



Dollar General proposed for Route 15 in Jericho

By Brenda Boutin
Mountain Gazette Staff

The Jericho Development Review Board (DRB) met on Thursday, June 6, 2013 for an application for Conditional Use Approval for the proposed Dollar General store to be located at 265 VT Rt. 15 in the commercial zoning district. The application was submitted by David Villeneuve, the landowner, and Zaremba Group LLC of Lakewood, OH, a development group representing Dollar General. The engineering firm is Trudell Consulting Engineers of Williston, VT.

Jennifer Murray, Jericho Planning and Development Coordinator, warned each of the three public hearings and also posted the meeting information on Front Porch Forum. As with all hearings, the DRB invites public comments prior to the close of the last hearing. Several letters arrived before the close of the last hearing and were entered into the record. Other participants submitted oral comments at the hearing.

The proposal would create a 9100 square foot building to be occupied by Dollar General. At the March 14, 2013 meeting, Dollar General Representatives Jim Goss, Matt Casey, and Abby Dery distributed a summary of their presentation. Goss stated that Jericho's regulations were comprehensive and they would try to go over all of them, and then field any questions or comments.

Dollar General's developer for this property, Matt Casey, said the operator and owner of the building will be Dollar General. He gave a brief overview of the operations of a store, noted that the proposed store would be open from 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM (unless the code required an earlier closing) and would employ 8-12 people. The store would receive one main delivery a week and smaller deliveries as needed. The proposal included 35 parking spaces, on-site wastewater disposal, and on-site water systems. The onsite

water and wastewater systems will require a permit from the VT Agency of Natural Resources.

The proposal is for New England style architecture with extensive landscaping to soften the look and the developers had met with the VT Department of Transportation (VTrans) about transportation patterns and road access for the property. The entrance drive will require a permit from VTrans.

The proposal includes two signs – one mounted on the building, with Dollar General yellow channel letters; the other a six foot ground mounted sign with a brick landscaped base. The dumpster and HVAC (heating, ventilation, and air conditioning) would be screened with a stockade fence.

One of the main issues raised is the appropriate application and interpretation of the information contained in the Town Plan. The Town Plan, available on the town website at www.jerichovt.gov, reads "The following "Vision Statement" is intended to be an expression of what we hope the Town will be like a decade hence.

"The Town of Jericho has a strong sense of community. It is not merely a bedroom community for activities elsewhere; its residents participate in local events centered around its three vital traditional village centers. The appearance and physical characteristics of these centers is such as to encourage pedestrian, bicycle, and alternate modes of transportation and reflect the historic patterns of settlement rather than acquiescing to the dominance of the automobile. Municipal buildings, schools, and other public facilities such as libraries and art galleries are in the Villages, drawing residents to these activity centers. In addition to businesses and services, the Village Centers also include a wide range of housing choices, allowing a diverse population to reside in Jericho. Residential and sprawl-like development outside of the village centers has declined as the environmental, social, and eco-

nomie costs of such development have been recognized. Small agriculturally-based enterprises, home businesses, and tourism continue to thrive. Jericho's schools and public recreation facilities are of high quality, and form an integral part of the community. Some areas of the town remain virtually untouched and still provide important habitat to some of the Northeast's most sensitive species. These concepts of Village Centers, small-scale local businesses, and preservation of natural resources are consistent with a wider view of Jericho's role in Chittenden County."

The most recent updates to Jericho's Town Plan were worked on in 2011 by seven volunteers and submitted to the community for a vote. The Town Plan is updated and reworked every five years as required by Vermont State law. The Town Plan is used as a guide by the Planning Commission to write the Land Use and Development Regulations, also available on the town website at www.jerichovt.gov. These regulations govern the DRB application process and decisions. These rules and regulations are changed and updated about once a year but can be changed more or less often. The prospective changes are warned and the public can attend these meetings to participate in the creation / modification of the rules and regulations.

"The DRB is putting a lot of time and hard work into this application," Murray said.

In the minutes of the April DRB meeting, Murray stated the parcel is located in a wellhead protection area, referring to Section 6.6 of the regulations. She said in wellhead protection zone 2, if the lot coverage is more than 50%, they WHO/WHAT have to use LID (low impact development) design principles. At the April meeting, the DRB invoked technical review of the applicant's stormwater plan by an outside consultant, and at the May meeting a revised stormwater plan was submitted, which incorporated several low-impact design principals as well as other recommendations made by the outside consultant.

According to Planning and Development Coordinator Murray, this wellhead protection area surrounds the wellhead for the water supply of Jericho East, a housing development across VT Rt. 15 from the proposed Dollar General site. The Jericho East wellhead is located on a separate parcel approximately 750' from the proposed development. This well provides water for several parcels, including Jericho East. The residents of the development voiced a major concern about the continued quality of their water and whether the drilling of a well for Dollar General will interfere with the amount of water available for both areas.

At the April meeting Jericho East resident Steve Goriak said his biggest concern is permeability, noting this is a 9100 square foot building. He asked about the footprint of the non-porous surface. He said the Jericho East wellhead is nearby and they are concerned about disruption in water supply or pollution of their well site. Mr. Goriak asked for more information about that, given it is a concern of the residents. Bert DeLaBruere, another resident of Jericho East, said the Jericho East well is downstream from the septic system and storm drainage. He stated the well feeds 82 service connections and roughly 300 people. He discussed the output of the well, noting it is only 150' deep. He said they are very concerned about the impact to the well. The wellhead is located between the proposed building site and the property housing a warehouse and a construction company where trucks and other equipment are stored. There are manure piles a short distance

Our neighbors as Role Models: Jennifer Getty

For this Thunder Road driver, winning means something different



Jennifer Getty, of Cambridge, stands next to her #25 Mustang as she awaits the start of a race at Thunder Road International Speedway, in Barre.

Photo by Buzz Fisher/CreativeOutbursts.com

By Richard Mindell

Special to the Mountain Gazette
Race car driving has traditionally been a male-dominated sport. It's also a sport where one might assume a driver needs two hands to be able to operate the car. Meet Jennifer Getty, of Cambridge, who has defied both the gender issue and the fact that she was born without a right hand to become one of the few women race car drivers ever to compete at the Thunder Road International Speedway, in Barre. And while Jennifer has never finished first, she has become a true winner in the eyes of many Vermonters. You see, winning means something different for Jennifer Getty.

Jennifer Getty started hanging around race cars at Thunder Road at the age of twelve. Her dad drove the pace car at Thunder Road and

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POLICE REPORT

On June 1, 2013 at 8:30 AM, S/T Paul Badger initiated a motor vehicle stop on Browns Trace Road in the town of Jericho, VT. The operator was identified as **Justin Smith**, 34, of Cambridge, VT. Smith was arrested for DLS-Criminal and transported to the Williston State Police Barracks. He was subsequently lodged at the Chittenden Regional Correctional Facility for two (2) outstanding warrants. The warrants were for failure to appear in court for Operation while license suspended. Smith was sited to appear in Chittenden Superior Court on July 23, 2013. Bail was set at \$550 dollars on each warrant. CASE#: 13A102075

On March 31, 2013 at approximately 3:37 PM Vermont State Police were dispatched to a family fight at a residence on Cobb Road in Walden, VT. Subsequent investigation revealed that **Christopher Hamel**, 35 of Richmond, VT, had assaulted the victim and due to a previous conviction for domestic assault he was cited on June 11, 2013 by Richmond Police to appear in Caledonia Court on August 26, 2013 to answer for the charge of 2nd Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault. CASE#: 13B101034

On the June 14, 2013, at 5:23 PM, State Police responded to Eastwind Drive, in Waterbury for a report of an assault. **Nathaniel Lord**, 39 of Waterbury, VT and **Toby Clark**, 41, of Bolton, VT, had gotten into a verbal argument, which turned physical and punches by both. They were both issued a citation for simple assault and are scheduled to appear in Washington County Superior Court - Criminal Division on August 15, 2013. CASE#: 13A302361

COMMUNITY COLUMNS

Living in a high performance home

By Tom Moore, CGP, CAPS, CGR

Potential new home customers have many times asked to see firsthand a home that has state-of-the-art framing, insulation, ventilation, renewables, automated controls, back-up systems and more. I built my own 2000 square foot retirement home to show the best of the best I know.

When one is living in an energy efficient home an obvious thing you notice is how warm it is in the winter and how cool in the summer. With R-45 walls and R-110 ceilings and triple pane windows, the heating and cooling load is tiny compared to the normal state-code home most contractors are building. In addition to the large amount of insulation, an important factor is the air tightness in the home. The home has less than one air exchange per hour at 50 pascals – very tight! The air quality in our home is extremely healthy as well. Our home has a truly balanced air exchange system that runs 20 minutes of every hour that bringing in fresh air and flushing out stale air. The system chosen for our house is a heat recovery system that has supply and return ducts to all areas of the home. This system can recirculate air throughout the house as well. Another benefit from having triple pane windows, thick walls, (12” in this case), and lots of insulation, is how quiet the home is. In the winter with windows closed, there is minimal road noise, and when huge storms come with tremendous winds, the house is like a stone castle - there are no creaking sounds as you would experience in most homes.

Also implemented in our home are some renewable energy systems. We have 36 solar PV panels connected to the power grid, a net metered system. We also installed two hot water panels for domestic hot water. Our PV roof-mounted system is rated at 7.74 Kilowatts and each panel generates 215 watts of power. This system is large enough to cover the entire electric bill for the home as well as the hot water costs. A supplemental electric element in the hot water tank turns on when the tank temperature is not hot enough. This is mostly on cloudy days in the winter months. There are two 27 square foot roof mounted flat plate solar collectors for our hot water system.

Our home has a small propane fired European wall-hung 95% efficient hot water boiler for the heating demand. Our home was originally planned to have a wood stove for its heat source, but the house is so efficient that wood heat would drive one out. The costs of heating to be extremely comfortable in this home is so affordable that the home can be kept at 68 degrees - the lowest temperature at night - and in the range of 72-76 degrees during the day.

Because the home is sited to have a perfect southern exposure and has triple-pane south facing windows with heat gain coefficients, on cold clear winter days when the sun is out, the home heats itself to between 72 to 76 degrees with no boiler involvement at all.



On these days, the door to our insulated garage is left open to let the excess heat warm it. Thermal mass also collects this heat and radiates it throughout the house when the sun is gone.

We chose a propane cooktop to be able to cook if the power is out, but we do use an electric oven. The home has a tiny decorative propane stove as its source of backup heat which is capable of heating the entire home without electricity. We set the thermostat to 60 degrees if we go away on vacation, and if the power were to go out the entire home would be heated to this temperature.

I am 60 now and the comfort factor, as well as the pride of having a minimal carbon footprint home make life in the country woods of Vermont a wonderful choice. The home has many other amenities - too many to mention: back-up power systems, a no maintenance exterior, LED lighting, as well as Universal Design elements.

For my wife and me, it is a privilege to live in a low environmental impact, energy efficient retirement home. I would highly recommend this philosophy of home to anyone. We have opened our house for visits on two National Energy Day tours in 2011 and 2012, as well as some school group tours. Our hope is that future home buyers and students will see the benefits and economics of a high performance home and will be leaders in reducing Vermont's carbon footprint.

Our home is LEED Certified and was awarded twice in 2012 with the "Innovation in Energy Saving Design and Features" by Efficiency Vermont, and "Energy Efficient Award" by the Home Builders and Remodelers Association.

