

Proposed plan for flood mitigation in Jeffersonville



By Phyl Newbeck
Special to the Mountain Gazette

For several years, Jeffersonville has been working on a new Hazard Mitigation Plan, focusing on the confluence of the Brewster and Lamoille Rivers. In the spring of 2011, flooding damaged several homes and businesses in town, and planners vowed to prevent that from happening again. The Waterbury firm of Milone and MacBroom recommended the replacement of the Brewster River Rail Bridge, which is part of the Cambridge Greenway. Replacing the bridge with a larger structure and excavating the floodplain should reduce flooding as well as improve the water quality of both rivers.

The town of Cambridge and the village of Jeffersonville have applied for a number of grants to pay for the proposed improvements. Cambridge applied for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant and an Ecosystem Restoration Grant from the

Vermont Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) for the rail bridge. Jeffersonville has also applied for a Hazard Mitigation Grant for a project involving bypass culverts on VT Rt. 15. The Lamoille County Planning Commission is working with both the town and village to see if there are other grant opportunities.

If funded, the rail bridge project will remove the existing bridge and replace it with an 83-foot structure (over 30 feet longer than the current bridge), which will span the width of the Brewster River. In addition, the ANR grant will pay for work to excavate the floodplain to store water with the goal of eventually constructing a boardwalk for pedestrians to cross. The new bridge design will allow water to pass more freely under the bridge. VTrans has a bridge in storage that would be suitable for the job and would continue to be part of the Cambridge Greenway Trail. That bridge was formerly used to connect

B Street over the Lamoille River. The project has support from the Agency of Transportation's Historic Bridge Program and the Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

The second phase of the project involves installing new culverts on VT Rt. 15. During flooding events, the current embankment blocks the Brewster River from reaching the Lamoille, essentially serving as a levee which keeps water in the village. New culverts would alleviate that problem and provide a second layer of protection, allowing water to pass into the Lamoille rather than building up and flooding the banks.

If funding is granted, FEMA will cover 75% of the costs of both projects. The Ecosystem Restoration grant will cover part of the remaining 25% and the donated bridge will also count towards the match. Other smaller grants will be sought to cover the difference, with the goal of not affecting the local property tax. Since FEMA

accepts in-kind donations, the use of a town excavator can count towards the matching funds.

A competitive bidding process will determine who does the work. The Ecosystem Restoration grant for \$61,000 has already been awarded and FEMA is in the process of reviewing the Hazard Mitigation Grant applications. Lamoille County Planning Commission Senior Planner Seth Jensen said FEMA has conducted two site reviews and determined that the project showed a "positive benefit cost analysis," which he described as the biggest hurdle. Jensen is optimistic about the success of both projects. He described a best case scenario which would allow engineers to begin design work this year. That process that can take six to twelve months. Permitting discussions have already begun, so the hope is that bridge construction can take place in 2016. If the funding comes through, flooding should no longer be an issue in Cambridge and Jeffersonville.

Jericho Country Garden Tour 2015

On Saturday, July 25, eight gardeners from the Jericho and Underhill area will open their gardens for "Country Garden Tour 2015," a fundraiser for the Community Center in Jericho. From 9am to 3pm ticket holders will enjoy a self guided tour and a complimentary garden tea.

The Garden Tour will focus on the rewards of gardening, the pleasure of spending time in your garden, the food, flowers, and herbs that you can create and share with your community, and the personal satisfaction that comes with working with nature. A workshop on *Herbal Teas: From Your Backyard to Your Tea Pot* will be presented by herbalist Colleen Korniak at 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM at the Community Center.

A little bit of magic from each garden:

One garden represents a park-like setting with 53 trees along a riverside property, a fire pit with a perennial garden surrounded by miniature boxwoods, yews, and an arborvitae next to the garage.

This garden surrounds a secluded home with panoramic views. Gardens have been carved out of a forested landscape over the last 40 years. Stone walls create a terraced landscape and backdrop for blueberry bushes and perennial beds.

Rare, wild, and unusual plants surround this historic 1853 Academy, home of this avid gardener who has built her own "private paradise."

This garden is a showplace that complements

its wooded surroundings, blends gracefully into the neighboring trees, ferns, and mosses with potted plants and hanging baskets on the glassed terrace, which transition into the colorful gardens surrounding the house.

Beautiful gardens can be created in shady landscapes. Almost every type of shade loving plant is represented throughout the property.

At this site, hydrangeas and birdhouses are featured throughout the property. A 19th century potting shed overlooks a small goldfish pond. The adjoining vegetable garden is bisected by a path with clematis-covered arches at each end.

Over 75 trees and shrubs have been planted, with foundation plantings that can be seen from every window throughout this house.

The Complimentary Tea site will have you stepping back in time as you enter this authentic Victorian garden surrounding a stately Italianate house. Gardens are all laid out in patterns typical of the period. Enjoy a lavender wreath demonstration.

The Community Center in Jericho is a non-profit organization that maintains a historic building in Jericho Center for public use of Jericho and surrounding communities.

Tickets (\$15) can be purchased at the Jericho Center Country Store, Old Mill Craft Shop in Jericho and the Underhill Country Store. On the day of the tour, available tickets can be only purchased at the Jericho Center Country Store.

For more information, please call 899-3853.



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NEWS BRIEFS

UNDERHILL-JERICO FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Kitty Clark
EMERGENCY CALLS:
Friday, June 26, 11:10 AM – EMS, Essex
Friday, June 26, 12:05 PM – EMS, Jericho
Friday, June 26, 8:46 PM – Reported smoke in the area of Autumn Ct., Jericho
Monday, June 29, 1:42 PM – EMS, Jericho
Wednesday, July 1, 10:36 PM – Fire alarm, Jericho Elementary School
Friday, July 3, 12:09 PM – EMS, Underhill
Sunday, July 5, 6:47 PM – 31 Marshall Lane, Jericho for gas grill propane tank on fire
Monday, July 6, 4:10 PM – Near 45 VT Rt. 15, Jericho for a motorcycle accident
Monday, July 6, 4:26 PM – Near 45 VT Rt. 15, Jericho for SUV and tractor trailer accident
Tuesday, July 7, 12:45 AM – 11 Pinnacle Ridge Rd., Underhill for a gas detector activation
Wednesday, July 8, 12:15 PM – Maple Leaf Farm, Underhill for a fire alarm
Wednesday, July 8, 10:21 PM – 448 Browns Trace, Jericho for a problem with gas stove
MEETINGS AND DRILLS:
On Saturday, July 4, Engine 5 participated in the Richmond Parade, and Rescue 1 participated in the Cambridge Parade.
Drills on Tuesday, June 30 and July 7 took place at the house at 329 VT Rt. 15.
Tuesday, July 7, apprentice training took place at the station, and Chiefs held their meeting
SAFETY MESSAGE: Cooking is the #1 cause of home fires and injuries. Unattended cooking is by far the leading cause of cooking fires. Keep anything that can catch fire away from the stovetop. Don't use the oven or stovetop if you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol. Stay in the kitchen when frying, grilling, or boiling food. If you have to leave, even for a short time, turn off the stove.
Have a safe summer and "Practice Fire Safety Every Day!"

Clutter Barn news

Scheduled for Saturday, July 25, the Clutter Barn will hold its annual Summer Clothing Sale from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, rain or shine! All summer clothing – all sizes – in the outdoor tent will be discounted from the normal extra-low prices. Come and fill out the family's summer wardrobe from a selection of good-quality wearables.
And it's not all clothing! The toy department just received a large selection of children's toys and games; a fine collection of glassware and dishes graces the tables; the photo gallery displays interesting pictures, photos, prints, and wall-hangings; the fabric area is loaded with handsome prints and bright solids; and it's not too early to scout out the Christmas corner!
Spend some time browsing the outdoor book tent for favorite authors; look indoors for delightful children's stories and interesting teen books. Take time to check out picture frames, knick-knacks, candles, and candle holders. Enjoy a leisurely, relaxing shopping experience!
The Clutter Barn is located at Underhill Flats between its sponsor, the United Church of Underhill, and the Brick House. After the July sale, there will be one more Tag Sale on Saturday, August 29 before preparation gets under way for the spectacular annual Old Fashioned Harvest Market, scheduled for September 26 and 27. Meanwhile, the Clutter Barn will accept donations of gently used household goods from 8:30 AM – 12:00 noon on Saturdays, July 18, August 1, 8, 15, and 22, and September 5 and 12. NO MORE SUMMER CLOTHING, PLEASE! Winter clothing collection begins August 1.
Contact Sharon (899-3572) or Kathy (899-3122) for more information.

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Cambridge Area Rotary announces new president



Cambridge Area Rotary conducted its annual changeover at the Sterling Ridge Resort on Thursday June 25. Greg Smithers was inducted as President for 2015-16 by outgoing President Anita Lotto (2014-15). Tom LaChance will be President-elect. Greg Johnson will continue as Club Treasurer, with Diana Wood replacing April Tuck as Secretary.
At the meeting, outgoing President Anita Lotto announced that Matt Byus was the recipient of the Rotarian of the Year award for 2014/2015.
The Cambridge Area Rotary meets every Thursday at 7:00 AM upstairs at 158 Main in Jeffersonville. If you are interested in attending a meeting or joining, please contact Susan Lassiter, the Membership Committee chair, at Slassiter@unionbankvt.com to make arrangements.

