

News from Huntington

2019 Hunting and Fishing Licenses available – 2019 Annual Licenses are available for purchase in the Huntington Town Clerk’s Office. We have the new hunting and fishing regulations books – hot off the press – a case of each, so feel free to stop in a get one for yourself and some for your friends. There have been no license fee increases for 2019. Permanent and Lifetime licenses *cannot* be renewed/updated until January 1. Since they do not expire, a 2018 can be used into 2019 until the license can be updated. Add-on tags *cannot* be added to a lifetime or permanent license until January 1. If you wish to purchase add-on tags for a lifetime or permanent license for a holiday gift, please purchase a gift certificate or call the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Office, 828-1190. Gift certificates are redeemable only online. We can help you do this in the office or you can do it from your own computer.

Town Treasurer – On Monday, December 10, Huntington’s newly-appointed Town Treasurer, Andrea Ogilvie, will start here in the office. She will be working closely with Treasurer Kathleen Clark, who will retire at the end of December. Many know Andrea from Town Meeting where she capably fielded questions about school budgets and relevant information as a function of her dedicated work on the Brewster-Pierce School Board over three separate tenures.

Holiday Food Boxes were delivered on Saturday, December 15, distributing donated nonperishable food and/or money to purchase fruit, breads, vegetables, gift cards for food and gas, etc.

CLiF encourages elementary schools to apply for literacy grants

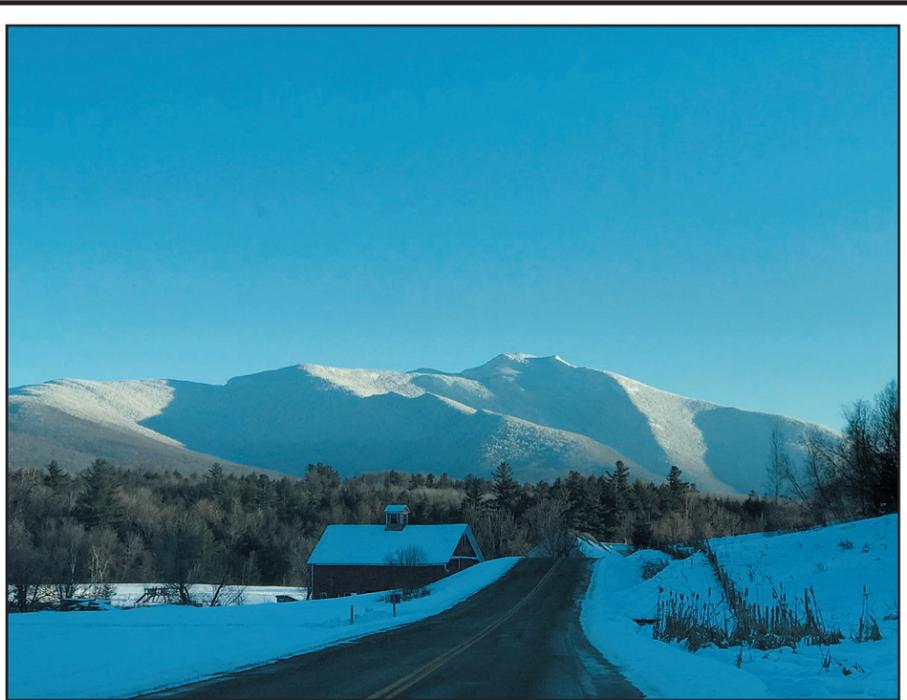
The Children’s Literacy Foundation (CLiF)’s Year of the Book grant program provides selected elementary schools with \$25,000 in literacy programming and new books, including author visits and writing workshops with the 64 professional presenters CLiF works with, family literacy events, special literacy-related programs, new books for the school library, classrooms, local public library, and ten new books for each child to choose. The program involves a full school year dedicated to improving literacy, with many related events to celebrate reading and writing. The program is designed to create a culture of literacy within a community. The goals are to inspire students to read and write for pleasure, to encourage enthusiasm for books, to supplement schools’ existing literacy efforts, to ensure all children have access to high-quality books, and to increase family engagement in literacy.

In addition to the grant program for the 2019-20 school year, personnel from selected Year of the Book schools will be invited in perpetuity to CLiF’s free annual Community Literacy Conference and will receive additional funding in the year following their program to maintain literacy momentum.

CLiF Program Director Meredith Scott says, “CLiF Year of the Book continues to deeply impact students, their families, and their school community by nurturing a love of reading and writing. The renewed excitement that comes from new ideas, new books, and new connections makes this an exciting grant for schools and also for CLiF. We love to share the experiences in one school with others and to spread that enthusiasm all over Vermont and New Hampshire and beyond.”

For the 2018-2019 school year, five Vermont schools and five New Hampshire schools were selected for the Year of the Book. This year’s schools are Allenstown Elementary School in Allenstown, NH; Boscawen Elementary School in Boscawen, NH; Bristol Elementary School in Bristol, NH; Castleton Elementary School in Castleton, VT; Derby Elementary School in Derby Line, VT; Eden Central School in Eden, VT; Hillside Elementary School in Berlin, NH; JFK Elementary School in Winooski, VT; Milan Village School in Milan, NH; and Morrystown Elementary School in Morrisville, VT.

Applications for the 2019-2020 available at www.clifonline.org. Applications due by Wed., January 30, 2019. Contact us questions.



Thunder Basin – on the northern end of Mount Mansfield – in early winter, late afternoon light, from the Lower Valley Road in Cambridge, a much-appreciated (and photographed, and painted) spot.
PHOTO BY SARA RILEY



From left: Community Bank N.A. regional manager Anita Bourgeois, Jericho branch manager Kelly Kimball, and Barber Farm owner Charlie Siegchrist with 2.5 tons of squash that was harvested for neighbors in need.
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Community Bank Jericho branch volunteers at Barber Farm

Team members from Community Bank N.A.’s Jericho branch recently spent a day at Barber Farm volunteering and harvesting vegetables. In addition to donating time, the bank also presented a \$500 check to Barber Farm to help support its efforts.

Since 2009, Barber Farm has grown and given away a diverse array of produce, such as strawberries, raspberries, bell peppers, tomatoes, cabbage, winter squash, and potatoes, to help feed hungry Vermonters. The farm’s many partners include Vermont Foodbank, Chittenden

Emergency Foodshelf, Salvation Farms, and Richmond Food Shelf.

“Barber Farm is such an integral part of our community, providing countless produce to help feed the hungry in our area,” Community Bank N.A. Jericho Branch Manager Kelly Kimball said. “Our team was thrilled to have the opportunity to contribute to their operation and spend the day on the farm.”

For more information on Barber Farms, visit barberfarm.org. For more information about Community Bank N.A., visit cbnanews.com.

Holiday hazards for your pets

The holiday season has arrived and brings not only celebrations, presents, and decorations, but also concerns for pet safety. There are many dangers to be aware of as you begin to celebrate this year. These include specific types of plants, certain foods, and even decorations.

Chocolate is in great abundance during many holiday celebrations and is a well-known toxin. If ingested it can cause mild signs, such as vomiting and diarrhea, but can also cause more serious signs such as seizures and even death. The stronger the chocolate, the more serious

the ingestion can be – eating baking cocoa is more serious than eating milk chocolate. Keep chocolate away from anywhere your pets may get it and call your veterinarian right away if your pet does eat some. They can generally help determine if the amount eaten will cause issues.

Grapes and raisins are used in many holiday recipes and if given to a pet can cause kidney failure and even death. Make sure to not feed your pet any holiday sweets with raisins or

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Winter safety

By Tessa Roy

It’s early in the season but we’ve already seen an impressive amount of snowfall as well as some icy conditions. In the last article we talked a bit about shoveling safely, especially when shoveling heavy, wet snow. Several fellow volunteers mentioned that I should talk about snow blower safety as well.

Snow blowers can be heavy and hard to push, as I mentioned briefly last month, but they also have some moving parts and gears that people should keep their hands away from. If the auger on your snow blower gets impacted with snow, please turn your snow blower off before attempting to clear the auger. If you leave the snow blower running and you clear the blockage, the auger will resume motion with your hand still inside – and we have seen these injuries before. When you do clear the auger try to use a tool instead of your hand, as the auger may be under pressure and move once the snow is cleared, potentially injuring any fingers or hands in its path. Also, keep an eye on the surface you’re clearing, whether it’s a driveway or a sidewalk, because it may be icy underneath the snow.

Remember that when you walk on ice it’s best to move slowly, keep your knees slightly bent, and keep your weight centered over whichever leg is in front of you. Think of how a penguin walks and you’ll be less likely to slip and fall. If you do fall, try not to throw your hands out in front of you or behind you to catch yourself. This can be a hard instinct to fight, especially in the split second it takes to fall, but this is an easy way to break your wrist or arm. We’d also urge you to keep an eye on your neighbors, especially those who may be elderly or ill. Stop by every now and again to make sure they’re doing well, or stop by before a big storm to make sure they’re stocked up with food. If you have the time and energy, it’s always nice to help a neighbor clear their steps or walkway of snow.

I wrote quite a bit about heart attacks and the symptoms of a heart attack in the last article, and I realized I never mentioned the importance of learning CPR. If you have a free afternoon some weekend, try and sign up for a CPR class. Hopefully you’ll never need to use the knowledge you’ll gain in the class, but it’s always comforting to know that you’ll be able to help someone in their moment of critical need.