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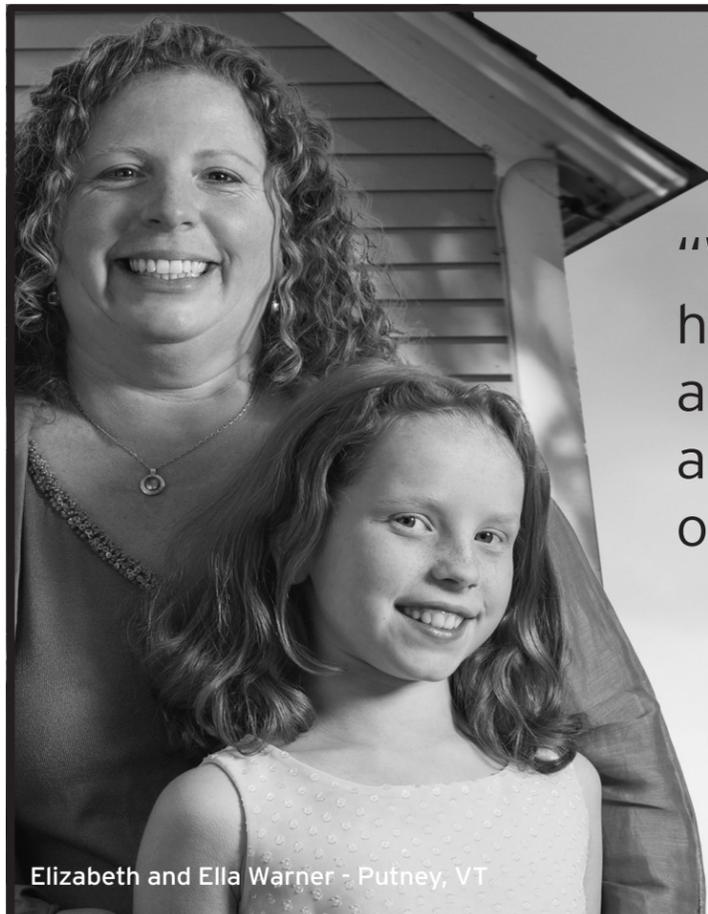
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Avian Rentals

By Suzanne Kusserow
Senior Guest Columnists

Last year it wasn't so bad. Of course, we had to zip in and out when we heard the car coming, or the porch door banging. But we learned to time ourselves pretty well: one turn around the bend and we were gone; a squawk of the porch door and we flew for the apple tree. Of course we flew; how else do you think birds get around? We have been coming here to this garage for a number of summers, and even the kids have found their way here, too. Dad and I are way too tired to do anything when we first arrive, except perch on the Adirondack chairs and rest. Somehow these humans don't seem to appreciate our sense of interior color scheme, and exterior decoration. Humans are terrible creatures (excuse me, should have been screechers) at times; owls are much more controlled. But let me tell them: if a crow sat here, they would be even more perturbed; they really have an unusual amount of irritable bowel syndrome.

But, back to this rental. It has been cheep (oops, cheap), but how much can one tolerate! We have to duck every time we carry in a bit of mud, and the guest room for the cowbird is still not finished. We had to stop production due to a lawnmower squawking right in our auriculars (they call them ears). And our next-neighbor is a silly thing. All she can do is say her name over and over and flap her stubby tail up and down. There's a fancy name for this.... something about daffodils or their cousins, narcissus? After all, who cares if your name is Phoebe....such an unattractive name and you seem to need to tell everyone....day and night. Can you imagine our family warbling Northern Rough-winged Swallow all day? Wouldn't be enough time to swallow (even birds like puns) a decent mosquito!

But this is nothing compared to the horrible experience I just had. I guess I had eaten too many override Shadbush berries, and the next morning, I took a wobbly warble and ended up in the porch. I kept batting my head against the screens and all my kids

Blazing the trail for smart camping this summer

By Lewis First, M.D.

Chief of Pediatrics at Vermont Children's Hospital

Parents have been camped out on my doorstep asking me what they can do to make sure their children stay safe and healthy when going into the woods this summer. Let me see if I can pitch some information on this topic, which is easier for me than pitching a tent.

First, plan ahead! If you have never camped before, a few day trips may be useful to help you and your family get used to wilderness basics, such as navigating in the woods, treating bites and stings, recognizing plants like poison ivy, and planning for changes in temperature and climate. Park rangers, guide books, and friends who camp often – and well – can be great resources.

Make sure you and your children have the proper clothing and equipment. You should be prepared for all types of weather you might encounter during day and night camping. Make sure your children have hats, loose cotton clothing that can come off in layers, and lots of sunscreen if they are going to be in the sun. Packing extra layers and socks are helpful for dips in temperature and cool evenings. Good hiking shoes are essential to prevent blistering.

Picking up the pieces

By Bernard Paquette

I don't think I want to. Have you ever felt like that? Moreover, what did you do next? Did you pick up the next piece or pieces? Did you kick the next can, spin the next bottle, blow past the next food wrapper, and disregard the tawdry display of carelessness enforced by pride-less apathy? Benjamin Franklin warned, "A little neglect may breed great mischief". Maybe the one piece of littered trash you walk by will cause someone behind you to fall and become injured, all over the omission of respect and responsibility; respect for our environment, responsibility to maintain that which we occupy, and utilize, regardless of culpability.

Alternatively, maybe someone will see you pick up a store circular, a coffee cup, or a cigarette package from the ground and see you deposit the litter in a trash receptacle before you step into a store. They will not know that you did not want to do it. They will not know but may suspect that you think littered trash on the storefront where you shop is disgusting. Your action will tell them you care. You care about your space in this community, enough to do what you don't want to do thereby neglecting blame, accepting responsibility. How did you feel when you picked up that piece of trash and disposed of it properly? What did you do next when the person behind you, a complete stranger, commented, "Thank you for doing that"? Smile, walk lighter, and notice how the day seems brighter, healthier, in an aura of beneficence?

Familiarity breeds contempt. Are littering behaviors likely to diminish without people, public and private businesses displaying daily remedial, restorative cleanup actions? Will those who litter feel more uncomfortable dropping another piece of trash amongst commonplace debris or onto a well-maintained clean swept area with nearby trash receptacles? Instilling respect requires robust practices and policies, not platitudes. No trash receptacle nearby-ask the store manager to consider placing one outside-as not only a place to deposit trash, but also as a familiar visible reminder of where trash belongs. Store owners, store managers, and real estate owners' in effective or worse yet, less than diligent about maintaining a clean storefront; ask them if they can maintain their exterior landscape the same way they maintain their store's interior. Parking lot and grounds clean up action deserve the

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perched on the plants outside, chirping different directions to me. Then this human came along and threw a towel over me! She was huge! I had known she was a big human, but to see her close up was horrible! My, what a relief to get tossed outside.

And for someone so big, she really is kind of a loony bird. One day she got a stepladder and set it up so that her grandson could climb up and peek at my babies. This evidently is called ELF (Educational Learning Featheration). I screeched and tried to decorate him (I did get in a few good hits), but one of the kids fell out after seeing two brown eyes right on the edge of her bedroom. She did get lifted back in, since humans seem to believe that a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. But it took many visits to the bird bath to get the human smell off; how they can stand themselves, I don't know!

Well, now that the kids have gone to flying school things have calmed down. But I still don't think it's a good place to raise a family. Next year I may move into YE OLD BARNE Apartments. It's crowded and the condors (excuse me, condos) are grabbed up right away. But the broken light fixtures are cozy and we meet birds of a feather just up from Florida. The mosquitoes are abundant and free, and when you're trying to feed a family of five on Medicago, such flying food stamps are important. (Please be reassured that we are not on the super-plan: "Gilded Cage" which is way too fancy for us.)

Well, there goes "Phoebe" again and this time we also have that squawky, over-dressed cardinal who lords it over the top of the tallest tree. Must be a Republican: dresses too loudly, squawks a lot, and doesn't get anything done. And great! Here comes the car around the corner. They don't call her Speedy Sue for nothing.

So, let me know if you hear of any good locations: close to a pond for good bugs, mud and straw piles for building materials. Something somewhat elegant would be nice. And of course, NO CROWS. I can be reached at Speedy Sue's garage. Just make sure she's out of the way!

Your health care provider can help you figure out what supplies you will need. Make sure you have a good first aid kit that will cover common outdoor injuries, insect bites and poison ivy. Bring extra supplies and food just in case. Foraging for berries and food on the trail can result in food poisoning and other illnesses. And carry a map or compass with you. It's a necessity, not an option.

Communication on the trail and around the campsite is important. Give your children a whistle to call for help if they need it. Keep in mind that children should be told never to leave camp or run ahead unless they are buddied with a responsible adult. The buddy system isn't only fun—it's the smart thing to do.

Teach your children how to recognize landmarks at the campsite and on the trail so they know what to do if they get lost and need to be led back to you by a responsible adult.

Finally have a good system of communication with the outside world, especially if you are camping with a child. Let others know of your destination and return, and if a cell phone works where you are, take it with you. Hopefully tips like this will blaze a trail of knowing what to do if you want to keep your family safe when camping this summer.

same immediacy response as a spill in aisle seven. Allow both these domains only temporary and brief soiled display to avoid the familiarity that breeds disrespect and further degradation.

Separation of duties, specialization, buying most everything and every service we need and want may all contribute to the "I don't want to" pick up somebody else's litter even if the garbage in our public landscape is as present and common place as crabgrass. However, community means shared ownership, shared responsibility, and shared results.

The pieces are scattered all about our city. We need many eyes that see, hands that pick up, and voices to raise concern in defiance of apathy towards littered trash. Neglect of even a few pieces of litter promotes growth akin to invasive species free of predation. Few of us want to clean up litter. Most of us, I believe, feel uplifted when we do pick up litter that we come across during our daily routines. Less litter is impetus for would be trash droppers to can it. This is our domain, we live in it every day, see it first hand, play in it, work in it, commute in it, shop in it. Help pick up the pieces of litter in your daily path. You may not want to; however, you are likely to feel good because you did.

Along with his Green and Clean column, Bernie Paquette, of South Burlington, publishes Litter with a Story to Tell: short stories, essays and photos inspiring people to maintain a litter-free environment. Bernie's web site is <http://www.litterwithastorytotell.blogspot.com/>

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A large, rectangular hole in the ground, carefully lined with rocks. A chest-high stone wall. A clump of gnarled apple trees. A stand of lilacs within sniffing distance of a long-gone farmhouse's front step. All hinting at a landscape of the past.

On Saturday, June 29, Huntington resident Everett Marshall, from the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department's Wildlife Diversity Program, will lead a walk into this area as part of the ECOS Science to Action collaboration among the towns of Bolton, Jericho, Huntington and Richmond.

Marshall will point out remnants of hard-scrabble farms that once clung to the area's thin, rocky soils. He'll also talk about the land's reversion to forest after the farms gave out. And he'll help the group spot signs of the rich array of wildlife that now find their food and shelter there – among them moose, bear, bobcat and a long list of birds, reptiles, insects and amphibians.

The group will also learn about the ecological role that this multi-thousand-acre tract plays within the Chittenden County Uplands, an even broader mix of natural communities along the county's eastern edge. Through the Chittenden County Uplands Conservation Project, thousands of acres in the area have been conserved by private owners, including the Jericho/Underhill Land Trust. Much of the conserved area is working timberland.

The walk will start at 9:00 AM on Stage Road in Bolton, three

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Saturday June 22

Strawberry Shortcake Festival by the Jericho-Underhill Lions Club 5:00-7:30 PM at the United Church of Underhill (Rte 15, behind the Green in Underhill Flats). Cheap and good, eat all you can.

Thursday June 27

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Saturday month of July

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Family Entertainment month of July

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Saturday June 29

Bird Monitoring Walk, Bird Museum of Vermont, Huntington, 7:30-9:30 AM. Join experienced birders for monthly bird monitoring. Please bring binoculars.

Free, donations encouraged. Adults & older children.