Donate blood to help offset seasonal decline

The American Red Cross urges eligible donors to help offset a seasonal decline in donations and prevent a shortage this summer by giving blood.
During June, July, and August, there are about two fewer donors than needed at each Red Cross blood drive. This can add up to more than 100,000 fewer donations during the summer. Many schools that host blood drives are out of session, and vacation schedules can make regular donors less available – both contributing to the seasonal decline.
Donors of all blood types – especially those with types AB, O negative, A negative, and B negative – are needed to help ensure blood products are available to hospital patients this summer. Type AB donors have the universal plasma type, which can be given to patients of all blood types. Plasma helps maintain blood pressure and supplies critical proteins for clotting immunity. It is often needed for burn, trauma, and cancer patients.
To make an appointment to give blood, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit redcrossblood.org, or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).
Upcoming blood donation opportunities:
Lions Club Blood Drive, 1:00 – 6:00 PM, Covenant Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex. Fresh pies for all, and blood is in high demand!
Saturday, July 18, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Essex Cinema, 21 Essex Way, Essex
Monday, July 20, 11:00 AM – 3:00 PM, St. Michael's College Alliot, Winooski Park, Colchester.
Thursday, July 23, 11:30 AM – 4:30 PM, Green Mountain Power, 163 Acorn Ln., Colchester.
Saturday, July 25, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM, Robert Miller Community Center, 130 Gosse Ct., Burlington.
Sunday, July 26, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM, Essex Alliance Church, 37 Old Stage Rd., Essex Center.
Monday, July 27, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, UVM Medical Center, 111 Colchester Ave., Burlington.

Contest announced to "Name This Group"
A recently-formed group of older LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender) individuals is holding a contest to choose a suitable name. The group has been meeting in Montpelier for several months and is open to LGBT residents of central Vermont. The contest is open to all (LGBT and allies) who wish to enter. Individuals may enter as many different names as they wish. All entries must be submitted via email no later than Friday, August 7. The individual who submits the winning entry will be notified by Tuesday, September 1. There are no fees to enter; the winner will receive a gift certificate from a local business. Contest entries can be submitted via the SurveyMonkey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/WashCityLGBTQ>. For more information on the LGBT group, please contact jean@pridecentervt.org.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Public lands management lapsed in Jericho?

To the Editor,
Not sure if our Town of Jericho has conducted sufficient supervision of the logging operations that have occurred off Milo White Road over the past couple years?
Where a stream once ran, that area is now dry. Water flow has altered its course down from up above and it would appear that this is leading to more road repair work on Milo White Road? Local residential water wells seem (to) need to be tested more often.
At Mobbs Hill Park (at the DPW entrance access entrance area) I found it disturbing to find at least several used condoms in the parking area and the access trail not mowed or managed as in the past.
As for walking the dog, some pet owners still refuse to remove dog poop from the trails and few control their dogs as they stroll by with often dogs unleashed.
(For trash, perhaps time for a secure trash receptacle and scheduled pick up once a week if people would have the decency to use it?) Perhaps a regular patrol stop by police?
Yes, far more pressing issues exist but let's hope our Board of Selectmen take note.
(Does the Town budget supplement the volunteer work and maintenance of Mobbs Hill?)

**Robert (Bob) Devost
Jericho**

VT Gas pipeline isn't all it's fracked up to be!

To the Editor,
I'm writing today because it does not seem that the Vermont Public Service Board (PSB) actually has the interest of the people of Vermont in mind. The PSB will be ruling next month (July) on whether to allow VtGas to continue to build. The cost of this pipeline has more than doubled from its initial estimate of \$67M in March of 2011 to its most recent estimate of \$154M in December of 2014.
The Governor keeps touting the economic benefits to the state and how it will create jobs and save new customers hundreds of dollars on their heating bills. The numbers just don't add up! Have you wondered why your gas bill hasn't been going down with all the new supply that has come online in the last couple years? Because unknown to most of us, VtGas has been taking the difference and applying it to a fund to pay for the pipeline. Yes, you heard me right, we are already paying for the pipeline in our monthly bills. It's hidden in the line called "Distribution Charge." The current ratepayers are being used as the "bank" for the first phase of this project.
I find it baffling that VtGas and its holding company, GazMetro, have no "skin in the game" on this project. If it's such a great project why aren't their stockholders on the hook for any of the cost?

I urge everyone to call, write, or email the governor, all our state legislators, and the PSB and tell them that this is a bad deal for all of us.
Governor's phone: 802-828-3333
Governor's email: <http://governor.vermont.gov/contact-us/opinion>
Chris LaMothe
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Cinnamon Fern PHOTO BY SARA RILEY

Late blight confirmed on potatoes in VT

The University of Vermont (UVM) Plant Diagnostic Clinic has identified its first case of late blight this year. The fungus-like organism was discovered on July 7 on potato foliage on an organic farm in Hinesburg.

Although the disease can infect tomatillos, eggplants, peppers, petunias, and other members of the potato family, in Vermont it has only been found on tomatoes and potatoes in recent years. Damage from *Phytophthora infestans*, the pathogen causing late blight in these crops, was especially widespread in 2009.

The disease appeared in Vermont about five weeks later last year, but recent storms have most likely blown the spores in from western New York or New Jersey. Vigilance and quick action on the part of home gardeners and growers will help control its spread and protect commercial farmers’ tomato and potato crops.

“Late blight spores are easily carried long distances on the wind, so anyone growing tomatoes or potatoes should inspect their plants daily for signs of the disease,” says Ann Hazelrigg, UVM Extension plant pathologist. “The pathogen needs living plant tissue to survive, so once infected plants are destroyed, the spores will die and not spread the disease.”

Growers who don’t plan to aggressively combat the disease with fungicides should destroy plants immediately to limit the spread of the airborne spores to neighboring farms or gardens.

Late blight starts as nickel-sized, water-soaked spots on tomato and potato leaves. Unlike other fungal blights, the spots typically don’t start at the bottom of the plant but are seen first on the upper leaves.

Under moist conditions whitish-gray fungal growth can be found on the leaf undersides. Wet weather or morning fog or heavy dew will cause spots to spread rapidly throughout the plant in a matter of days.

“Stems and fruit also can be infected with the disease,” Hazelrigg notes. “Infected tomato fruit develops large brown areas. If plants are infected, the unaffected fruit on plants can be safely eaten but should not be canned.”

In small plantings, cut the plants and put in trash bags and send to the landfill. Do not compost the plants. For larger plantings and farm fields, cut the plants, gather in piles and burn or turn under so they can completely decompose. Once the plant tissue breaks down, it poses no late blight threat to future plantings since the pathogen cannot survive on dead tissue.

If potato vines become infected, cut the tops (vines) before the stems become heavily infected. In small plantings, bagging and putting vines in the landfill will reduce the chance of spread to other plantings.

Wait at least two or three weeks before digging the tubers to insure that the potato foliage has died to limit the number of spores on the soil surface when the tubers are dug. It also allows time for the tuber skins to toughen up underground, minimizing the number of cuts and bruises created at harvest and reducing places for spores to infect tubers.

For larger plantings, if not practical to remove vines, cut vines on a hot, dry day. They will dry and die quickly, reducing the chance of spread to other plantings.

“Hot, dry weather can slow the spread of the disease,” Hazelrigg says, “but with rainy weather or heavy dews, use fungicides for protection. These products will only be effective if used before the disease appears. Reapply every five to seven days if wet weather persists.”

For home gardens, apply a garden fungicide labeled for tomato or potato use that contains the active ingredient *chlorothalonil*. Organic growers should use a copper fungicide labeled for these crops.

Fungicides will only protect healthy tissue, so infected leaves cannot be saved. Good coverage of all foliage is critical. Repeat applications are needed to protect new growth from infection. Be sure to always follow instructions on the pesticide label carefully.

To submit samples to confirm late blight in your garden, go to the UVM Extension Master Gardener web site (www.uvm.edu/mastergardener) for instructions and images of the disease. Commercial growers should send samples to the UVM Plant Diagnostic Clinic (<http://pss.uvm.edu/pd/pdc>) and consult the New England Vegetable Management Guide (www.nevegetable.org) for information on fungicides labeled for late blight control on various crops.

For information about late blight, including pictures of the disease and similar diseases, visit www.hort.cornell.edu/lateblight.

A Walk

By Sue Kusserow

Special to the Mountain Gazette

When the day gets too long with trivia and nuisance problems, I often drive my car to a dirt road that I have spotted before, as I was speeding along on seemingly ‘essential’ errands that will be solved for the moment of today, but will pop up like gremlins for tomorrow. I turn in on a dirt road that has been repaired somewhat, with water bars, potholes, gashes made from the tractors lopping off the first cutting of hay. The dogs and I are eager to explore, the littlest one jumping out the side window and immediately dropping her hound’s nose into sniffing position. I am not looking for anything particular, just a chance to examine the landscape in microcosm.

Ah, there is one of my favorites, on the shaded side of the road, with the ruts dribbling in water, which it loves. Meadow Rue: small feathery white blossoms usually smothered by ferns, with leaflets that are in sets of three thin lobes that are covered with fine down. Although very selective about watery spots, it can, in a rather rare lavender-flowered form, grow to a height of three to six feet. (As such it is labeled with its Latin name, *Thalictrum*, and sold by the expensive pot.) I am not finding that here, but I pull up a few of the whites from the watery leaf mold, using only my fingers. We’ll see if they can survive in a shady part of my topsy-turvy collection, euphemistically called a garden.

And of course, since I had to scramble my way through ferns, that brings up a subject I would like to study more. I know the common ones: Cinnamon, Interrupted, Sensitive, and our seasonally-decimated Ostrich Fern. I don’t like the Sensitive Fern. It has no graceful fronds to it, and with the first miniscule frost, turns brown. As a portent of winter’s coming, I don’t enjoy seeing it withering among its cousins. I spot some fern that is unknown, and wish I had brought my fern book. But, on further thought, I am glad that this walk is mine as a neophyte. I am not here to replace simple discovery with deductive education.

The edges of the meadow, where the sun drifts into the road,

Shallow water can be dangerous, too

By Lewis First, MD

Chief of Pediatrics at the UVM Children’s Hospital and chair of the Department of Pediatrics at UVM.

With summer here, parents have been swimming up to ask me about something called shallow water blackout and how it might affect their children or themselves. Let me make some waves and explain this condition and ways to prevent it.

Shallow water blackout is a loss of consciousness due to lowering of carbon dioxide levels in the blood stream, which reduces your need or drive to take a breath. This can occur from breathing hard and fast, or what we call hyperventilating, before going swimming – either in or under water.

