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Communities of Jericho Underhill salute Veterans

Scouts and veterans hold flags during Memorial Day services Monday at Pleasant View Cemetery in Jericho. Bottom right: Air Guard Maj. Jeff Rector of Jericho speaks to hundreds of people at the cemetery.



PHOTOS BY TED TEDFORD

E-Cambridge – Hoping for broadband

By Phyl Newbeck

Special to the Mountain Gazette

Twelve rural communities in Vermont have been chosen for the e-Vermont Community Broadband Project. Cambridge is one of the towns selected for this pilot program which will provide communities with digital tools and in-depth training. The goal is to help Cambridge make better use of the internet which, in turn, may lead to improved provision of social services, increased civic involvement, job creation, and help for Cambridge Elementary School and Varnum Memorial Library.

Despite its name, the pilot program will not be bringing broadband to those areas of Cambridge which do not have high speed internet. Rather, the goal is to create sufficient interest in broadband to convince one of the area's providers to expand service. Michael Moser, a member of the Cambridge Planning Commission and a Research Specialist at UVM's Center for Rural Studies is the lead contact for Cambridge. Moser said that inside and immediately abutting the villages of Jeffersonville and Cambridge there is high speed internet, but people living beyond those centers have "terribly, terribly slow" dial-up.

Moser said the broadband proposal was spearheaded by Dennis Shanley, Communications Director for Cambridge Crossroads. In 2008, Cambridge participated in the Place-based Landscape Analysis and Community Education (PLACE) program under the auspices of UVM and Shelburne Farms. The program brought together diverse members of the community and resulted in several concrete endeavors including Cambridge Crossroads; a website and newsletter providing community information. Shanley submitted the pre-proposal and was part of the committee that completed the final application which included 23 letters of support from people of all walks of life throughout the community.

Moser said internet providers have no incentive to extend service down dirt roads to a handful of houses if nobody in those houses has expressed a desire for service. The e-Cambridge program hopes to increase demand by helping residents understand what high speed internet service can do for them. To accomplish this goal, the committee will hold community-wide meetings to identify ways in which residents might benefit from the project. The Planning Commission will partner with Cambridge Crossroads for a series of forums to gauge interest in potential improvements such as a town website or the creation of WiFi hotspots. "The key step," said Moser "is getting people interested. The more we engage the better things will be. It's very exciting to be part of this ongoing process."

Shanley has been interested in expanding broadband service throughout Cambridge ever since he worked as a consultant for Vermont Electric Co-op eight years ago. There was some discussion about having the Co-op provide broadband to underserved

areas, similar to their work providing electricity to rural areas in the 1930's. Shanley said he learned that the crucial equation for communications companies is customers per mile. The Co-op currently serves 9 1/2 to 10 customers per mile but large commercial companies look for 14 to 15. Shanley said Vermont historically has a lower penetration of users with access to broadband than the rest of the country, meaning that many who have the option of high speed internet do not take advantage of it. Shanley hopes to use Cambridge's participation in the pilot program to show that residents who don't currently have access would definitely use high speed internet.

Shanley said that funds associated with the grant can be used to improve the Cambridge Crossroads website. Although he hopes the town will create its own municipal site, Cambridge Crossroads will continue to be the repository for non-governmental groups. Front Porch Forum may also expand into Cambridge as part of the pilot program. Middle school students with low socio-economic status might receive free Netbooks under the grant and Shanley would like to see community volunteers teach the kids to use them. The grant may also provide new computers for the Varnum Memorial Library and adult education computer classes at the Technical Center. Shanley hopes to further formalize Cambridge's broadband committee of which he is a founding member, possibly joining forces with the towns of Waterville and Belvidere.

Forty municipalities applied for the pilot program. In addition to Cambridge, Brighton, Bristol, Canaan, Grand Isle County, Ludlow, Middlesex, Newport, Poultney, Pownal, Sunderland, and West Rutland were selected. The Vermont Council on Rural Development will oversee the program. Helen Labrun Jordan is the Project Director for e-Vermont. She said that one of the reasons the Cambridge application rose to the top was that they had already put together a broadband committee with representation from different organizations throughout the town. Additionally, Cambridge could point to examples of active projects which promoted community development. Lastly, Cambridge was able to articulate a plan for their participation in the program and showed enthusiasm for projects which might lead to enhanced internet services in town.

Shanley noted that broadband often raises a "chicken/egg" problem. Modern businesses won't move into an area that doesn't have broadband, but cable companies won't expand into areas without a high volume of traffic. Shanley hopes that by increasing internet use among those with access to high speed, communications companies will be willing to expand another few miles so that more people have access. Shanley believes Cambridge has an obligation as one of the pilot towns: "Everyone else will be looking at what we do," he said. "We're in the spotlight and we have to perform."

Weisel had estimated the job would cost \$190,000. The town received nine bids; the high bid was \$250,000 but the low bid from Dirt Tech, a Jericho based company, was only \$125,000. Tim Cole, owner of Dirt Tech, was pleased to be selected for the job. Regarding the low bid, he said, "You just go over your budget with a fine tooth comb and hope everything goes well."

Select Board Chair R. J. Vallie is pleased with the progress on the road. At this point, the biggest challenge is a telephone pole which will have to be moved for the road to be widened. Green Mountain Power has been called so the project should proceed on time. Cole expected that the pole would be moved by the time the Mountain Gazette goes to press.

Weisel lauded Notch Road residents for their patience during the road work, but had particular praise

Take part in the LACiNg Up for Cancer Walk



Debbie's No Limit Angels, a team of family and friends from the Jeffersonville/Cambridge area, participated in last year's LACiNg Up For Cancer walk. This year's walk is scheduled for June 26 at the People Academy track in Morrisville. Last year's walk raised \$135,000 for Lamoille Area Cancer Network's emergency fund - a fund that provides grants for cancer patients in the Lamoille Area. Get involved! Volunteer, sponsor walkers, or show your support by stopping by on June 26. For more information on how you can get involved in LACiNg Up For Cancer call Kathy Demars at 888-7720 or Jill Baker at 888-8302.

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Westford school budget doomed on revote

By Phyl Newbeck

Special to the Mountain Gazette

On May 18, Westford voters went back to the polls for a revote of the school budget. On Town Meeting Day, the budget of \$5,268,238 squeaked through by a vote of 218 to 207. A successful petition for a revote led to an overwhelming reversal of those numbers; the budget failed by a resounding 403 to 283. Town Clerk Nanette Rogers reported that 48% of those registered to vote came out for the special election, second only to the 49% who voted on whether to form a unified school district with Essex in the fall of 2007.

Rogers wasn't surprised by the volume of voters; opponents of the budget undertook a postcard campaign to inform citizens about the impending vote and there were some lively discussions on Westford's Front Porch Forum. When she began receiving requests for absentee ballots, Rogers printed up 850 ballots in preparation for the election.

Conrad Racine was one of the residents who led the petition for a revote. "The people have spoken," he said. "My concern is that the School Board won't listen. We just have to wait and see." Racine said many residents had been unaware of the tax implications of the proposed 1.4% budget increase. "We're not overjoyed about doing this," he said, "but many people in this town, especially those who are retired and didn't get an increase in Social Security, are tired of this. Nobody is paying attention to them." When Racine submitted the petition, it was believed that the 1.4% increase would lead to a 10% increase in taxes. However, since the State Legislature chose not to increase the statewide property tax that number is down to 7.4%.

Racine wasn't comfortable giving a figure for what he would consider an acceptable budget. He would like to see the School Board recommend that Westford teachers forgo a raise this year. "There's a feeling that we're not all in this together," he said. "We're not mean-spirited people, but we're becoming realistic." Racine is in his late 60's and said he had never experienced an economic downturn as bad as the current situation. He has lived in Westford for 45 years and doesn't recall a school budget ever failing to pass before.

School Board Chair Martha Heath said the School Board will meet at 6:30 on June 1 to determine their next steps. The public is invited, but it is a regular meeting, not a hearing. Heath said she was disappointed with the results of the revote, but not surprised. She noted that at the original public hearing in January, Westford residents were informed that the budget would likely result in a tax increase of 10%. The feedback the Board received was gen-

for David and Susan Beckman owners of the gravel pit on the Notch Road. They are giving up an easement on their land so the town can widen the road, as well as donating their own gravel, free of charge, for the project. In addition, they are allowing the town to use their waste pit to dump materials. Vallie, too, praised the Beckmans for their generosity. He said the donated easement will prevent the road from turning into a "luge run." The sun will now shine on a dangerous section of pavement which will help sand and salt melt the snow and ice during the winter months. "It should make a significant change in the safety of the hill," Vallie said. Vallie estimated that the Beckmans have donated \$20,000 to \$50,000 worth of materials to the project. The couple was unavailable for comment.

Vallie said the project has been able to proceed quickly because all the engineering and preparatory

work was done before asking the voters to approve the money. "It was very encouraging in this economic climate to see the voters be so supportive," Vallie said. Noting how competitive the bidding process was, Vallie believes the town picked just the right time to make repairs.

Vallie hopes residents haven't been unduly inconvenienced by the road work. The town had hoped not to have to close the road, but needed to do so on two days because of blasting work. Unfortunately, the first day – warned well ahead of time – had to be postponed because of snow. Vallie said that otherwise the road has been kept open, although he has heard that some drivers have had 10-15 minutes of delays. He said the town regrets the inconvenience to drivers, but hopes the improved road will make up for those delays.



Rev. Gary Kowalski, minister of the First UU Society of Burlington; Rev. Karen Brammer of the Northern New England District of the UUA; Rev. Erica Baron of the UU Church of Rutland and the Bennington UU Fellowship; and Rev Kevin Goldenbogen of the United Church of Underhill at the dedication of the Mount Mansfield Unitarian church.

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Rev. John Goodwin, 899-4288
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Thank you for the cards

To the Editor,

I wish to thank my family, friends and neighbors for remembering me on my 85th birthday. I received many cards from near and far. I also had a surprise birthday dinner with my family at The Three Mountain Lodge...what fun! I am very grateful for all that was done for me. Thank you.

Sincerely, Joyce McCuin, Cambridge

New Road Proposal Facts

To the Editor,

Since Ted Tedford was actually a Selectmen during the 2001 controversy surrounding a proposal to reclassify a portion of New Road it came as a surprise how many factual errors his article contained. Since everyone is entitled to their own opinions, but not their own facts I will simply list a number of facts surrounding the New Road controversy.

1) The Select board never legally reclassified any portion of New Road/Fuller Road in 2001. If they had there would have been no need for the April 24th hearing. By not following the proper legal procedure to reclassify New Road in 2001, the Select board eliminated the ability of affected landowners to appeal the proposed reclassification in court.

2) The VT Agency of Transportation maps for 2010 show Town Highway 26, aka New Road/Fuller Road/Dump Road as a Class 3 and Class 4 road along its entire length between Irish Settlement and Pleasant Valley Roads. Since 2001, the Town of Underhill has refused to maintain a .32 mile Class 3 portion of New Road despite receiving thousands of dollars of state highway aid specifically to maintain it.