Essex Rescue is running our annual subscription drive right now! Our subscription plan is \$50 a year and if anyone in your household is transported by Essex Rescue, you won’t owe any money. We do still bill your insurance company, but if there is any part of our service that your insurance doesn’t cover, or if you have any co-pays or deductibles, those will be covered under the subscription plan. You can even subscribe if you don’t have health insurance. It is important to note though, this subscription only covers you for the cost of Essex Rescue transporting you. If you are transported by any of our mutual aid ambulances (Richmond, Colchester, Saint Michael’s College, Milton, Williston, etc.) those would not be covered by the subscription plan.

As always, if you’re interested in joining Essex Rescue please contact Colleen Nesto at 847-4859 ext. 4.

CCRP Commission to develop watershed database

The Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) will aid the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) in cleaning up our waters through the incorporation of potential projects into DEC’s Watershed Projects Database.

This database is a key component of the DEC’s Tactical Basin Plans that address water quality issues throughout the state to prioritize water quality problems, consider alternatives, and recommend solutions and funding sources. The database keeps track of potential projects to address these problems as well as assess project readiness. For example, some projects are only at the scoping level and would need further definition, while others have been fully designed with both construction plans and cost estimates prepared.

The CCRPC will work over the winter of 2018/2019 to identify projects from Flow Restoration Plans for stormwater-impaired streams and from River Corridor Plans and other studies on stream erosion, and then

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COMING EVENTS

Thursday, December 20

MMU Holiday Choral Concert, 7:00 PM, MMUHS Auditorium, Browns Trace, Jericho. This evening of song to celebrate the season features the MMU Men's Chorus, Women's Madrigal Singers, Select Chorus, and Concert Choir conducted by Caleb Pillsbury, as well as the MMU student-directed *a cappella* groups. Choirs will perform holiday favorites as well as dynamic choral works by Vivaldi and Menotti, and will finish with the annual invitation to MMU Alumni, parents, and community members in performing the *Hallelujah Chorus* by Handel. Free.

Friday, December 21

Solstice Celebration, 4:00 - 6:00 PM, Audubon Vermont, 255 Sherman Hollow Rd., Huntington. Welcome back the light and join Audubon to celebrate the solstice. We will expose what winter solstice really is about and discover what creatures do in Vermont with the winter and lack of light. We will create solstice wreaths, read a story together about solstice, and celebrate! All ages welcome; Audubon members free, non-members \$5. Meet at the Education Barn. Questions? Contact Education Program Coordinator Debbie Archer, darcher@audubon.org or 802-434-3068.

Monday, December 24

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service, 4:30 PM, United Church of Fairfax, 8 Fletcher Rd., Fairfax. Please join us for a joyous hour of hope as we celebrate the Christmas Story. The service will include the singing of your favorite Christmas hymns, the Sunday School pageant, and a visit from Santa Lucia. We will conclude with a candlelit singing of *Silent Night*. For questions or information, please contact Pastor Rev. Katherine Arthaud, 802-233-8639 or Karthaud@aol.com.

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COMMUNITY COLUMNS

Gifts for Christmas

By Sue Kusserow

Special to the Mountain Gazette

The lists start. First is for those to whom there is an obligation... Aunt Mary who helped you through school, Grampa, of the crazy birthday cards, your sisters-in-law, your supervisor at work. Then there are the people who have been loyal over the year; admittedly as part of their jobs, but they have been steadfast over time. There needs to be some recognition of duty: the woman who drives and delivers the mail and always waves as she veers from one side of the road to the other; the poor soul, seldom seen, who is up at 5:00 AM poking news into slim blue tubes dusted with snow. And, to literally top it all off, a red bow and envelope tied to the top of your trash can.

The next list is more complex... another layer of decision. Who gets a gift and who gets a card? And even then, choice is further delineated into those who get a vivid word picture of life in the slow lane, with illustrated excerpts, or those who get a much-abbreviated version, enough to let one know that you are still alive and deserving of at least a commercially-engraved New Year's card.

The hardest list to compile is for those for whom you truly want to gift something meaningful and tangible. The resolve is there, if not the reality quite yet. Then there are those who truly have everything... small in number, but almost impossible to think of something they don't already have. An idea rises and crashes to the churuses of: "Don't you remember? She got a quartet of lavender soaps last year!"

Some gifts fall into place from the remembrance of some wistful thoughts woven into a drive together, a picnic on the edge of a small summer pond, an evening by the woodstove with a bottle of good wine. Plan a visit, bringing another bottle of good wine to share with the memories. Or a different blend of tea that you can share together.

There is the group that will be satisfied with practical gifts: ducks to a family in Vietnam, a cow shared and funded with some unknown church group in South Dakota, a flock of chickens to South Sudan, a winter jacket for a Lakota/Sioux child, a night in a shelter with a hearty breakfast for a man picked up from cold streets. With the right 'match,' these are gifts that reward the giver and the receiver.

There will always be some for whom no gift idea springs to mind. An inveterate pleaser is a box of Snowflake Chocolates. Or, some sort of direct service: a ride to a concert, a book you liked... "And I think you will, too. Let's visit to discuss it." Or, an easy out: a \$10 bill in an envelope: no fuss, no commitment and no thought, which contributes to its practicality... that is, until you see the rain-soaked young woman at the intersection, holding a tattered cardboard sign stating her needs... and you toss the \$10 to her, wishing you had more... but the time is gone.

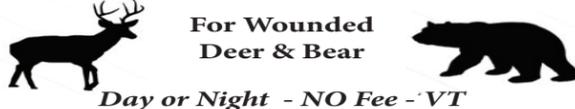
So your lists are done, except for the continual additions and subtractions that occur with increasing frequency and frustration as Christmas draws closer. You find, amidst catalogues and the dire pronouncements of ONLY SIX MORE DAYS, a few cards in actually recognizable handwriting, one from an old friend, two returned with address unknown, and the shaky hand of the aunt who helped you through college.

Gifts are usually tangible, able to be packed and shipped. These are the easy ones, believe it or not. The harder ones are finding spots to share the gifts of the simple, the spirit, the intangible. In my case, I found as I grew older that I had a tendency to set my jaw... a mild but firm clenching of the teeth, to face any mundane challenges that a well-ordered life mistakenly exaggerates. This, at first unbeknownst to me, made the corners of my mouth turn up into a beginning smile. And people smiled back! A habit was turned into a purpose. What a joy to feel the actuality of a warm quick gesture that costs nothing, never has to be refunded, and is age-appropriate to my grandmother category. It is a small communication without words, a gift for both me and you that fits any time of year, any time grand or humble, bustling or quiet.

So put it on your list. Add a piece of holly dangling from your well-worn ski cap. Possibly add a touch of commiseration and sympathy to the smile in commiseration with those misguided shoppers who also are out here on the 23rd. And as a last small wink as you both whiz along, you could add:

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A lone tree on a snowy field spotted while visiting sugarhouses a few years ago. Trees are art, containing wisdom. "May your wood burn warm, your trees grow strong, sturdy, and long-lived." PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Yankee lore in Jericho

By Bernie Paquette

Special to the Mountain Gazette

Well, just so ye all don't need to be wonderin' what that damn ole yankee fool is up to today, I just as well foretell you the story.

See back about a year ago I got it in my balding head that there was still a wee bit of space left on Maeve's shire to plant some more trees. One can never have enough of a variety of trees to help absorb what them scientist call carbon, that which I figure is them ole dinosaurs gettin' back at us for digging up their graves. Anyway it still gets cold in this neck of the woods and the critters need a place to hitch up, eat a few seeds, raise a family and all that good stuff we all get to do.

So any ole how, as I was sayin', I was figurin' there was space and since I was ordering trees well to a year in advance I sure as all heck didn't think I would be planting trees between the time the Notch was closed and sugarin' time. But we Vermontas go with the flow.

So as the trees from the Arbor Day Foundation arrived yesterday, I told ma (that's Maeve) I was aimin' to pick some spots (for ten baby trees) to make a new home for these two-foot spindle-legged babies, one that would help them grow into fine homes for birds and food for butterflies and other pollinators, as well as be right friendly to community folks as they walked along the sidewalk under the shade of these berry and seed producing wonders.

Perhaps starting them off on a snow flurry day with temperatures in the twenties might set their minds right off the start to be strong, resilient, and determined to become naturalized woodchucks albeit with flatlander heritage. Perhaps by next fall they might even show off a bit to them there peepers that serenade about town in autumn.

All else I gotta say is don't judge a cow by its udders, cause jeezum crow the ground ain't froze (much) therefore I reckon I can still get some plantin' done.

Reckon ye be wantin' to plant a few of your own. Can't say I blame you for wantin' to wait till spring to plant. You all can order trees and Hazlenut bushes from Arbor Day Foundation. Ten free trees with a membership. <https://shop.arborday.org/membership/ten-trees/type.aspx>

A tree is known by its fruit, a man by his deeds. A good deed is never lost; he who sows courtesy reaps friendship, and he who plants kindness gathers love. ~Saint Basil
Amen Saint Basil!

Season's Greetings & Safe New Year

(Sung to the tune of *The First Noel*.)

As the holidays approach,
Please keep safety in mind
So no accidents occur and
No injuries you'll find.

Yes, it's holiday season once again. The perfect time to remind everyone of some simple things you can do to keep your family safe and sound.

