sets out to build her own home and in the process rebuilds her life and re-discovers herself. A Q&A with WomenSafe and Addison County restorative Justice will follow the film.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

"WHALE RIDER" ON SCREEN IN MIDDLEBURY. Thursday, May 18, 6 p.m., Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St. The latest Middlebury Classic Film Club film centers around a Maori tribe in New Zealand with a strict rule for future chiefs: they had to be male. This pattern was upset when the heir to tribal leadership died in infancy. His twin sister survived and wants to be chief someday. The struggle to find peace revolves around finding harmony between a talented and ambitious young woman and her kindly but tradition-bound grandfather.

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- Exhibit runs from June 7 through July 5.

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"FERMENTOLOGY" IN BRISTOL. Thursday, May 18, 7 p.m., Howden Hall, 19 West St. The Bristol Historical Society hosts William Mares for this talk. Mares began making his own beer 45 years ago, when home brewing was illegal and there were no microbreweries in America. Mares will offer a short history of beer itself, and discuss the American beer revolution, Vermont's small but significant contribution, and his co-ownership of a brewery.



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I love you with all of my heart,

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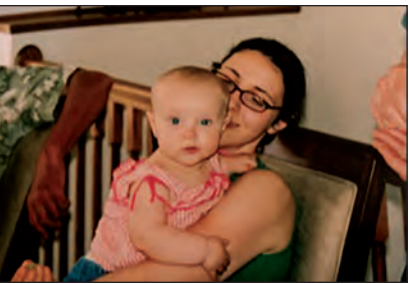
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— Meg

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die Messenger

Happy Mother's
Day Grandma
(Jen)!

Love,
— Jaxson

Happy 1st Mother's Day with
me momma!

Love you,

— Jaxson

Happy Mother's Day!!! Thank you
so much for being my mother and
all that you do for me day in and
day out. (Also for teaching dad the
ropes). You're the best mother out
there!!

Love,

— Jaxson

Several years ago I met a woman named Phyllis.
She is the mother of a friend. She is younger than
me but I call her Mom, or Gertrude. She calls me
daughter. She has helped me through some very
tough times especially the last two years during
the loss of my grandson and my partner. She
always has time to listen to me and not judge.
She gives good advice, too. We laugh together,
cry together, volunteer together, and do we ever
HOP together. She is my best friend and I would
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— Patsy



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UPCOMING MUSIC

Patti Casey returns for last concert of the season at the Vergennes Opera House

Patti Casey and Colin McCaffrey with special guest Eric O'Hara are performing at the Vergennes Opera House on Saturday, May 20 to help us close out the very successful 2022-2023 season.

Casey is a Vergennes native and last performed in the VOH in 2018 to a very appreciative capacity crowd. Her beautiful original music and style of storytelling make for an acoustically rich performance. And this time around she is bringing some new friends. Joining her on stage is the incomparable McCaffrey who brings his formidable performing chops to the stage with his music expertise but also with his vocal harmony that blends seamlessly with Casey's beautiful voice. The duo is welcoming a special guest this time around with O'Hara, who brings his exceptional style on the pedal steel and dobro.

"Patti is a gem, plain and simple," said Gerianne Smart, President of the Friends of the Vergennes Opera House. "Her music and the words to her songs are rich with history and feeling. She has a love of Vermont that is



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solid and when she is performing in her native Vergennes and on the historic Vergennes Opera House stage, something special always happens."

This trio represents a deep history of award-winning music and songs. They are all internationally known singers and songwriters who are shaped by the Green Mountains and farm country of Vermont. The acoustics of the Vergennes Opera House are uniquely designed to support this kind of music and those in the audience will recognize the richness of the sound and the beautiful blend of vocal harmonies.

"We have been looking forward to this concert for a long time," Casey said. "The Vergennes Opera House has a special place in my heart and history, and I love performing there and seeing familiar faces and visiting with old friends."

This concert will close out the Vergennes Opera House 2022-2023 season.

Tickets are \$15 in advance or at the door. General seating. Doors and the cash bar will open at 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets available at VergennesOperaHouse.org.

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- 1. Midway between south and southeast
- 4. Fathers
- 9. Wine grape
- 14. Al Bundy's wife
- 15. Organic compound
- 16. Venezuelan state
- 17. Interest term
- 18. Experts
- 20. Central cores of stems
- 22. Smooth and glossy
- 23. One-time S. Korean city
- 24. One from Damascus
- 28. Short message at the end of an email
- 29. It cools your home
- 30. Oh, God!
- 31. Intestinal pouches
- 33. Men

- 37. Popular English soccer team (abbr.)
- 38. Former CIA
- 39. Arrange in steps
- 41. A baglike structure in a plant or animal
- 42. The Great Lake State
- 43. Dog-__: to mark a page
- 44. Stop moving
- 46. Ancient Dead Sea region
- 49. Of I
- 50. Clerical vestment
- 51. Songs sung to a lover
- 55. Charges
- 58. Popular design program manufacturer
- 59. Where to park a boat
- 60. One who values

- reason
- 64. Slang for cigarette
- 65. Sailboats
- 66. Actress Zellweger
- 67. Screen material
- 68. Country music legend Haggard
- 69. Puts together in time
- 70. When you hope to arrive

DOWN

- 1. An involuntary and abnormal muscular contraction
- 2. Philly's rail service
- 3. Leaves a place
- 4. No longer be a part in
- 5. Guitar players use them
- 6. Cease to exist

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Sudoku

Each Sudoku puzzle consists of a 9x9 grid that has been subdivided into nine smaller grids of 3x3 squares. To solve the puzzle each row, column and box must contain each of the numbers 1 to 9. Puzzles come in three grades: easy, medium and difficult.