If a child takes big breaths before going into a pool or body of water, and then holds their breath as they swim underwater, they could forget to breathe due to low carbon dioxide levels, until it’s too late. This means they could faint underwater, then open their mouth, swallow water and drown unless someone is there to rescue them.

Shallow water blackout usually occurs in water that is shallow (less than 16’ deep) hence the name “shallow water blackout.” It may be responsible for over 50% of drownings. Just because your children can swim does not protect them from shallow water blackout. It can and does happen to the most experienced of swimmers, in pools or open water.

So what can we do to prevent shallow water blackouts from occurring? First and foremost be aware that these events can and do happen. Once you are aware of this condition, the key to prevention is to not let your children or teens hyperventilate or take lots of deep breaths before they dive into a pool or body of water. Do not let them compete at holding their breath under water or seeing how



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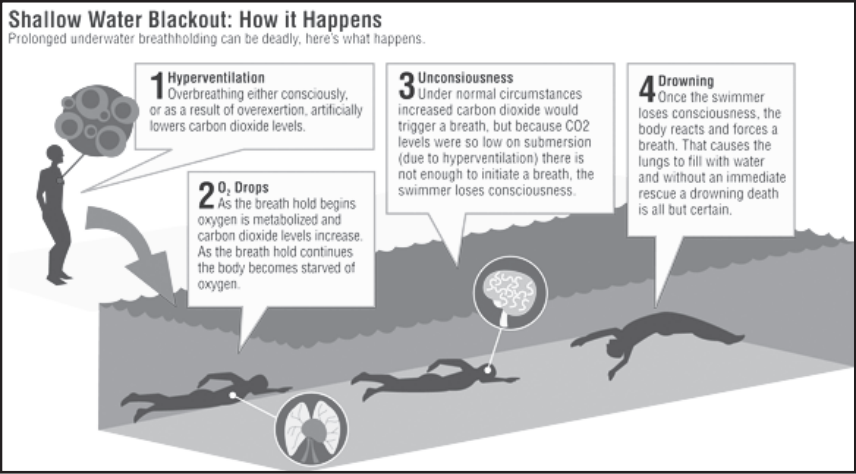
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have a different feeling: the hidden flowers of the Meadow Rue are replaced by the plebian Daisy, raising its yellow center to its namesake: Days Eye. And of course these are usually accompanied by Black-eyed Susans, which have found the poorest sandy soil in which to struggle forth. But I think, for all its struggles to survive and propagate (it only lasts in the same spot for two summers) I have never seen a happier flower.

The dogs are howling down the road. Must be something ferocious like a frog. That is confirmed by their obvious exploration of a mud puddle: blackened muddy feet and muzzles. A clump of day lilies signals an old cellar hole. The old-fashioned tall bright orange blossoms are almost misplaced in this deserted road. And next to it, are the pale purple showy flowers of the Purple Raspberry bush. The petals drop quickly into my hand and what is left will turn into an acid berry, but I have been told by ‘old-timers’ that they can be made into a jelly... with lots of sugar! What elderly occupant of that deserted cellar hole walked this road to find these berries, using the domestic excuse of provender shining in small jars on a kitchen shelf? Was she giving herself a break, as I am now, to escape routine, and walls, and people?

The leftover leaves of the Trillium, with the flower already turned into tripartite seed, have always intrigued me with their obsession with threes: three leaves, three sepals, three petals, six stamens, and the pistil divided into three parts. I missed its pink phase this spring: as it ages and dies, it turns the pale rose of a blossoming sunrise. Another plant with a peculiar bulbous calyx below its white petals inflated like a tiny football, is everywhere: a plant so common that I never bothered to look it up (what a judgment of overpopulation versus selectivity)... Finally, I decided to lower myself and learn what it was: White Campion, listed with the damning label of: weed.

It is time to go. My busy little internal clock of small errands has just alarmed for the second or third time and the dogs are scrounging around in the back of the car, smelling some old pieces of doggie biscuits. All three of us are muddy, but much calmer than when we arrived. I must remember to do this more often!



far they can swim without taking a breath. Even playing tag or running around a pool area, which can make your child breathe fast before jumping into the pool, can be dangerous and predispose your child to being at risk for drowning due to this condition.

And, of course, never have your child go swimming without a buddy or adult who can be there to immediately help in case of an emergency like shallow water blackout.

Hopefully tips like this will allow you to breathe more easily and to educate your children about how to prevent an episode of shallow water blackout.

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COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, July 14
Storytime in the Nestlings Nook, 10:30 – 11:30 AM, Birds of VT Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Listen to stories about birds and more. Books followed by craft project, music, or nature walk. For pre-schoolers but all are welcome. Free with admission, donations welcome. Pre-registration helpful. For information, 434-2167 or museum@birdsofvermont.org.
Wednesday, July 15
Another Kind of Hurricane, 5:00 – 7:00 PM, Stargazer Gifts & Toys, 56 Bridge St., Richmond. Join Tamara Ellis Smith for her book signing. A hurricane, a tragic death, two boys, one marble. How they intertwine is at the heart of this beautiful poignant book. Copies will be on sale at the event. There will also be a raffle. For information, contact Laura, 434-7318.

Sunday, July 19
VT International Festival fundraiser, 5:00 PM, North End Studio A, 294 N. Winooski Ave., Burlington. Food, raffle prizes, and entertainment provided by VIF participants. Dine on Persian chicken stew with basmati rice, Nepalese momos, Polish cheese and potato pierogi, chori ban with chimichurri sauce, African donuts, and other specialties from China, Jamaica, Turkey, Austria, and other corners of the world. Raffle prizes and entertainment. Tickets \$20, www.northendstudios.org or 802-863-6713. All proceeds help support the 23rd Annual Vermont International Festival (December 4-6) to help keep it affordable for vendors and guests. For more information, visit www.vermontinternationalfestival.com.

Wednesday, July 22
Wizard of Oz story time, 6:00 PM, Phoenix Books Essex, 21 Essex Way, Essex. Saint Michael’s Playhouse Junior Company will visit Phoenix Books to read from *The Wizard of Oz* and sing some favorite songs from the musical! Click your heels together and join Dorothy, Scarecrow, Tin Man, and Lion as they read a classic story. Free and open to all ages. Information: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 872-7111.

Saturday, July 25
Country Garden Tour 2015, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Jericho and Underhill. Self-guided tour sponsored by the Community Center in Jericho; this year’s theme is “Gifts from the Garden.” Tickets \$15 available after Monday, July 6 at Jericho Center Country Store, Old Mill Craft Shop, and Underhill Country Store. On the day of the tour, available tickets only at the Jericho Center Country Store. For information, call 899-3853.

Bird Monitoring Walk, 7:30 AM, Birds of VT Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Experienced birders walk in the woods and meet for coffee. BYO binoculars and dress for the weather. Please pre-register. Free. For information, www.birdsofvermont.org or 802-434-2167.

Sunday, July 26
Binghamville Church Fair and Ice Cream Social, 5:00 PM, at the church, Fletcher. Featuring bouncy castle, carnival type games with prizes, face painting, and more. Hot dogs, hamburgers and more at 5:00 PM, ice cream social and band concert featuring the Fletcher, Westford, Fairfax band. For more information, call 849-2120.

Kids + Birds = Fun, 2:00 – 2:45 PM, Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. From feathers to flying, from art to zoology. Sundays for Fledglings – Develop mad skillz in observation, research, and goofing around. Kids can earn a Junior Birder Badge! June theme *Working Birds: Pollinators, Trash Disposal and More*. Perfect for kids aged 5-9 (siblings welcome). Free with admission. Pre-registration helpful but not required. For information, 434-2167 or museum@birdsofvermont.org.

Four Tor Books authors appear together, 2:00 PM, Phoenix Books Burlington, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Join Max Gladstone (*Last First Snow*), Brian Staveley (*Providence of Fire*), Elizabeth Bear (*Karen Memory*), and James Cambias (*Corsair*), all published by Tor Books, who will compete by trying to outdo one another in reading dramatically from their works and others, along with a bit of audience participation. Presented in partnership with Geek Mountain State. Ticketed event, \$3 per person includes a coupon for \$5 off a book by one of the featured authors. Tickets available at either Phoenix Books location starting on July 12; coupons expire at closing the evening of the event. Limited seating. Information: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 448-3350.

Annual Greek Food Festival, 12:00 – 5:00 PM, Greek Orthodox Church, Ledge Rd., Burlington. Full Greek menu and Greek pastries, live Greek music and dancing, dances performed by the children. Church Tours Available

Tuesday, July 28
Short story authors Rebecca Makkai and Megan Mahew Bergman, 7:00 PM, Phoenix Books Burlington, 191 Bank St., Burlington. Join the authors for a discussion of their new books of short stories. Bergman, author of *Almost Famous Women* and *Birds of a Lesser Paradise*, lives on a small Vermont farm with her veterinarian husband, two daughters, and many animals.

Makkai is the author of *Music for Wartime* and the acclaimed novels *The Hundred-Year House* and *The Borrower*. She lives outside Chicago with her husband and two daughters. Ticketed event, \$3 per person includes a coupon for \$5 off a book by one of the featured authors. Tickets available at either Phoenix Books location starting on July 14; coupons expire at closing the evening of the event. Limited seating. Information: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 448-3350.

Saturday, August 1
Suspended Worlds: An Illustrated History of New England Theater Scenery, 3:00 – 6:00 PM, Coach Barn, Shelburne Farms, Shelburne. Join Christine Hadsel, author of *Suspended Worlds*, at Shelburne Farms for a book launch celebration. There will be light refreshments and a cash bar, and Christine will give a short talk with photos of New England’s fantastic stage scenery at 5:00 PM. The “flower garden” painted curtain from the Moretown Town Hall will be on display. Christine Hadsel is Director of Curtains Without Borders. Free and open to the public. Information: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 448-3350.