- First, if you have a tree, secure it well to keep it from tipping over. If it is a live tree, make sure it's kept watered so it doesn't dry out. Keep it away from floor heaters, fireplaces, or other heat sources. If it is artificial, make sure it is fire resistant. Keep no more than three strands of lights linked together on an extension cord. And never use electric lights on a metal tree, unless you'd enjoy a shocking experience.

- If you have children, tinsel, small decorations, and bulbs should not be at the bottom of the tree. That's where small children can reach for them, put into their mouths, and be at risk for choking. In addition, some tree lights can have lead content in the wires. Don't ask children to hang lights, and keep those wires out of reach. Even for parents, wear gloves to hang the lights and wash your hands afterward to avoid lead exposure.

- Avoid candles on trees and please keep any lit candles out of reach of small children. Turn off all lights and blow out all candles when you sleep or leave the house to avoid a potential fire hazard. And, much as you would any day of the year, make sure your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are working.

- Most holiday plants are safe, but remember that mistletoe and holly berries eaten in excess can be dangerous. If your child does snack on a holiday plant, you can call the Northern New England Poison Center at 1-800-222-1222.

- Finally, if you are hosting a party in your home, don't forget to clean up the night of the party. That way, your child won't discover alcohol or small snack foods that can be choking hazards the morning after.

To wrap up, just remember (sung to the tune of *Jingle Bells*):

So find some ways at holidays
So injuries don't abound
Then you can really celebrate
With your kids safe and sound
So heed these rules and safety tools
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LIBRARY NEWS

DEBORAH RAWSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Adult Programs

Library hours: Tuesday 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Wednesday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Thursday 12:00 – 8:00 PM, Friday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Sunday 1:00 – 4:00 PM; closed Monday.

For information on any of the library's programs, call 899-4962. DRML is located at 8 River Rd., Jericho; www.drml.org.

JERICHO TOWN LIBRARY

Story Time – first, second, and fourth Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 AM. Recommended ages: 0-5 years. Pop in for a casual hour of story time, smiles, songs, and laughter with Lisa!

Third Thursday Book Group, December 20, 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

Writers' Circle, first and third Saturdays, January 5 and 19, 10:00 – 11:00 AM. Are you a writer seeking community? Join this new bi-monthly group. All genres welcome. Coffee, tea, and encouraging company provided.

JTL Board meetings are held the second Monday of every month (January 14) at 5:30 PM. All are welcome to attend.

Jericho Town Library is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday, and Fridays 2:00 – 5:00 PM; Wednesdays 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and 2:00 – 7:00 PM; and Saturday 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

For more information on programs and library services, please visit our website at www.jerichotownlibraryvt.org or call 899-4686.

VARNUM MEMORIAL LIBRARY, JEFFERSONVILLE

Read to Jazz! Tuesday, December 18, 3:00 – 4:00 PM. Come meet our therapy dog friend Jazz and her partner Margo. We have room for five kids to read to Jazz (under 5 minutes), but want to make sure that everyone gets a chance to pet and hang out with her. Jazz and Margo are certified by the Therapy Dogs of Vermont.

Varnum Holiday Potluck Party – Saturday, December 22, 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Join us to celebrate the season with friends, neighbors, food, music, and plenty of good cheer! Bring family, friends, and food to share. All are welcome!

Solstice Storytime – Saturday, December 22, 10:00 – 11:00 AM.

The library will be closed on Monday-Tuesday, December 24-25.

Children's Story Time and Crafts with LN, Thursdays, 10:00 – 11:00 AM. The library is a warm, cheery place for children to meet other children! Join us for stories read by people who enjoy sharing good books and a craft. Free and the public is invited! For more information, call the library at 644-2117.

Weekly Crafting Circle, Thursdays, December 20, 27, 5:00 – 7:00 PM. Bring your current W.I.P. (work in progress) or come to get ideas and learn something new. All crafts welcome.

Crescendo Club Library Association – Do you have two hours a month to spare for a great opportunity? The Crescendo Club Library Association is seeking community members interested in helping the library anticipate and meet the needs of all we serve and to promote lifelong learning for everyone. Please let us know if you would like to be an active supporter and member of this organization that has worked to help the community for almost 120 years. Meets on the third Thursday of the month (December 20, January 17), 7:00 – 8:00 PM.

The Varnum Library, P.O. Box 198, 194 Main St., Jeffersonville, 802-644-2117; thevarnum@gmail.com; www.varnumlibrary.org. Hours: Mondays and Tuesdays 12:00 – 7:00 PM, Wednesdays 3:00 – 7:00 PM, Thursdays 9:00 AM – 7:00 PM, Fridays 2:00 – 5:00 PM, and Saturdays 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Closed Sundays.

WESTFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Early Literacy Storytime, for ages birth to preschool, Thursdays, 11:00 AM. Several stories around a theme, and a theme-based craft. All ages and levels of attention are encouraged to come. Don't worry if they fidget – they are still getting a lot out of it!

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

RICHMOND LIBRARY

Holiday hours: The Library will close at 4:00 PM on Christmas Eve (Monday, December 24) and New Year's Eve (Monday, December 31) and be closed all day on Christmas (December 25) and New Year's Day (January 1).

Wild Nature Speaker Series #3: On Sunday, January 6 at 4:00 PM, join us for a richly illustrated slideshow and inspiring talk with writer and conservationist Tom Butler. Alongside spectacular nature photography, Tom will tell stories of how some of the places that we most treasure came to be protected for the public for all time. From Muir Woods to Camel's Hump to the far reaches of Chilean Patagonia, individuals and groups investing their time, influence, and wealth have secured some of Earth's most extraordinary landscapes as national parks and other protected areas. This tradition of wildlands philanthropy is little known but crucial to safeguarding beauty and wildlife habitat, and providing opportunities for recreation and nature-focused economic development in local

communities. A particularly grand example of this conservation tool is the recent success of Tompkins Conservation to protect and expand national parks, work that has secured millions of acres in Chile and Argentina. A resident of Huntington, Tom Butler is the author or editor of more than a dozen books including Wildlands Philanthropy: The Great American Tradition. He is a founding board member of Northeast Wilderness Trust and currently serves as vice president for conservation advocacy for Tompkins Conservation, a nonprofit that has helped create or expand 13 national parks in South America. In addition to having deep knowledge of global conservation issues, Tom is a dynamic speaker. Event is free and wheelchair accessible; light refreshments will be served. Please join us for *From Camels Hump to Patagonia: Who Saved the Parks Beloved by Millions?*

The Real Eastern Coyote: Learn the true story of the eastern coyote and how an understanding of its mind and ecology can help us live alongside this wild animal. Join us for Chris Schadler's talk, the last program in our Wild Nature Series, on Sunday, February 3 at 4:00 PM.

Trail passes: Working in partnership with the Richmond Trails Committee and Rise VT we are pleased to offer Richmond library patrons discount passes for trail use at both Catamount Outdoor Family Center in Williston and at Sleepy Hollow in Huntington. When checked out from the library, the passes provide a \$3 discount per person for up to two adults and two kids in the same family for a day or half-day of skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, or biking in season.

Friends of the Richmond Free Library Annual Book Sale will be Friday, February 15, 5:30 – 8:30 PM and Saturday, February 16, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. The Friends offer a wonderful selection of materials in a wonderful shopping venue. Please consider becoming a Friend and joining in the effort. Consider being a table mover, a cashier, a baker, or an overall organizer. Do you like to play music or sing? The book sale features live music. For more information please contact Mary Keller-Butler, unnamedmtn@hotmail.com.

Looking for Artists and Collectors: We are currently scheduling our walls and display case for 2019 shows. If you have framed pieces (art, photography) and would like to schedule a show, contact us to choose your month. No professional experience is necessary, just a willingness to share your talent. We're also seeking interesting collections for our foyer display case. If you are a collector of tea cups, feathers, little cars, old books, or anything else that would fit in our case that you would be willing to share, we would love to hear from you. Call or email.

New Adult Playaways: A Playaway is an all-in-one audio device that can be worn around your neck while working or exercising or it can be plugged into your car speakers. It has a simple on/off feature which remembers your place in the book. As there are no disks to change or get damaged, they generally offer an easier, skip-free listening experience than books on audio disks. Kids love them and now many adults are discovering their utility. Our adult collection is growing as more people tell us that they enjoy this new book format. Check one out and let us know what you think. Some recent acquisitions are *Last Will* by Liza Marklund, *An Unwanted Guest* by Shari Lapena, *Educated* by Tara Westover, *Forest Therapy* by Sarah Ivens, *Give Me Your Hand* by Megan Abbott, *Less* by Andrew Greer, *Pachinko* by Min Jin Lee, *The Middleman* by Olen Steinhilber, *The Rain Watcher* by Tatiana de Rosnay, *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* by Heather Morris, and *The Woman in Cabin 10*.

New Adult Book Acquisitions: *A Spark of Light* by Jodi Picoult, *Becoming* by Michelle Obama, *Before the Court of Heaven* by Jack Mayer, *Big, Wild, and Connected* by John Davis, *Blood is Blood* by Will Thomas, *City of Lies* by Victoria Thompson, *Cocaine Blues* by Kerry Greenwood, *Fire and Blood* by George R.R. Martin, *Genever: 500 years of history in a bottle* by Véronique Van Acker-Beittel (local author), *How Democracies Die* by Steven Levitsky, *Kingdom of the Blind* by Louise Penny, *Long Road to Mercy* by David Baldacci, *Look Alive Twenty-five* by Janet Evanovich, *Sister Pelagia And the White Bulldog*, *The Reckoning* by John Grisham, *These Truths* by Jill Lepore, *Winter* by Christopher Nicholson, and *Wolves of Eden* by Kevin McCarthy.