3) 50 New Road is the parcel with a 4 acre subdivision which is owned by someone else, I live further down New Road on over 50 acres of land. My parcel includes property both north and south of where a culvert was removed and not replaced by the Town. Pleasant Valley Road is the prior shorter and better route to all points

UNDERHILL-JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Kitty Clark

EMERGENCY CALLS:

May 2, 2:45 PM, EMS Assist
May 3, 9:13 AM, EMS Assist
May 4, 12:12 PM, EMS Assist
May 4, 7:25 PM, EMS Assist
May 6, 12:57 PM, Responded to the area of 112 Vermont RT 14, Underhill for a two vehicle accident
May 7, 10:13 AM, EMS Assist
May 9, 2:08 PM, Responded to Irish Settlement Rd., Underhill, Good Intent Call
May 11, 2:45 PM, EMS Assist
May 11, 4:45 PM, EMS Assist
May 16, 4:28 PM, Responded to the area of 868 Vermont RT 15, Underhill for a grass fire
May 14, 8:05 AM, EMS Assist
May 18, 7:52 PM, EMS Assist
May 18 9:48 PM, EMS Assist

May 18 10:08 PM, EMS Assist
May 19 8:06 AM, EMS Assist
May 19 10:06 AM, EMS Assist
May 19 10:52 AM, EMS Assist
May 20 2:54 PM, EMS Assist
May 21 8:20 AM, EMS Assist
May 21, EMS Assist

May 22, 10:01 AM, Responded to a single vehicle accident near 79 Vermont RT 15, Jericho

May 22, 10:45 AM, EMS Assist
May 22, 12:05 PM, EMS Assist

May 27, 6:42 AM, Responded to 7 Milo White Rd. Jericho for a Carbon Monoxide Alarm

School is almost out and summer is fast approaching. Many will be enjoying the outdoors for picnics, hiking, swimming and camping.

Have a fun summer; remember to "Practice Fire Safety Every day".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

south of my property which saves 10-15 minutes of driving each direction when I want to drive to points south such as Underhill Center, Burlington, or Montpelier. I currently only have a limited degree of practical access to my land from the Irish Settlement end of the road.

4) Clearly, it would cause environmental problems to continue using any road in town after removing an existing culvert. Water now freely crosses the road in a manner that leads to significant erosion and downstream sedimentation issues. I want to see the culvert replaced in a manner that simultaneously preserves the usability of the road and the surrounding ecosystems.

5) I am only one of the many property owners actually abutting the portion of New Road considered for reclassification that has gone on the record as strongly opposed to the reclassification. It is worth noting over 5% of Underhill's registered voters have signed a petition I circulated seeking the Town to maintain its public roads without bias and to avoid diverting public resources for the maintenance of private roads.

Please help us establish a fair approach to road maintenance that preserves historic public road usage, private property owners' rights and the environment by coming to a hearing at Town Hall on Thursday June 10 at 7:00 PM.

Thank you,

David Demarest, Underhill

Chittenden County counts votes

To the Editor,

The Champlain Valley League of Women Voters has long been concerned about the gap between the numbers of legally registered voters in the County and the number of registered voters who actually vote. In an effort to reduce the gap, the League is pleased to announce the formation of a non-partisan experimental project which they hope will increase the percentage of registered voters who do vote, in time for the crucial November 2010 elections.

These elections are arguably the most critical for the well-being of our nation that we Vermont voters have experienced in our lifetimes. Surrounded as we now are by seemingly insurmountable problems of never-ending wars, gross unemployment, inadequate health care and a very depressed economy, it is our hope this year that irreconcilable differences might be allayed if the voices of all American citizens were heard in the land. We plan to start in Chittenden County.

The Secretary of State's office has prepared a list of the number of all the registered voters in each voting district. It has also a list of the number of registered voters who actually voted in 2008. The town of Shelburne has an astonishing record: 90% of all the registered voters did indeed vote. Most of the percentages in Chittenden County districts were in the 70's and 60's, but some were down in the 50's.

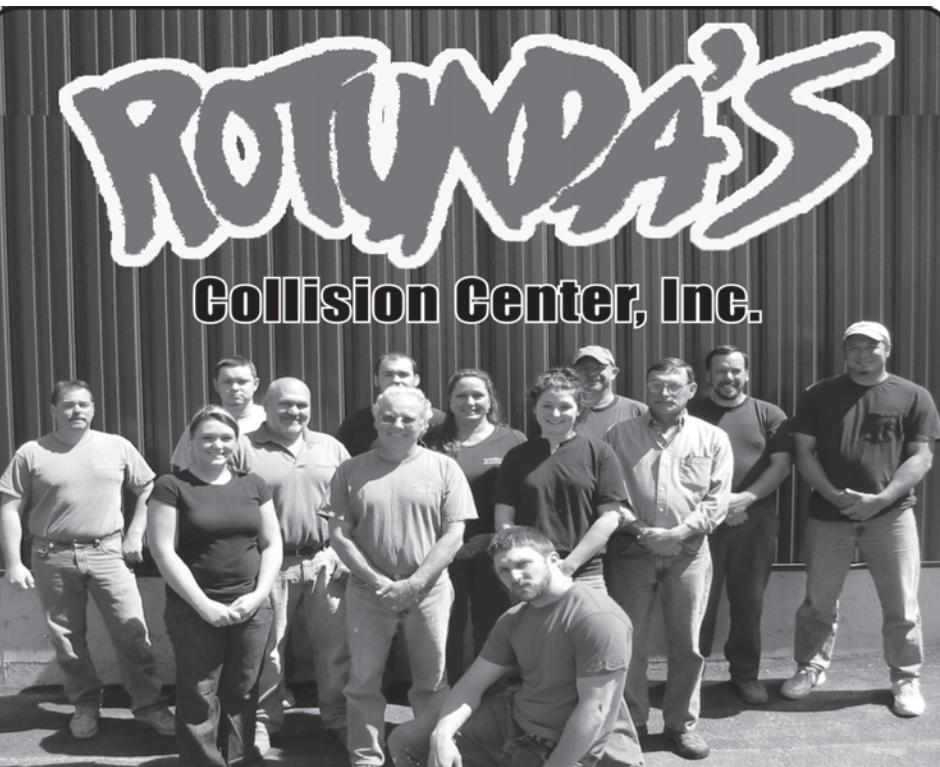
Acting on the theory that a lot of people doing small jobs is most effective, we'll recruit volunteers in each voting district in the County. Each volunteer will work in only one of the three areas in their district vital to sound voting practice: 1) voter registration; 2) voter education; and 3) GOTV (Get Out the Vote). They do not have to be League members.

We will work closely with the Town and City Clerks who have ultimate responsibility for what happens at the polls in their respective districts. Our efforts should be helpful to these clerks.

The League of Women Voters has chapters in every state and in many cities and towns in the U.S. It has a good record of careful monitoring of voting procedures on a non-partisan basis. We are challenged by the opportunity to make Chittenden County a model demonstration project that could be used elsewhere.

For more information, or to volunteer in your voting district. Call or email Louise Ransom at 802 985-8706 or louise.b.ransom@gmail.com.

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Serious writers: meet other writers and exchange critiques of your work. Friendly bunch. Village Cup, Jericho, Thursdays at 9:15 AM. Call Ted Tedford 899-4447 for information.

The **Essex Art League** holds monthly meetings at the First Congregational Church, 39 Main St., Essex Jct. For information, 862-3014.

Handbell ringers, Tuesday evenings, United Church of Underhill. All are welcome at rehearsals. Two ensembles; opportunity for small groups/shorter time periods. We ring a variety of music in a variety of settings and look forward to new faces joining us. Beginners welcome! Call Roger, 899-3106, for information.

The **Vermont French Canadian Genealogical Library** will be open this summer on Tuesdays from 3:00 to 9:30 PM. We will also be open on the following Saturdays, June 12, July 10 and Aug. 14, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. We are located in the Dupont Building, Fort Ethan Allen, Colchester. Parking and entry is on Hegeman Avenue opposite the State Police sign. Find out more at www.VT-FCGS.org or call 802-238-3525. We also look forward to seeing you at the History Expo and the Vergennes French Heritage Days.

The **Eagles Auxiliary #3210** holds bingo at the club house on Rt. 109 Friday nights. Doors open at 5:30 PM. Bingo starts at 7:00 PM. For more info contact Sally at 644-5377.

FARMERS' MARKETS

The **Mills Riverside Farmer's Market** is kicking off its ninth season on Thursday, June 10 at Mills Riverside Park on Rt. 15 in Jericho. The market features fresh local produce, pastured meat and fresh eggs, maple syrup, delicious prepared foods and beautiful local crafts. The market runs 3:00-6:30 every Thursday afternoon through September. Contact Jessie Alberts at 802-324-5455 with questions.

Richmond Farmers' Market at Volunteers' Green, Bridge Street, Richmond. 3:00 – 6:30 PM Fridays. Food, music, locally grown produce.

HEALTH EVENTS & GROUPS

Alzheimer's Support Group - Free educational support group series for families coping with a loved one with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. This series gives caregivers the opportunity to better understand and develop strategies for the future. Held monthly at The Arbors at Shelburne. For more information and to register, contact Nicole Houston, Director of Family Services, The Arbors at Shelburne, 985-8600.

Overeaters Anonymous meets 6:00 – 7:00 PM Wednesdays at the Jericho United Methodist Church, VT Rt. 15, Jericho.

TOPS Chapter 145 Jeffersonville meets 6:15 PM on Thursdays at the Eagles Club, Route 109, Jeffersonville. Weigh-in 5:15– 6:00 PM.

Healing Circle Breast Cancer Network, support group for women with breast cancer, meets first Tuesday of every month at 5:30 PM, Northwestern Medical Center, Conference Room #1. RSVP at 524-8479.

Franklin County Prostate Cancer Support Group, first Tuesday of each month, 5:15 - 7:00 PM, Northwestern Medical Center Conference Room #2, St. Albans. This support group offers men opportunities to educate themselves and each other; share and learn from each other's experiences; offer support to each other, a spouse or partner; and advocate early detection of prostate cancer. For information, Fern Mercure, 524-0719.

Statewide Quit Line, Telephone Smoking Cessation Counseling. Call 1-877-YES-QUIT (1-877-937-7848). Free.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "Keep It Simple" group meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 8:00 – 9:00 PM and Saturdays, 6:30 – 7:30 PM at the United Church of Underhill, Underhill Flats.