Author appearance, Karen Sturtevant & Susan Behr, Story Time: *The Adventures of Gert and Stu and Zippy Too*, Phoenix Books Burlington, 191 Bank Street at 11:00 AM. Free. More info: www.phoenixbooks.biz or 448-3350

Friday July 5

51st Annual Auction, Bazaar and Chicken Barbecue to be held at the Shelburne United Methodist Church, 30 Church Street in Shelburne: Bazaar will open at 9:00 AM; the Bazaar features baked goods, toys, books, and many white elephants! Auction begins at 10:00 AM. Items & gift certificates from businesses in Chittenden County. Chicken Barbecue starts at 11:30-adults: \$12, children under 11: \$6. For more information, contact the church office weekdays 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM at 985-3981.

Wednesday July 17

Blood Drawing, 1:00 to 6:00 PM, Covenant Church in Essex Center. Donors receive free tee shirts and pies.

ONGOING EVENTS

ADULT ACTIVITIES

Chittenden County Postage stamps and post card club meets every first Wed. of the month 6:15 -8:30 PM, A IDX Circle GE Healthcare Building. South Burlington Information email: Laineyrapp@yahoo.com or call me at 802 660-4817

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

Drop in Watercolor Painting, Every 3rd Saturday, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., at the River Arts Center in Morrisville. An opportunity to refine your watercolor skill set or learn new techniques if you're a beginner. Bring your own materials, no registration required, drop in. Suggested donation \$8. Call 888-1261, or visit our website: www.riverartsvt.org for more details. Join us.

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.

Essex Art League meets the first Thursday of the month, from 9:00 - 11:00 am, at the Essex Junction Congregational Church on Main Street. The meeting agenda includes a business and social time, and features a guest artist presentation. A detailed calendar of meetings is published on the League's website: www.essexartleague.com.

The **Green Mountain Chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America** will meet on November 14 at 9:30AM at the Pines Senior living community, 7 Aspen Dr, South Burlington, VT 05403. First meeting is complimentary. Bring a bag lunch. Contact number 372-4255.

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.

Micah's Men of the United Church of Underhill meet on the 3rd Saturday of each month at the church at 7:30 AM. For more information call 899-1722.

Mt. Mansfield Scale Modelers gather on the third Thursday of the month from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Modelers encompassing all categories of interest and skill levels are welcome. Brownell Library, Kolvoord Community Room, Lincoln Street, Essex Junction.

The **Women of the United Church of Underhill** meet on the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 AM at the Church located at the park on Rt. 15 in Underhill Flats. Women interested in sharing Christian prayer and discussions are welcome. Contact Julianne Nickerson at 899-3798 for more information.

Smugglers Notch 55+ Club meets every Wednesday at Smugglers Notch for a social time then break into groups to ski. We start with a brief organizational meeting, coffee and rolls, and then we head out to the trails in self-selected ability groups, gather informally throughout the summer for a wide variety of outdoor activities. Membership benefits include various discounts at Smuggs. For more information call Deborah at 644-5455 or just attend a meeting at the Morse base lodge starting at 9:00 AM every Wednesday.

HEALTH EVENTS & GROUPS

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "Wing It" group meets Sundays - 11:00 AM at Maple Leaf Farm on Stevensville Road, Underhill - it's an Open Speaker meeting followed by a Brunch (there is a \$10 charge for the brunch)

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "The Firing Line" group meets Wednesdays, 7:15 PM - 8:15 PM at Maple Leaf Farm on Stevensville Road, Underhill - it's an Open Step meeting

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting, "The Firing Line" group meets Saturdays, 8:00 - 9:00 PM at Maple Leaf Farm on Stevensville Road, Underhill - it's an Open Speaker Discussion meeting

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.

Brain Injury Support Group - offer survivors and family members, caregivers, friends and the community a place to come and receive valuable resources and information about brain injury. The support group is a place to share experiences in a safe, secure and confidential environment. Meets the 4th Friday of the month at the YMCA in Winooski from 11:00 AM-noon, the 1st Wednesday of the month at Fanny Allen in Colchester from 5:30-7:30 PM, and the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Saint Albans diner in Saint Albans. Call the BIAVT help line at 877.856.1772.

International Cesarean Awareness Network supporting mothers and families recovering from or learning about cesareans and ybac's. ICAN support groups next meeting is October 14 at 4:00 PM at Maitri Health Care in Bouth Burlington with special guest Polly Perez. For more information email ICANvt@gmail.com or call Jessilyn at 644-6700.

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, VT. 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 more information, Fern Mercure, 524-0719.

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

Tobacco Cessation Classes, Wednesdays from 5:00-6:00 PM in the Cambridge Regional Health Center Conference Rm. This is a free, 4 sessions, ongoing class. Free Nicotine Replacement is available for participants. For more information or to sign up contact Rorie Duphey at 644-5114 or Shannon Chauvin at 253-4853 x147

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.

KIDS

Playgroups are free of charge and open to all children birth through age 5 and their caregivers. At playgroup you will find stories, songs, crafts, free play, local events & information, and more. It is a wonderful opportunity to play with the children in your life, meet other playmates, and connect with other parents and caregivers. Playgroups follow the school calendar. Come to any or all groups that fit your schedule. For more information on any of the playgroups, please contact Heather Lebeis at 899-4415 or underhillplaygroup@yahoo.com.

Mondays: Jericho Community Center, 9:30-11:00 AM
Wednesdays: Richmond Free Library, 8:45-10:15 AM

Thursdays: Bolton's Smilie School, 9:00-11:00 AM the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month

Thursdays: Huntington, 11:00 AM-12:30 PM at Huntington Public Library

Fridays: Underhill Central School, 9:30-11:00 AM

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

Early Literacy Storytime, Thursdays, 11:00 AM at Westford Public Library. Stories and activities utilizing early literacy concepts for age's birth-preschool. Drop-in; no registration needed. We welcome new families. For more info, contact Victoria at 878-5639 or westford_pl@vals.state.vt.us, or visit our website www.westford.lib.vt.us and click on Events @ Your Library.

SENIORS/COMMUNITY MEALS

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.

Johnson Community Meal - Every 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 11:30AM-12:30 PM at the United Church in Johnson. Come for a hot meal and get to know your neighbors. The meal will be followed by a community gathering. For more information, please contact: Ellen Hill: 635-1439, ellen.hill@jsc.edu.

Westford Senior lunches - Join Westford Seniors for lunch at the Red Brick Meeting House on the Common the second Monday of each month. The next senior luncheon is on Monday, September 13. There is no lunch in July or August. 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.

Bolton Up and Downtown Club meets the last Thursday of the month at the Bolton Fire station. Meal at 5:00 PM. Open to adults 60 and over. Contact Doris Wheelock at 434-3769.

Huntington senior meal site - The Huntington Senior meals are served the third Tuesday of each month at 12:00 noon at the Community Baptist Church in Huntington Center.

St. Jude's Church, Hinesburg, senior meals held on second and fourth Wednesday of each month with bingo games after the dinners. Everyone is welcome including caregivers. Dinners are \$3.00 per person. For information call Ted Barrette at 453-3087.

Starksboro First Baptist Church, Starksboro - senior meals, fourth Thursday of the month, 11:30 AM, call Brenda Boutin at 802-453-6354 for more information.

"Good Food for All" free dinners, 2nd Thursday of each month at the United Church of Underhill, Rt. 15, Underhill Flats, from 5:00 - 7:00 PM, and on the last Thursday of each month at Calvary Episcopal Church, Rt. 15, Underhill Flats, 5:00 - 7:00 PM. Everyone in the communities is invited.

SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Ongoing Pilate classes at Dakini Studio in Underhill. Mon. and Thurs. at 6:00 PM call 899-4191 to register. Find more information and other scheduled classes at dakinstudio.wordpress.com.

Qi Gong, the ancient Chinese art of movement, classes are as follows: Saturdays 9-10AM--562 VT Rt. 15, Johnson; Saturdays 11AM-12PM--River Arts, Morrisville; Sundays 11:15AM-12:15PM--Artful Cup, Jeffersonville.

Zumba, Fairfax - Tuesdays 7:00-8:00 PM and Saturdays 9:00-10:00 AM. Contact Pam Adams 370-4437 or pamaj68@aol.com.

Zumba Fitness, Monday evenings only, 5:30 - 6:30 PM, at the River Arts Center in Morrisville. Zumba Fitness with certified instructor, Karen Machia. No registration required, drop in. Call

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Mount Mansfield Softball

By Betty Moore

The Mt. Mansfield Softball League was informally started in 1973 with two teams of ten players each. They played in what was then an open field behind the Village Service Center (which now has a residence). This modest beginning sparked a real interest in having local competition. The next year there were six teams and by 1982 there were 13 teams competing. Players came from Underhill, Underhill Center, Jericho, Richmond, Westford, Essex Center, Essex Junction, Williston, Cambridge and Jeffersonville. Some larger towns supported more than one team. The large participation did not last long, however, mostly due to scheduling problems and difficulty in finding enough fields to play on. Over the years many local businesses have sponsored teams, including Parisi Masonry, Underhill Garage, Villeneuve's Mill, Nadeau Lumber, Gillespie Construction, Tom Moore Builder (Moore

or Less), Bow and Jesse, Smuggler's Notch, Autosshine, Essex Cinema, Pat Clarke Construction, Jacob's Store. There were other private sponsors, including the Tobins, Bolios, Hendees, and Fitzgeralds.

As of 2012, four teams were still playing, competing in the summer each Sunday and Wednesday evening, usually double headers. A double-elimination tournament is held at the end of the season in August, scheduled according to the season wins and losses.

For many years League teams played on the open field at Underhill Central School and took turns mowing the grass. Jericho Elementary School also provided an open field. The teams laid out their own bases and there was no backstop screen. Fans and family brought their own chairs, or watched from the tailgate of pickup trucks. Each team has always had its own scorekeeper, and umpires were and still are, recruited from the knowledgeable fans or the opposing team, leading occasionally to lively discussion

(and entertainment). As the school playgrounds developed and Little League became popular, formal softball fields were laid out, complete with backstops, benches, fences, even dugouts. The Mt. Mansfield Softball League still uses these fields, now modern, scheduling with the school principals.

The community spirit and camaraderie of the League often leads to post-game celebrations and always, end-of-season gatherings at the home of Parisi Masonry, initial inaugurator of the League and primary sponsor for 39 years. As of 2013 The Mount Mansfield Softball League has been a highlight of the summer season for almost four decades.

Source: Matt and Mary Parisi

Support Neighbor Helping Neighbor's Huntington Race 4 Sundaes

There are 1938 people living in Huntington and nearly 6% (112) live below the poverty level according to Vermont Housing Data. Poverty level is \$23,050 annual income for a family of four. In Huntington, 19 of those living in poverty are seniors, aged 65 and older. The figures are similar in other small towns in Vermont where 15% of the state lives below poverty level.

Data from 2009 indicates that in Starksboro, 15.5% live below poverty level, in Richmond 6.8%, in Jericho 7.6%, Hinesburg, 4.8% and Burlington 31.8% of residents live below poverty. For our neighbors living in poverty, it's often difficult to pay an electric bill, get heating oil, and afford gas to get to a grocery store. And sometimes, even families living above the poverty level are hit with unexpected expenses – a broken furnace, car repairs, medical expenses that can strain a family's budget and jeopardize their ability to pay utility bills or mortgage payments on time. Fortunately, there is a very local resource for those in the Huntington area who find themselves in a financial bind, it's a fund called NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR.

NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR (NHN) is a fund to help people struggling financially in the greater Huntington area. The genesis of NHN is a collection from the Community Church of Huntington which has taken a monthly offering for years to help neighbors in need pay a gas bill, stop a turn-off notice, purchase needed groceries, etc. In 2012 the fund was renamed and the church and NHN board of directors began raising awareness among the community and received overwhelming support. Pastor Larry Detweiler administers the fund and neighbors may contact him at revdets@gmail.com or at the parsonage 434-6715.