Level: Medium

- 7. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 8. Shaking of the earth
- 9. Strong winds
- 10. For each one
- 11. A bog
- 12. The creation of beautiful or significant things
- 13. Affirmative
- 19. Pie _ _ _ mode
- 21. Nonclerical
- 24. Inspirational football player Hamlin
- 25. Learning environment
- 26. Khoikhoi peoples
- 27. Bring out or develop
- 31. Shows up
- 32. Theatrical device
- 34. Loads
- 35. Popular Hollywood alien
- 36. Distinguishes
- 40. College dorm worker
- 41. Secondary or explanatory title
- 45. Resembling wings
- 47. One who delivers a speech
- 48. In the middle
- 52. Loop with a running knot
- 53. Airborne (abbr.)
- 54. Beloveds
- 56. Ordain
- 57. Breed of small cattle
- 59. Very small period of time (abbr.)
- 60. Revolutions per minute
- 61. They _ _
- 62. Longtime ESPN anchor Bob
- 63. A place to stay

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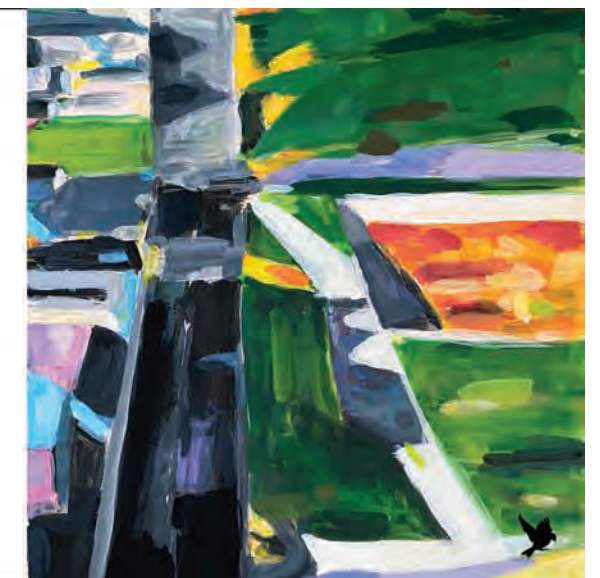
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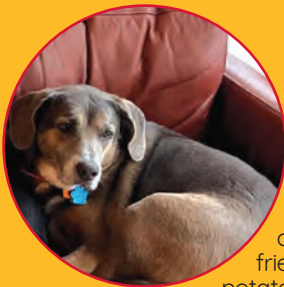
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Bo

Bo is a 6-month-old foxhound who is learning to control his long legs and enthusiasm. He is housebroken, crate-trained, and knows some basic commands. Bo is an active dog who requires a lot of physical and mental stimulation. He has been counter-surfing and chewing items when he's not given enough attention and exercise. Daily long walks and puzzle toys are great ways to prevent boredom. Bo loves being around other dogs. He has previously lived with dogs and cats. Bo can get very excited and jumpy when he meets new people and we are working with him on his manners. He needs a home where he gets regular exercise and has regular routines to follow. Bo is a love bug who just wants to be near you and play with his toys!



Bruffy

Bruffy is a 13-year-old hound mix who has been a faithful companion to a disabled Vietnam Veteran who has moved into an assisted facility and can no longer care for her. Her current caretaker describes Bruffy as friendly to family and visitors, a couch potato, affectionate, and independent. She knows basic commands and walks well on a leash. Her play style is gentle, although she doesn't show much interest. She does like to play in and around water. Bruffy is not crate-trained and has the run of the house if the owner is away for the day, and spends most of her time sleeping.



Sandia

Sandia is a medium-sized dog who came to us as a stray. She is between 1-1.5 years old and has a lot of puppy energy. She loves being around people and seems to like other dogs. Sandia jumps when excited and we are working with her on her manners. Overall, she's just a sweet, loving dog who needs a home to call her own.



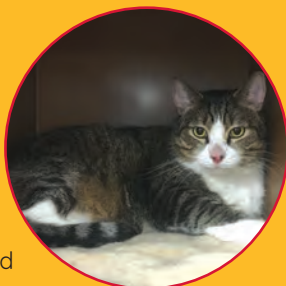
Mushi

We estimate Mushi to be about 1-year-old. He is available through our Working Cat Program. He would thrive as an outdoor only or as an indoor/outdoor cat. Mushi isn't very social with people, but he would make a great mouse catcher!