Pilates Class Schedule, Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM at MMU. Monday evenings at 6:00 PM and Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM at Dakini Studio. Call Lisa Timbers at 899-4191 for more information or visit her website at <http://timbers.wordpress.com>

KIDS

Underhill Playgroup, kids ages 0-5 with their caregivers are always welcome to join us Fridays from 9:30 - 11:00 AM at Underhill Central School for playtime, crafts, stories, songs and fun! For additional information or questions, please contact Heather Lebeis at 899-4415 or Underhillplaygroup@yahoo.com

Richmond Playgroup, kids ages birth to age 5 with their caregivers - join us Wednesdays from 8:45 - 10:15 AM at Richmond Free Library for playtime, crafts, stories, songs and fun! Always free of charge! Follows the school calendar. For additional information or questions, please contact Amy Ide at 434-5423 or playgrouprichmond@yahoo.com.

Bolton Playgroup, come to Smiley Memorial School each Wednesday morning from 8:15 - 10:15 AM for crafts, songs, play and fun. All kids birth to age 5 welcome along with their caregivers. Feel free to bring along a riding toy to use in the gym. Always free of charge! Follows the school calendar. For additional information or questions, please contact Amy Poor at 434-6747.

COURT REPORT

April 21, 2010, **Nathan Chaffee**, 19, Jericho, VT, charged with DUI, first offense, in Essex, VT on March 11, 2010; amended to vehicle operation – careless or negligent; pleaded guilty; fined \$300, sentenced to one to three months, suspended, probation.

April 26, 2010, **Walter Champney**, 22, Bolton, VT, charged with vehicle operation – license suspended in Burlington, VT on November 11, 2009; pleaded guilty; sentenced to nine to 10 days.

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ONGOING EVENTS

Bolton Family Play Night, in the Smiley School gym, usually the first and third Fridays, 6:00 – 7:30 PM. Free. Mostly unstructured play with the school's equipment. Contact Tim Grover, 434-4180.

Kids' Yoga, 3-5 years & 6 years and up. Toddler tumbling and new mom's groups. The Well, 644-6700.

SENIORS

Jeri-Hill XYZ Seniors meet at the Town Hall in Underhill Center on the first and third Wednesday of each month. All seniors are welcome! Dinners are served at 11:30 AM. For information, please call Bette Workman, 899-4446, Loreen Teer, 899-1363 or Doug Keith 899-2582.

Westford Senior lunches – Join Westford Seniors for lunch at the Red Brick Meeting House on the Common the second Monday of each month. Lunch is served at 12:00 noon with a short meeting or presentation following. Call 878-7405 or 879-7382 for information or for a ride.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Adult coed volleyball in Westford, 8:00 – 10:00 PM, Mondays, Westford Elementary School gym. Fun, casual volleyball. \$2 at the door. Call coordinators Jon and Tammy Brown, 872-8333, for information.

Bolton Men's Basketball, Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Smiley School Gym. For adults and young adults age 16 and up. Contact Bill Newton, 434-3348.

Pilates - Wednesday evenings at 6:30 PM at MMU. Monday evenings at 6:00 PM and Saturday mornings at 9:00 AM at Dakini Studio. Call Lisa Timbers at 899-4191 for more information or visit her website at <http://timbers.wordpress.com>

SUPPORT GROUPS

CFS, Fibromyalgia, Lyme Disease, Chemical Sensitivity and Gulf War Syndrome 1-3pm every third Thursday at: The Bagel Cafe, Ethan Allen Shopping Center Burlington, VT call or visit website www.vtcfids.org or Lainey at 802 660-4817 or 800-296-1445 ask for Rik

Alzheimer's support group, third Wednesday, 9:30 – 11:30 AM, The Arbors, 687 Harbor Rd., Shelburne. Free education for individuals and families in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias. For information and to register, contact Nicole Houston, 985-8600.

Approach Autism With Advocacy, Recovery & Education (AAWARE) in the Lamoille Valley, third Sunday, 3:00 – 5:00 PM, Second Congregational Church of Jeffersonville Community Room, Jeffersonville. Special topics, guest speakers, resource information; playroom for kids, fenced side yard for outdoor play. For information, Terry Holden, 644-2759 (Jeffersonville) or Tina Karl, 888-3430 (Hyde Park.)

Veterans Job Networking, Wednesdays, 9:30 – 11:00 AM, VFW Post, Essex Jct.; 1:00 – 2:30 PM, American Legion Post, St. Albans.

Eating Disorders Parental Support Group, third Wednesday, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, Covenant Community Church, VT Rt. 15, Essex Center. For parents of children with or at risk of anorexia or bulimia. We focus on being a resource and providing reference points for old and new ED parents. For information, Peter, 899-2554.

TOWN GOVERNMENT AND ORGANIZATIONS

Free Home Energy Visits/Free Light Bulbs—The Underhill Energy Committee and the Jericho Energy Task Force are conducting free home energy visits in March and April. For more info, see: <http://vcem.pbworks.com> or call 825-8871 (eyes).

Cambridge Area Rotary meets on the first Thursday of the month, rotating to local restaurants, 7:00 – 8:00 AM. For information, call Anita Lotto, 793-0856, or Chuck Hogan, 644-8134.

Tim Nulty, Jericho Select Board member, at the Village Cup, first and third Wednesdays, 8:00 – 9:00 AM, and at the Flour Shop, second and fourth Wednesdays, 8:00 – 9:00 AM.

Westford Fire Department, Mondays, 7:00 PM, at the fire station next to the Town Garage. Volunteer for firefighting, dispatching, radio communications, computer operations, grant writing, equipment maintenance, fire police, education, and much more. For information, email John Quinn, jquinninv@aol.com.

Jericho-Underhill Water District meets first Monday of each month at the United Church of Underhill, Underhill Flats, 7:00 PM. For information, call 899-4076 or 899-3810.

Jericho Historical Society, second Thursday, 7:30 PM, Old Red Mill, Jericho.

Jericho Underhill Park District Board meeting, first and third Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Deborah Rawson Memorial Library project room, Jericho. Residents of Jericho and Underhill always welcome. 899-2693 for information.

Jericho Energy Task Force meets the third Wednesday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at Jericho Town Hall. Our next meeting is April 21st and it is open to the public.

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The **Heavenly Cents Thrift Shop**, located just east of the Five Corners in Essex Jct. on Rte 15, the hours are from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Tues. and Wed., 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Thurs. Please check us out.

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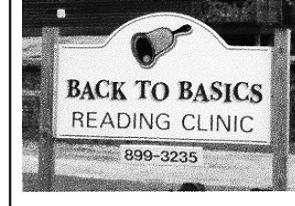
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LIBRARY NEWS**DEBORAH RAWSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY, UNDERHILL**

Art for June will be Photographs by Bruce Gilbert-Smith.
Our silent auction item is a gift certificate to Wendell's Furniture.

Stop by the library to bid.

Game night for adults is Wednesday, June 9 at 6:30 PM.

The Board of Trustees meets Thursday, June 17 at 7:00 PM.

The mystery book group is reading *The girl with the dragon tattoo* by Stieg Larsson. The discussion will be Tuesday, June 22 at 7:00 PM. Please join us.

The Deborah Rawson Library compost bin is open and ready for business.

Paper napkins, coffee grounds, fruit and vegetable waste in great demand.

Our vegetable garden is well under way. Visit the gardens any time to see the progress. Also please consider planting an extra row in your garden for the food shelf. Contact Holly at the library for more information.

The book barn will be open during the Farmer's Market again this year starting June 10. All books 25 cents except for specially marked best sellers.

Summer Reading Clubs at the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library: Summer reading logs for preschool through teens will be available at DRML beginning June 1. Pick up your reading log and avoid the rush on registration day.

Pre-readers may pick up a *Read to Me Log* and keep track of the stories read to you. Each time you visit the library have your log stamped and your name will be entered into a drawing for a collection of books.

Readers may pick up a *Make a Splash Reading Log* and record the books that you read during the summer reading program. Bring the log with you when you visit the library and we will stamp it and you may enter your name in a drawing for a savings bond donated by the Merchants Bank. Something special just for this club — for every 20 books you read and record on your reading log, you may select a book from our book box to keep for your own home library.

Students 12 and older are encouraged to sign up for your *Teen Reading Record*. Each time you attend a library program, volunteer at the library, or report on a book you have read we will mark your card and enter your name in the drawing for a \$25.00 gift certificate to the University Mall. The winner will be selected at the end of the summer.

The theme for this summer is *Make a Splash - Read!*

Registration for students currently in high school and middle school begins on Wednesday, June 9 at noon. Flyers will be available at the DRML, Browns River Middle School and on our web site www.drml.org

Registration for preschoolers through grade 5 will begin at on Friday, June 18 at 10:00 AM. Flyers will be distributed through each of the elementary schools in Underhill and Jericho. Copies for those not having children in the elementary school will be available at the DRML and on our web site www.drml.org.

Summer grand opening event co-sponsored by the DRML and JTL: Robert Resnik & Marty Morrissey - Sea Chanteys, Lake Songs and Folksongs, Tuesday, June 22, 1:30 PM at DRML please be sure to register.

Baby Time - Join Leah Rowe for board books, lap rhymes and songs appropriate for babies 18 months and younger. This is a wonderful time for parents and childcare providers to connect with one another and to share ideas. Siblings welcome. Wednesday, 16 at 10:30 AM. Drop in, no registration needed.

Voices for the Lake - Learn how to take your personal photos and videos and turn them into a digital story to share with your friends and family. Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops, however, equipment will be available. This event is facilitated by staff from Echo and is designed for ages 13 to adult. Thursday, June 24 at 6:30-8:30 PM. Pizza and beverage will be provided. Advance registration required. Call: 899-4962

JERICHO TOWN LIBRARY, JERICHO CENTER

Thanks to everyone who came out to support the Spring Plant Sale with donations and purchases, and special thanks to Linda Campbell for hosting this event. The sale raised \$400, with proceeds going back to help fund the library collection. Look for another Fall Plant Sale in September.

A writers' club for adults kicks off at the Jericho Town Library on Monday, June 21. Meetings will be held every other Monday, 6:30 to 8:00 PM. This is a free program and open to anyone who would like to work on their writing (can register but it is not necessary). For more information call the library at 899-4686.

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The summer reading program kicks off at the library just after school lets out. The schedule is packed with over 20 events, with most led by community volunteers. All programs require advance registration. Current middle school and high school students can register beginning on June 9. Preschoolers and elementary students can register beginning on June 19, and that starts with a special in-person only registration session at 10:00 AM at the library. Below is a summary of the events. You can find more details on each event in printable fliers on the library web site at <http://www.jerichotownlibrary.org/programs-and-events>. You will also find pictures of some of the projects on the website, too. For more information on any of the events, contact the library at 899-4686.

Friday, June 18, 7:00-9:00 PM, TAB Game Night (grades 7-12)
Saturday, June 19, 10:00 – 12:00 noon, Registration with board members

Monday, June 21, 1:00-2:00 PM, Under the Sea with Elise Doner; 2:30-3:00 PM Beach Ready (Flip-Flop/Nail Art) with Amy Malinowski and Juliana Skelly, supplies from Stephen and Burns.