Often those in need, proud Vermonters, are reluctant to ask for help. Drawing on that tough Yankee can-do spirit, they want to provide for themselves. "I can hear it in their voices when they call. It is so hard to ask for a helping hand, but I try to quickly assure each one that we all have been in that place of need before. We have a casual conversation about their need and how NHN can help, and it's as simple as that," explains Detweiler. NEIGHBOR HELPING NEIGHBOR's board of directors wants to raise awareness about the availability of funds, the discreet nature of how funds are handled, and make a plea to folks in the greater Huntington area -- spread the word to people you think may be helped by this resource. The fund cannot take the place of long term financing for individuals but can provide emergency funding without strings attached.

The money available comes completely from individual donations and the fund's largest fundraiser, the HUNTINGTON RACE 4 SUNDAES. This annual event, in its second year will be held Saturday June 29 and is a 1 mile fun run, 5K and 10K race which starts at the Community Church of Huntington in Huntington Center and courses along Main Road and Camel's Hump Road. Last year, the event registered 247 runners in the 3 events and raised over \$9,000. Local businesses donated sponsorship money to offset race costs and sponsor and prize donors numbered 38 businesses. In addition, there were over 25 volunteers including help by the boy scouts, fire department, and state police.

Residents interested in registering for this year's race, becoming a sponsor, or making a donation to NHN may find information at: <http://huntingtonrace4sundaes.weebly.com/> or contact Holly Stadtler at dreamcat@gmavt.net or call 434-3935. Volunteers may sign up at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0444A5AA29A02-race2>

This year's sponsors include the following: Baudry's Store, Community Church of Huntington, Town of Huntington, Pleasant Mount Farm, Huntington River Vineyard, Supersounds Entertainment, Maple Wind Farm, Ben & Jerry's Foundation, Straight from the Hearth Pizza, Concepts in Structures, Palin Excavating, Dream Catcher Films, Woodscapes Forestry, Building Heritage, Melinda & Rick Moulton, Camel's Hump Landscaping, Richmond Home Supply, David Sunshine, Wellspring Learning, Resting Lion Studio, Burnt Rock Farm, Liberty Head Post & Beam, Grover Engineering PC, Ken's Auto Repair, The Dog School, Arrowwood Environmental, Skirack, Birdseye Building Co, Kovals Coffee, Mann & Machine, Inc., Purinton Maple & Tree Farm, Camels Hump Woodworking, Sleepy Hollow Inn Ski & Bike Center, Backdoor Bakery, Fargo Brook Electric, Hinesburgh Public House, Long Trail PT, Village Bike, RehabGYM, Windekind Farm, and Mickenberg, Dunn, Lachs, Hazel & Smith, PLC. Prize donors include the following: Vermont Smoke & Cure, Hannaford Food & Drug, Icebug, Moultrou Family Farm, Stargazer Gifts & Toys, New Balance Williston, Birds of VT Museum, Mad River Glen, Joy of Being, Earl's Cyclery & Fitness, Shaw's Market, Bridge Street Hair, Spence Family Farm, Richmond Market & Beverage, Sleepy Hollow Inn, Krin's Bakery, Aubuchons Hardware, Bridge Street Cafe, Starbucks Williston, Stokes Sugarworks, Huntington Valley Arts, Save Our Strays, and Taft's Milk & Maple Farm.

Copley Hospital and Nurses Union negotiate new contract

In the spirit of cooperation, Copley Hospital and the United Nurses and Allied Professionals Local 5109 have negotiated a new three year contract. The contract focuses on quality patient care, staffing, and fiscal responsibility. The new contract will help the hospital reduce operational costs by more than \$500,000. A tentative agreement on the contract was reached on Friday May 24, and ratification occurred on June 3, 2013. The contract runs from May 29, 2013 through May 28, 2016.

"Very candid conversations were held about patient care, the pressures of health care reform, the fiscal health of the hospital, and the need to reduce expenses," said Mel Patashnick, President of Copley Hospital. "I cannot emphasize how candid and thorough these conversations were and together we were able to create a new contract that results in a cost avoidance of nearly half a million dollars without sacrificing quality of patient care. I am very impressed with the members of UNAP."

"Both parties demonstrated a willingness to address the fiscal pressures Copley is facing while keeping quality at the forefront," said Sandy Grace, RN and President of Copley UNAP. "There were hard decisions to be made but we ended with a contract that provides certainty, stability, and security for our members while maintaining our commitment to our patients, our community, and the future of Copley Hospital."

The new contract is effective May 29, 2013 through May 28, 2016. The contract includes a wage freeze for the first year of the contract and a 2% cost of living adjustment in the second and third year of the contract. Patashnick said that the wage freeze will apply to all staff across the hospital. The hospital has also scaled back on construction projects, capital purchases and travel in addition to increasing operational efficiency to reduce expenses.

"Like many hospitals in Vermont, we are not meeting our projected budget revenue due to lower patient volume, so we need to reduce our costs," said Patashnick. "The hospital is in good shape, and as difficult as it is for our staff to withstand a one year wage freeze, we are demonstrating good stewardship and careful management, positioning Copley for a healthy future."

Do you need to update your phone number in the Jericho Underhill Community Directory?

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888-1261, or visit our website: www.riverartsvt.org for more details.

SUPPORT GROUPS

CFS, Fibromyalgia, Lyme Disease, Chemical Sensitivity and Gulf War Syndrome, 1:00 to 3:00 PM every third Thursday at: The Bagel Cafe, Ethan Allen Shopping Center Burlington, VT call or visit website www.vicfids.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 Lamoyille 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 & ORGANIZATIONS 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.

Westford Fire Department, Mondays, 7:00 PM, at the fire station next to the Town Garage. For information, email John Quinn, jquinnvt@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 second Thursday of every month from 7:00 to 8:30 PM at Jericho Town Hall.

Jericho Board of Water Commissioners of the Village of Jericho, Inc. will hold their monthly meeting on: Tuesday, May 21, 2013 at 7:00 PM. This meeting will be held at the Old Red Mill on 4B Red Mill Drive in Jericho. The Commissioners would appreciate your announcement of this meeting.

THRIFT SHOPS & FOOD SHELVES

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

Westford Food Shelf, open on the third Saturday of every month, 8:00 – 10:30 AM, United Church of Westford. All are welcome. Fresh produce, meat, and non-food items available.

The Clutter Barn, adjacent to the United Church of Underhill at Underhill Flats, receives donations of gently used household merchandise every Saturday from 8:30 AM to 12 noon from June through September 14 excepting the last Saturday of each month. The Clutter Barn hosts Tag Sales, open to customers, on June 29, July 27 and August 31, and is also open during Harvest Market, September 28 and 29.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS



Jerry Russin Jr. admires one of his prize Mr. Peanut.

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Mr. Peanut lives in Jericho

By Brenda Boutin
Mountain Gazette Staff

Well, maybe not lives but he sure has a place in the heart of one local teen. Jerry Russin Jr. is a sixteen year old who has become a collector of the Planters Peanut icon. Jerry caught the collecting bug about two and ½ years ago and has close to two-hundred Mr. Peanut items in his display cases.

Russin says he became interested in collecting this item when he came across a television show about a collector. "I was fascinated with the variety of Mr. Peanuts that have been offered." He said. And when he stumbled across a website dedicated to Mr. Peanut premiums, fascination became an addiction. His oldest Mr. Peanut item is a jar from the early 1920s.

Russin says he has spent thousands on his collection. "I buy pristine items," he says. Russin works for Villeneuve and when Villeneuve isn't enough his father always backs him up with reassurance for those special items. "I pay him back," he said.

Russin's parents Jerry Sr. and Mia are fans of his collecting. "My mother is my biggest fan," he says. "I'm your Mr. Peanut man." Jerry smiles wide, "Can you imagine the stuff I'll have when I'm seventy. I hope my house is packed, head to toe."

Russin went to the home of a Florida collector while on vacation with his family. "I was in awe from the moment the door opened." He said. Russin wandered from room to room with the collector for six-hours. Every room including the bathroom was filled with Mr. Peanut items. He joked, "If he ever wanted to sell I'd come with a truck and buy it all."

"My aunt was a sale rep for Planters," Russin explains, "She found me that 10lb. can at a local flea market." He smiles and points to a box in one of his display cases. "As a kid I remember seeing a Planters can in my Dad's garage filled with nails." He said.

Mr. Peanut reigns supreme in the antiques community as the first advertising icon. Introduced in 1916, the debonair marketing image of Mr. Peanut derived from a crude drawing by a Virginia schoolboy. Prompted by a nation-wide logo contest sponsored by the Planters Company, schoolboy Antonio Gentile won \$5 for his design submission of Mr. Peanut. Then, a professional illustrator enhanced the youngster's drawing adding the monocle and top hat to create the company.

Today Planters Nuts is a division of Kraft Foods. Planters' founder, Italian immigrant Amedeo Obici was born in 1876 near Venice, Italy, Obici came to America at age 11 and settled in Scranton, PA. Obici then moved to Wilkes-Barre, PA where he operated a fruit and nut stand and established his niche as "The Peanut Specialist" in the early 1900s. Obici developed a new method of blanching whole roasted peanuts omitting the hulls and skins.

Four antique oilers sit on a shelf, "My grandfather had a lot of cans." Jerry says. "They were sold. Now I'm trying to collect some as a tribute to him." Another shelf is lined with California Raisins. Snack characters are one of his choices for collections along with Flexible Flyer runner sleds. The oldest sled is around 1930. He's been collecting sleds for around 6 years. The sleds are stood leaning against one wall flanking his Mr. Peanut display cases.



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Russin is a well rounded young man. He attends meetings at the town hall and is interested in having his own business. He likes to help people. "I volunteer at the Harvest Market," He said, "I help my Grandmother with the silent auction." During the last election he helped work on the campaign for Jericho Select Board. "We didn't win," Russin explained, "But I learned a lot." He will be a junior at Mount Mansfield Union High School this fall.

He expresses a genuine fondness for his 11 year-old sister Catelin, who is also a fan, as well as his grandmother Bererly Paradee.

Jerry has appeared on WCAX's *On the 30* and has been profiled in the Burlington Free Press.

Russin would love to hear from readers with question about his collection or to get help for an appraisal. He has the antique bug. Russin can be reached at planterspeanutcollector@gmail.com or call Jerry Jr. at 802-363-0227.



The Rotary Foundation of Rotary international presented Donald Messier the Paul Harris Fellow award in appreciation of tagible and significant assistance given for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among the peoples of the world. Pictures left to right: Dave Johnson, past president; Don Messiers; Bruce Murdock, president. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

OBITUARY

Burton T. Robinson, Underhill, VT, went home to be with the Lord on June 6, 2013, after a long and courageous battle with cancer, with his loving wife at his side. Burt was born in Wilmington, Del., on April 13, 1941, the son of Harald and Frances Grant Mitchell Robinson. Burt spent 28 years in the Navy and U.S. Air Force in service to his country, during which time he received the Vietnam Service Medal and the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Citation/Gallantry for two tours of duty in Vietnam. Burt had a great love and respect for his country, the USA. After an honorable discharge from the service, Burt worked for the Department of Defense at General Dynamics for a number of years, until his retirement in 1996. He made some treasured and lasting friendships while there. After his retirement, he worked as a driver for SSTA. Burt took great pleasure in helping people. He met some wonderful friends there as well. Burt is survived by his loving wife of 43 years, Jan (Wrisley) Robinson; son, Gary Robinson of N.H.; and two grandsons, Gary Robinson Jr. of Mass., and Dakota Robinson of N.H. He is also survived by his brothers, Richard and wife, Joanne Robinson, of Del., and William and wife, Barbara Robinson, of Del.; sisters, Mary Ellen Morano of Del. and Fla., and Donna and husband, Patrick Corcoran, of Del.; sisters-in-law, Peggy Robinson of Del., and Beverly Boutin of Williston; and many nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his mother and father of Del.; son, Wayne Robinson of Vt.; brothers, Harold "Sonny" Robinson and wife, Edith, of Del., and Raymond Robinson of Del.; and nephew, Timothy Robinson of Del. Burt was a man of excellent character and values. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and a true and loyal friend. He deeply cared for and appreciated the many kindness' of his friends/neighbors, Moses, Gretchen, Maggie and Maddie Daly. Burt especially valued the friendship of Anna Ellerin, Dyane DeRobertis, Bill Reen and Linda Benoit. A special thank you to Burt's dear and trusted friend and physician, Dr. Peter Gunther. A gathering in Burt's memory was held Wednesday June 12, 2013, at the Church of the Nazarene, Morgan Parkway, Williston, between the hours of 9:30 to 10:15 AM, with a service immediately following at 10:30 AM. Burial will be at 2:30 PM at Waterbury Center Cemetery, with full military honors provided. To send online condolences, please visit www.readyfuneral.com. For those who wish, donations in Burt's memory may be made to the Wounded Warriors Project, www.woundedwarriorproject.org, or 4899 Belfort Road, Suite 300, Jacksonville, FL 32256.