Wednesday, August 5
Lions Club Blood Drive, 1:00 – 6:00 PM, Covenant Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex. Fresh pies for all, and blood is in high demand!

Tuesday, August 9
Genealogy Day Get Together, 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Jay Town Hall Community Room, Jay. This travelling annual event is held in a different VT county every year. Begun in 2009, it provides

basic information and support for the Family History hobby. It may have gotten its roots started as a family reunion, but it’s developed into much more than that! You can think of it as yet another way to gather fresh ideas on ways that your family could pull off a family reunion – without all the hassles. Information: 802-425-4929 or genealogydayeveryaugust9th@finalfreedom.com.

Thursday, August 13
Insect Extravaganza, 9:00 – 10:30 AM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. The metamorphosis is about to begin! Keep your eyes and ears open for insects of all shapes and sizes. We’ll glide through the goldenrod in search of our six-legged friends and listen to the meadow music of the crickets and grasshoppers. Get ready to hop, crawl and fly! Meet at the Sugarhouse Parking Area. Ages 3-5 with adult. For information (including cost) and to preregister (required), 434-3068.

Sunday, September 13
Wild Mushrooms of Autumn, 1:00 – 3:00 PM, Audubon VT, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Amidst the falling autumn leaves, a mysterious and fascinating array of mushrooms fruit from trees, stumps, and soil. Join Ari Rockland-Miller of *The Mushroom Forager* for a colorful presentation introducing gourmet and medicinal wild mushrooms of autumn. We hope to find porcini, lion’s mane, yellowfoot chanterelles, and hedgehog mushrooms. Register early, vermont@audubon.org or 434-3068.

PEOPLE - ENGAGEMENT



Donna and Dick Dunn of West Bolton, VT and Vicki and Pete Charles of Truckee, CA joyfully announce the engagement of their children Jesse and Jennifer. Jesse is a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, Jericho, VT and Northeastern University, Boston, MA. Jenni graduated from Truckee High School and the University of California-Santa Cruz. Jesse and Jenni are professional musicians with their band Dead Winter Carpenters out of Lake Tahoe, CA. An October 10, 2015 wedding is planned in Vermont.
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PEOPLE - BIRTHS

Cambridge
(Shortsleeve) Kelly (St.Gelais) and Benjamin Shortsleeve had a daughter, MacKenzie Anne Shortsleeve, on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Fairfax
(Lawrence, Julien) Megan Lawrence and Bruce Julien Jr. had a son, Mason Arthur Julien, on Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

(Leibold) Christine (Giroux) and Christopher Leibold had a son, Landen James Leibold, on Tuesday, April 21, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

(Millington) Jennifer (Paquette) and Robert Millington had a daughter, Piper Lynn Millington, on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Hinesburg
(DeLeon) Carrie (Newman) and Joshua DeLeon had a son, Isaiah David DeLeon, on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

(Lucier) Kelly (McCarron) and Joshua Lucier had a son, Paxton Lucier, on Monday, April 20, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Huntington
(Henck) Caitlin (Ryan) and Thomas Henck had a daughter, Isabella Catherine Henck, on Monday, April 6, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Jeffersonville
(Humphrey) Kelly (Malone) and Tim Humphrey had a son, Henry Dean Humphrey, on Sunday, April 19, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Richmond
(Rohlin) Gillian (Conant) and Travis Rohlin had a son, Luke William Rohlin, on Friday, April 17, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

Underhill
(Clarke, Bernreuter) Jamie Clarke and Bob Joseph Bernreuter had a daughter, Anja Clarke Bernreuter, on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

(Frede) Maureen (Leible) and Gregory Frede had a son, Wyatt Andrew Frede, on Wednesday, April 22, 2015 at UVM Medical Center, Burlington, VT.

CAMPUS HONORS

Taylor Amato of Jeffersonville, VT has been named to the 2015 spring semester Dean’s List at Lafayette College, Easton, PA. Amato is a graduate of Essex High School, Essex Junction, VT.

Kelsa Battig, a junior English major at Grove City College, Grove City, PA, has been named to the Dean’s List with Distinction for the Spring 2015 semester. Kelsa is a 2012 graduate of Essex High School, Essex Junction, VT and is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Michael Battig (Heather) of Westford, VT.

Trevor A. Bibb of Jericho, VT has been named to the Spring 2015 Dean’s List at St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. Bibb is a member of the Class of 2015, majoring in history. He attended Mount Mansfield Union High School in Jericho.

Marina Bowie of Jericho, VT earned High Honors and has been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH for the spring 2015 semester.

Moya R. Cavanagh of Underhill, VT has been named to the Spring 2015 Dean’s List at St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. Cavanagh is a member of the Class of 2016, majoring in global studies. She attended Mount Mansfield Union High School in Jericho, VT.

Bethany M. DeMuyne of Underhill, VT has been named to the Spring 2015 Dean’s List at St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. DeMuyne is a member of the Class of 2018. She attended Mount Mansfield Union High School in Jericho, VT.

India Harvey of Waterbury, VT has been named to the Spring 2015 Dean’s List at St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. Harvey is a member of the Class of 2018. She attended Harwood Union High School in Moretown, VT.

Katherine Hobart of Underhill, VT has been named to the spring 2015 President’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Lauren Irish of Westford, VT earned High Honors and has been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH for the spring 2015 semester.

Nicole Irwin of Jericho, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Corinne J. Jacobsen of Westford, VT has been named to the Spring 2015 Dean’s List at St. Lawrence University in Canton, NY. Jacobsen is a member of the Class of 2018 majoring in history. She attended Essex High School in Essex Junction, VT.

Amanda LaCroix of Jericho, VT has been awarded a \$3000 annual Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) scholarship from the New England Federal Credit Union. LaCroix attends Cornell University’s College of Veterinary Medicine in Ithaca, NY. Amanda’s love for animals has given her a special interest in shelter medicine.

Jon McClellan of Jericho, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Andrew Nitchie of Jericho, VT has earned a place on the Dean’s List for spring 2015 at the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, GA.

Emma P. Oliver of Jericho, VT, a senior at Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY majoring in psychology, has received the Psychology Professional Experience Award for applying psychological principles to real-world problems. The award, given at the annual University Recognition Day in April, includes a monetary award and plaque.

Alexis Perry of Westford, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Merrimack College, N. Andover, MA.

Taylor Peters of Cambridge, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Mikaela Poley of Underhill, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Taylor Reynolds of Westford, VT has been named to the spring 2015 Dean’s List at Castleton State College, Castleton, VT.

Saege Robinson of Underhill, VT earned Highest Honors and has been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire, **Campus Honors continued on page 7**

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LIBRARY NEWS

DEBORAH RAWSON LIBRARY UNDERHILL

Summer is a busy place at Deborah Rawson Memorial Library. There are activities and programs for every age.

Young people in our community, let’s be super heroes! Join us at the library and find the hero in you and others! You can participate in a variety of engaging programs, and tell us your story! Visit the library not only to read books, but also to meet local heroes in the community, make your own comic book, learn how you can be supportive while having fun and meeting new friends. Please call, email, stop by, or send a friend to sign up for any program while space is available! 899-4962.

Summer Reading Club: There are three clubs to choose from: Prereader Club, Reader Club, and the Teen Reader. This will give you the chance to record the books that you read during the summer. Bring the log each time you visit either DRML or Jericho Town Library, and we will stamp it and enter your name in a drawing for a prize. The drawing will be held at the end of July.

Community Heroes Story Time, Wednesdays, July 22 and 29, 10:30 – 11:30 AM. Come meet local heroes in the community who will share their story! Encourage your children’s emerging language and literacy skills by bringing them to story time where they can enjoy finger-plays, songs, stories, craft, and snack. No registration needed. Grades preK-2.

Super Story Hour, Thursdays, July 16, 23, and 30, 10:00 – 11:00 AM. Join Thad for some SUPER stories and FUN! Children’s emerging language and literacy skills will be encouraged as we enjoy fingerplays, songs, stories, a project and snack. No registration needed. Grades preK-2.

“Teen”ker Time, July 16 at 2:30 – 4:00 PM. It’s time for some teens to help with the portable maker space at the library! Help the Youth Librarian with setting up three Arduino kits, making a portable soldering booth, alligator clips, and a better maker space storage system using what I have “in stock.” Cardboard, masking tape and hot glue are our friends! Or just come to create! TinkerTime is experimental play. TinkerTime is exploring. Tinkering is a source of innovation. Grades 5+.

Snowflake Bentley: Jericho Hero! Friday, July 17, 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. Learn the story of Jericho’s own Superhero, Wilson A. “Snowflake” Bentley. Paul Sisson, Science Operations Officer from the National Weather Service at Burlington International Airport, will share fascinating information on snow formation. Mary Jane Dickerson will share her poetic tribute to our local hero. Participants will also be able to make snowflake crafts and enjoy refreshments. All ages.

The Power of the Cape! Friday, July 17, 2:00 – 3:00 PM. Transform your t-shirt into a superhero cape and mask! We’ll get a picture of our superheroes flying high above our town. Please bring a t-shirt size L or XL to cut up. Parent help appreciated. Bring any picture taking device so you can pose with your little hero! Grades K-3.

Transition to Kindergarten Story Times, at CESU elementary schools, Saturday, July 18, 10:15 – 12:15 PM. Children who will be entering kindergarten this fall and their parents are invited to attend a special story time. While the children are enjoying school stories, science activities, and meeting an older child from their new school, parents will have the opportunity to share experiences with Building Bright Futures coordinator Heather Lebeis. Separate story times will be held for students attending each elementary school. Times are as follows:

- JES 10:15 – 10:45 AM
- UID 11:00 – 11:30 AM
- UCS 11:45 – 12:15 AM

Teen Beginner Ballroom Dancing, Saturday, July 18, 6:30 – 9:00 PM. Teens, come learn the basics of ballroom dancing to contemporary music. Three young ballroom veterans will teach you the Swing, Foxtrot, Waltz, and Boxstep. Refreshments will be served! Bring a friend to make for a swinging night! Grades 7-12.