Wednesday, June 23, 1:00-2:00 PM, Underwater Dioramas with Barb McKenna

Thursday, June 24, 1:00-2:00 PM, Cold Blooded Critters VINS Monday, June 28, 11:00-12:00 noon, Hazardous Forecast? with Eric Evenson; 1:00-3:00 PM, Fantasy Writing Camp with Elise Doner (Author visit-Mark Freeman); 3:00-4:30 PM, Magnificent Memory Board with Amy Malinowski;

Wednesday, June 30, 3:00-4:00 PM, Yarn Octopus with Amy Malinowski

Friday, July 2, 3:00-4:00 PM, Candy Sushi with Wyatt Kitchen-Glodgett; 1:00-3:00 PM, Fantasy Writing Camp with Elise Doner (Author visit-Mark Freeman)

Monday, July 4, CLOSED for Independence Day

Wednesday, July 7, 2:00-3:00 PM, Soap Making with Kate Mendicino

Friday, July 9, 1:00-2:00 PM, Felt Fun with Donna McDermid

Monday, July 12, 1:00-2:00 PM, Wild about Waterways with Gretchen Alexander and Brian Swisher and UVM Watershed Alliance; 2:30-3:30 PM Seascape globe or paperweight with Susan Skelly

Wednesday, July 14, 2:00-3:00 PM, Fishy prints with Gretchen Alexander

Friday, July 16, 1:00-2:00 PM, Abstract sand art with Barb Adams; 1:00-2:30 PM, Magic of Water (Fleming Museum) with Joan Dillon and Heather Meisterling

Monday, July 19, 11:00-12:00 PM Crazy Cool Fish with Kathleen Migliorie; 1:00-2:30 PM, Quilt Beach Bag with Suzanne Freitas, Gail Rich, Joanne Petri, Dawn Marland

Wednesday, July 21, 12:00 noon-1:30 PM, H2O Rockets with Olaf; 2:00-3:00 PM, Shell Critters with Eliza Kramer

Friday, July 23, 1:00-2:00 PM, Stained Glass fish with Kara Kitchen-Glodett

Monday, July 26, 1:00-2:00 PM, Water Science Rocks (with Gail LaVaud and Liz Webster)

Wednesday, July 28, 2:00-3:30 PM, Get Hooked on a Rug with kits with traditional hooks from the Green Mountain Rug Hooking Guild with Willy Cochran, Betty Edwards, Judy Cole and Lois Schumacher

Friday, July 30, 4:00-5:00 PM, End of summer program Beach Party celebration on Green - joint event with Deborah Rawson Memorial Library.

The Board of Trustees meets regularly the first Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at the library. The public is welcome so join us at our upcoming meetings on and June 3. The hours for the Jericho Town Library on the Green are Monday and Friday 1:00-5:00 PM,

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Wednesday 10:00 AM-12:00 PM and 2:00-6:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM-1:00 PM. For more information call 899-4686 or email us at jerichotownlibrary@gmail.com.

WESTFORD TOWN LIBRARY**Upcoming Events:**

Thursday, June 3, 11:00 AM, Story time. Stories and activities for age's birth-preschool. Theme: Doreen Cronin stories. Wednesday, June 9, 6:00-7:00 PM, Book Discussion: In the Fall by Jeffrey Lent. The immediacy of the past, the tensions of race, the crushing weight of guilt and the searing sensitivity of forbidden love drive (this) expansive, richly detailed and expertly plotted debut novel. (Publishers Weekly)

Thursday, June 10, 11:00 AM, Story time. Stories and activities for ages birth-preschool. Theme: Living in a City; 1:00-3:00 PM, Homeschool Gamers. For homeschoolers of all ages. Bring your favorite games of use the library's hosted by Matt Taylor.

Thursday, June 16, 11:00 AM, Story time. Stories and activities for age's birth-preschool. Theme: Fathers and Grandfathers. Saturday, June 19, Summer reading program registration begins. Make a splash at your library. Pirates, water balloons and frogs, Oh My. This summer's all about water. See our website (www.westford.lib.vt.us) for a complete list of events. Especially for teens. Check out our Teen Reads section and enter a raffle for a UMall Gift Card. One entry per book read June 26 – July 30.

Thursday, June 24, 11:00 AM, Story time. Stories and activities for ages birth-preschool. Theme: Dinosaurs; 1:00-3:00 PM, School-Age Gamers. Bring your favorite games of use the library's hosted by Matt Taylor.

Friday, June 25, 6:00 PM, Strategy and board games for teens and adults hosted by Matt Taylor.

Saturday, June 26, 11:00 AM, Wet and Wild Water Games on the Common. Start the Summer Reading Program off with a SPLASH. Bring a change of clothes or wear a bathing suit because you will get wet.

Wednesday, June 30, 6:00-7:00 PM, Read with JR the newie, a Delta and pet therapy dog. For 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders. Parent permission slip required; 7:00-8:30 PM, Hands-on demo of a river watershed system. Learn how culverts affect fish passage to and from the Brown's River presented by VT DEC River Management Program and US Fish and Wildlife Service. Sponsored by Westford Conservation Commission and Westford Public Library. For adults and children grades 5 and up.

New Additions to the Collection: Adult Fiction: *Anthill* (Wilson), *Blue Eyed Devil* (Parker), *Every Last One* (Quindlen), *Lake Shore Limited* (Miller), *Matterhorn* (Maerlantes), *Spellwright* (Charlton). Adult Nonfiction: *Food Rules* (Pollan), *Goat Song* (Kessler), *I am Najoaj Age 10 and Divorced* (Ali), *The Story of Stuff* (Leonard). *Teen: Refresh Refresh* (Novorodoff).

The library is open Wednesday 1:00-7:00 PM, Thursday 10:00 AM-6:00 PM, Friday 12:00-6:00 PM and Saturday 10:00 AM-2:00 PM. Free WiFi is available during these hours. We also have three public access computers plus a computer dedicated to our online catalog. You can access our online catalog from home through our website. We can be reached at 878-5639, westford_platvals.state.vt.us, and www.westford.lib.vt.us.

VARNUM LIBRARY, JEFFERSONVILLE

The Varnum Memorial Library is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 1:00-8:00 PM and Thursdays and Saturdays from 9:00 AM - 12:00 noon. There are programs for children and adults, free Wi-Fi access, and of course books and materials to check out including the ECHO Center pass. Library canvas bags are now available for purchase. Come in and take a look at these attractive sturdy bags. Call 644-2117 if you have any questions.

COMING EVENTS**Friday, June 4**

Local, Buy Fresh' at the **first Richmond Farmers' Market** of the 2010 season. There is nothing like fresh seasonal lettuce, turnip greens, scallions, rhubarb, radishes, eggs and meats. Plus, there will be plenty of fresh baked pies, breads, pastries, tarts, peanut butter, cookies, bagels, samosas, tacos, Bosnian foods, grilled burgers, fresh popped popcorn, zucchini relish, lemonade, tea, jams, canned veggies, honey and maple syrup. Don't forget to bring home a bouquet of fresh cut flowers for the table. Some of our crafters this year will feature jewelry, wooden bowls, knit goods, birdhouses, cards, photos, candles, soaps, lotions, hand painted shirts, chill collars, and pottery. To put a real smile on your face, Liennie Bick will be happy to paint your face while you enjoy the Market.

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Community dinner and dance, 6:00 - 7:30 PM. Roast Beef Dinner followed by the Ward Brothers Band until 10:30 PM. at the VFW POST 6689, 73 Pearl St., Essex Jct., VT. \$10 (children \$5). Sponsored by the Men's Aux. Post 6689 - 878-0700 for more info.

Saturday, June 5

Author appearance, discussion and book signing, Philip Ackerman-Leist presenting a discussion of modern homesteading, Phoenix Books & Café at Essex Shoppes & Cinema, at 3:00 PM. Free. For more information: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 872-7111.

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(Hobart, Moore) Heather Hobart and Eli Moore had a son, Quinn Wheeler Moore, on Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at Copley Hospital in Morrisville, VT.

JERICHO

(Lang) Amy (Siegel) and Chad Lang's daughter, Charlotte Kathryn, was born Tuesday, May 11, 2010 at Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, VT.

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(Seagroves, McGowan) Morgan Seagroves and Ryan McGowan had a son, Riley Hale McGowan, on Sunday, May 9, 2010 at Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, VT.