Baby Laptime: This 30-minute program is for our youngest visitors. Adults interact with their little person through simple stories, songs, rhymes, bounces, and wiggles that are sure to bring out the smiles and giggles. Baby Laptime is designed for infants through age two. Join us on Mondays at 10:30 AM.

Playgroup with Stories and Music: These Wednesday mornings begin at 10:00 AM with songs, stories, and a simple snack (bring your own) on the alphabet rug. Around 10:30 AM we'll get out the toys for free play with friends in the library's sunny and spacious Community Room. We have gross motor and fine motor toys, puzzles, and activities for infants through preschool age children.

Movers and Shakers Storytime: Frequent exposure to picture books not only entertains and delights children but also strengthens their vocabulary and their ability to make sense of the world. We'll share fantastic new and classic picture books and work some early literacy magic into a child's day. We'll couple stories with simple

songs and activities for some interactive moving and shaking. Toddlers and preschoolers and their caregivers are welcome on Fridays at 10:30 AM.

Weekly children's programs at the library run from September-May and follow the CESU school district schedule for vacation days and weather closure days. Therefore there are no programs from December 24-January 1.

Ticket Drawing: The library has been offered a pair of tickets to give away to *The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System* at the Flynn Theater. The planetarium is closed and the field trip is ruined... or is it? To save the day the ever-imaginative Ms. Frizzle blasts the Magic School Bus off into outer space to explore the solar system. Visit the youth desk on the second floor to enter your

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grapes in them and remind your guests they are toxic to pets. The specific toxin in grapes has not been identified, yet so any ingestion is cause for concern.

Tinsel is a common decoration used on many a Christmas tree, but this shiny item can cause a problem if ingested, specifically in cats. The long thread-type material looks like a toy to a cat and if the cat eats it, it can get stuck in the stomach or intestines, requiring emergency life-saving surgery.

Xylitol is a sugar alternative found in low-fat sweets, gums, peanut butter, and even recipes. Xylitol can cause an animal's blood sugar to drop, which may make your pet have a seizure. It can also cause severe damage to the liver. Not all pets survive xylitol ingestion and those that do require intensive care and hospitalization.

There are many plants we see during the holidays that can cause issues with pets. Lilies are extremely toxic to cats and cause kidney failure, so keep those out of their reach. Holly and mistletoe can cause vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal pain, and in very rare cases,

seizures and death. Despite the hype poinsettias are actually not that toxic, and generally just cause mild GI upset. It is a good idea to keep plants in places where pets cannot get to them and chew them.

Some holiday hazards are overlooked, including open flames and electric cords. During the holiday season many people light multiple candles and put them in places pets, especially cats, can reach. If a pet comes into contact with an open flame fur can quickly catch fire, causing burns and potential lung damage. Consider keeping candles in places your pets cannot get to them, or using decorative candle shades. Many people will also use decorative lights inside and outside their house, which means there will be electrical cords in many places. Puppies and kittens are curious and may chew on them, which can cause fluid accumulation in the lungs from electric shock. Keep wires taped down and use protective cases when possible.

These are just a few of the holiday hazards facing our pets this season. If you have any concerns or questions about your pets and the holidays, please contact your veterinarian.

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collate relevant information for incorporation of projects into the DEC database. Incorporation of these projects into the database will enable DEC basin planners, municipalities, watershed organizations, and others to efficiently and quickly identify all of the projects needed to help clean up our water, and prioritize the projects that should be implemented first.

This work by CCRPC is under the State's 604 B water quality

program and funded by a DEC grant in the amount of \$3636 to the CCRPC. The DEC is required to pass through to regional planning organizations 40% of its annual federal Clean Water Act Section 604 B allocation to conduct a variety of water-related planning activities.

For more information, please contact Dan Albrecht, CCRPC Senior Planner, dalbrecht@ccrpcvt.org or 802-861-0133.

Health programs and classes at Northwestern Medical Center

ONGOING

Brain Injury Support Group – third Thursday of each month, 5:30 – 6:30 PM, NMC Conference Center, Grand Isle Room. Meet other people in similar situations, share the hardships and accomplishments, gain valuable emotional support, obtain information, and discuss a variety of brain injury topics. Anyone touched by brain injury (traumatic or acquired) can attend: survivors, caregivers, friends, and family. All are welcome at our support group. Free; no registration required. For information contact Jess Leal, 877-856-1772.

Cancer Exercise Rehab Group – Ongoing every Tuesday and Thursday, 8:00 – 11:00 AM, NMC Rehab gym, Cobblestone Building. Featuring Wendy Lawrence, certified NMC Oncology Rehab Physical Therapist. Pre-registration required; call 524-1064. Free for the first 8 weeks, then \$40. A physical therapy evaluation is required to assure that the client is able to participate. This class pinpoints the common needs of patients, which include decreased range of motion, decreased strength, and cancer-related fatigue.

Prenatal Fitness, every Wednesday, 5:30

– 6:30 PM, NMC Wellness & Fitness Room. Featuring Stephanie Preedom, AFAA. Pre-registration required; contact Stephanie, 802-288-1141 or stephanie.preedom@gmail.com. Free to Northwestern OB/GYN patients. Northwestern OB/GYN offers these free prenatal exercise sessions to strengthen and prepare you for a successful birthing experience. Join other moms as we lead you through a customized routine designed to make you feel energized and confident. Please consult a physician before beginning this exercise program.

Program now enrolling First Time Mothers: Franklin County Home Health Agency's Nurse Family Partnership Program (NFP) helps first time mothers in Franklin, Lamoille, and Grand Isle counties. NFP is an evidenced based program that enrolls mothers during pregnancy and provides them with regular nurse visits until their child's second birthday. Nurses provide support, education and counseling on health, behavioral, and self-sufficiency issues. Interested women and their healthcare providers can call 802-527-7531 for more information.

Vermont Quit Partners Fresh Start Tobacco Cessation Class, Wednesdays, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM, NMC Cobblestone Building, Suite 202. Pre-registration required; to sign up for a session call Chari, 524-8480. Free. Enter this class at any time and join others for this series to help you successfully quit smoking. Sessions include: understanding why you have an addiction and how to quit; mastering the first few days, mastering obstacles; and staying quit and enjoying it forever. When you are ready to quit, the tools and support can make all the difference. We can provide you with what you need to be successful! As a Vermont resident, you can get free patches, gum and lozenges.

Healing Circle Women's Cancer Support Group: first Tuesday of every month, 4:30 PM socialize, 5:00 – 6:30 PM meeting, Northwestern Medical Center Conference Franklin Room. Pre-registration not required; free. A self-help cancer support group for

women of all ages and lifestyles who have cancer. At our monthly meetings, we share information, offer each other support and comfort, and learn new things from speakers. We extend an invitation to any woman who has cancer, whether you are newly diagnosed or a long term survivor. Please call 802-524-8479 with any questions or to RSVP (not required).

Have You Lost a Loved One to Suicide? Second Thursday of every month, 6:00 – 7:30 PM, Northwestern Medical Center's Grand Isle Room. Pre-registration not required; free. If the answer to the question is "yes," please consider attending a free, confidential group that meets monthly in St. Albans. Everyone in the group, including its facilitators, has had someone close to them take their life and knows how devastating that experience can be. You can just come and listen to others share what they are going through and how they are coping or you can share your own story. The choice is always yours to do what feels best to you. For more information on dates, times, and location or to answer any questions you may have call Tony, 802-393-6503.

Chronic Disease Support Group Workshops: Various times and locations. Pre-registration required; contact Deana Chase, LICSW, 802-370-5626. Free. Are you or someone you know living with a chronic health condition? Then the Healthier Living Workshop is for you! Learn to feel better by learning how to deal with frustration, fatigue, and pain, manage symptoms and medications, and improve strength and flexibility. Each session is 2½ hours once a week, for six weeks.

Shadows of the Moon Autism Support Group: for one-on-one phone support, please call Cheryl at 802-868-7745 or Laura at 802-849-2817.

Alzheimer's Support Group: last Tuesday of each month, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, Northwestern Medical Center Franklin Room. Pre-registration required. Free. This group is for those with Alzheimer's and caregivers, family members, and friends and is facilitated by Amanda Wilson. Please call the 24/7 Helpline at 800-272-3900 or visit alz.org/Vermont to confirm details.

Parkinson's Support Group: second Tuesday of each month, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, Pillsbury Senior Community, conference room next to the library on the first floor, 3 Harborview Dr., St. Albans. Pre-registration not required. Contact Pat, 802-524-5520, or Judy 815-895-2312. Free. This group is open to those with Parkinson's and their caregivers including family and loved ones. The monthly meetings can provide an open forum to share experience with others who are coping with Parkinson's disease, gaining education and support. Wheelchair accessible.

Breastfeeding Moms Group: first Wednesday of each month, 10:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Please call 527-5586 to find location of next group. Pre-registration required; call 527-5586. Free. This group meets once a month for snacks, crafting activities, making baby blankets, and information

from the experts.