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DEBRITA-GILBERT

Sandy DeBrita is delighted to announce the marriage of her daughter, Tracy DeBrita, to Jeffrey Gilbert. Jeffrey is the son of Gordon and Peg Gilbert of Burlington. They were married on Saturday the 1st of June at 10:30 AM at the Williston Federated Church. Pastor Charlie Magill performed the ceremony, an intimate reception followed the ceremony. Best Man: Christopher Haley; Maid of Honor: Jackie Horton; Usher: Zachary, son; Flower Girl: Danielle, daughter; Ring Bearer: Devon, son.

COLLEGE NOTES

The following local residents were named to the Spring 2013 Dean's List at Saint Michael's College, a liberal arts and sciences, residential Catholic college located in Burlington, Vermont, one of the top 10 college towns in America:

Kaitlyn B. Adams, daughter of David and Sherrie Adams of Underhill, VT, a Junior Mathematics major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Vincent M. Benoit, son of Maryalice and Scott Benoit of Cambridge, VT, a May Graduate Art major, who graduated from Lamoille Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Adrienne A. D'Elia, daughter of Christopher and Rosemary D'Elia of Jeffersonville, VT, a Sophomore Classics major, who graduated from Lamoille Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Reilly A. D'Elia, daughter of Christopher and Rosemary D'Elia of Jeffersonville, VT, a Senior Business Administration and Psychology major, who graduated from Lamoille Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Jessica L. Gandini, daughter of Cheryl and James Gandini of Jericho, VT, a Junior Environmental Studies major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Alan J. Hefferon, son of James and Lynne Hefferon of Jericho, VT, a Senior Theatre and History major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Katelyn N. Howes, daughter of Bryan and Penny Howes of Waterbury, VT, a Senior Media Studies & Digital Arts major, who graduated from Harwood Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

April M. Hoyt, daughter of Edward Hoyt of Jericho, VT, a Senior Psychology and Philosophy major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Sarah L. LaForce, daughter of Laure and Todd LaForce of Jeffersonville, VT, a Junior History major, who graduated from Lamoille Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Danielle T. Scott, daughter of Patricia and Robert Scott of Westford, VT, a Senior Biology major, who graduated from Essex High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Miranda R. Tremblay, daughter of Allen and Sheri Tremblay of Underhill, VT, a Junior Elementary Education and Spanish major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Ashley A. Yates, daughter of Brian and Christine Yates of Jericho, a May Graduate English and Elementary Education major, who graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School before coming to Saint Michael's.

Hanna L. Kingston, daughter of Diane and John Kingston, Jr. of Jericho, VT, has been named to the Dean's List at Hamilton College for the 2013 spring semester.

Rev. Augustine Kelly, O.S.B., dean of the college, announces the following students that were named to the Dean's List for the Spring 2013 semester at Saint Anselm College, Manchester, NH.

Meghan Kelly Bartlett, of Jericho, VT, an English major and a member of the class of 2015.

Abigail D. Wintersteen, of Jericho, VT, a Nursing major and a member of the class of 2016.

Katelyn Hudson graduated from the University of Hawaii at Manoa's School of Architecture with a Doctorate of Architecture (DArch). Her doctoral thesis was - Holistic Dwelling: integrating biophilic design, environmental psychology, and feng shui. Her previous degrees were from Vermont Technical College ('07) and the Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture ('09)

Sara Jane Church of Underhill graduated from the University of San Diego on May 26. Church earned a bachelor's degree in Biophysics.

Two Johnson State College students have been selected as site leaders for a national "alternative break" leadership session this summer at Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

Kaylie Hale, a senior psychology and sociology major from Underhill, Vt., and **Kailie Gulino**, a junior anthropology and sociology major from Farmington, Conn., will lead a group of students at an Alternative Break Citizenship (ABC) school July 15-21. The session is one of four such programs sponsored by Break Away throughout the United States this summer.

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The following Vermont students at Johnson State College were named to the President's and Dean's lists for the Spring 2013 semester.

President's List:

Bolton Valley: **Grant Gunther**
Fairfax: **Jennifer Kalbfleisch, Adam Lacayo, Timothy Santimone**

Hinesburg: **Christina Lyn Driver**

Jeffersonville: **Amanda Snyder**

Richmond: **Galloway Morris**

Underhill: **David Minkoff**

Dean's List:

Cambridge: **Dalton Gomez**

Fairfax: **Jessica Cross, Edmund Harris**

Huntington: **Armand Lavallee**

Jeffersonville: **Donald Eaton, Kemper Gottshall, Erin Stokes, Marilyn Tagliavia, Anna Wadlington**

Jericho: **Annalise Shelmandine, Elizabeth Spier**

Richmond: **Christopher Erickson**

Underhill: **Jolton Carruth, Christina Clark**

Laura Lyford of Waterbury, VT, was named to the President's List at Hudson Valley Community College for the Spring 2013 academic term. Lyford is in the Non-matriculated academic program at the Troy, NY college.

Jericho resident Meagan Oliver was recently awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology and Women & Gender Studies from Merrimack College.

Robert Mathieu, of Underhill, VT, a senior majoring in Finance, is among more than 1,500 students who made the Dean's List at Coastal Carolina University for the Spring 2013 semester.

Anne D. Minor of Cambridge, VT, received a master of business administration degree from Clarkson University on May 11, 2013.

David A. Marlow of Jeffersonville, VT was among the record number of graduate degree recipients who earned degrees from The University of Scranton at its post-baccalaureate commencement on May 25. Marlow earned a Master of Science degree with a major in educational administration from The University of Scranton.

Emily Rossi, a resident of Jericho, VT was among over 900 students from Providence College who received undergraduate degrees during the College's Ninety-Fifth Commencement Exercises held on Sunday, May 19, 2013. Rossi graduated Cum Laude with a bachelor's degree in Elementary/Special Education.

Maura Spillane was awarded a bachelor of arts degree from Connecticut College at the 95th commencement ceremony on May 19. Spillane majored in music.

Jericho, VT, resident **Emily Price** was named to the dean's list for the 2013 spring semester at Messiah College. Price is a junior majoring in philosophy and English. Dean's list is earned by receiving a 3.6 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Teddy Kusiak, of Jericho, VT, graduated from the University of Rhode Island with a bachelor's degree in Psychology.

Lyndon State College held its 101st Commencement Ceremony under sunny skies on Sunday, May 19. Diplomas were granted to 280 members of the class of 2013.

Ashley Christie of Underhill VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Graphic Design.

Jeremy Rocheleau of Cambridge, VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematics.

Katie Mears of Jeffersonville, VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology & Human Services.

Christopher Colman of Jericho, VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting.

Zachariah Ladensack of Westford, VT, was awarded a Bachelor of Science degree in Mountain Recreation Management.

The New England School of Communications has announced the Spring 2013 Honors List. **A. J. Grimaldo**, a resident of Waterbury, VT, earned the distinction of being named to the Honors List for the Spring semester.

University of Vermont students were inducted into the Kappa Tau chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society during ceremonies held earlier this spring by the College of Nursing and Health Sciences. Included were local students:

Morgan Nealy of Waterbury, VT

Ellen Thomas of Westford, VT

Jessica Savage of Jeffersonville, VT, received a Master of Business Administration from Quinnipiac University during a commencement ceremony held May 12 at the TD Bank Sports Center.

Maura Spillane, a senior at Connecticut College, was awarded the Connor Donohue '07 Memorial Award, given to a music student whose dedication to community learning and whose character continue the commitment exemplified by the late Connor Donohue '07 established by friends and the Department of Music. Spillane was presented with the award at the annual Honors & Awards ceremony at Connecticut College on May 8. Spillane, a 2009 graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, is the daughter of Mary and Philip Spillane of Jericho, VT.

Christopher J. Goodwin, Jericho, VT, Bachelor of Science, Web and Interactive Media made the Dean's List at Pennsylvania College of Technology.

Jennifer Hatin of Jeffersonville, VT, was inducted into Phi Alpha Honor Society for Social Work students during ceremonies conducted by the College of Education and Social Services at the University of Vermont earlier this spring.

The following area students will be awarded associate degrees from the Community College of Vermont (CCV) on June 1, 2013: **Scott Day** of Cambridge, VT; **Jeremy Westover** of Cambridge, VT; **Jordan Doyon** of Jeffersonville, VT; **Christian Hunt** of Jeffersonville, VT; **Amy Maher** of Jeffersonville, VT; **Lisa Paone** of Jericho, VT; **Justin Yergeau** of Jericho, VT; **Todd Smith** of Underhill, VT; **Ashley Matthews** of Westford, VT; **Armando Vilaseca** of Westford, VT; **Lindsay Haley** of Waterbury, VT; **Catherine Heath** of Waterbury, VT; **Ember Power** of Waterbury, VT; **Kristin Rutledge** of Waterbury, VT; **Hannah Tomeny** of Waterbury, VT.

Skidmore's Class of 2013, with 605 baccalaureate candidates, participated in the College's 102nd Commencement Saturday, May 18, at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. **Geoffrey Green** of Underhill, VT, received a BA degree.

Local residents were recognized for achievements in academics and service, at Honors Day ceremonies held by the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at the University of Vermont earlier this spring: **Shara Tarule** of Underhill, VT, received the Vermont Organization of Nurse Leaders Award. Tarule also received the Kappa Tau Honors Thesis Award.

The Champlain College 135th Commencement took place outdoors, under a tent on Edmunds Field in Burlington on Saturday, May 4. In all, 470 undergraduates earned their degrees.

Local students who received their degrees from Champlain College include:

Griffen Fargo of Westford, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Game Design with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Ethan Fleisher of Jericho, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer and Digital Forensics with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Sarah Gingras of Underhill, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Graphic Design & Digital Media with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Jordan Lupien of Cambridge, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Bethany McGrath-Riegel of Jericho, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Relations with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Holly Poulin of Waterbury, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Brittany Soules of Jericho, VT received a Bachelor of Science degree in Hotel Restaurant Management with a possible specialization and/or minor.

Lindsey D. Wyatt, of Jericho, was inducted into the St. Lawrence University chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa, the national leadership honor society. A member of the Class of 2014, Wyatt majors in neuroscience and is a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School.

This year's graduates included the following local students:

Kaitlin Filipek of Jericho, VT, earned a BS, BA, Magna Cum Laude.

Tristan Butler of Underhill, VT, earned a BS.

The following local residents graduated from Saint Michael's College during the 106th commencement exercises held on the college campus May 12th:

Lauren Elizabeth Barone, daughter of John Barone of Jericho, VT, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, cum laude degree in Media Studies & Digital Arts and Philosophy.

Vincent Michael Benoit, son of Maryalice and Scott Benoit of Cambridge, VT graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art.