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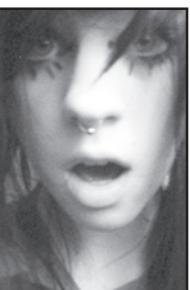
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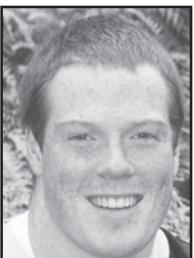
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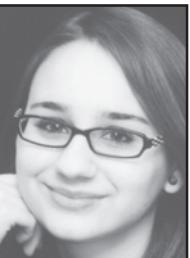
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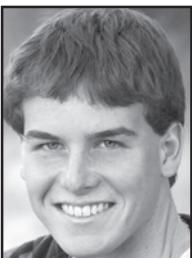
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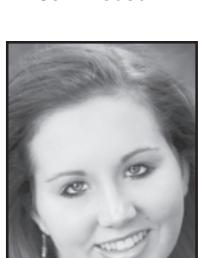
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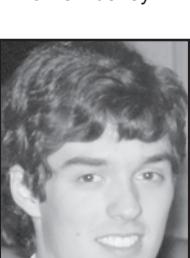
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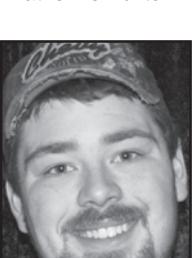
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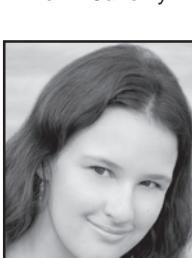
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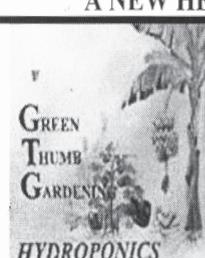
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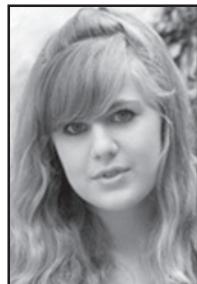
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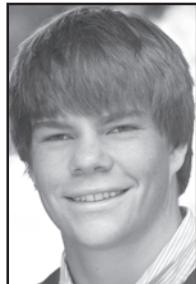
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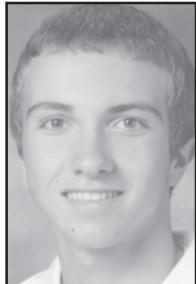
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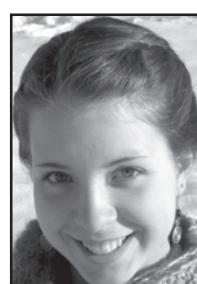
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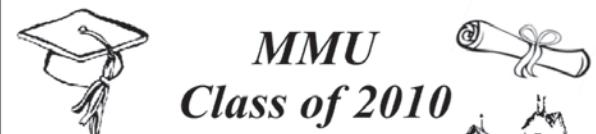
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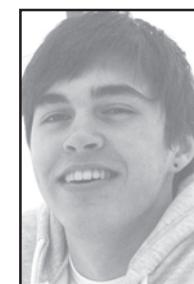
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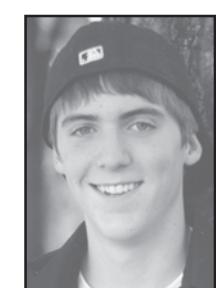
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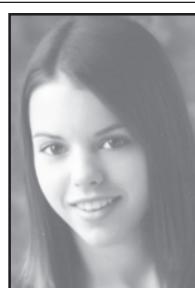
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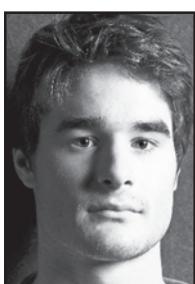
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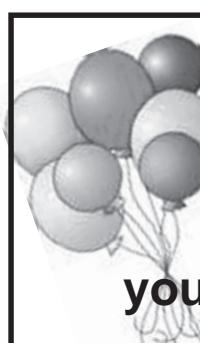
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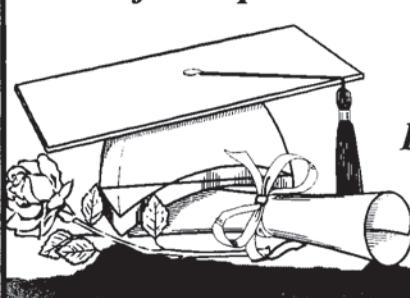
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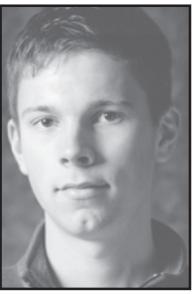
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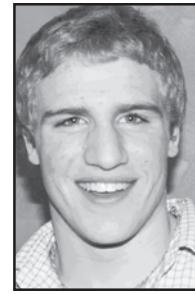
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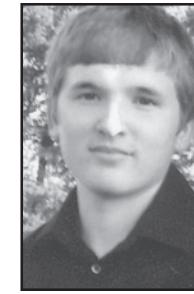
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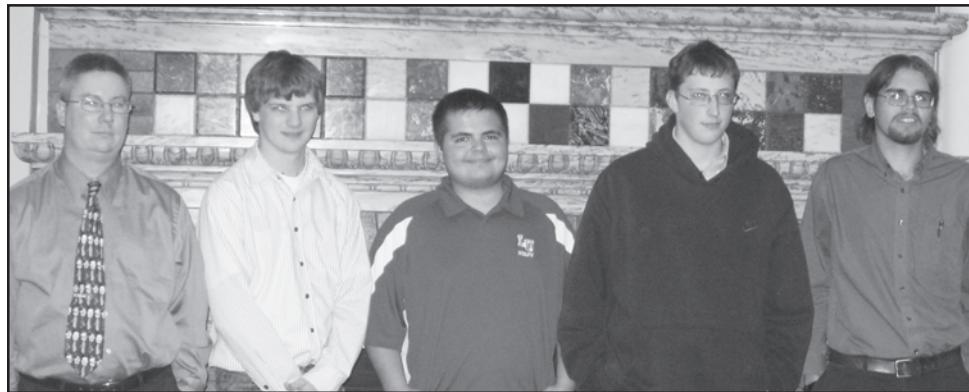
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SCHOOL NEWS

Vermont teens compete to prove knowledge of personal finance and economics - MMU ranks third

Lamoille Teacher Chris Mooney, Chapin Bryce, Kyle Bourtelle, Zachary Fordham, and Joe Slaimen competed in the Vermont Reserve Cup Championship, organized by the State Treasurer's Office, on May 14 in Montpelier



MMUs Travis Leppanen, Mackenzie Bossi, Teacher Marilyn Marshall, Rose McLaughlin, Cal Caswell and Kyle Boomhower placed third in the Vermont Reserve Cup Championship, organized by the State Treasurer's Office, on May 14 in Montpelier.

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From personal credit scores to the complexities of the Federal Reserve—Vermont teens recently tackled questions on a range of financial topics as they battled for this year's Vermont Reserve Cup Championship trophy. High school teams from seven Vermont high schools met in Montpelier Friday for the annual competition. The championship was won by South Burlington High School. Second place was won by Harwood Union High School and Mt. Mansfield Union High School finished third.

The State Treasurer's Office, in partnership with the Federal

Reserve Bank of Boston, began holding a state tournament last year to select a high school to represent Vermont at the regional competition in Boston. The aim of the competition is to promote student interest in and knowledge of personal finance, economics, and consumer affairs topics. Using a game-show-style format, teams progress through rounds of questioning that test their grasp of these subjects. In November, one team from each New England state will meet at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston to compete for the regional title.

Other schools that participated in the competition were Green Mountain Technology and Career Center, Lamoille Union High School, North Country Career Center, and Windsor High School.

The Mt. Mansfield Union High School team was coached by math teacher Marilyn Marshall. Student team members were Kyle Boomhower, Mackenzie Bossi, Cal Caswell, Travis Leppanen, and Rose McLaughlin.

Herpetology Stewardship at Camels Hump Middle School

By Austin Kemp and Molly Shallow

Peep! PEEP! Peep! PEEP! Ahhh, a tell-tale sign of spring. In early April, we've all heard the call of the spring peeper. For a little thumb-sized frog, it sure can make a ruckus. Recently, all around Vermont, several species of amphibians have made their trek to mating pools across the dangerous roads of our towns. Armed with flashlights and rain gear, we Sequoia eighth graders at CHMS went "salamander sleuthing" five rainy nights in early April to Wes White Rd. along Gillette Pond and several stretches along Sherman Hollow Rd. in Huntington. There, we recorded and assisted amphibians in their yearly migrations to their breeding pools. Throughout the nights, we recorded many red efts, spring peepers, wood frogs, American toads, pickerel frogs, and of course, the ever-so-admired, spotted salamander. In all we documented hundreds of various amphibians, but mostly spotted salamanders. The data we collected was submitted to the Vermont Reptile and Amphibian Atlas, Huntington Conservation Commission and the Vermont Center for Ecosystem Studies. This data will be used to monitor populations and species over time and, hopefully, to inform town planners about amphibian hotspots.

Soon after the "big night" we visited a local vernal pool off Stage Rd. in Richmond and a permanent pond in Huntington. There we inventoried egg masses and other organisms in these fishless waters. We identified egg masses laid by two obligate (need a vernal pool for some part of their lifecycle) species—wood frog and spotted salamander. Leeches, giant water bugs, water scorpions, Eastern newts, whirligig beetles, predacious diving beetles in addition to the spotted salamander and wood frogs inhabited the pond. We also collected abiotic data such as water depth, length, width, water temperature, dissolved oxygen, pH and the surrounding forest type.

More recently, Sequoia took part in recording the herpetology populations in the fields, streams, and mixed forests behind the Monitor Barn in Richmond. As a class we scanned the field as well as 27 snake covers looking for snakes. We found several garter snakes, and two Dekay's brown snakes. In years past, a class observed a smooth green snake. In the stream under rocks were dozens of dusky salamanders and two-lined salamanders, while along the stream several red efts (juvenile Eastern newts) curled up beneath rocks or casually strolled along the streamside. Over 20 red-backed salamanders occupied the deciduous forest condos, whereas only one was found in the condo within the pine stands. Each herp caught was measured snout to vent, and then tail; observed; sexed (for snakes only); and recorded. Several red-backed salamanders were observed in their "condos" in the pine forest and the mixed deciduous forest locations. Students visited the site once as a team, and then with Kerry Young and Angela Zagursky's grade 5 and 6 Pride team at CHMS. Eighth graders paired up with 5th and 6th graders to inventory the covers and condo. For over a dozen students, they had never held a snake or salamander. For both groups, it was a tremendous success.

Note: Sandra Fary's Sequoia students (grade 8) and Gerry Feenan's Enterprise students (grade 7) at Camels Hump Middle School are involved in a long-term herpetology monitoring project



Children at CHMS measure a garter snake.

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behind the Monitor Barn in Richmond. Two snake transects (27 covers total) and four salamander transects (40 condos total) in several ecosystems will allow students to inventory species. The data entered will be analyzed year to year to monitor changes in species and populations.

CESU Meetings

Wednesday, June 9, Jericho School Board meeting, 7:00 PM at JES.

Thursday, June 10, Mt. Mansfield Union School Board meeting, 7:30 PM at MMUHS.

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Lamoille Union goes green



Students Lamoille Union High School on the roof with the solar panels installed. back row L to R: Alex Gomez (LUHS) Dennis Downer (instructor); front row L to R: Jordan Ingalls (LUHS), Dylan Fernald (LUHS), Tyler Audet (PA), Josh Gabaree (HU), Kristen Mayo (PA), Josh Miller (LUHS), Kevin Deal (PA), Isaac Clark (PA)

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Students in the Electrical Technology program at Green Mountain Technology and Career Center (GMTCC) recently installed a photovoltaic solar system on the roof of the new storage building owned by the school district located on Cricket Hill.

Under the guidance of Independent Power LLC of Hyde Park, whose crew consisted of Dave Palumbo, Forrest Palumbo, Nathan Skorstad, Chris Ingram (Dave and Nathan are both NABCEP certified solar PV installers), and GMTCC program instructor Dennis Downer, students installed a 3,420 watt system consisting of 18 Photovoltaic Solar modules to help power the Lamoille Union complex with renewable green energy.

The solar array will produce an average of 3,500kWh per average year; all of the power produced will be pumped back into the electrical grid in what is called net metering. The school will receive credit for every kilowatt hour produced and the said amount will be deducted from the school's total electric bill. Through the Renewable Energy Resource Center of Vermont the school will receive a \$5985 incentive rebate once all the paper work is completed.

While this solar array is relatively small, it will help the school cut its electrical cost, and with soaring energy costs the use of a Photovoltaic (PV) system actually saves more money every time the price of electricity goes up. PV systems also emit zero greenhouse gases making a smaller environmental footprint for the school. This new installation and the smaller 4 panel 690 watt system installed at GMTCC last fall by the students, brings the total to 4,110 watts of renewable energy the school has in place. Plans are to install another 21 panels at the GMTCC main campus next school year.

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COLLEGE NOTES

Many area students have recently graduated from colleges around the nation, here are the ones we have received notice of:

The following local residents graduated May 15 from Worcester Polytechnic Institute (WPI):

Christine Elizabeth Chioffi, Cambridge, VT, was awarded a Master of Science degree in Fire Protection Engineering.