TinkerTime: Toy Hacking, Thursday, July 23, 2:30 – 4:00 PM. Toy hacking is a fun and playful way to learn how circuits work. By taking used electronic toys we carefully and safely take them apart to see how they work. Participants explore the simplicity and complexity of these toys and their unique circuits and are shown how to identify inputs, outputs, and power. We’ll experiment with circuit bending and reverse engineering while we reimagine and reinvent the toys with materials on hand. This grant-funded program is brought to you by the Dept. of Libraries, Vermont Makers, the VT Public Library Foundation, UVM’s College of Engineering and Mathematical Sciences, and the funder, VT Community Foundation. Grades 4+ (K-3 with adult).

Physics of COLD, Friday, July 24, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Learn about liquid nitrogen with Anita De-Waard. Participants will see a slide show and then a view a presentation using liquid nitrogen. The program will conclude by making ice cream using the liquid nitrogen to freeze it almost instantly! Grades K+.

LEGOpalooza, Saturday, July 25, 12:00 – 2:00 PM. Design and build your own SUPER amazing creation which will be displayed and remain at the library! Note: We’ll supply lots of Legos so no need to bring your own. Grades preK+.

Tuesday Teen Video Gaming Night, Tuesday, July 28, 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Bring your own device

for the DRML Digital Gaming Night. We’ll have two LCD projectors, a micro professional projector, and one TV to hook up to devices (VGA and RCA connections). Bring a friend, or two! Please give us a call to register and let us know if you’ll be bringing a gaming device. Grades 8+.

“Teen”ker Time, Thursday, July 30, 2:30 – 4:00 PM. Teens can continue to help with the portable maker space! Dabble with one of the three Arduino kits, make a portable soldering booth, alligator clips, and a better maker space storage system using what’s “in stock.” Batteries, LEDs, and hot glue are our friends! Bring an idea, something to disassemble or try your hand at creating some eArt or LED throwies. TinkerTime is experimental play. TinkerTime is exploring. Tinkering is a source of innovation. Grades 5+.

Sidewalk Heroes, Friday, July 31, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Imagine crazy situations to draw and then play the superhero in your chalk artwork! Have your picture taken while you save the day! No registration needed. All ages. This event is held in conjunction with the Hero Celebration.

Hero Celebration, Friday, July 31, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Help us end the summer on a SUPER note!! Drawings for prizes will be pulled for all of readers and good deeders! Names of those drawn need not be present to win. After our drawing, we’ll spend our time outside chalking up the sidewalks with your super artwork and other super activities. All present will receive a prize. Register to attend. All ages.

And the fun isn’t just for the young folks – for our adult crowd, how about partaking in some game playing? Our next game night for Scrabble, bridge, and chess is on Monday, July 20, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Come join your neighbors for an evening of challenging games, fun, and laughter!

“Escape the ordinary at your library” reading logs for adults are available at the library. For every five books you read or listen to, fill out a log and you will be entered into a drawing for a gift certificate from a local business at the end of August. Thank you to the Friends of DRML for sponsoring this drawing.

The Extension Master Gardeners and community friends plant and maintain the flower and “Food Shelf” vegetable gardens. We always enjoy extra hands. Plan to work Wednesdays, 4:00 – 6:00 PM and Saturdays, 9:00 – 11:00 AM. Best to check with Susan Adams as we sometimes skip a day, sadams15@comcast.net or 899-2742. Later in the summer we will be asking community members to share some of their garden produce. We plan to deliver to the Food Shelf the third Saturday of the month.

The art for July features the graphic design work of Mark Gonyea. “One to One Hundred started out as an experiment in graphic design, it became something much more to me. The idea was simple, to combine graphic design and numbers to create something unique. It was a LOT of counting (so much counting!), but a lot of fun too! Many of these designs are not anything I would have come up with if not for this project and it has really expanded my understanding of graphic design.”

The silent auction item for the month of July is a beautiful patio set refinished and donated by Ron Reynolds. It is on display at the library near the fireplace. Bidding will end Friday, July 31 at 6:00 PM. Thank you to Ron Reynolds for his generous donation!

The DRML Board of Trustees will meet Thursday, July 16 at 7:00 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend.

For information on the programs and services available at Deborah Rawson Memorial Library visit www.drml.org. You can also find us on Facebook and Twitter.

Library hours: Tuesday 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Wednesday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Thursday 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Friday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Sunday 1:00 – 4:00 PM; closed Monday. For information on any of the library’s programs, call 899-4962.

JERICHO CENTER LIBRARY

Super Summer Celebration! 3:00 – 5:30 PM at the library, co-sponsored by DRML. A gathering of heroic readers, thinkers, and tinkerers on the Jericho Center Green. * Weather Permitting * Rain location: Jericho Community Center. Attractions include: Bread & Puppet Theater, with a puppet making workshop and a children’s puppet show; all ages musical chairs, with live music by Josh LaRose; large scale community art project, with artist John Opulski; fire craft performance by Kim and Chris Cleary (weather permitting); express yourself community poetry boards, a project of the Jericho Town Library; free ice cream for kids; on-site localvore food truck, sponsored by Lazy Farmer; give-aways to youth readers. Limited capacity at JCC; free tickets available online, www.jerichotownlibraryvt.org, and we do recommend pre-registration. With limited parking, we also suggest walking, biking, or carpooling.

New Friday Hours and Saturday Closure – Beginning Friday, June 26, the library will be open from 12:00 – 4:00 PM on Fridays; as of Saturday, June 27 until the end of August, the library will be closed on Saturdays.

PIZZA FRIDAY! Join us at Jericho Town Library on Fridays this summer (June 26, July 10, 17, 24, and 31, and August 7), 12:30 – 1:15 PM for a delicious lunch featuring fresh made whole

grain pizza, local veggies, fruit, and milk! Though the meal is free, you must register by calling 434-6006 or email occc@gmavt.net. Leave your name and which site you will visit. Pizza Fridays is sponsored by Our Community Cares Camp: www.ourcommunitycarescamp.org.

Jericho Town Library – Program Coordinator(s) are needed to host up to 10 summer programs on the theme “Everyone is a Super Hero.” Coordinators manage managing registrations and waitlists, send email reminders, organize teen helpers, greet participants, take attendance, etc. Access to a computer and email is important. Teen Helpers help during programs to set up, greet participants, take pictures, clean up, and help everyone to have fun. Program runs through July 24. Contact Colleen Korniak at 899-4686 or colleen@jerichotownlibraryvt.org.

Crafters’ Circle – Do you find the time to work on your craft projects at home? Join other craft enthusiasts at the Monday evening Crafters’ Circle, which meets at the library at 6:00 PM. If you embroider, quilt, crochet, knit, create paper arts, or want to learn, this is the group for you. Join us any Monday – everyone is welcome whenever you can attend. Bring your current projects or try something new. Check our Facebook page for weekly craft ideas: <https://www.facebook.com/JerichoTownLibrary>.

If you are new gardener, we have plenty of books and resources to help you get started. We even have books available to purchase on our sale shelf. Workshops will be offered throughout the growing season. For more information, visit our website at www.jerichotownlibraryvt.org.

This year’s Summer Program celebrates many types of heroes: the heroes of all ages who walk through the doors of the library each day; the heroes who have made their marks on history; the heroes who keep our communities safe, clean, and productive; and high-profile superheroes. From the youngest child to the strongest, mightiest crusader, each and every hero has his or her own story to tell. - Every Hero Has a Story! Workshops, classes and activities are in progress.

The 2015 Summer Reading Club runs through Wednesday, July 22. Here are Five Easy Steps:

1. Come by the library to pick up your reading log.
2. Keep track of each book you read.
3. For every 5 books you read, you get a sticker.
4. For every 10 books you read, you will be entered into a drawing*.

5. Names will be drawn at the Final Celebration on Wednesday, July 22. You do not need to be present to win.

*Prizes provided by The Flynn Theater, Skateland, Essex Cinema, Pizza Putt, Phoenix Books, and Merchants Bank.

The Jericho Center Library Board of Directors would like to thank our community for their support; comments can be directed to Tom Dowd at tomdowd11@gmail.com.

New Friday Hours and Saturday Closure – Beginning Friday, June 26, the library will be open from 12:00 – 4:00 PM on Fridays; as of Saturday, June 27 until the end of August, the library will be closed on Saturdays.

Regular Library hours are: Monday 1:00 – 7:00 PM; Wednesday 10:00 AM – noon (includes children’s story time) and 2:00 – 7:00 PM; Friday 1:00 – 5:00 PM; Saturday 10:00 AM – noon. For more information call 899-4686, go online to www.jerichotownlibraryvt.org, or email Jerichotownlibrary@gmail.com.

VARNUM MEMORIAL LIBRARY JEFFERSONVILLE

The Varnum Library, P.O. Box 198, 194 Main St., Jeffersonville, 802-644-2117. Please visit Varnum Library’s website, <http://thevarnum.org>.

Hours: Mondays and Tuesdays 12:00 – 7:00 PM, Wednesdays 3:00 – 7:00 PM, Thursdays 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM, Fridays 2:00 – 5:00 PM, and Saturdays 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

WESTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY WESTFORD

Summer reading theme: Every Hero Has a Story! The summer reading program kicks off Friday, June 19 with a concert from 6:30 – 7:30 PM by the Swing Peepers on the Common.

Building Bright Futures Playgroup on Mondays, 9:30 – 11:00 AM. For children 6 and under. For more information contact Janice, Janice@tfish.net.

Library Hours: Wednesday 1:00 – 7:00 PM, Thursday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Friday 1:00 – 7:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM; website westfordpubliclibrary.wordpress.com; Email: westfordpubliclibrary@gmail.com. Like us on Facebook. 878-5639, Bree Drapa, Librarian.