Breastfeeding and Infant Massage Group: second Wednesday of each month, 9:30 – 11:15 AM, Alburgh Library. No pre-registration required. Free. Join other moms and babies to learn how to massage your baby and discover more about breastfeeding and parenting.

Latch On! Discussion Group: third Saturday of each month, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Northwestern Medical Center Family Birth Center. No pre-registration required. Free. Learn about breastfeeding and share your stories. Enjoy light refreshments and connect with other moms.

Baby Bumps Support Group for Mothers and Pregnant Women, second and fourth Monday of the month, 4:00 – 5:00 PM, Northwestern Medical Center Family Birthing Center. Pre-registration required. Contact Rhonda Desrochers at Franklin County Home Health Agency, 802-527-7531. Free. Pregnancy can be a wonderful time of your life. But it can also be a time of stress that is often compounded by hormonal swings. If you are a pregnant woman, or have recently given birth and feel you need some help with managing the emotional bumps in the road that can come with motherhood, please come to this free support group led by an experienced pediatric Registered Nurse. This group is for both pregnant women and mothers. Presented jointly by Franklin County Home Health Agency, Northwest Counseling and Support Services, Northwestern Medical Center, and the Vermont Department of Health.

Foot Clinics: various times and locations. Pre-registration required. Call Franklin County Home Health Agency, 802-527-7531 to schedule. Fee: \$20. Regular care of your feet can prevent problems. If you are an elderly and/or disabled person who is unable to do your own foot care, please consider attending a Foot Clinic. Franklin County Home Health Agency offers monthly Foot Clinics throughout the year in St. Albans, Swanton, Franklin, East Fairfield, and Enosburg.

Who's Your Person, What's Your Plan? (End of Life Planning): We plan for all life's milestones – marriage, birth, retirement. But few of us have plans in place for our end of life. And none of us can plan for the unexpected. Do you know who you want to speak for you and make medical decisions for you when you can't do this for yourself? Everyone 18 years and older should have a Health Care Agent – your person to speak on your behalf. By completing an advance directive you can provide this information to your family and physician. Start this conversation with your family before you are in a health crisis. Information and materials to help facilitate your conversation are available at <http://www.fchha.org/healthcareagent/> as well as www.starttheconversationvt.org. You can also call Franklin County Home Health Agency to learn more about completing an advance directive. We are also available to speak to community groups. Start the Conversation today. It's a gift.

United Way of Northwest Vermont – Volunteer Connection Listings

By Sue Alenick

United Way Volunteer Columnist

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RESOLUTION RUN & WALK – RunVermont needs volunteers for a couple of hours on Monday, December 31 to help out at this event. Volunteers can help out on the course keeping runners safe, with parking, inside with the food area and packet pick-up. Most shifts are two to three hours and the event runs from 3:30 – 5:00 PM. Sign up to volunteer at <https://runsignup.com/resolutionrunandwalk/volunteer>.

DONATIONS PROCESSING – Green Mountain Habitat for Humanity ReStore is in need of volunteer help to unload incoming donations, clean, test, sort and/or price items, and do some research, if needed. Flexible scheduling through 6:00 PM on weekdays and 5:00 PM on weekends. Regular volunteers earn 20% off ReStore items! Contact Allison DeVoe, 318-7533 or adevoe@vetmonthabitat.org.

TECH BUDDIES NEEDED – City of Winooski is seeking volunteer Tech Buddies to help seniors navigate technology through hands-on teaching. Contact Olivia Miller, 655-6410, Ext. 12, or volunteer@winooski.vt.gov.

SHARE THE GIFT OF MUSIC – Ethan Allen Residence is searching for volunteers to share their musical talents with their elder residents. Singing groups, pianists, guitarists... you don't have to be a professional! Just come and share your musical gifts with a very appreciative audience. Contact Cameron Segal, 1-843-408-7114 or csegal@livingwellgroup.org.

IT'S STORY TIME! – Fletcher Free Library invites volunteers to bring stories, music, and

educational fun to home child cares in Burlington through its Early Literacy Outreach Program and help improve kindergarten readiness. Contact Rebecca Goldberg, 865-7216 or rgoldberg@burlingtonvt.gov.

DAYTIME SUPPORT – Brain Injury Association of Vermont has need of a volunteer to co-facilitate their Burlington Daytime Area Support Group. The Group meets on the last Friday of the month, from 12:00 – 1:00 PM at the Department of Labor, Pearl St., Burlington. No experience is needed, just a willingness to listen and be supportive of survivors and their families. Retirees, students, and brain injury survivors are encouraged to apply! For information, support1@biavt.org.

FRONT OFFICE – Milton Family Community Center is in need of front office volunteer held to greet guests, answer phones, print and copy documents, compile Microsoft Excel spreadsheets, and more. Contact Kelly Hughes, 893-1457 or khughes@miltonfamilycenter.org.

PRECIOUS TIME – Bayada Hospice invites volunteers to share time with their terminally ill patients. Hold a hand, sing a song, read a story, share a hobby, share a memory. Thirty minutes of your time can make a huge difference! Interview and background check required. Contact Beverly Hill, 448-1610 or bhill2@bayada.com.

SAFE & WARM – Community Health Centers of Burlington needs volunteers at their low-barrier shelter for those experiencing homelessness. Volunteers help guests have access to relationships with the larger community, support guests getting settled in by showing them around, getting snacks, help with meal service at 6:30 PM each night, provide entertainment such as music, storytelling, and conversation, etc. The Shelter offers services from November 1-June 15 each day from 6:00 PM – 8:00 AM. Volunteers can commit to one shift every week or every other week. Contact Anne Leaver, aleaver@chcb.org.

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name in the drawing for tickets, through Friday, December 28. The show is appropriate for grades PreK-5 and is on Thursday, January 10 at 6:00 PM.

Fiction Book Discussion: Norse Mythology by Neil Gaiman. Gaiman has long been inspired by ancient mythology in creating the fantastical realms of his fiction. Now he turns his attention back to the source, presenting a bravura rendition of the great northern tales. Pick up a copy at the Library and join us on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:00 PM.

Mystery Book Discussion: Girl in the Spider's Web by David Lagercrantz. Lisbeth Salander, genius hacker who has always been an outsider, and Mikael Blomkvist, crusading editor of *Millennium*, return in this high-octane follow-up to Stieg Larsson's The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest. All are welcome to pick up a copy of the book at the Library and join the discussion on Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 PM.

Holiday Sweater Coloring Show: Thank you to the many young (and not so young) artists who decorated a cut-out sweater for our walls. We have red sweaters, reindeer sweaters, painted sweaters, snowman sweaters, ugly sweaters, pom pom sweaters, and sweaters with stickers, buttons, and stars. Hanging together on the walls they make a bright and merry sight indeed. If you decorated a sweater come find yours on the wall and admire those of your friends and neighbors. All entries will be on display throughout the month of December.

Knit Night: Want some company while you knit? Knitters of all abilities welcome. Join us on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 8:00 PM in the third floor lounge.

Free Coffee and Tea: Warm yourself with a hot cup of coffee or tea during the cold winter season. The beverage table is to the left of the circulation desk on the ground floor. Help yourself and sip while you browse, read, work or gather with friends.

Open Monday and Wednesday, 10:00 AM – 8:00 PM; Tuesday and Thursday, 1:00 – 6:00 PM; Friday, 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM; Saturday, 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Richmond Free Library, 201 Bridge St., P.O. Box 997, Richmond, VT 05477; 434-3036; 434-3223 (fax); www.richmondfreelibraryvt.org.

DOROTHY ALLING MEMORIAL LIBRARY, WILLISTON
All events free. Children 8 and younger must be accompanied by an adult while at the library.

Preschool Music: Mondays, 11:00 AM (except December 24, library closed) and Thursdays, 10:30 AM (except December 20). Up to age 5 with a caregiver. No pre-registration. Limit one session per week per family.

Thursday Playtime: Thursdays, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Preschoolers and their caregivers are invited for an informal playtime following our Preschool Music program. For children birth to age 5.

Harry Potter's Terrific Tuesday: Tuesday, December 18, 3:00 – 4:00 PM. Celebrate Harry Potter's 20th birthday with read-aloud

magical activities and a snack. Grades 3 and up. 8th Grade Challenge Project.

Preschool Story Time: Tuesdays, 10:30 AM. Stories and a simple craft activity. December 18: Hello Winter! No story time December 25. All ages.

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

FAIRFAX COMMUNITY LIBRARY

All events are free unless noted. Pre-registration encouraged. www.fairfaxvtlibrary.org, 802-849-2420. Call or email libraryprograms@fwsu.org.

Youth events

Tuesday, December 18, 9:30 – 10:30 AM: Preschool Story Hour. Join us for themed stories, songs, and activities for ages 0-6. No registration necessary.

Wednesday, December 19, 3:00 – 4:00 PM: STEM Club. Kids age 6+ will build stem kits with local inventor Ralph Lemnah. Must register.

Friday, December 28, 4:00 – 5:30 PM: Stuffed Animal Sleepover Drop-off. Kids will drop off their Stuffies, listen to a story, and say goodnight. Then the Stuffies will have a sleepover at the library and we'll give them a camera to record all the fun they have.

Saturday, December 29, 9:30 – 10:30 AM: Stuffed Animal Sleepover Pancake Breakfast. Kids will come back to the library in the morning to collect their Stuffies and enjoy a pancake breakfast while they watch a slideshow of all the fun their stuffed animals had. Gluten free pancakes will be available upon request. Please let us know about any other food allergies.