James Charles Hogan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hogan, Cambridge, VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Civil Engineering with High Distinction.

Marymount University is proud to announce that **Christopher Bowen** of Jericho, VT is among the more than 700 new graduates of Marymount University. Bowen received a/an B.A. in Politics.

The following local residents were among nearly 500 students from Champlain College in Burlington, VT, who received undergraduate degrees:

Deborah Ordway, Jericho, VT, received an AS degree in Accounting.

Andrew Spalding, Jeffersonville, VT, received an AS degree in Accounting.

Kelly Betzina, Jeffersonville, VT, received a BS degree in Business.

Lauren Conley, Cambridge, VT, received a BS degree in Multimedia and Graphic Design.

Nmoemeka Ekwuabu, Jericho, VT, received a BS degree in Business.

Emily Fitzgerald, Westford, VT, received a BS degree in Multimedia and Graphic Design.

Andrea Longe, Jeffersonville, VT, received a BS degree in Accounting.

Shane Phillips, Westford, VT, received a BS degree in Comp Networking Info Sec.

Andrew Spalding, Jeffersonville, VT, received a BS degree in Accounting.

Pauline Thurgate, Jericho, VT, received a BS degree in Accounting.

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Area Residents Named to Dean's List for Spring 2010 Semester at Quinnipiac University:

Kathryn Bloch, Jericho, VT and **Jessica Savage**, Jeffersonville, VT.

Margaret Z. Davis, a resident of Underhill, VT, and junior financial information and analysis major at Clarkson University, has been awarded the Emerging Leaders Program Award.

Andrew D. Davis, a resident of Underhill, VT, and senior mathematics major at Clarkson University, received a National Science Foundation Graduate Research honorable mention.

Rev. Bernard W. Bourgeois, principal of Rice Memorial High School is proud to announce the Jericho and Morrisville residents that were recently inducted into the Rev. Raymond A. Adams Chapter of the National Honor Society. Each of the students met the criteria of an overall grade point average of 90, as well as meeting the four standards of Service, Scholarship, Leadership and Character: Haley Rossi and Sarah till both of Jericho, VT

Maura Spillane, a freshman at Connecticut College, played the clarinet in the Connecticut College Concert Band performance May 2 in the college's Evans Hall. Spillane, a 2009 graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, is the daughter of Philip and Mary Spillane of Jericho, VT.

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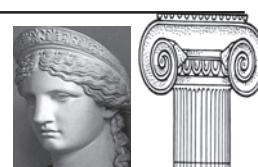
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James Nickerson, Underhill, VT, received a MBA degree in Performance Management.

Marcia Wilson, Jeffersonville, VT, received a MBA degree in Performance Management.

The following local residents graduated from Saint Michael's College:

John Bernard Fleury, son of Sheryl Fleury of Westford, VT, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Economics.

Heather Lee French, daughter of John and Judi French of Jeffersonville, VT, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Gender Studies.

Ross William Marcotte, son of Daniel and Mary Marcotte of Jericho, VT, earned a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

John William O'Brien, son of Richard and Mary O'Brien of Cambridge, VT, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Mass Communication.

Jeffrey Ryan Southworth, son of Brian Southworth and Kathleen Driscoll of Jericho, VT, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.

Rachel Katherine Wry, daughter of Steven and Joan Wry of Underhill, VT, earned a Bachelor of Arts, cum laude in Sociology and Anthropology.

St. Lawrence University's degrees were earned by:

Graham Flinn, of Jericho, VT, graduated from Burke Mountain Academy in East Burke, and received a degree in Environmental Studies and minored in Economics.

Abigail M. Lidster, of Cambridge, VT, graduated from Bellows Free Academy in Fairfax, and received a degree (cum laude) in Mathematics and minored in Education-Certification.

Nathaniel E. White, of Jericho, VT, graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School in Jericho, and received a degree in Environmental Studies/Biology.

VT Youth Conservation Corps offers CSA Program to help feed neighbors

Richmond, inspired by the Vermont Campaign to End Childhood Hunger, decided to create a summer food service program. What started out as a two week program by the mission committee of the Congregational Church 10 years ago blossomed into a program feeding over 120 children a day during the month of July. Incorporated in 2009 as Our Community Cares Camp (OCCC), the program feeds any child attending a summer academic or camp program at the Richmond Elementary School campus.

Vermont Youth Conservation Corps (VYCC) and Maple Wind Farm have joined together to create Monitor Barns CSA, to create a sustainable agricultural model that brings together youth and adults from diverse backgrounds to give them a hands-on educational experience in farming while growing food for the greater community, despite income level. The goal of the Monitor Barns CSA is to distribute as much food as possible to area food shelves and community organizations. Tom Hark, the VYCC Director, asked to join forces with OCCC to sell shares to support the farm operation. "VYCC are asking folks to donate a CSA share to local families. They are sharing the funds with OCCC, making us more sustainable, and the shares will be offered to OCCC families. Then, these families will be bringing home the vegetables that their children already love for several weeks after camp has ended," says Thomas.

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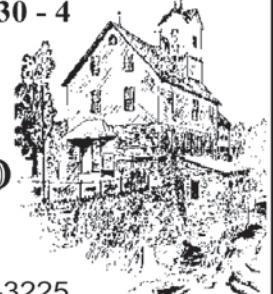
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The family of **Luella Henry Lamphere**, Underhill, VT invites you to attend a memorial service to celebrate her life at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Underhill, at 11:00 AM, Saturday, June 5. Interment will be at the Catholic Cemetery on Range Road. A gathering with light lunch will be provided at St. Thomas for sharing memories.

Matthew Peter Randy, 32, Jericho, VT, passed away on Friday, May 21, 2010. He was born in Plattsburgh, N.Y. on August 25, 1977, son of Jeannette (Dalfonzo) Randy and the late Harry Randy. Matt graduated from Chazy Central Rural School and the University of Rochester (class of 2001) with a Bachelor of Arts in Medieval History. Matthew married Casey McMains on August 22, 2005, in Louisville, KY. Matt spent his life sharing his knowledge, experience, and humor with others. Regardless of the demands on his time, he always found a way to make the day better for everyone around him. Whether it be helping a customer get a Vermont Teddy Bear to a loved one at the last minute, or teaching someone a new game with passion and enthusiasm, Matt was always positive and wanted things to be positive for those he touched. Matt encouraged his friends and family to excel, and did all he could to support their goals, however lofty. He was a blacksmith, a painter, a glass-blower. He crafted a suit of chain mail, had his own line of distinctive glassware, and created a measuring device now used by tabletop gamers around the world. He was a builder, an artist, a teacher and a storyteller. He will be missed by his family and the many friends he made throughout the country. He is survived by his loving wife, Casey McMains of Jericho, VT; his mother, Jeannette (Dalfonzo) Randy of Williston, VT; his brother, Michael Randy of Winooski, VT; his mother-in-law and father-in-law, Catherine and William McMains of Jericho, VT; many aunts, uncles and cousins; countless friends across the globe; his three cats, Nimue, Fergus, Mowgli; and his dog, Viktor Pendrake. He was also predeceased by Helen Gregg, whom he adopted as his Grand-mother. There were no visiting hours or memorial services held. Inurnment will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions in Matthew's memory can be made to the Vermont Chapter-American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), 150 Dorset Street, Suite 245-192, South Burlington, VT 05403. Arrangements are by John D. Workman, A. W. Rich Funeral Home - Essex Chapel, 57 Main Street, Essex Jct., VT 05452. The family invites you to share your memories and online condolences by visiting www.awrichfuneralhomes.com

Thomas Berrings III, 62, of Jericho, VT, died on May 21, 2010, in Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, VT after a short illness. He was born on April 12, 1948, in Troy, N.Y., the son of Thomas Jr. and Sarah (Bland) Berrings. He was a graduate of Troy High School, class of 1966. He married his wife, Tammy, on March 22, 2003. Tom's spirit and soul was his music and most especially, country music. Since his early teens, Tom performed professionally throughout New York and New England. During the 80's, he was a music director for two television country music shows in Southern New Hampshire. He was an extraordinarily gifted keyboard player, but his talents also included vocals, saxophone, and flute. Over the last 20 years, he performed in Vermont with the bands Renegade, The Adams, and Dark Horse. His music was listened to, danced to, and enjoyed by many over the years. More than performing, Tom loved writing country songs and he filled dozens of notebooks with his lyrics. He dreamed of one day performing and recording his own music for others to enjoy. He put his words on paper but the melodies came from within him and sadly, he didn't have a chance to record them all. "You say you want to write a country song, you say you want to write it right not wrong." Throughout his life, he has been actively involved in human services, working as an LNA, recreational assistant, psychiatric technician, and case manager with adults with disabilities. Since 2001, he has worked at FAHC and FAHC Rehabilitation Unit as a patient observer. He was highly regarded for his ability to work with patients with head injuries and other cognitive disorders. He simply had an intuitive ability to understand the needs of the patients and families he worked with. Tom

is survived by his wife, Tammy; his daughter, Brittany and her children, Devin and Isabella; daughter, Jennifer and her children, Jaide and Jewel, son Thomas (TJ), and daughter Amber; his brothers, Henri (Hank) Berrings, and Al Austin; and sister, Sara Tucker; and his best friend, Reg. He was also blessed to have special music friends, Rick, Mike, and Bob. A gathering to celebrate Tom's life will be held for family, friends, and all who have enjoyed knowing Tom and hearing his music on Thursday, May 27, 2010 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM at Ready Funeral Home Mountain View Chapel, 68 Pinecrest Drive, Essex Junction. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the FAHC Rehabilitation Unit - c/o FAHC Development Office, 111 Colchester Avenue, Burlington, Vermont 05401 to support rehab patients with music therapy programs. Special thanks and appreciation to Dr. Skidd and the MICU nurses, Molly, Gina, Phoebe, Sue L. and Starr for their care and caring, and to Maureen and Sue G. for their love and support. To send online condolences, please visit www.readyfuneral.com. "There aren't any words to describe the feeling that I have for you deep inside, there's only one thing to say, I hope that it will do, the only words that I can say are, I love you."

John Robert "Bob" McCarroll, 64, Underhill, VT, passed away at Vermont Respite House in Williston on Thursday, May 20, 2010. He was born in Hartford, Conn. on December 6, 1945, son of the late John and Gunborg (Albrektsen) McCarroll. Bob served his country well as a proud member of the US Navy during the Vietnam War. He married Robin Cantor on April 5, 1981 in Steamboat Springs, Colo. Bob had worked for 27 years as a hotel manager. While living in Colorado, he was dedicated to animal rescue. He was proud to have been sober for 20 years. Bob will be missed by all those who had the privilege of knowing him. He is survived by his wife, Robin (Cantor) McCarroll of Underhill, VT; his two daughters, Wendy Sue McCarroll of Clarence, N.Y. and Shayna Lynn McCarroll of Albuquerque, N.M.; three grandchildren, Collin Jones, Brannon Jones and Owen Jones; and his very dear friend, Andrew Driver of Shelburne, VT. There were no visiting hours or memorial services held. An open house in celebration of Bob's life will be held from 3:00 to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, May 25, 2010 at the family home, 539 Pleasant Valley Road, Underhill, VT. Inurnment will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions in Bob's memory may be made to either The Vermont Respite House, 99 Allen Brook Lane, Williston, VT 05495 or to the Humane Society of Chittenden County, 142 Kindness Court South Burlington, VT 05403, www.chittendenhumane.org. The family was assisted by Direct Cremation Services of A. W. Rich Funeral Home, 57 Main Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452. The family invites you to share your memories and online condolences by visiting www.awrichfuneralhomes.com.