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ART/PHOTOGRAPHY

On Saturday, July 18, 75 artists will be painting out of doors (rain or shine) in the 5th year of the Jericho Plein Air Festival. The public is invited to enjoy watching and meeting the artists as they capture the landscape on canvas and paper. The work created on Saturday from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM will be exhibited at the Emile A. Gruppe Gallery, 22 Barber Farm Rd., Jericho from Sunday, July 19-Sunday, August 9, with a reception for the artists on July 19 from 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. For information, 802-899-2974.

Call to Artists – Think red: autumn? tractors? sport cars? Sox? barns? herring? Where does your imagination lead you? Established and emerging artists are invited to submit two-dimensional artwork in any medium for *Shades of Red*, an exhibit scheduled for September-December at the Jericho Town Hall. The only requirement: The work must include the color red. Register by Saturday, August 15; for information and registration: 899-2974 or blgreene@myfairpoint.net. The exhibit is one of an ongoing series of shows that are part of a collaborative project between the Town of Jericho and a committee of volunteers involved in the arts. The Committee includes Jericho Selectboard member Catherine McMains, artists Dianne Shullenberger and Barbara Greene, and gallery owner Emilie Alexander.

Visual Picnic! Come feast your eyes on the wonderful new art display offered by the members of Essex Art League during the month of July at the Old Red Mill in Jericho. Paintings in all mediums, photographs, matted prints, and ceramic art are available for purchase. For information on the League as well as a detailed calendar of events, online gallery, and meeting times, see their website www.essexartleague.com.

At Bryan Memorial in Jeffersonville through December 30, the Bryan’s 2015 *Legacy Collection* features 25 living artists and 13 deceased artists whose works continue the legacy of Alden Bryan, founder of the gallery, and Mary Bryan, in whose honor the gallery was founded. Each year, Bryan Memorial Gallery chooses artists for inclusion in the Legacy Collection. The Legacy Collection also includes a subset entitled *Hidden Treasures*, which includes deceased artists’ works that are owned by gallery members and available for sale. All exhibited works are oriented toward the

current season, and will be changed throughout the course of the year. All 2015 Legacy Collection art is for sale. Bryan Memorial Gallery, 180 Main St., Jeffersonville, 802-644-5100. A preview of the exhibit can be seen at www.bryangallery.org. Gallery hours are Thursday-Sunday, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, and by appointment.

Helen Day Art Center, Friday, through Sunday, August 23: *The Best of the Northeast MFA* Exhibition, emerging contemporary artists from Québec, New England, and New York MFA students. Saturday, July 11 through Wednesday, October 14, *Exposed*, the 24th annual outdoor sculpture exhibit, throughout the town of Stowe. Saturday-Sunday, July 25-26, Robert O’Brien offers a course on *Watercolor: Landscape and Plein Air*, 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM both days; contact the gallery for registration and cost. Friday, September 11 through Sunday, November 22, *Fractured: Works on Paper*, a group exhibition of works on paper looking at fractured space through the lens of the narrative, structure, and optics and how those de/constructions create new meaning, perceptions, and truths. Friday, December 4 through Sunday, January 3, Members’ Art Show and Festival of Trees & light, bringing together the community to share and celebrate the season through decorated evergreens, a Hanukkah display, and over 100 members’ art work. Helen Day Art Center, 90 Pond St., Stowe. Gallery hours: Wednesday-Sunday 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM and by appointment.

The Cambridge Arts Council is pleased to announce that four finalists have been chosen to proceed to the next round towards the beautification of the two abandoned silos in Jeffersonville Village. This summer, on a date still TBD, the CAC will invite the community and the four finalists to meet and discuss final expectations and inspirations. The community will vote for their favorite artist and their decision will be included along with that of the Village of Jeffersonville Board of Trustees, Cambridge Arts Council, and the Silo Sisters (CAC’s Silo Project committee). CAC received twelve applicants to the Silo Project, each of them bringing an interesting and creative approach to our project. The decision to narrow the field to the final four was extremely difficult and laborious. In the end, the finalists chosen were Anthill Collective, Mary Hill, Mary Lacy, and Sarah Rutherford.

Vermont self-taught artist Larry Bissonnette creates bold, energetic works that are at once highly personal and an invitation to marvel and engage. The Milton-based painter is also a world-traveled spokesman for autism, as well as the subject of two documentaries that examine his life and art through the lens of ability versus disability. Showcasing select pieces on loan from private collectors (the G.R.A.C.E. Gallery in Hardwick and Bissonnette’s Burlington studio), *LOOKING OUT* at the Flynn Center for the Performing Arts’ Amy E. Tarrant Gallery, 153 Main St., Burlington will be the first major solo retrospective of this important Vermont artist, who has chosen not to let disability define him or his art. Through Saturday, August 29. For information, 652-4500.

MUSIC/DANCE

The Westford Concert Series offers free Sunday concerts on the Westford Common, 7:00 – 8:00 PM. Bring a blanket or lawn chair; in case of rain, the concert will move to the Red Brick Meeting House. Co-sponsored by the Westford Library, Westford Recreation Department, and the Westford Parenting/Education Committee. July 26: *The Fizz*; August 9: *Mad Mountain Scramblers*.

Anna Roberts-Gevalt and Elizabeth LaPrelle will be holding a *Crankie Workshop” followed by a concert with Kaia Kater on Wednesday, July 22 at the Burlington City Arts Center. The workshop will be held starting at 3:00 PM and is free and open to the public. A concert with Kaia Kater will follow starting at 6:00 PM. A donation of \$15 is suggested for the concert. An Anna and Elizabeth concert is a captivating mix of ballads, foot-stomping dance tunes, stories, and visual art – a throwback, honoring the cultural and musical heritage from the hollows of old-time musicians gone but not forgotten. Anna is a Vermonter who apprenticed with Kentucky master fiddlers. She is completing a documentary on female fiddlers in Kentucky and produced a compilation album of young traditional musicians. Elizabeth is a

native of Rural Retreat, Virginia who has won awards at fiddlers’ conventions and sung with her powerful voice since she was 11. Kaia Kater is one of the youngest performers in the Canadian old-time and folk communities. This 20 year old plays the banjo, sings, and has her own unique take on Appalachian and Canadian traditional music. She released her debut album in Toronto in 2012. (*A crankie is like old fashioned movies but rather than film, they use felt and cloth covered with characters and artwork that depict a traditional story or ballad.) For more information, contact www.youngtraditionvermont.org or marksustic@gmail.com.

Grab your friends, grab your lunch, and come to City Hall Park in Burlington for a free concert series every Wednesday and Friday, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, through August.

The Battery Park Free Concert Series runs Thursdays in July – a classic summer series of free concerts. All performances are on Thursday evenings beginning at 6:30 PM. Enjoy live music at Burlington’s Battery Park, while enjoying views of Lake Champlain and The Adirondacks. July 16, Kat Wright & The Indomitable Soul Band; July 23, Ryan Montbleau Band; July 30, Gin Wigmore.

THEATER/FILM

St. Michael’s Playhouse’s summer theater presents *Outside Mullingar* as one of its mainstage plays for the 2015 season. Todd Lawson and Lena Kaminsky play Anthony Reilly and Rosemary Muldoon, neighbors living in adjacent farms in rural Ireland. The play has been described as “a kind of an Irish *Moonstruck*.” Painfully shy Anthony has spent his entire life on a cattle farm in rural Ireland. Rosemary lives right next door, determined to have him, watching the years slip away. With Anthony’s father threatening to disinherit him and a land feud simmering between their families, Rosemary has every reason to fear romantic catastrophe. These yearning, eccentric souls fight their way towards solid ground and some kind of happiness. Performances are Wednesday-Saturday evenings, July 15-18, Tuesday-Saturday, July 21-25 (8:00 PM curtain), and Saturday matinees July 18 and 25 (2:00 PM curtain). Following *Outside Mullingar* on the Playhouse stage is *Woody Guthrie’s American Song*. Single tickets range from \$34-44. The Playhouse is located at McCarthy Arts Center on the campus of Saint Michael’s College, VT Rt. 15, Colchester. Tickets may be purchased at the Playhouse box office, by calling 802-654-2281, or online at saintmichaelsplayhouse.org.

The Festival of Fools is a curated festival of street theater beginning Friday, July 31 devoted to community engagement through the celebration of circus arts, music and comedy for family audiences. In accord with Burlington City Arts’ mission to make the arts accessible in greater Burlington, the Festival of Fools offers free events, open to the public and appropriate for all age groups. The Festival of Fools features the best international street performers from around the globe. Four main stage locations surrounding the Church Street Marketplace and City Hall Park will feature continuous street theater, performing each day. The Festival wraps up on Sunday, August 2 with a grand finale featuring all the performers of the festival. For information, 865-7166 or bca@burlingtoncityarts.org.

The Lamoille County Players present *CATS*, a wonderful piece of musical theater based on the popular poetry of T.S. Eliot. CATS tells the story, in song and dance, of the annual gathering of Jellicle cats at which time one special cat is selected to ascend to the Heavside Layer. Shows are Thursdays-Saturdays, July 23-26 and July 30-August 2, 7:00 PM (except 2:00 PM Sundays) at the now air conditioned Hyde Park Opera House. Tickets: \$18 adults, \$12 students or seniors (age 60+); \$10 Matinee Special on July 26: \$10 any seat for the matinee! Tickets for all shows available online at www.LCPlayers.com where people can pick their own seats and get ticket confirmation, at no additional charge. The Box Office will be open and accepting phone reservations Saturdays from 4:00 – 6:00 PM starting two Saturdays before opening night of a production, or call 802-888-4507 during those hours on those Saturdays. Audience members can also stop by between 4:00 – 6:00 PM on those Saturdays. The Box Office is also open one hour before the start of each performance.