Adult events

Thursday, December 20, 5:30 – 7:30: Tea and Bristles: Holiday Edition. Local artist Kimberly Degraff will teach this family-friendly special edition of Tea and Bristles. This is a great event for adults and youth alike. Children ages 8 and up (accompanied by an adult) are welcome to join in to make a festive painting of cardinals in the snow. Cost is \$20 for materials, snacks and instruction.

For up-to-date info about programs, visit our website: www.fairfaxvtlibrary.org, where you can also find a link to the interactive Google calendar. Monday, Wednesday 8:30 AM – 5:30 PM; Tuesday, Thursday 8:30 AM – 8:00 PM; Friday 8:30 AM – 3:15 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

BROWNELL LIBRARY, ESSEX JUNCTION

Throughout December – Enter to win one pair of tickets to Flynn Center's upcoming performance of *The Magic School Bus: Lost in the Solar System*

Tuesday, December 18, 9:10 – 9:30 AM: Story Time for Toddlers. Picture books, songs, rhymes, and puppets for toddlers with an adult.

Tuesday, December 18, 10:00 – 10:45 AM: Story Time for Preschoolers. Picture books, sign language, songs, rhymes, flannel stories, and early math activities for preschoolers.

Tuesday, December 18, 2:30 – 4:00 PM: Create a Cookie. Decorate a cookie with us.

Tuesday, December 18, 7:00 – 9:00 PM: Brownell Library Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, December 19, 10:00 – 10:45 AM: Story Time for Preschoolers. Picture books, songs, rhymes, flannel stories, and early math activities for preschoolers. Repeat of Tuesday program.

Wednesday, December 19, 12:00 and 1:00 PM: Tech Help with Cliff. Offering one-on-one technology help. Reservation required. Please call 878-6955 at least 24 hours in advance.

Wednesday, December 19, 3:00 – 4:00 PM: Zine Club. Explore different writing styles and art techniques as you create a zine. What's a zine? These underground publications are cheaply made printed forms of expression on any subject. For grades 6 and up.

Wednesday, December 19, 3:15 – 4:15 PM: Read with Daisy. Daisy loves to listen to kids read every Wednesday. She is certified by Therapy Dogs of Vermont. Daisy's owner is Maddie Nash, retired school counselor. For all ages.

Thursday, December 20, 3:30 – 4:30 PM: Knitting Club. Come knit with us! Work on a project or start a new one. Don't know how to knit? We'll get you started. Use our materials or bring your own. For students ages 7 and up.

Friday, December 21, 3:30 – 4:30 PM: STEAM Fridays. Create and explore with Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. This month we're making circuits, candy cane playdough, and pinecone art. Call or check online for program details.

Friday, December 21, 9:30 – 10:00 AM: Baby Time. Come to meet other families, listen to a story, learn some sign language, and play.

Friday, December 21, 6:30 – 8:30 PM: Family movie. Free popcorn and drinks!

Monday-Tuesday, December 24-25: Library closed for the holidays

Thursday, December 27, 3:30 – 4:30 PM: Winter Stories with Linda Costello. Come hear a collection of winter folk Friday, December 28, 9:30 – 10:15 AM: Music with Raph. Come sing and play with Raph. All ages.

Friday, December 28, 6:30 – 8:30 PM: Dungeons & Dragons. Embark upon imaginary adventures. A Dungeon Master serves as this role playing game's referee and storyteller. Grades 6 and up.

Friday, December 28, 3:00 – 4:30 PM: Collage Art. Create with us! Cut out magazine pictures and make a collage. All ages.

Monday, December 31, 2:00 – 3:30 PM: Vacation movie. Free popcorn!

Monday, December 31, 5:00 PM: library closing early for the holidays.

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

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Call to artists: *The Art of Food*. Want something more satisfying than Instagrams of meals? Whether you have a photograph of the perfect meal or a classic still life or even art showing food at its most basic, established and emerging artists are invited to submit one or two pieces of artwork in any medium for *The Art of Food*. The only requirement is that the work is wired and must be able to be hung on a gallery system. This is an exhibit scheduled for January-April 2019 in the Jericho Town Hall. For more information and registration materials contact Catherine McMains, catherine.mcmains@gmail.com. Registration forms and the policies and procedures, including how to hang, can also be found under the Town Hall art tab of the Town of Jericho website and sent to Catherine McMains. The exhibit is one of an ongoing series of shows that are part of a collaborative project between the Town of Jericho and a committee of volunteers involved in the arts. The members are Jericho SelectBoard member Catherine McMains, gallery owner Emilie Alexander, and artists Dianne Shullenberger and Carla Hochschild.

John Opulski's new exhibition, *Undercurrent*, of oil and acrylic paintings through Sunday, December 30 at the Emile A Gruppe Gallery, Barber Farm Rd., Jericho. Gallery hours: Thursday-Sunday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. emilegruppegallery.com.

Bryan Memorial Gallery, Jeffersonville, presents *Heartbeat Felts*, an exhibition of wall hangings by members of the Heartbeat Lifesharing Community in Hardwick, comprised of 24 wool-felted wall hangings created by thirteen members of the Heartbeat Community. The hangings are installed in the Gallery's Middle Room through Sunday, December 23. Heartbeat is a vibrant lifesharing-community and licensed therapeutic residence that includes adults with developmental disabilities and interweaves the social and agricultural realms for the healing and renewing of our society and the earth. Bryan Memorial Gallery is honored to present this exhibition of felted wall hangings as an expression of the gallery's commitment to the community. Also at Bryan, *Gems and Giants*, an exhibition of 150 artworks by its gallery members in a small format (smaller than 8" x 10") and in a large format (at least 36" in one single direction). An annual event, all members of Bryan Memorial Gallery may submit three small format works to this exhibit, which encourages the gift of art for holiday giving. New this year is the addition of *Giants* to the mix, with works by gallery members juried into this aspect of the show. The works will be shown side by side in the Bryan's main gallery. Paintings range from landscapes to abstracts, from florals and still lifes to drawings and a small selection of sculptures. Artists are primarily from northern and central Vermont. The exhibit concludes on Sunday, December 23. Bryan Memorial Gallery, 180 Main St., Jeffersonville; 802-644-5100; www.bryangallery.org. Gallery hours: Thursday-Sunday, 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM, and by appointment.

Visions of Vermont Art Galleries in Jeffersonville is open Tuesday-Sunday, 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Hosts Jane and Terry Shaw, 644-8183; Visions of Vermont, 100 Main St., Jeffersonville. For more information, visit www.visionsofvermont.com.

Burlington City Art Center will run two exhibitions through February 9, 2019: *Tectonic Industries: Dreams Can Come True (If It's Not Working For You, You're Not Doing It Right)*, and *Pauline Jennings: Becoming Human*. BCA Center, 135 Church St., Burlington; 802-865-7166 or www.burlingtoncityarts.org.

Upcoming Events & Workshops at the Milton Artists' Guild: please visit <https://www.miltonartistsguild.org/workshops>. Milton Artists' Guild Art Center & Gallery, 199 U.S. Rt. 7 South, Milton.

Helen Day Art Center, 90 Pond St., Stowe; www.helenday.com; 802-253-8358. The gallery is open Tuesday-Saturday, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM and by appointment.

At River Arts, Morrisville: Youth Drop-In: Big & Messy Art Space, every first and third Sunday of the month, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM, \$5 suggested donation. Bring the little ones to create fantastic structures that challenge possibility: a fort? A tower? Let your imagination run wild! Music & Movement, first Friday of the month, 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM, free. Open Gym Playgroup, free, every Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 AM. Drop-In for adults and teens: River Arts Photo Co-op, every third Thursday, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, \$5 suggested donation. Poetry Clinic, every first and third Tuesday, 6:00 – 8:00 PM, \$5 suggested donation. Open Studio Figure Drawing, first and third Tuesdays from 3:00 – 5:30 PM, \$10/session, punch cards available. River Arts of Morrisville Inc., 74 Pleasant St., Morrisville; 802-888-1261, <http://www.riverartsvt.org>.

At UVM's Fleming Museum, Burlington, *House to Home*, showcasing a selection of cultural, ethnographic, and decorative art objects from Africa, Asia, Europe, the Americas, and Oceania, ranging from antiquity to the present and examining the meaning of home. Fleming Museum, 61 Colchester Ave., Burlington.