Haney Hosny Hamdy, son of Doris Hamdy of Westford, VT, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art

Ashley Ann Yates, daughter of Brian and Christine Yates of Jericho, VT, graduated with a Bachelor of Arts, cum laude degree in English and Elementary Education

Richard S. Sawyer of Underhill, VT, a senior majoring in mechanical engineering, was named a Presidential Scholar for the spring 2013 semester at Clarkson University.

The following students were named to the Dean's List for the spring 2013 semester at Clarkson University:

Charles Wood of Westford, VT, a junior majoring in aeronautical engineering and mechanical engineering.

Christina Kingston of Waterbury, VT, a freshman majoring in engineering and management.

Raychel Rieder of Jericho, VT, a junior majoring in engineering and management.

Rebecca L. Young of Jericho, VT, is one of 696 students at the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg named to the university's Dean's List for the spring semester of the 2012-13 academic year.

The following local students will be attending Clarkson University in Potsdam, N.Y., during the fall as members of the Class of 2017:

Isabelle D. Toulis of Underhill, VT, a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, who will be majoring in environmental engineering.

Anthony James Stead of Jeffersonville, VT, a graduate of Lamoille Union High School, who will be majoring in aeronautical engineering.

Brian Michael Nicewicz of Jericho, VT, a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, who will be majoring in mechanical engineering.

Joshua Christopher Blow of Jericho, VT, a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School, who will be majoring in electrical engineering.

Jason Holloway of Cambridge, VT, graduated from Rice University on May 11. Holloway received a Master of Science degree in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Levi J. Keszezy, of Underhill, VT, was among the 548 students awarded a degree at St. Lawrence University's Commencement ceremony, held May 19 on campus in Canton, New York. Keszezy graduated cum laude and earned a degree in conservation biology. Keszezy is a graduate of Mount Mansfield Union High School.

The following students recently graduated from Castleton College during the 226th commencement on May 18: **Victoria Besette** of Westford, VT- Bachelor of Arts,

Criminal Justice; **Christopher Camp** of Waterbury, VT- Bachelor of Science, Biology; **Erica Davis** of Cambridge, VT - Bachelor of Arts, Social Science; **Tyler Donze** of Cambridge, VT- Bachelor of Science, Business Administration; **Chantal Eckman** of Westford, VT- Associate of Science, Nursing; **Danielle Franklin** of Waterbury, VT- Bachelor of Arts, Mathematics; **Chelsea Laforce** of Westford, VT- Bachelor of Arts, Health Science.

The following students were named to the Castleton College Dean's list for the Spring 2013 semester: **Robyn Armstrong** of Underhill, VT; **Jessica Babcock** of Cambridge, VT; **Victoria Besette** of Westford, VT; **Shelby Cushing** of Cambridge, VT; **Erica Davis** of Cambridge, VT; **Katherine Doherty** of Underhill, VT.

Katherine Hobart of Underhill, VT; **Kelsey Munson** of Cambridge.

Mattie Hayes of Cambridge, VT, has earned High Honors for the spring semester of the 2012-2013 academic year at the University of New Hampshire.

Madeline E. Boushie of Jericho, VT, received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration degree from Western New England University on May 18, 2013. Boushie graduated Cum Laude.

The following students have been selected for inclusion on the Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring semester at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York.

Emily R. Adams of Jericho, VT, is a member of the class of 2016. Adams graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School.

Trevor A. Bibb of Jericho, VT, is a member of the class of 2015, and majors in history. Bibb graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School.

Lindsey D. Wyatt of Jericho, VT, is a member of the class of 2014, and majors in neuroscience. Wyatt graduated from Mount Mansfield Union High School.

Lucas Miglionico of Jericho, VT, has been awarded a BA in History with a sub-specialty in Political Science from Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.

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FAIRFAX COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Tuesday June 25, 5:30-6:15 PM: Herbal Bug Spray with Debbie. Create all-natural bug spray with Debbie Laudauer, our town librarian. It's fun, quick, and effective—just in time for summer. Free, all are welcome! Preregistration appreciated.

Wednesday June 26, 4:00-5:00 PM: READ to a Dog. Kids can read a book of their choice to a fuzzy, friendly dog. To sign-up for a time slot, call (849-2420) or stop by the library.

Tuesday June 27, 6:00-7:30 PM: Opening Summer Reading Program: Dig into Reading Puppet Performance and Puppet-making Craft. An audience of all ages is welcomed to attend a puppet performance of *The Carrot Seed*, *The Giant Turnip*, *Anansi and the Talking Melon*, and *Over in the Meadow* with Hands-ON Puppets. Follow the stories; kids can make their own puppets! Free.

EVERY TUESDAY: Fairfax Community Library Story Hour
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Summer Story Hours:

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Fairfax Community Library: 75 Hunt St., Fairfax, Vermont, 05454; Phone: 849-2420 Program Planner: Karyn Norwood at knorwood@fwsu.org; Library News: <http://www.bfafairfax.com/pages/communitylibrarynews.html>. Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#/pages/Fairfax-Community-Library>. School Year Library Hours: Monday, Wednesday 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM; Tuesday and Thursday 8:00 AM – 8:00 PM; Friday 8:00 AM – 3:15 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.

JERICHO CENTER LIBRARY

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RICHMOND FREE LIBRARY

Stop in the library and say hello to Brendan Buckless, our new Library Assistant. Brendan is a recent UVM graduate in English and minors in Chemistry and Environmental Science. Brendan also brings a great store of digital skills that are very welcome at the library. (Please note our new webpage!) Welcome aboard, Brendan!

June is "Great Outdoors Month." We've put together materials from our collection to inspire you to get outside and enjoy! There are books on hiking, fishing, walking trails, canoeing, camping, and more. Remember, the library also has passes to the Shelburne Farms and their wonderful walking trails, the Birds of Vermont Museum in Huntington, and the Vermont State Parks Day Pass to enjoy wonderful outdoor venues. (We also have a pass to Vermont Historic sites, which provides another outing opportunity.)

The summer youth programs are scheduled. Check out the offerings on the library webpage: www.richmondfreelibraryvt.org. Sign up for a session!

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4th of July at the Library:

Spelling Bee at the Library at 2 PM.

Trustees will be selling water during the parade and hosting a mini-booksale.

July exhibits:

Special July Display: 1st floor counter

Darcie Rankin's second grade students at RES created models of the Richmond Round Church as part of a year long theme of connecting with the community. They selected this project as a way to celebrate the Round Church bicentennial. Come see their models which will be on display during the month of July.

On the wall: Mother and daughter team, Lynn Butler-Dube and Maya Dube will be exhibiting their artwork during the month of July. Lynn's art works are recent paintings and drawings focusing on her personal expression of color and nature. The variety of subject matter reflects her mood and passion for color, light, texture and line quality. Maya's abstract paintings translate her emotions into colorful images. She loves abstract art as a means to define her diverse way of thinking and how she can uniquely develop the paintings.

Display Case: During the month of July we will be showcasing the work of Huntington craft artist, Leta Watkins. Leta collects old objects and fashions them into unique new treasures which she offers for sale through her small business, The Olde Becomes The New.

For the remainder of June:

Wall Exhibit features the unique astrophotography images of Steve Yerby. Steve moved to Vermont in 2000, and settled in Richmond in 2005. He started in astrophotography about 8 years ago, and built Rocky Road Observatory in 2009, to further facilitate the capture of the beautiful images you see today. He is inspired by the work of Carl Sagan and Neil DeGrasse Tyson. See some of Steve's work at <http://stevestastarstuff.com/about/>

Display Case: *Resolve to be Ready* in 2013: The June display at the Richmond Free Library will focus on family preparedness for unexpected events. Does your family have a disaster plan? You can pick up a workbook to help you create an emergency plan and make sure all of your family knows what to do in an emergency. Once you have created your family plan, come in and get a free raffle ticket to win an emergency radio (handcrank, solar powered, electronic device charger). Raffle will be drawn on the 4th of July.

Book Discussions (book copies available at the library):

July 2: Book Discussion: *Blood of Flowers* by Anita Amirrezvani. "Both a sweeping love story and a luminous portrait of a city, *Blood of Flowers* is the mesmerizing historical novel of an ill-fated young woman whose gift as a rug designer transforms her life. Illuminated with glorious detail of persian rug-making, and brilliantly bringing to life the sights sounds and life of 17th-century Isfahan in Iran, *Blood of Flowers* has captured readers' imaginations everywhere as a timeless tale of one woman's struggle to live a life of her choosing."

July 11: Mystery Book: *Adventures of Sherlock Holmes* by Arthur Conan Doyle. This splendid collection of mysteries carries readers back to a gas-lit era, when literature's greatest detective team lived on Baker Street. A dozen of Holmes and Watson's best-known cases include "The Speckled Band," "The Red-Headed League," "The Five Orange Pips," "The Copper Beeches," and "A Scandal in Bohemia."

On July 30, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM, there will be an information session on Vermont Health Connect, the marketplace launching October 2013, where individuals, families and small businesses in Vermont can compare public and private health plans and select one that fits their needs and budget. Every plan offered through Vermont Health Connect must offer basic services. This includes checkups, emergency care, mental health services and prescriptions. Vermont Health Connect will offer easy-to-understand, side-by-side comparisons of each plan's costs and benefits.

On August 14, at 7:00 PM, join representatives from the United Way for an "Ice Cream Social." This evening will be an opportunity to discover the many ways one can volunteer and become involved in one's community.

FREE beginner yoga classes continue on Tuesdays, 6:00-7:00 PM. In lieu of a fee, feel free to bring a non-perishable item(s) or monetary donation for the Richmond Food Shelf. RSVPs or Questions: ldiamond@uvm.edu or 802-318-5570.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Troppa Tardi
To the Editor,

I was recently asked how many children I have, answering with the number of my two legged children. I explained that I have many thousands of "children" with four legs. I feel that every greyhound in this world is one of those four-legged children of mine.

Others with whom I have worked feel similarly.

We have no tolerance nor understanding for the recent heinous episode in Colchester VT, where two dogs were left in a locked car with no ventilation for many hours. That day the temperature bordered on 90 degrees. The helpless greyhound named Ace (7 1/2) died a slow, horrific death. The other dog with the greyhound saw this happen. So after going home (greyhound adoption process) Ace died in a broiling hot car. We seek justice for all helpless animals subject to this criminal behavior

Save the Greyhound Dogs (STGD) was responsible for ending greyhound racing in Vermont in 1995 (Bill S.152). This bill was named the "Gator Bill" by members of the Vermont legislature to honor the life of my first greyhound. Further, we have been instrumental in helping to bring an end to live racing in New Hampshire, as well as working with others in Massachusetts to pass that states referendum also ending greyhound racing.

As Founder-Director of STGD and a concerned citizen I will pursue this tragedy, preventing other greyhounds (and all other dogs) from going through this horrific suffering and death. Greyhounds have no fur, just hair and no body fat. Clearly they have no insulation for heat or cold.

While a work in progress, our website is easy to navigate and highly educational; you can read of our campaigns and accomplishments. View the terror in the eyes of greyhounds in their confined crates at a northeast track, thankfully now closed.

LEARN! LEARN!

The above should clearly demonstrate my ongoing commitment to every noble and gentle greyhound worldwide. They are indeed a breed apart and need good folks to speak out for them. Please join me in my commitment and passion for saving greyhound dogs worldwide. We speak for good people everywhere.

Yours for greyhounds,

Scotti Devens

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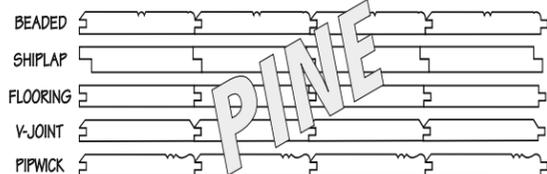
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The Emile A. Gruppe Gallery's new exhibition will feature the work of over 40 students of artist Lisa Forster Beach of Stowe, Vermont. The show will hang from June 23 through July 14 with an artist reception on Sunday June 23 from 3:00-5:00 PM. The gallery is located in Jericho Center at 22 Barber Farm Road. For more information call 899-3211.