PEOPLE - OBITUARIES



John Michael McKnight Jr., 70, of Underhill Center, VT died peacefully at home with his family on Monday, June 22, 2015 following a battle with cancer. Born on December 30, 1944 in New York City, he was the son of the late John Michael McKnight and Mary Hamilton McKnight. He graduated from Montclair High School, the University of Vermont (B.A., 1967), McGill University (M.A., 1970), and McMaster University (Ph.D., 1976). He was married in Woodstock, VT to Karen Lea Bergstrom. Michael retired from the Public Relations Department

at Fletcher Allen Health Care in 2009. While there he specialized in multimedia, producing television programs including the Vermont

Public Television health education series *Vital Signs*. Michael had a life-long passion for teaching, primarily philosophy and religion. In 1972 he led Windham College students on a semester abroad in India and Nepal. Throughout his career he continued to learn and share his knowledge teaching at the University of Vermont and Champlain College. For several years he was also a Religion Department program director at the University of Vermont’s Living and Learning Center. One of his most-cherished projects was entitled the *Transmission of Essential Teachings*, a collection of his interviews with leading thinkers of our time, captured on video and used for teaching. More recently in keeping with his passion for teaching, he created a series of discussion groups at the Deborah Rawson Library. He wrote numerous publications, both academic and on local history, including his last work entitled, *The Windows of St. Thomas Church*. He was an avid naturalist, enjoyed cross country skiing, hiking on weekends, and exploring northern Vermont and Quebec on his bicycle. He was active in the Underhill community, serving on the Civil Board, as a Justice of Peace, a trustee of the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library, and a member of

the Underhill Historical Society. He is survived by his wife Karen; his children, Carl Jason McKnight, John Michael McKnight III and wife Elizabeth Roberts; his grandson, Dean McKnight; his mother-in-law, Mimi P. Bergstrom; his uncle, Thomas McKnight; his niece, Heather Duncan; and extended family. He was pre-deceased by his sister Mary Carter Cabnet. His wonderful sense of being and kind heart will be missed by all. A celebration of his life was held on Saturday, July 11, 2015 at the Underhill Town Hall, Underhill Center, VT. Contributions may be made in Michael’s memory to the Underhill Historical Society, the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library or a charity of your choice.

A Funeral Mass for **Mark W. Archambault**, who passed away on November 13, 2014, will be celebrated on Saturday, July 18, 2015 at 11:00 AM at St. Thomas Church, 6 Green St., Underhill Center, VT.

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Art Mathisen new COO at Copley Hospital



Copley Hospital welcomes Arthur (Art) Mathisen, FACHE, as Chief Operating Officer (COO). Reporting to Mathisen as COO are the Chief Nursing Officer, Chief Medical Officer, and Vice President of Support and Ancillary Services.

Mathisen has served as COO of two health-care centers in the military, and has a background in physician practice management. Previously he was responsible for the multi-specialty physician practices of Bon Secours Medical Group in Virginia. He has held senior executive positions at Munson Army Health Center in Kansas, Kirk Army Health Clinic in Maryland, AllGood Army Community Hospital in South Korea, and Weed Army Community Hospital in California. He completed a Healthcare Administrative Fellowship with Humana, working with Florida Medicare and Medicaid Products.

Mathisen holds a Bachelor of Public Management Degree from the University of Maine and a Master of Health Administration from Baylor University in Waco, TX. He has been certified as a Fellow of the American College of Healthcare Executives (FACHE). Mathisen is married and has three children.

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Support the Library! Please support our programs and acquisitions. Our webpage has an easy to use donate button via PayPal.

Richmond Free Library, 201 Bridge St., P.O. Box 997, Richmond, VT 05477; 434-3036; 434-3223 (fax); www.richmondfreelibraryvt.org. Open Monday and Wednesday, 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM, Tuesday and Thursday, 1:00 – 6:00 PM; Friday, 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM; Saturday, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

FAIRFAX COMMUNITY LIBRARY

We certainly hope to see you often this summer and remember on those hot days, WE ARE AIR CONDITIONED!

All events are free unless noted. Pre-registration encouraged. Call or email libraryprograms@fwsu.org.

Looking for fun and educational opportunities for your child this summer? The library is offering two day camps the week of July 20-24, a morning art camp and an afternoon games camp. Sign up for one or for a full day, both. Go to the children’s page of our website or stop by the library for more info and registration forms. There are two scholarships available for both camps, sponsored by the Library Trustees.

We have passes! Check out the latest exhibit at the Shelburne Museum: Walter Wick: Games, Gizmos And Toys In The Attic. For information including summer hours and admission, www.shelburnemuseum.org. We also have passes for Vermont State Parks, ECHO museum, Shelburne Farms, VT historic sites, Vermont’s History Museum, Birds of Vermont, and the Lake Champlain Maritime Museum.

Parents, did you know that a child needs to be 8 years of age to be in the library without a parent or supervising babysitter?

Our Summer Reading theme is Every Hero has a Story and we are looking for library fans who

would like to walk (or stroller, wagon, etc.) in the Fairfax Fourth of July Parade with the library staff. The caveat: Dress as a hero! That can mean a superhero, personal hero, a hero from a book or from the pages of history. Please speak to Debbie or Nicole if you are interested. ALL AGES WELCOME!

Like an adventure? Love Vermont in the summer? We have three ideas to share: Passport to Vermont Libraries, Vermont Venture Outdoor Challenge, and close to home, Fairfax Rec. Path Treasure hunt and Story Walk!

The Passport program is sponsored by the Vermont Library Association. There are 183 public libraries and 25+ academic libraries in VT. The challenge: How many libraries can you visit between now and September 1, 2015? Pick up your Passport at a participating library and explore. Get a stamp in your passport and perhaps even a small prize at each library you visit. Top visitors from each town are entered into a state wide grand prize drawing.

Vermont Venture is a VT Parks and Recreation program for families. To participate, download a score card and do fun outdoor activities such as going for a hike, finding a big tree, drawing a map, or identifying rocks. Take pictures of your activities and earn points for free 2015-16 state park admission!

Here in Fairfax we are lucky to have a beautiful rec path near the river, and 100 acre wood in North Fairfax! Stop by the library for a rec path map and treasure hunt page, and then head out for some family fun! When you are hot and sweaty, come back to our air conditioned library for a rest!

And, don’t forget to sign those kids up for Summer Reading!

Wednesday, July 15, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Superhero Training Camp. Kids age 3+ are invited to a fun morning of superhero activities including mask and cape making, and an obstacle course. Please bring an old T-shirt to make a cape out of. Must pre-register.

Thursday, July 16, 6:00 – 8:00 PM: Movie Night. We will be showing a PG film featuring an unlikely hero named Emmet who turns out to be very special. Snacks will be provided.

Friday, July 17, 10:00 – 10:30 AM: Tot Storytime.

Saturday, July 18, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Li-

brary Scavenger Hunt. A drop-in program where families can come to the library to complete a scavenger hunt and win prizes.

Tuesday, July 21, 9:30 – 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour: Animal Heroes.

Tuesday, July 21, 4:00 – 5:00 PM: READ to a DOG. Kids ages 5-10 can read a book of their choice to a fuzzy, friendly dog. Call to reserve a 15-minute slot

Thursday, July 23, 5:30 – 7:30 PM: Tea and Bristles. Local artist Julie Griffis leads a step-by-step painting party in a fun, informal atmosphere. This class is great for all skill levels. Enjoy some tea and go home with a masterpiece of your own creation. Recommended ages 16+, cost is \$25 for materials, food, and instruction.

Friday, July 24, 10:00 – 10:30 AM: Tot Storytime.

Tuesday, July 28, 9:30 – 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour: Superheroes.

Tuesday, July 28, 7:00 – 8:00 PM: Bats! An all ages event with local bat rescuers Barry and Maureen Genzlinger. Learn about their work and about the bats that live in our part of the state. Join them for a bat walk outside after the presentation.

Thursday, July 30, 10:00 – 11:00 AM: Cartooning Workshop. Youth ages 8+ learn to draw their own cartoon characters and use them to create a unique comic strip. Must pre-register.

For up-to-date info about programs, visit our website www.fairfaxvtlibrary.org, where you can also find a link to the interactive Google calendar.

Library Hours: Monday, Wednesday 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM; Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM; Friday 8:00 AM – 3:15 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

For up-to-date information about programs, visit our website www.fairfaxvtlibrary.org, where you can find a link to our interactive Google calendar. Fairfax Community Library: 75 Hunt St., Fairfax, VT, 05454; 849-2420. Program Planner Karyn Norwood, knorwood@fwsu.org; Library News: www.bfaifairfax.com/pages/communitylibrarynews.html.

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All events are free. Preschool Music: Mondays at 11:00 AM and

Thursdays at 10:30 AM. For children up to age 5 with a caregiver. No pre-registration. Free.

Summer Story Time Series: Tuesdays, 11:00 AM. July 14: Summer Animals; July 21: Read with a Firefighter; July 28: Going Camping; August 4: Read with a Police Officer. All ages. No pre-registration. Free.

Create Your Own Comics: Wednesday, July 15, 1:00 – 3:00 PM. Learn cartooning techniques with Eric Cram from the Center for Cartoon Studies. Ages 11 and up. Pre-register. Free.

Recycled Owls: Wednesday, July 15, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Join “Superhero Artist” MC Baker from Williston Central School for summer art fun. Make an owl out of recycled materials. Ages 8 and up. Pre-register. Free.

Nature’s Superheroes: Wednesday, July 22, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Explore the amazing world of animals from honeybees to goblin sharks. Includes a puppet show with “Professor Fizzywig” and hands-on science activities. Presented by Kristen Littlefield of Wild Things! Pre-register. All ages. Free.

Superhero Scratch Art: Wednesday, July 29, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Join “Superhero Artist” MC Baker from Williston Central School for summer art fun. Bring a photo of yourself to decorate as a superhero. Ages 8 and up. Pre-register. Free.

DIY Metal Art: Monday, July 20, 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Create medallions using nail polish and washers. Make wire-sculpture baskets. Ages 11 and up. Pre-register. Free.

Lego Day and Movie: Friday, July 31, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Build with Legos; followed by a movie. Call the library for details. All ages. Children ages 8 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. Free.