A Mass of Christian Burial for **Elsie I. Tourville**, 87, of Jericho, VT, who died on January 12, 2010, was celebrated on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 10:00 AM in St. Thomas Church, Underhill. Burial will follow in South Hero Cemetery. Arrangements are in the care of the Ready Funeral & Cremation Service, Essex Junction.

Hollis "Jack" Longe passed away at his home in Jeffersonville, VT, at the age of 56, on May 18, 2010. Jack is survived by his adored wife, Judy, of 38 years. He was the beloved father of two children, son, Brian Longe and his wife, Nanci, and daughter, Denise Cote and her husband, Pete; the dearly loved grandfather to Dylan, Amber, Kaleb, Stephanie and Crysta. He is survived by his mother, Blossom (Edwards) Longe; two brothers, Robert Longe and his wife, Patty, and Dennis Longe and his wife, Judy; three sisters, Betty Cyko, Sherrie Melton and her husband, Bob, and Barb Longe; many beloved nieces, nephews, uncles, aunts and cousins. His many dear friends, Greg and Dawn Tatro and the G.W. Construction family. He was born on November 6, 1953, in Burlington, VT, to Blossom (Edwards) Longe and the late Douglas Longe. Jack and his wife, Judy (Cushing), were married on November 27, 1971, in Jeffersonville, VT, and started a lifelong journey of love and devotion. He was devoted to his family and friends. A man of great talent and

humor, Jack spent the majority of his career as an excavator operator with G.W. Tattro Construction. He built quite a few ski trails in VT, NH, PA and NY. He may be gone, but his presence, talent, humor and wit will never be forgotten. There will be no visiting hours held. A memorial service was held on Monday, May 24, 2010, at the Second Congregational Church in Jeffersonville at 2:00 PM with the Reverend Lynda Hadley officiating. Inurnment will be private and at the convenience of the family. Memorial contributions in Jack's memory may be forwarded to assist the family c/o Judy Longe, P.O. Box 11, Jeffersonville, VT 05464. Arrangements are by John D. Workman, A.W. Rich Funeral Home - Fairfax Chapel, 1176 Main Street, Fairfax, VT 05454. The family invites you to share your memories and online condolences by visiting www.awrichfuneralhomes.com.

Graveside services for **Rena A. Gleason**, Jericho, VT, who died on November 19, 2009 at the age of 100, was held on Saturday, May 22, 2010, at 1:00 PM at Underhill Cemetery on Park Street, Underhill, VT.

Ronald D. Vianu, 66, Underhill, VT, passed away on Friday, April 30, 2010 in Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, VT surrounded by his family and close friends. He was born in Burlington, VT on February 26, 1944, the son of Gaston and Irene (Callory) Vianu, and was a graduate of Cathedral High School. Ron made his career in banking and the ski industry until health issues forced an early retirement. Ron was a devoted stay at home father who cared for his daughter Danielle with special needs until his recent passing. He was proud of his French-Canadian heritage, enjoyed preparing Canadian cuisine, and was an avid Montreal Canadiens fan. He enjoyed the simple things in life, spending time at home with family and friends or at The Olde Yankee Restaurant for Thursday night "wings". Ron was a brilliant man with a big heart for helping others. He was a self-taught computer geek and could often be found surrounded by PC's in various stages of disrepair that he was working on for people. He was a voice for the underdog and very passionate about the plight of humanity. If you needed someone to just listen or offer solicited insightful advice, Ron was always there to lend an ear. Ron is survived by his daughters, Danielle Louise Vianu, and Christine Marie (Vianu) Scanlon and her husband Christopher Scanlon; his granddaughter, Carly Deann Scanlon; his step-grandchildren, Jonathan Chamberlain-Scanlon and Denise Marie Scanlon; his brother, Thomas L. Vianu; sisters-in-law, Anna Vianu and Janice Vianu; nephew, Justin Vianu and his wife Jennifer; a grand-niece and nephew, Anastacia and Justin Vianu Jr.; his "daughter-in-spirit", Jody Hall-Bechard; and many close friends. He was predeceased by his loving wife, Linda L. Vianu (Lumbra) on January 20, 2010; his father and mother; brothers, Jean Paul Vianu and Gerald Vianu; a sister, Janet Osborne (Vianu); a special sister-in-law, Wanda C. Vianu. The Vianu family would like to express their gratitude for all the support received during Ron's last months. So many people supported us by preparing meals, visiting, helping with housework, running errands, and sending encouraging notes, etc. There are a few specific people who we would like to thank for their constant support, Pastor Brent Devenney, who was there for Ron and our entire family through everything, and to the Hall-Bechard family who were here every day visiting with Ron and going above and beyond to help us through this difficult time. Words cannot express our gratitude. There was a memorial service held to celebrate Ron's life on Saturday, May 22, 2010 at 10:00 AM at Daybreak Community Church in Colchester, VT. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the American Cancer Society Relay For Life 2010 c/o The Bright Light's team. Arrangements are with the LaVigne Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 132 Main St. in Winooski. Correction: The Vianu family would like to recognize close friend, Neil Hackbart, who was like a son to Ron, and was a source of incredible support for the family during Ron's last day in the hospital.

Catherine M. Ffrench, formerly of Jericho, VT, passed away on Obituaries continued on page 14

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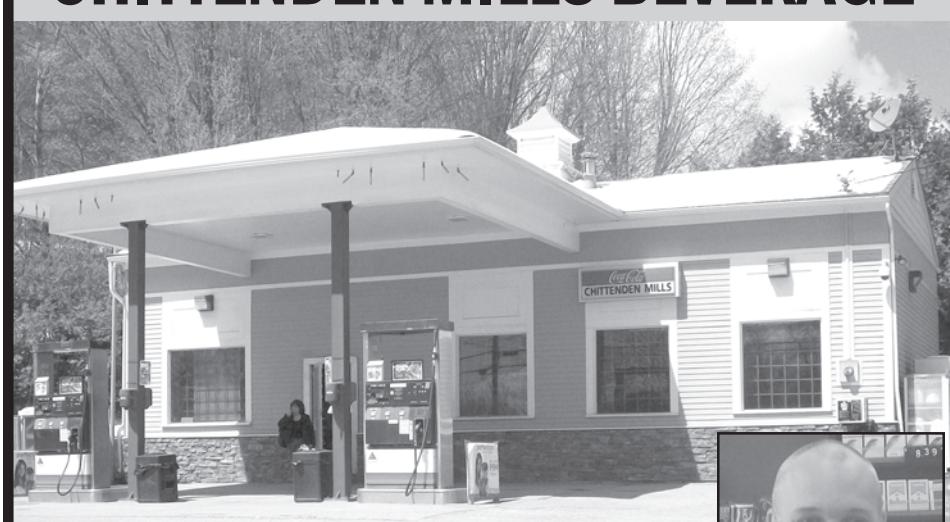
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May 14, 2010, at the age of 92. Catherine was born July 24, 1917, in New York, N.Y., to Catherine (Foley) and Matthew McGahey. She grew up in New York City, spending summers at Rockaway Beach with her family as a child. After graduating from Blessed Sacrament High School, she went on to Grace Institute Secretarial School, before going to work for Metropolitan Life and Casualty Insurance. As a result of the bombing of Pearl Harbor, she enlisted with the second group of women to serve in the United States Marine Corps, and was stationed at the Cherry Point AB, N.C., where she was trained to work as a Corporal in the Weather Station. During her service, Catherine was injured when the building she was working in exploded and caught fire. She was forced to jump from the third floor to escape the fire and sustained fractures in her back which prevented her from returning to duty. After her honorable discharge from the Marine Corps in May 1945, she returned to her job at Metropolitan Life. Catherine then met the love of her life, Willard Ffrench, in the summer of 1947. They were married in Good Shepherd Church, New York City, NY, in February 1948. In the early days of their marriage, they lived in Seaford, Long Island, where they had their three children, Harry, Richard, and Mary. In 1963, her husband, who worked for the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, was transferred to Montreal, where they lived in Beaconsfield, Quebec for nine years. In 1972, Willard's job brought them to Vermont, where they bought their final home in Jericho. In 1975, when her husband retired they began spending winters in St. Augustine, Fla., and their summers in Vermont sailing on Lake Champlain with her grandchildren, and delivering Meals on Wheels in both Florida and Vermont. For all these blessings, she never forgot to thank God, the Father of us all, and always looked for opportunities to help others. Catherine is survived by a son Harry, and his wife, Rachel, of Montreal Que., a son Richard, of Newtonville, Mass., and daughter, Mary Quiet, and her husband, Steven, of Richmond, VT. Five grandchildren, Alex Ffrench and his wife, Dominique, Kathleen Ffrench and her boyfriend, Alex Eder, all of Montreal, Que., Justin Quiet, currently serving in Afghanistan, and his wife, Kristin, of Westford, VT, Sonya Quiet of Clarks Summit, PA, Patrick Quiet, and his girlfriend, Alisa Terzic, of Richmond, VT. Catherine's five great-grandchildren that were the delight of her life, Celeste and Noah Ffrench of Montreal, Que., Grace and Kaelie Quiet of Westford, VT, Charlotte Quiet of Richmond, VT; and numerous nieces and nephews. Catherine was predeceased by her husband, Willard, in August 2008, who she cared for in their home until June 2007; her siblings, Matthew McGahey, Anna McGahey (1963), Mary McGahey (1975), and Jane Hogan, who passed away on May 14, 2009. The family would like to thank the VA at Ft. Ethan Allen for all their services and support; the Visiting Nurses Assoc. for their home care while Mom was still living in her house in Jericho, VT; the Converse Home in Burlington where she was able to live with respect and a quality of life in a home style environment, and finally to all the staff at the Burlington Health and Rehabilitation, especially Lynn Avery, her case manager, and the third floor staff, along with Dr. Pitcher, who made her final days and hours as comfortable and peaceful as possible. Funeral arrangements were by Corbin and Palmer Funeral Home, 9 Pleasant Street, Essex Junction, Vermont, where family and friends gathered on Wednesday May 19, from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. A mass at St. Pius X Church in Essex Center was on Thursday May 20 at 10:00 AM with a luncheon reception to immediately follow, before a 1:00 PM interment with Full Military Honors at the Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Randolph, VT. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the charity of your choice.