Shelburne Vineyard art exhibit featuring the work of artist, Susan Abbot. The show now through August 31. During the reception Abbot will be present to share her perspectives and meet the guests. Light refreshments will be available and wine will be for sale by the glass. For more information link to www.shelburnevineyard.com or visit Shelburne Vineyard on Facebook.

Bryan Memorial Gallery presents ALDEN BRYAN - Travels with Alden, now through September 2, 2013. Bryan Memorial Gallery celebrates the 100th birthday of its founder, Alden Bryan, with an exhibition of his paintings, painted in 26 countries over a span of 60 years (early 1940's until his death in 2001.) The opening reception is Sunday May 5 from 2:00 - 4:00 PM. Artists Roundtable, discussing the work and world of Alden Bryan, will precede the reception at 1 PM.

Bryan Memorial Gallery is at 180 Main Street, Jeffersonville, VT., 802-644-5100. A preview of the exhibit can be seen at www.bryangallery.org. Gallery hours are May 3 - July 1: Thursday - Sunday, 11 - 4, July 2 - September 2: Open daily, 11 - 5.



Watercolor painting by Van Fryman titled Vermont Summer is on display at the Emile A. Gruppe Galley. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

Essex Art League meets the first Thursday of the month, from 9:00 - 11:00 AM, at the Essex Junction Congregational Church on Main Street. The meeting agenda includes a business and social time, and features a guest artist presentation. The upcoming meeting on May 2 will feature: Mike Strauss, UVM Professor - Scientist and Artist, a detailed calendar of meetings is published

MUSIC/DANCE

Round Church Bicentennial Concert Series, Friday June 28, 7:00 PM, Round Church, Richmond, VT. Concert on the Round Church Antique Organ with Dr. William Tortolano. Suggested donation: \$5/person For information: whiteford@gmavt.net.

Bergeron receives 1st Place



First Place in Watercolor at the 2013 Northern Vermont Artist Assoc. June Juried Show at Visions of Vermont Gallery in Jeffersonville, Vermont. "Independence Day, Burlington Vermont" by Vermont Artist Kathleen Berry Bergeron. Show runs through July 5th. Prints Available. Flashbags by Kathleen Berry Bergeron. www.kathleenberrybergeron.com www.flashbagsonline.com. PHOTO CONTRIBUTED

President of the Sisters of Mercy addresses Mater Christi School graduates

On June 6, the eighth graders at Mater Christi School had the privilege of having Sr. Lindora Cabral, RSM, as their graduation speaker. Sr. Lindora Cabral is president of the Northeast Community of the Sisters of Mercy, a community of approximately 800 Sisters. Sr. Lindora's headquarters are located in Cumberland, Rhode Island, and she made the fairly long drive to Burlington to talk to the MCS graduates. Mater Christi School has a special appeal to Sr. Lindora for two reasons: Sister is a past principal of MCS and the school is a sponsored ministry of the Sisters of Mercy. Despite her busy schedule, it was not difficult for her to respond positively to Principal Paul Jette's request that she address the students and their families on this special day.

Sister's talk revolved around the theme of creativity chosen by her in the belief that the students' creative gifts were enhanced by their education at MCS.

"Your teachers have given you opportunities to learn in a variety of ways. They did not expect you to learn in exactly the same way but encouraged you to create new avenues and new learnings. I believe that your science class gave you opportunity to be creative through Eggceleration and Spaceopoly. You learned about acceleration and gravity and the universe but it was done in new and different ways. You worked creatively as you read Romeo and Juliet, West Side Story and The Crucible."

Even your retreat this year gave you an opportunity to experience the ecology and environment that surrounds us by going to Mercy Farm in Benson, VT."

She added, "Being creative means you are: Curious, Resourceful, Energetic, Analytical, a Thinker, an Innovator, Value driven and Eager."

The Mater Christi Graduation event began with a Mass celebrated by Fr. David Theroux, RSM. Following the ceremony was a Reception for all present and then the graduates accompanied by their teachers took a bus to the Hampton Inn for a dinner/dance.

[Picture #1]: Mater Christi eighth graders pose in the school lobby as they wait for their graduation ceremony to begin.

[Picture #2]: The members of the MCS Class of 2013 toss their caps into the air at the close of their graduation event.

[Picture #3]: Shown processing in behind the graduates, left to right: Sr. Lindora Cabral, RSM, President of the Sisters of Mercy and graduation speaker; Fr. David Theroux, SSE, Mass celebrant; Mr. Scott Boardman, chair of the Mater Christi School Board of Trustees; Mr. Paul Jette, Principal of Mater Christi School.

Boomers

By Scott Funk
Aging in Place Specialist

So, we aren't called 'Baby Boomers' anymore. If you've been around for half a century or so, 'baby' just doesn't cut it. We are 'Boomers' and we have pretty much had it our way our entire lives. Love us or hate us, we have been hard to ignore.

Now, we are qualifying for Social Security at somewhere between 7,000 and 10,000 people a day. That's a lot of candles on birthday cakes. Or, more likely, it is a lot of birthday cakes without candles or with only a single candle. For while we have not been modest about much, we appear to be pretty bashful about getting older. It is no coincidence that cosmetic surgery became the major industry it is about the same time our faces started to wrinkle and our butts started to sag.

We are the first generation to want to skateboard with our grandchildren. We have transformed riding a Harley from an act of rebellion to a status symbol for accountants and aging weekend warriors. Stand back, grandpa is about to peel out . . .

To say we are not aging gracefully is about as much of an understatement as can be made in that few words. While we aren't forever young, we are making a good run at being perpetually immature. And that is too bad because to be able to grow older is a blessing and it endows us with gifts to share.

After all, how are the youth of today going to learn about aging if we don't teach them? Who else is there to impart the lessons of dignity and patience that come with the accumulation of years? We are time-travelers leading the way into the unknown. In all of history, there have never been so many old people alive at one time. We are truly going "where no man has gone before". No woman either, incidentally.

Teddy Roosevelt once said that it falls to each generation to face a special task. It doesn't matter whose fault it is; they must face it and succeed. It is their debt to those Americans who have gone before them and their responsibility to those generations who will come after them.

What if the Boomers' challenge is to show the nation how to age successfully? To grow old in a way that brings value to everyone. To secure for subsequent generations the privilege of some well-earned years of rest and repose before the grave. In this time, when the very concept of retirement for working people is being called into question, maybe it is our burden to protect this right for our children and their children.

There is much today to suggest that benefits for the aging come at the expense of the young. But how can this be if all people are aging? We who are older are the

canaries in the coalmine. If our benefits are not secure, then those of future generations are certainly threatened. We are not a drag on the economy; we are a stabilizing force. Retirees and pensioners spend their income in bull and bear markets alike. We are not just enjoying the social safety net, we are a vital part of sustaining it.

So, I beseech my fellow Boomers to embrace our years as accomplishments. Wear wrinkles proudly, they mark our endurance and they proclaim our victory against time. Do not blush at greying hair; wear it proudly. It is a mark of our distinction and proof of the tests we have passed. And, oh yes, be careful on those skateboards.

Aging in place, it doesn't happen by accident but it does happen to all of us, in spite of ourselves.

Scott Funk is Vermont's leading Aging in Place advocate, writing and speaking around the state on issues of concern to retirees and their families. He works as a Home Equity Conversion Mortgage specialist. You can access previous Aging in Place articles at vermontfunk.com.



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Sporting Afield – Outdoor Report: Black Flies and Trout Fishing

By Kristopher Boushie

Like baseball and football, fly fishing has its own season. The forest browns turn into green. The days grow longer. Your senses know the trout will soon be rising for the fly. An annual May fishing trip only adds to this normal level of seasonal anticipation.



Snowmelt in May on the West Branch of the Ausable

Once again, my dad, brother, and cousin met at the end of May to fish the West Branch of the Ausable in Wilmington, NY. Unlike last year, the trout seemed better educated this year, while our casting should probably have repeated a grade. I shouldn't include my cousin, Jim Boucher, in that statement. Jim is a good fly fisherman and has guided us to some nice fish the last couple of years.

Normally the West Branch of the Ausable runs about 700 cubic feet per second. When we hit the river on Friday morning, the river was running at over 2,000 cubic feet per second. That's a lot of water, but not as much as earlier in the week when the river was running at almost 10,000 cubic feet per second. Why so much water? You'll recall that with the big storm the end of May that ruined so many local roads and driveways also dumped over 13 inches of snow on Mount Mansfield. Well the same storm dumped 3 feet of snow on Whiteface Mountain. The Ausable is right beneath Whiteface, hence the increased flow.

When I first stepped in the river, my first thought was that if my 10-year old nephew Jack had come... whoosh, there'd go Jack down the river. As it was, wading was tough. The water was a

refreshing 54 degrees, but would heat up to a boiling 57 degrees by the end of the weekend.

Our compensation for the high, fast water was that the black flies were out in full force. When I go fly fishing I can usually outfit several people. I will bring extra waders, an extra rod, reel; you get the idea. You'd think I would have brought at least one mesh head net, but nope. Luckily, the black flies liked chewing on my brother Kirk much more than they liked me. Poor Kirk. It certainly adds flavor to the experience. (Jim said that the black flies didn't bother him. A day later, with bite welts on both sides of his neck, Jim clarified. He reiterated that the flies did not bother him, but added that he never said they didn't bite him.) Basically, Friday beat us up. No wonder that my dad and Kirk didn't want to go out fishing again after dinner.

Jim and I were game to return to the river to fish at dusk. We stepped out of the truck after arriving at a likely spot...and the black flies attacked. At Jim's suggestion, I tied on a "usual" fly. It's called a usual because it usually works. As the flies feasted we fished. It's funny; the flies don't bother you as much when you catch some fish.

Jim had put me in a good spot where we could see at least two trout rising. I managed to catch (and release) them both. The "usual" did not disappoint – and I probably would not have selected it without Jim's suggestion.

So where's the picture? I knew my dad and brother would not believe I caught anything, so the first thing I did upon bringing my first fish to net was to take a picture with my iPhone, which was in a zip-lock baggie. You can see the fish, but the photo won't win any awards.

Saturday started out with more of the same, biting black flies and no fish. Jim loves to fish, but he always tries to put us each in a good position to catch fish. I had my opportunity Friday night and that was it for me catching fish. Dad caught his fish Saturday morning.

Kirk almost hung it up after that morning. His waders were leaking and his feet were wet and cold. The black flies continued to torment him and he wasn't getting as much as a strike. It is amazing how much better the world looks when you are well fed and back in dry clothes. Kirk's second effort in the afternoon (in new, waterproof waders) got him his trout.



Kirk lands a nice rainbow trout

Once we had our fish, Jim went to work. He caught 5 or 6 nice rainbows. I believe they were trained fish who recognized him, recently released hatchery fish, or otherwise gullible, easy fish left over from last year. Jim certainly highlighted the fact that there were fish in the river, high water or not, and they could be caught.

While trout fishing comes each year to the North Country, no two seasons are the same. My dad and I told my brother, "You should have been here last year." "You should be here next year" also applies. The only way to make sure you are on the river when the conditions are perfect is to make sure you are on the river consistently. This is true even when "consistently" means the one family trip each year. Happy days afield.

Send me your best game camera photos with some background information – general area the picture taken (unless it is a trophy animal), time of year, etc. I'll include the best ones in the Mountain Gazette over the next several issues.

Please visit www.sportingafield.blogspot.com for more news, musings, and interviews or to leave questions or comments.