Dorothy Alling Memorial Library, 21 Library Lane, Williston. 802-878-4918, www.williston.lib.vt.us.

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Brownell Library, 6 Lincoln St., Essex Junction. Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM; Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday (July until after Labor Day, closed Saturdays): 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Call Main Desk 878-6955, Youth Desk 878-6956, Reference Desk 878-6957, or email frontdesk@brownelllibrary.org.



VT Open Farm Week celebrates origins of great food

Go straight to the source of your favorite Vermont food during Vermont Open Farm Week, Monday-Friday, August 3-9, taking place across the state.

A celebration of the “farm” in “farm to table,” the weeklong event will give people a behind-the-scenes look at Vermont’s vibrant working landscape. Farmers across Vermont will throw open their barn doors and garden gates to welcome the public. Visitors may be able to milk a cow, pull a carrot from the warm earth, or taste test a variety of heirloom tomatoes.

“People have a real desire to know where their food comes from,” said Meghan Sheridan, Executive Director of The Vermont Fresh Network and DigInVt.com. “A week-long opportunity to visit the farms where our food is raised is an authentic Vermont experience that’s fun for the whole family. From scavenger hunts to hayrides, each farm offers visitors a unique connection to the land.”

An up-to-date listing of participating farms, their offerings and their Open Farm Week hours can be found at www.DigInVT.com. Participants are encouraged to join the conversation on social media by using #VTOpenFarm.



LCPC announces new executive director

The Lamoille County Planning Commission (LCPC) announced today that Tasha Wallis of Morrisville, an accomplished executive with leadership experience in both government and the private sector, has joined the Commission as Executive Director as of July 1, 2015.

Most recently, Ms. Wallis served as Executive Director of the Vermont Retail Association (VRA). Tasha has also held appointed positions in state government under Governors Douglas and Dean, including Commissioner of the Department of Buildings and General Services, Deputy Secretary of the Agency of Administration, and Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry. She has also served on the Vermont Downtown Board and the Vermont Housing Council.

“I am looking forward to working with the towns and communities of Lamoille County to help craft a vibrant future that embraces the economic strengths and natural beauty of the county,” said Ms. Wallis. for the excellent work of Seth Jensen who Bonnie Waninger, who left to serve as Executive Director of the Central Vermont Regional Planning Commission in April 2015.

Tasha Wallis lives in Morrisville with her husband Kevin Goddard. They have three sons and one grandson.

Susan Lassiter to leave CAC



Susan Lassiter, left, who is leaving the CAC Board of Directors after a decade of service. Filling the is Mason Sawyer, right, a student at MMUHS who lives in Fletcher, will also lead a new Youth Committee. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Not sure what happened!

Only one team showed up to the Underhill Historical Society’s old fashioned ball game on Sunday, July 12. However, it wasn’t a total loss – Matt Parisi’s *Men’s Championship Softball Team* and a group of spectators enjoyed the afternoon and a potluck picnic of yummy foods.

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Durham, NH for the spring 2015 semester.

Grayden Patrick Shand of Jericho, VT, a freshman at Clarkson University, Potsdam, NY majoring in innovation & entrepreneur and liberal studies, has received the Dr. Carl Michel Award as an outstanding first-year student in liberal arts based on work he did in the liberal arts. His name will be inscribed on the Dr. Carl Michel Award plaque.

Casey Sheredy of Jeffersonville, VT earned

High Honors and has been named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH for the spring 2015 semester.

Laurel L. Whitney of Waterbury, VT was named to the Dean’s List at Colby College in Waterville, ME for the spring semester of the 2014-15 year. Whitney, a member of the class of 2016, is the daughter of Ryan and Kimberley Whitney of Waterbury, and attended Harwood Union High School.

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Annette’s Preschool to continue quality early education program in Richmond by acquiring The PlayCare Center in Richmond

PlayCare Center in Richmond, Richmond’s longstanding early care and education center, recently announced its planned transition to new ownership by Hinesburg’s Annette’s Preschool. The Annette’s Preschool team is excited to have the opportunity to further enhance both programs for children age six weeks through school age in new and unique ways. “It was the family-focused philosophy and the high degree of teachers’ commitment to the kids in their care that set PlayCare Center in Richmond apart,” commented Annette’s Preschool Director and owner Andrea Sambrook. “We are so pleased that Richmond will continue to have a quality early care and education program in such a family-friendly community,” she continued.

Formally recognized by the state as a high quality early education center, Annette’s Preschool was one of the first centers in Vermont to be prequalified under Vermont’s new Act 166 law relating to public pre-K education. “We hope to be able to offer the same funding opportunities for all our Richmond families,” Sambrook stated. Act 166 provides for 10 hours of early education per week for three- to five-year-olds at no cost to parents by providing \$3000 to attend prequalified programs such as Annette’s.

Crystal Bennett-Bancroft, the Director of PlayCare Center in Richmond, will continue in her day-to-day management role after the acquisition is completed in early fall. She stated, “We are all excited by the link up with Annette’s Preschool.” Bennett-Bancroft reported that the PlayCare Center in Richmond intends to apply for the Vermont STAR quality rating this summer and Annette’s Preschool’s experience and guidance will help them achieve that.

As Sherry Yandow, Executive Director at PlayCare Center in Richmond confirmed, “Parents will not experience any interruption in services during the transition to new ownership.” Annette’s Preschool brings a strong connection to the natural world, utilizing outdoor playscapes and engaging in sustainable practices. “A thing that won’t change?” Yandow asked. “Our PlayCare kids will continue to have fun every day!”

Any families interested in enrolling their child (six weeks – four years) in the PlayCare Center can contact Crystal Bennett-Bancroft at 802-434-3891 or theplaycarecenter@madriver.com for more information.



Lena Kaminsky and Todd Lawson play Rosemary and Anthony in Outside Mullingar, “a kind of an Irish Moonstruck” with performances Wednesday-Saturday evenings, July 15-18, Tuesday-Saturday, July 21-25 (8:00 PM curtain), and Saturday matinees July 18 and 25 (2:00 PM curtain). Tickets: Playhouse box office, 802-654-2281, or saintmichaelsplayouse.org. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED



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4,000 copies of the directory are distributed throughout Jericho and Underhill, Vermont. The directory is also store-delivered in Essex, Fairfax and Richmond.

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Locals participate in Women Helping Battered Women’s 8th Annual Run for Empowerment



Claudia Sullivan (652) of Jericho participated in the 5K Run during Women Helping Battered Women’s 8th Annual Run for Empowerment. She finished first in her age category for the 5K.

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Darren Duquette of Jericho participated in the 10K Run as part of Women Helping Battered Women’s 8th Annual Run for Empowerment. He was also a proud member of team TFW Essex, who earned the Cup of Empowerment for being the top fundraising team for the second year in a row.

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Laura Lucas of Westford participated in the 5K Run during Women Helping Battered Women’s 8th Annual Run for Empowerment. She finished third in the Women’s 5K division and second for her age category.

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Team TFW Essex celebrating the win in the Women Helping Battered Women’s 8th Annual Run for Empowerment. They earned the Cup of Empowerment for the second year in a row as top team fundraisers.

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Recipes

DOUGHNUTS



- 1 cup sugar
- 1 Tbsp nutmeg
- 1 tsp baking soda
- ½ tsp salt
- 2 eggs
- 1 Tbsp shortening
- 1 cup sour milk
- 6 cups flour

Mix sugar, nutmeg, soda, salt, eggs, milk and shortening. Add enough flour to roll out dough on a floured surface and cut with doughnut cutter. Heat shortening to 375 degrees F. and drop doughnuts in, turning several times. Drain on soft crumpled paper. Cool and dust with powdered sugar, or granulated sugar and or with cinnamon, or drizzle with glaze (see below) if desired. Repeat with doughnut centers.

Note: milk can be soured by adding 1 Tbsp vinegar to 1 cup fresh milk.

- White Doughnut Glaze
- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 4 to 6 Tbsp milk

Mix powdered sugar, vanilla and milk with a fork to desired consistency. Thicken with powdered sugar or thin down with milk.

SCHOOL LUNCH PEANUT BUTTER BARS

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| 1 1/2 C Flour | 2 Eggs |
| 1¼ tsp. Salt | 1 ½ C Quick Oats |
| ½ tsp. Baking Soda | |
| ¾ C Butter | Frosting: |
| ¾ C Sugar | ½ C Butter (1 stick) |
| ¾ C Brown Sugar | 3 ½ C Powdered Sugar |
| 1 ½ tsp. Vanilla | 2 T Cocoa |
| 1 1/2 C Creamy Peanut Butter (split) | ¼ C Milk 1 tsp. Vanilla |

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In a small mixing bowl, mix together flour, baking soda and salt. In a large mixing bowl, cream together butter, sugars, ¾ C peanut butter, eggs and vanilla until light and fluffy. Gradually add dry ingredients, just until incorporated. Then, stir in the oats. Spread onto a greased 11 x 15 Jelly Roll Pan (cookie sheet). Bake for 12-15 minutes, or until golden brown. Cool for 10 minutes.

The frosting is a two step process. First, whip the remaning ¾ C Creamy Peanut Butter until it becomes lighter colored and fluffy. Carefully spread the whipped peanut butter over the pan cookie.

Then, add butter to a small sauce pan and melt the butter. Add the milk and cocoa. Cook over medium heat, stirring constantly. Heat just until boiling. Remove from heat and add vanilla. Then, gradually add the powdered sugar. Stir until thickened. Pour over the peanut butter and gently spread over the cookie. Cool completely, and slice into bar cookies.



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We have positions open in the following towns beginning in late August and running through the end of the school year.. This is a part time position (approximately 25 hours) eligible for our \$2,000 child care benefit and a Y membership. The hours are 2:30pm to 6pm with additional planning time. Bachelor's degree and two years of experience with this age.

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Essex Elementary
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Underhill Central

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After School Program Assistant

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