Green Mountain Bike Club

These are the Green Mountain Bicycle Club rides for June, 2010. All of our rides are free and open to the public. Helmets are required. For rides more than an hour from Burlington, we suggest calling the leader in the event of bad weather.

Sunday, June 6, Ride: Grand Isles Flats and Picnic - A 30 mile (E/M) ride circles Grand Isle via the west and east shores and includes some dirt. The 60 mile (M) option goes to the Shrine at Isle LaMotte before returning. Afterwards, meet at Helen's camp for a picnic on the shore of the Almost Great Lake. Hot dogs will be provided, but please bring your own beverage and something to share with the group. Meeting time: 8:45AM. Meeting Place: Folsom School, South Street in South Hero - Those coming from the Burlington area may consider carpooling from the Colchester Park and Ride, Exit 17 off I-89, UVM or Dorset Park in South Burlington. Leader: Amy Otten - 878-4070 / amytotten@netscape.com; Co-Leader: Helen Douglas - 862-7722 / bikehelen@sbcglobal.net.

Sunday, June 13, Ride: Covered Bridges of Franklin and Lamoille County - This 41 miles loop (E/M) goes through Eden and Johnson, passing through one covered bridge and viewing a number of others. Meeting Time: 8:45 AM. Meeting Place: Jeffersonville Fish and Wildlife Access (3/10 mile north of Route 15 and Route 108 intersection, across the bridge). Leader: Dave Crane - 343-9999 / hbdave@together.net; Co-Leader: Leslie Carew - 865-2805 / carew@champlain.edu.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

The Jericho Development Review Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, June 24, 2010 at 7:00 PM** in the Jericho Town Hall to consider the following:

- A request by Virginia McLane for Final Plan Review of a 3-Lot subdivision and for Conditional Use Review for a driveway crossing within the Wetlands Overlay District. The property is located at 119 Skunk Hollow Road in the Agricultural Zoning District.

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**TOWN OF UNDERHILL
Notice of Selectboard Special Meeting:
Maintenance of Roads Petition**

The Underhill Selectboard will hold a special meeting on June 10, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the Underhill Town Hall. The meeting will be to discuss the petition from residents:

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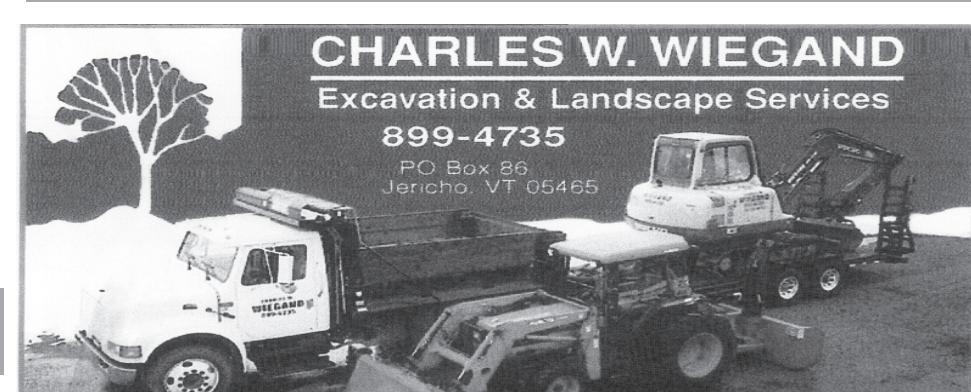
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ART

Emile A. Gruppe Gallery presents *Reflections on Nature*, an exhibition of work of two artists Deborah Gregory, textile artist and Nancy Earle, acrylics. The public is invited to an artist reception on Sunday, June 6 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM which will be preceded by a talk by the artists at 2:30 PM. The show will run from June 3 - July 11.

The Emile A. Gruppe Gallery located at 22 Barber Farm Road in Jericho is open Thursday through Sunday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM or by appointment 802 899 3211.

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booth Exhibition presents a selection from the world's leading collection of American photobooth photography and equi PMent, collected by Burlington-based artist and photo historian Nakk Goranin over a twenty-year period.

On Wednesday, June 16 at 12:15 PM, the Museum will host a special Gallery Talk on *Picture Yourself: The Photobooth in America, 1926-2010* featuring Nakk Goranin, artist, photo historian, and author of *American Photobooth*.

Please visit our website at www.flemingmuseum.org, call us at 802.656.0750. The Museum is located on the University of Vermont campus at 61 Colchester Avenue, Burlington. Hours May 1 to Labor Day - Tuesday through Friday, Noon until 4:00 PM and Saturday and Sunday, 1:00 until 5:00 PM. The Museum is Closed Mondays and major holiday weekends.

Bryan Memorial Gallery presents the New England Plein Air Painters in an exhibition of artwork, painted in Vermont, with the focus on sites in Lamoille County now through June 27. 16 artist members of the New England Plein Air Painters have visited Jeffersonville, VT to paint in the great tradition of visual artists who have traveled to this specific area for over 100 years.

Over 80 paintings have been painted en plein air – in natural light – on location in Jeffersonville, Bakersfield, Eden, Waterville and Stowe.

Bryan Memorial Gallery is located at 180 Main Street, Jeffersonville, VT 05464. For further information, call 802-644-5100 or visit the gallery on the web at www.bryangallery.org. Gallery hours are Thursday – Sunday, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

MUSIC/DANCE

It's time to *Party in the Park!* The *Mountain Gazette* presents its annual summer event on July 10 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 PM at Mills Riverside Park. This year's event will feature musicians Pete and Karen Sutherland. Vermont's own Pete Sutherland is both a songwriter and master of fiddling styles from both the Southern and Northern US. A touring musician and composer since the mid-70s, Pete has played at concerts, dances, and major festivals across North America and Europe, both as a soloist and as a member of such well-known ensembles as Metamora, the Woodshed All-stars, the Clayfoot Strutters, and the Arm and Hammer String Band.

The concert also features local reggae band *Lambsbread* in their one and only Vermont concert for 2010. Just back from a national tour *Lambsbread* plays all the music you want to hear.

Come early, bring a picnic and attend this free concert. Donations appreciated but not required. Enjoy the bouncy castle provided by SuperSounds.

These beautiful days get us thinking about the **Valley Stage** <http://www.valleystage.net> and hoping for similar weather on August 7. The fifth annual Valley Stage will be taking place once again here on Blackbird Swale in Huntington. This year's eclectic lineup includes *They Might Be Gypsies*, *Garrison Benfield, Mike and Ruthy* and *Robbie Fulks*. As always, there will be plenty of food vendors, a silent auction and a lot of room for family and friends to roam during the day's music. It starts at 12:30 p.m. and is over by 8:30 so that even younger kids can get in a full day and be to bed at a decent hour.

Early Bird Tickets are currently on sale until July 1, 2010 at the website, via email at don@valleystage.net or by calling 802-434-4563. Adult single admission is \$20, families (two adults and all children 16 and under) are \$50. Kids 5 and under are free. Ticket prices will go up to \$25 and \$60 from July 1 - Aug. 6 and \$30/\$70 respectively on the day of the event.

Queen City Contras will hold a fundraiser dance for the Champlain Valley Folk Festival on Friday, June 11 at 8:00 PM at Edmunds School, 299 Main Street, Burlington, VT. Calling will be by Will Mentor, music by Randy Miller, Roger Kahle and Ross Kahle. All are welcome, all dances taught, no partner or experience necessary and the beginners' session at 7:45. Admission is \$8.00 adults, under 12 free. Please bring clean, soft-soled shoes for dancing. Dance Info: 802-371-9492 or 802-343-7165

THEATER

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Homespun Theater proudly presents its spring 2010 production of *Voyage aboard the Charming Sally*. The play will be performed on Friday, June 4 at 7:00 PM and again on Saturday, June 5 at 1:00 and 7:00 PM for the general public. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. The dress rehearsal will be open to senior citizens, with no admission fee, on Thursday, June 3 at 2:00 PM. For more information about the show, Homespun Theater or to purchase tickets, please contact Cheryl Owens @ 434-3357 / mommyo@gmavt.net or Annette Rexroad @ 899-4577.

RICHMOND NEWS

Richmond students win recognition by VPTV

Kindergartener **Oren Beckwith** and third grader **Nora Sylvester**, both of Richmond, VT, were among twelve students who won Vermont Public Television's annual PBS KIDS GO! Writers Contest. The educational outreach project encourages young students across the country to celebrate the power of writing and illustrating with their own original storybooks. VPT will honor the children on Thursday, June 17 at 8:30 PM with a television program that showcases their entries. Oren earned an honorable mention, and Nora won in her grade category.

WELCOME HOME

RICHMOND

(Curtis, Rentas) Sarah Maria Curtis and Israel Rentas had a daughter, Sophia Margaret Rentas, on Saturday, May 8, 2010 at Fletcher Allen Health Care in Burlington, VT.

COURT REPORT

April 27, 2010, **Charles Ring**, 19, Richmond, VT, charged with violation of conditions of release in Richmond, VT on April 26, 2010; pleaded guilty; sentenced to one day.

ENGAGEMENTS

WHITCOMB-BEDARD

James and Earline Whitcomb of Richmond, VT announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Ashley Whitcomb, to Kyle Alexander Bedard, son of Brian and Candy Bedard of Winooski, VT.

RICHMOND OBITUARIES

Hope Marie Companion, 55, of Huntington, VT, a long-time resident of Huntington, passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family on Wednesday, May 26, 2010, in Vermont Respite House in Williston, VT. She was born on May 22, 1955, the daughter of Harold and Sylvia (Dumas) Bigelow. She graduated from Winooski High School, Winooski, VT class of 1973. Hope married her high school sweetheart, Kevin P. Companion on May 10, 1975, in Winooski, VT. Hope and Kevin were blessed with twin daughters, Wendy (Companion) Currier and Holly Companion, in December of 1979. Hope was a lifetime employee at Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, VT. She loved quilting and other crafts, traveling to giant pumpkin competitions with her husband, and most of all spending time with her granddaughter, family and friends. Hope is survived by her husband, Kevin Companion; daughters, Wendy Currier and her husband, Dan, and Holly Companion; granddaughter, Amelia Currier; mother, Sylvia (Bigelow) Purrington and her husband, Harold; mother-in-law, Charlotte Companion; sister, Joy Barber; brother, Jay Bigelow and his wife, Sharron; many nieces and nephews, and extended family; and her faithful friend, Buddy. She is predeceased by her father, Harold C. Bigelow; sister, Peggy Lefebvre; brother-in-law, Randall Barber; and father-in-law, Donald Companion. Visiting hours were held on Tuesday, June 1, 2010 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the LaVigne Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 132 Main St. in Winooski. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Wednesday, June 2 at 11:00 AM at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Winooski. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Vermont Respite House, 99 Allen Brook Lane, Williston, VT 05495.

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