Zigman

Zigman is a big 5-year-old mush who likes to hide in small spaces. He greets people with a hiss but quickly has a change of heart if he smells some food. His favorite is Churu snacks! Zigman likes to be petted, but not picked up. He has lived with cats and dogs and gets along with both.

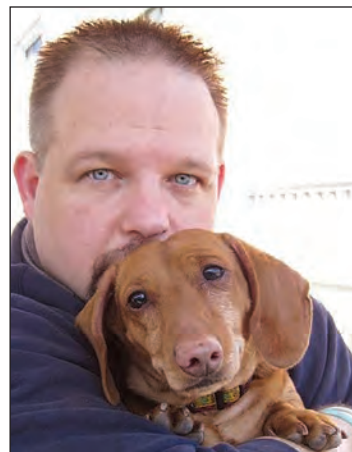


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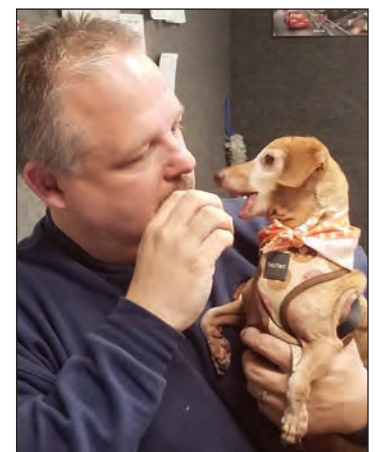
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Ca\$h For Paws raises over \$8,000

For the eighth consecutive year, WVTK's Bruce Zeman, accomplished what he set out to achieve — raising money to help local animals. Again, this year — with help from his sidekick Calvin — Zeman raised over \$8,000 for Homeward Bound, Addison County's Humane Society in just one day.



Bruce Zeman and his late dachshunds Hobbles (left) and Zoey (right).



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Created by Zeman back in 2009, "Bruce & Hobbles' Ca\$h for Paws" is an annual radiothon, held on 92.1 WVTK in Middlebury.

Zeman and his canine sidekick, Hobbles, hosted the award-winning "The

Wake-Up Crew with Bruce & Hobbles" on 92.1 WVTK-FM in Middlebury. Zeman (an author, motivational speaker and noted animal rights activist) and Hobbles (a rescued dachshund, who was a domestic violence survivor) travelled the country speaking in schools about anti-bullying efforts, compassion, tolerance and empathy for people and

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"Animalia" reveals the essence of a member of the animal kingdom. Juror Traer Scott selected approximately 35 images for exhibition in the Middlebury gallery, and up to 40 for the online gallery. On view May 4 - June 2.

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"Artists in the Archives: Unseen Neighbors: Community, History & Collage." Digital collages and three analog format collages by 23 artists from seven countries that reflect upon the idea of community in the 21st-century world are on view. The exhibit also includes displays of recently-discovered and acquired materials highlighting the presence of Native American, African American, and Asian peoples in the Middlebury area. On view May 13-Aug. 26.

"Variety Sew: A Sampling of Textile Tools and Devices." From the collections of the Sheldon Museum comes a plethora of sewing machines, a surfeit of spinning wheels, and a myriad of sewing paraphernalia to discover. Many of these items have not been on exhibit for decades and have Middlebury and Addison County histories. On view May 13-Sept. 30.

"Stellar Stitching: 19th Century Vermont Samplers." Features textiles as a learning tool through needlework samplers made exclusively by young girls in the 19th-century depicting alphabets, numerals and decorative elements. On view May 13-Jan. 13, 2024.

"Recent Acquisitions." Recent Acquisitions will feature some new items in the museum's collections including two stunning pieces of furniture by Vermont cabinetmaker Norman Jones, recently donated by Cherie Roberts, along with supporting objects and archival materials. On view May 13-Jan. 13, 2024.

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animals. Their book "Hobbes Goes Home" has been read in over 285 schools in eight states and includes a forward written by former U.S. President Barack H. Obama.

With Hobbes passing in July 2020, at the age of 14, and his sister Zoey, on April 13 of this year, Calvin, has stepped up to help his dad continue the show, and their work helping people and animals.

With the passing of Zoey this year, an emotional Zeman dedicated the 2023 radiothon to his beloved pups.

"I do this event for Hobbes and Zoey, so more animals like them, get the second chance they did," Zeman said.

For a \$10 donation, Zeman and Calvin offered to play any song requested by a listener. This year's annual radiothon ran from 12:01 a.m.-to 11:59 p.m., on May 4 — Zeman went live for 24 consecutive hours. Over 100 people donated from around the U.S. and Canada, and surpassed the goal of \$7,500. During the event, Zeman did multiple interviews, sang and poked fun at himself, all with the goal of helping animals. Calvin, for his part, ate cookies and scones, while doing his best to look good on Local 22/Local 44, which generously provided television coverage of the radiothon.

With the "2023 Bruce & Hobbes Ca\$H for Paws" radiothon in the books, including this year's total, Bruce & Hobbes have raised over \$130,000 for Homeward Bound.



Bruce Zeman now works with his dachshund Calvin.

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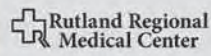
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