Sherdan and Jim trying to find less educated trout

Green Mountain Bike Club rides

Green Mountain Bicycle Club Offers Introductory Group Rides. For the third year in a row, the Green Mountain Bicycle Club (GMBC) will offer free introductory group rides for new riders. For each outing, a minimum of two experienced riders will explain the rules of the road to novice cyclists and teach them how to ride safely in groups. The pace will be determined by the ability of the new riders; no one will be left behind. Riders must wear helmets and have bikes in good working condition. Those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. More information on the rides can be found on the GMBC website at <http://thegmbc.com/2013%20IntroRides.shtml>.

All riders with the GMBC must wear helmets and obey the rules of the road. Please do not ride two abreast if there is traffic in either direction. For mornings with questionable weather, please call the ride leader to make sure the ride is still taking place. Ride leaders are obligated to go to the starting point and provide maps but may choose not to ride if the weather is miserable. Riders below the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent.

Saturday, June 29 - Ride: Introductory Ride for new riders. We will go 12-20 miles at a leisurely pace for folks new to road cycling. Our goal is to teach new cyclists the rules of the road and how to ride in a group. Meeting Time: 10:00 AM. Meeting Place: Dorset Park, South Burlington, Wheeler lot. Leader: Sal DeFrancesco - 363-0963 - salnesp1@gmail.com; Co-Leader: Coie DeFrancesco - 363-0663 / vicdef@gmail.com.

Sunday July 7 - Ride: 2013 Champlain Bridge Ride - The 60-mile ride (M) heads down to the Champlain Bridge and then travels north on Routes 9N and 22 to the Essex Ferry, returning to

Vergennes via Greenbush road. The 40-mile (E/M) route crosses the bridge but then returns for creemees and heads up to Pantown via Route 125 and Jersey Street. The short ride can be extended by a jaunt to Basin Harbor Club. Meeting Time: 8:45 AM. Meeting Place: Vergennes Union High School, east parking lot (on the left). Leader: Matt Kuivinen - 881-9045 / matkui@earthlink.net; Co-Leader: Lou Bresee - 658-0597 / lakelou@comcast.net.

Saturday, July 13 - Ride: Introductory Ride for new riders. We will go 12-20 miles at a leisurely pace for folks new to road cycling. Our goal is to teach new cyclists the rules of the road and how to ride in a group. Meeting Time: 10:00 AM. Meeting Place: Dorset Park, South Burlington, Wheeler lot. Leader: Viola Chu - 735-7924 / hviolachu@gmail.com; Co-Leader: Dorothy Pumo - 516-236-6550 / dpumo5@gmail.com.

Sunday July 14 - Ride: Willsboro Wanderer - 35 (E/M) and 50 (M/S) options of hilly terrain on low-traffic roads in New York. There are two potential stops for ice cream. Bring money for the ferry and food stops. The shorter version of this ride skips the big hill out of Willsboro. Meeting Time: 8:30 AM for the 9:00 AM ferry. Meeting Place: Charlotte ferry parking lot, Ferry Road. Leader: Donna Leban - 865-2839 / lightspd@comcast.net; Co-Leader: Sal DeFrancesco - 363-0963 - salnesp1@gmail.com.

Sunday July 21 - Ride: ** NEW** Ste. Anne De Sabrevois Winery Ride - A flat 55 mile (M) ride across the border to visit the Vignoble Des Pins winery. Cyclists can add an optional six-mile trip across the Richelieu River on a walking bridge. Bring your passport or the required customs documents. Meeting Time: 8:45 AM. Meeting Place: Alburgh Community Education Center, School Street. Leader: Warren Coolidge - 735-1836 / wcoolidge@myfairpoint.net; Co-Leader: Sal DeFrancesco - 363-0963 / salnesp1@gmail.com.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Jericho Development Review Board will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, 11 July 2013 at 7pm** at the Jericho Town Hall to consider the following:

- A request to the DRB by John Bugbee for Conditional Use Review of an automotive repair and sales business. The proposal would re-use an existing warehouse and offices currently occupied by Heating Alternatives, Inc. The parcel is located at Jericho East Lot 6, at 15 North Main Street, in the Commercial 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.

Jennifer Murray
Planning and Development Coordinator, Town of Jericho

CVAA SENIOR MEALS

Thursday June 20 - Pizza Putt, So. Burlington
10:30 AM check in, 11:00 AM lunch - Spaghetti & Meatballs

Friday June 21 - United Church, Hinesburg - 12:00 noon
Salisbury Steak and Gravy, Baked Potato with Sour Cream, Summer Vegetables, Wheat Bread, Watermelon

Monday June 24 - Covenant Church, Essex Ctr. -12:00 noon
Corn Chowder, Caesar Salad with Grilled Chicken and Croutons, Apricots

Tuesday June 25
St. Michael's College, Colchester
11:00 AM check in, 11:30 AM lunch - Buffet Luncheon

Wednesday June 26
Dutch Mill, Shelburne Road, Shelburne
10:30 AM check in, 11:00 AM lunch
Baked Stuffed Chicken Breast or Liver and Onions

Thursday June 27
Holiday Inn, So. Burlington
11:00 AM check in, 11:30 AM lunch, Turkey Dinner

Friday June 28 - United Church, Hinesburg - 12:00 noon
Cold Sliced Roast Beef with Mustard & Mayo, Potato Salad, Kidney Bean Salad, Bulky Wheat Roll, Oatmeal Raisin Cookie

Monday July 1 - Covenant Church, Essex Center - 12:00 noon
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miles north of Route 2, where the VAST trail crosses the road. Parking is limited and car-pooling is encouraged. While much of the hike will be on the trail, there'll be some bushwhacking and crossing of small streams and muddy areas. Participants should wear appropriate footwear and carry water and bug spray as well. The walk is rated as easy-to-moderate in difficulty and should take two to three hours. If weather forces cancellation or postponement, organizers will post the news at ccrpcvt.org/science-to-action as well as on Twitter (@ScienceToAction) and on Facebook (facebook.com/ScienceToAction). A topo map of the area can be seen at tinyurl.com/lzlvukj. The event is free and the first of a series being organized by the ECOS Science to Action Project, a partnership among the conservation commissions of Bolton, Huntington, Jericho and Richmond as well as the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife; the Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation; the Vermont Natural Resources Council and the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC). The Science to Action project focuses on multi-town collaborations to conserve and improve the area's rich natural resources. Funding comes from CCRPC and the U.S. Housing and Urban Development Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities. More information on the project is available on the Science to Action website.



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from the wellhead on another side. Hydrogeologists hired by both Jericho East and Trudell Consulting (the applicant's engineer) appeared at the final hearing on May 23 and presented conflicting data about the ability of water from the proposed wastewater system to reach the vicinity of the wellhead within a two-year time of travel. According to Murray, this is something that will ultimately need to be resolved at the state level, in association with the VT Agency of Natural Resources' review of the water/wastewater permit. An approved water/wastewater permit is required before a building permit can be issued. Another issue that was raised during the hearings was the potential of this development to adversely impact the Castle Cemetery. A few citizens, including Mr. Brooks Buxton, raised concerns about the fact that the Dollar General Store will partially block the view of the cemetery from VT Rt. 15. The applicant moved the building approximately 20-30' and provided renderings demonstrating that the line of sight to the cemetery would not be completely blocked by the building. Comments were received from the public request-

ing that the owner and applicant to develop on different part of the owner's property, but this request was not incorporated into the final design. Another issue raised was that the cemetery parking access, which has traditionally been via Mr. Villeneuve's property, will now be from the property of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. However, testimony was received that the access from Mr. Villeneuve's property had been provided as a courtesy to the community, and that in the deed for the church property the cemetery access is in fact mentioned as being on the church property. At the May meeting, it was reported that Mr. Villeneuve had met with church officials and Trudell Engineering to speak with them about improving access to the cemetery. The applicant's final landscaping plan included a line of lilac bushes added at the church's request, to provide screening between the proposed store and the church driveway. Another issue discussed was outdoor lighting. Comments were received from the Jericho Energy Task Force and members of the public asking for the lighting to be energy efficient and the least

nuisance possible for the community. The applicant responded by providing LED lighting fixtures, timers to turn off outdoor lights during the day, and shielded security lighting wall-mounts that will be turned off at night. Trudell provided renderings that demonstrated the parking lot lights will not illuminate areas beyond the edge of the parking lot. According to testimony received, the lights will turn off a half hour after closing. The VT Rt. 15 corridor northbound (toward Underhill) offers visitors a magnificent view of Mount Mansfield; the landscaping is designed not to obstruct travelers' enjoyment of that view. The origin and quality of the merchandise at Dollar General has been questioned. Many American-labeled corporations in fact have many of their products manufactured offshore, for example Nike (Indonesia, China, Taiwan, India, Thailand, Vietnam, Pakistan, Philippines, and Malaysia), Reebok International Limited (China, Vietnam, Indonesia), and Columbia Sportswear (at least 15 offshore countries). Dollar General merchandise includes both American and imported goods. Dollar General Stores do not carry strictly \$1 items; it is calculated that less than 10% of the store merchandise is priced at \$1 or less. Dollar General History - Dollar General was founded in 1939 by Cal Turner. The first store was located in Scottsville, KY and was called J. L. Turner and Sons. The first store actually called Dollar General was opened in 1955 with the idea that all items in the store would be \$1 or less. The idea took off quickly and all J. L. Turner stores were renamed to Dollar General. The chain reached 29 stores by 1959. J. L. Turner died in 1964 and Dollar General went public in 1968. In 1977, Cal Turner, Jr. took over as president of the company, making him the third generation to run the company. Cal ran Dollar General until 2002. In 2007, Dollar General was acquired by private equity firms and taken private. Two years later, in 2009, the company was made public via IPO. Dollar General Stores do not franchise because they are corporate only. Today, the company has over 10,000 stores in 40 US states. The Dollar General corporate office is located in Goodlettsville, TN.



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with the American-Canadian Tour and Jennifer and her mother and siblings spent most of their time sitting in the stands on race days. When she turned sixteen Jennifer was allowed to go down into the pits and she started riding in the pace car with her dad. Jennifer admits she realized at the age of fifteen that she wanted to become a race car driver, but a woman driving a race car was virtually unheard of at the time. Plus, with only one hand no one ever imagined Jennifer would be able to drive a car, let alone a race car. So after graduation Jennifer took a job with 95 Triple X in Burlington selling advertising. One of her clients, Shearer Chevrolet, Cadillac, Oldsmobile, in South Burlington, was so impressed with her they offered her a job as a salesperson. While at Shearer Jennifer met her husband, Cory, who worked in the shop as an automotive technician. They were married in 1999. One night the newlyweds went to the races at Thunder Road and Jennifer turned to Cory and said, "I want to race." "Cory was very supportive," Jennifer said. "He looked at me and said, *Go ahead and do it!* So the couple bought a race car, Cory prepared it for competition and Jennifer was on her way. The car is a pink Ford Mustang and the #25 Mustang is now one of the most recognizable cars at Thunder Road. Six years and more than 87 races later and Jennifer is still looking for her first win. But that's a statistic that clearly doesn't tell the whole story. By dealing with two handicaps Jennifer has become a role model for many. "I just want people to realize they can overcome anything, she said recently. Jennifer steers with her left hand on the wheel and shifts with her right arm. She said she mostly stays in second gear and only has trouble when she's coming out of the pits or has to regain speed after a caution flag. "Growing up I hated having only one hand," Jennifer admitted. "Now I feel it has made me the person I am. I'm a very compassionate person. I don't know that I would be that person if I hadn't been born with one hand." Jennifer has become more than a positive role model. She's taken an active role in raising money for Cancer research, teaming up with S.D. Ireland, of Williston who started the S.D. Ireland Cancer Research Fund in 1999. A portion of the money Jennifer raises by selling sponsor space on the trunk of pink Mustang goes to the University of Vermont College of Medicine that is working on new treatments for victims of breast cancer. It's just one more way Jennifer gives back. So who cares who finishes first in the race. When it comes to the game of life, Jennifer Getty is a true winner.