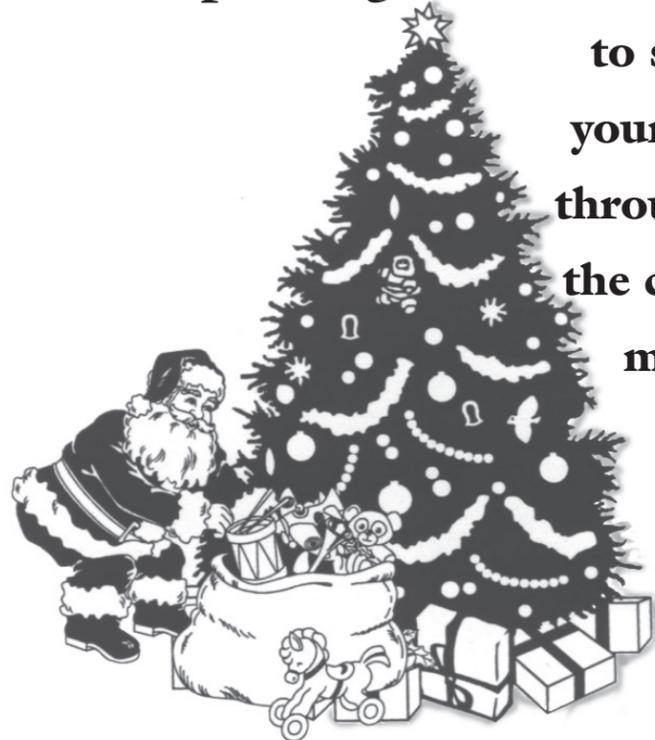
At Shelburne Museum in the Gallery, *Mapping an Uneven Country: Bird's Eye Views of Vermont* investigates the popular phenomenon of "perspective" or "bird's eye" views that sprang up during the second half of the 19th century through more than three dozen drawn, painted, and printed views of the Green Mountain State. Often created by itinerant painters or roving "Map Men," these depictions presented orderly visions of growing towns and highlighted civic development, industry, and technological advancements. Mingling facts with a measure of imagination,

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these stunning panoramas were frequently displayed in homes and businesses and were intended to boost commercial and investment interest while also stimulating civic pride. In the Gallery of the Pizzagalli Center through Sunday, January 13, *New England Now* features works by contemporary artists organized around thematic subject matters. The exhibit challenges the notion of the Northeast's long-accepted stereotype as stagnant and quaint, and instead plumbs its evolving identities and complex beauty. Building upon scholarship on the visual construction of the region, this exhibition explores the contemporary landscape, capturing the changing environment. From disintegrating historic buildings and disappearing "virgin" land, *New England Now* reveals our evolving

landscape. The Museum is open daily 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM; except on December 24 closes at 2:00 PM, and is closed December 25 and 31 and January 1. Shelburne Museum, 6000 Shelburne Rd., Shelburne; 802-985-3346; www.shelburnemuseum.org.

MUSIC

On Thursday, December 20, the community is invited to attend the Mount Mansfield Union High School (MMUHS) Holiday Choral Concert at 7:00 PM in the MMUHS Auditorium, Browns Trace, Jericho. This evening of song to celebrate the season features the MMU Men's Chorus, Women's Madrigal Singers, Select Chorus, and Concert Choir conducted by Caleb Pillsbury, as well as the MMU student-directed *a cappella* groups. Choirs will perform holiday favorites as well as dynamic choral works by Vivaldi and Menotti, and will finish with the annual invitation to MMU Alumni, parents, and community members in performing the *Hallelujah Chorus* by Handel. Free.

Folknight Richmond makes its debut as a new event for Richmond, VT's New Year's Eve, carrying on the tradition of the wonderful celebrations put on over many years by Tim Whiteford. The night will be hosted by Vermont's own roots power trio *Pete's Posse*, who will be sharing the stage with some of the finest musicians in New England roots music! Performers from Young Tradition Vermont (YoungTraditionVermont.org) will be kicking off the show, followed by Emerald Rae (EmeraldRae.com). Fiddler and folksinger Emerald Rae brings the duo of strings and song to a new plateau with mesmerizing dexterity. Hailing from the historic fishing community of Gloucester, MA, Emerald Rae is both a small-town girl steeped in cherished folk traditions and a world-class artist breaking new ground with inventive fiddle effects. Next up will be *Old Sky* (oldskyvt.bandcamp.com), an Americana outfit located in Burlington, VT featuring Andrew Stearns and Shay Gestal. Since 2012 they've been creating music with an emphasis on powerful harmonies and a keen respect for traditional roots. Finishing up the evening will be *Pete's Posse* (Petesposse.com), Vermont's own trad-roots power trio! Composed of acclaimed musician Pete Sutherland, his talented protégé Oliver Scanlon, and the uber-dynamic Tristan

Henderson, *Pete's Posse* never fails to surprise and excite! Twin fiddles in tight, wild harmony over high-powered guitar and pounding foot percussion with mandolin, clawhammer banjo, jaw harp, rocking keyboards, and soaring vocal harmonies adding color to the Posse's sonic landscape. Folknight Richmond is a benefit for the Richmond Historical Society, a non-profit dedicated to preserving and promoting the history of Richmond, including the National Historic Landmark, Richmond's Round Church. This musical event will take place on Monday December 31, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Richmond Congregational Church, located on Church St. in Richmond Village. Admission will be by a suggested donation of \$20 per person. The church is handicapped accessible. Doors open 6:30 PM. For more information: folknightrichmond@gmail.com or 802-434-3654.

The Cathedral Church of St. Paul in Burlington presents a series of free (donations appreciated) *Tuesday noon series* concerts. Bring a bag lunch; coffee and tea are provided. The Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 2 Cherry St., Burlington is at the corner of Battery and Cheery Streets, with entry on Cherry St. Parking, \$4 per hour in the Cathedral lot (free with handicap plates or tags), or two hours free in the Lakeview City Garage across Cherry St. (enter next to Hotel Vermont). Tickets are sold at the door. January 8: Young Artists Showcase Recital. An annual concert featuring some of Vermont's most gifted emerging musicians. April 30: *Gotta Play Schubert – Again!* Last spring we hosted a performance of Schubert's *Octet* for a mixed ensemble of woodwinds and strings made up of players from the Craftsbury Chamber Players, Scrag Mountain Music, TurnMusic, and the Vermont Symphony. Because we all had such a good time, they're gleefully going to do it again. May 28: Mount Mansfield Union High School Chorus, Caleb Pillsbury, director. This fine chorus of young singers shares highlights of their spring program. June 11: *Syrinx*, Glenn Sproul, Director. Since 2001, *Syrinx* has offered quality choral music from various traditions to the community, especially to those in senior living communities. From Bach to Broadway, by way of spirituals and other genres, they embody the pleasure that the gift of music can offer.

OFFICIAL WARNING

ANNUAL MEETING JERICHO UNDERHILL PARK DISTRICT

The legal voters of the towns of Jericho and Underhill in the County of Chittenden and the State of Vermont are hereby warned and notified to meet at the Deborah Rawson Memorial Library (project room) in Jericho, Vermont on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM to act on the following articles:

Article 1.	Election of a Moderator
Article 2.	Act on Report of Trustees
Article 3.	Shall the District authorize the Trustees to borrow money for the temporary needs of the District?
Article 4.	Adoption of a budget
Article 5.	Other business thought proper when met.

Proposed budget is \$51,395

Dated at Jericho, Vermont, December 10, 2018

Livy Strong *Chair*
Judie Jones
Marie Lynch *Vice Chair*
Dave Williamson
Carol Smith *Treasurer*
Suzanne Graham
James Massingham *Secretary*

OBITUARIES



Ian Ross Lowe of Jericho, VT passed away suddenly on Sunday, December 2, 2018 at the Medical Center of Vermont hospital in Burlington, VT of causes likely related to neurofibromatosis Type I, a genetic condition. Ian, son of Jayne and Andy Lowe, now of Jericho, was born in 1986 and lived with his parents until his death. Ian and his family had recently moved back to Vermont from Cape Cod, MA, where they had lived for five years. Previously they lived in Elmore, VT. While living in Elmore, Ian attended high school at Peoples Academy in Morrisville, VT and graduated from Lamoille Union High School in Hyde Park, VT. He took several semesters of college classes at Community College of Vermont and also attended Johnson State College. Ian was a gifted writer and was working on a fantasy/sci-fi novel. He was a voracious reader as well, enjoying books, movies, and web content ranging from H.P. Lovecraft to *Game of Thrones* to astrophysics. His quirky sense of humor was fueled by influences from Monty Python to George Carlin. Ian was a passionate gamer, and had extensive on-line connections world-wide through his interactive gaming experiences. Since moving back to Vermont he had connected with a local Dungeons and Dragons group, and met with them weekly for D&D games, which he played enthusiastically and thoroughly enjoyed. Ian was also a tea connoisseur, enjoying several cups daily, and was constantly scanning on-line for new and exotic teas. Ian loved animals and especially cats, and had adopted four cats over the years from North Country Animal League (NCAL) in Morrisville, including three still living with the family. The family suggests that donations could be made to NCAL in his name in lieu of flowers or other observations of his passing.

Marion Ruth (Stromberg) Nelson, age 86, of Westford, VT passed away Tuesday, December



11, 2018 at the University of Vermont Medical Center, Burlington, VT after a brief period of illness. She was surrounded and held by loving family the last days of her life. She was born on July 6, 1932, in Chicago, IL, where she lived most of her life and raised her family. She was a graduate of North Park Academy. In 1953, she married Stanley Carl Nelson, and worked for five years as a secretary. With the birth of her first child, she devoted the rest of her life to being a mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

She and her husband relocated to Vermont in 1994 to be close to their daughters and grandchildren, who had moved two years earlier. She is survived by her two daughters, Dianne Smith with husband Tom, and Janice Emanuelsson with husband Morgan; grandchildren Shannon Smith Wells (husband Jim), Tom Smith (wife Liz), Lina Emanuelsson, and Calle Emanuelsson; great-grandchildren Minnette Wells, Claire Wells, Ellyson Smith, and Axel Smith, ages three months to five years. She was predeceased by her husband, Stan, in 2016. The family would like to thank the wonderful nursing staff and providers at UVMC, who cared for her during the last week of her life. They extend a special thank you to the angelic staff of Green Mountain Nursing Home, who cared for her so lovingly the last 2½ years of her life, and the staff at Sterling House Assisted Living in Richmond, VT, who tenderly cared for her in 2015-2016. She was carried home in the arms of angels. We love you, Grandma. A memorial service will be held at her home church in Chicago, IL at a later date, to be laid to rest beside her husband, Stanley. Arrangements are in the care of the Cremation Society of Chittenden County. To send online condolences to her family please visit www.cremationsocietycc.com.

It is with great sadness and heavy hearts we announce the passing of **Austin M. Putzier** of Jericho, VT on Monday, December 3, 2018. He was born in Burlington, VT on July 1, 2002 to Tony and Joanne (Poirier) Putzier. Austin attended Jericho schools and was a junior this year at Mount Mansfield Union High School. Austin was a calm, gentle, sweet, caring person who loved animals, skiing at Smugglers' Notch, video games, and Jericho Youth baseball and soccer. A loyal friend, Austin will be greatly missed and fondly remembered by all who knew and loved him. Austin is survived by his loving parents Tony and Joanne Putzier, his twin sister Brooke Putzier, brother Corey Bessette and his fiancé Shannon Leggett and daughter Makenna, grandmother Mary Jane Putzier, grandfather John Putzier and his wife Cathy, grandparents Jessie and Roger Giroux, aunt Barbara Poirier, uncles Eddie Racine, Chris Putzier and his wife Pam, Ed Putzier and his wife Heather Gonyeau, Tim Putzier and his wife Darcy, Brad Faucher and his wife Kim, cousins Nicole Poirier, Thomas Faucher, Michael Putzier, Alex Putzier, Aleisha Poirier Gavin Putzier, Ryan Putzier and Jakobe Putzier who was his special brother. Visiting hours were held Monday, December 10, 2018 at the Essex Alliance Church, 37 Old Stage Rd., Essex Junction, VT with a service at the same location on Tuesday, December 11, 2018. The funeral directors at Corbin and Palmer Funeral Home, 9 Pleasant St., Essex Junction, assisted with arrangements. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to First Call, 1138 Pine St., Burlington, VT 05401.



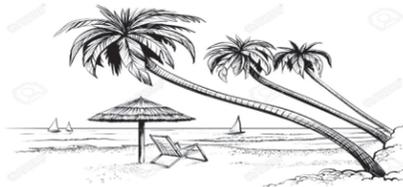
On Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Jericho Town Hall, 67 VT Route 15, Jericho, Vermont, the Town of Jericho Selectboard will hold a public hearing to solicit comments on the proposed FY20 Capital Budget. The public is invited to attend and offer comments on the proposed budget. Copies may be viewed outside the Town Clerks office between the hours of 8:00 am and 3:00 pm or at www.jerichovt.gov.

TOWN OF JERICHO PUBLIC HEARING ON CAPITAL BUDGET

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TOWN OF JERICHO- DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Jericho Development Review Board will hold a public hearing at 7:00 pm on **WEDNESDAY January 9, 2019** at the Jericho Town Hall to consider the following

- A request to the DRB by Julie Marks for a conditional use review for an accessory apartment. The property is located at 32 Tarbox Road which is located in the Rural Agricultural Residential District.

All interested persons may appear and be heard. Additional information related to this application may be viewed at the Jericho Planning and Zoning Office during regular business hours.

Chris Flinn
Zoning Administrator
cflinn@jerichovt.gov

Forest Service encourages snowmobilers to exercise caution

With additional snow expected in the coming weeks, the U.S. Forest Service is looking forward to a successful snowmobile season and wants to encourage all riders to put safety first. Green Mountain National Forest (GMNF) officials are recommending that snowmobilers exercise caution when operating on the National Forest, and all lands, in Vermont this winter. GMNF officials remind snowmobile enthusiasts to heed to all gates and signs and to stay off roads and trails that are closed. Due to heavy snow in November, Forest Service employees and several snowmobile clubs throughout Vermont have been working to clear trees and other debris from trails. Officials want to remind trail users to use extra caution early in the season as some trees may be weak due to snow accumulation, and downed tree hazards are likely.

Weather permitting, snowmobile use is allowed on designated trails within the GMNF for four months beginning on Sunday, December 16 and ending on Monday, April 15, 2019. "We are concerned about user safety. Patrols aimed at enforcing rules and regulations, monitoring trail conditions, and providing visitor information will occur throughout the Forest," said John Sinclair, Forest Supervisor for the Green Mountain and Finger Lakes National Forests. The GMNF will continue to work closely with state and local law enforcement agencies as well as the VT Association of Snow Travelers (VAST) to make sure that users of the trail system are respectful, responsible, law abiding, and safe.

The GMNF and VAST cooperate to maintain more than 470 miles of National Forest System trails that are part of the larger statewide snowmobile network. VAST is one of a few snowmobile associations in the United States that has a cooperative partnership agreement with the U.S. Forest Service. "All of these trails allow mixed uses, so people are snowshoeing, hiking, and cross-country skiing, as well as using snowmobiles. Snowmobilers should travel responsibly and yield to other users," said Sinclair. The maximum speed is 35 miles per hour on state and federal land, and Vermont has a tough Snowmobiling While Intoxicated Law that covers alcohol as well as drugs.

The U.S. Forest Service is also warning the public of the dangers associated with riding, hiking, and skiing on frozen water bodies. Trail users are encouraged to be mindful of fallen trees and other hazards they may encounter. Operators must maintain control of their snowmobile while riding, keep to the right at all times, wear helmets, and stay on designated trails only. All snowmobiles must be legally registered, have liability insurance, and operators must purchase a VAST Trails Maintenance Assessment decal. Officials also encourage winter trail users to pack a flashlight, cell phone, food, and extra warm clothing in case of an emergency.

VT Fish & Wildlife offers info on bird feeding basics

With winter weather now taking hold, Vermonters are readying their bird feeders. "Birds of all species have very interesting behaviors, shapes, and plumage, and have captured the human imagination for millennia. Winter feeding is an opportunity to witness first-hand the fascinating array of bird life, often near our homes," said John Buck, VT Fish & Wildlife's migratory bird biologist.

Make sure your feeders are free of potentially harmful germs by cleaning them with a very dilute (10%) chlorine solution and rinsing with water. This will greatly reduce the possibility of bacteria and viruses being harbored at the feeder. And position feeders far enough from windows and other glass structures to reduce the likelihood of birds colliding into them. Collisions are a major source of bird mortality each year and feeders 4-10' away from windows cause the most problems as birds flush off a feeder and hit windows with a lot of speed. Additionally, keep cats inside, as domestic cats kill billions of birds worldwide each year and birdfeeders can make birds particularly easy prey for them.

According to Buck, birds are quite capable of finding food in the wild but are attracted to feeders because of the relative ease with which they can find it at a feeder. Some common seed types that attract birds are sunflower, thistle, and millet. These are sold separately and in combination at most general hardware stores, as are a host of feeder types and styles. Suet from your local meat cutter is a favorite of many birds. Another way to feed birds is to leave your late-blooming flower gardens uncut to allow the birds to pick at seed heads of flowers like black-eyed Susans and other cone flowers. If you have the space, growing your own sunflowers and letting them stand is another great source of 'natural' food.

Vermonters who feed birds will have plenty of company. According to a 2011 report by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, 63% of Vermont residents identified themselves as bird watchers around their respective homes and nearly half of all households in Vermont feed birds. The state also leads the nation with 39% of residents participating in bird watching away from home. Bird feeding and watching can be a boon to local businesses too, with an estimated \$12.4 million in annual bird seed sales, and a total of \$65 million in all bird watching supplies sold in Vermont each year.

Vermonters wishing to do more for birds can make a tax-deductible donation to the Nongame Wildlife Fund on line 29 of the state tax returns, or by donating to the fund directly at www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

College Honors

Nicole Cutler of Waterbury, VT, a student at Vermont Technical College, Randolph Center, VT has been named to the U.S. College Athletic Association All-American Team in Women's Cross Country.

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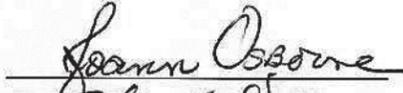
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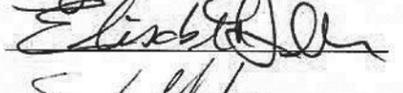
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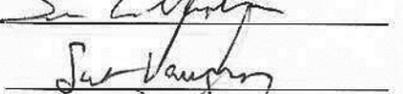
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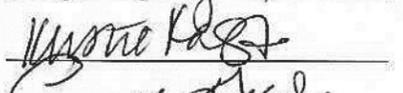
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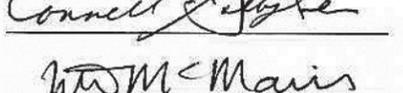
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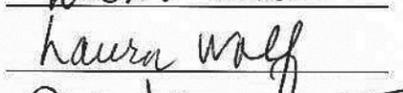
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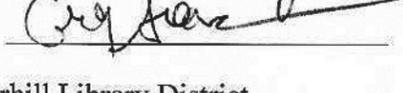
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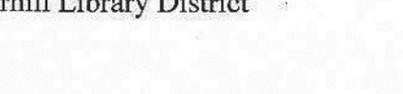
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