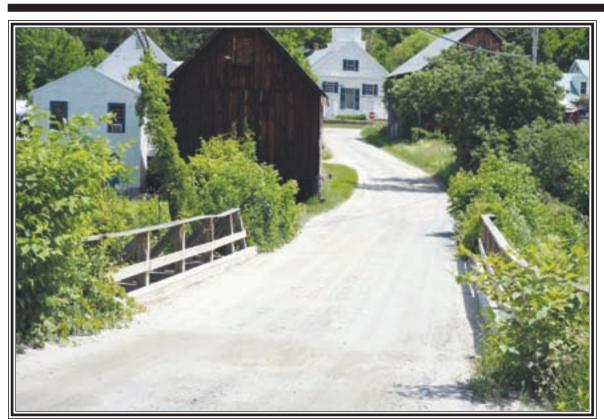
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This familiar scene in Waits River could look different later this year as the bridge in the foreground undergoes repair work with metal guardrails set to replace the deteriorating wooden ones.

JO PHOTO BY LINDA BUERMEYER

Bail reform, Covid played role in stand closure

the Grafton County Farm?

turns to cover crops in 2021," about the temporary closure of the Grafton County farm stand spurred questions about the lower numbers jailed just because they cannot raise County House of Corrections.

2020 with the COVID-19 quaran-selves or the public. tines and reduced operations of the court system. Since inmate farm county jails had no shortage of being sentenced, there were not because they had no money for bail. enough available hands for the work.

said there used to about be knowing they might lose their jobs, in the field and some working in the maybe face eviction, to name a few. farm stand. By the fall of 2020,

the jail to even dig potatoes. According to Grafton County Hampshire's bail reform has forced ered.' judges to take a different look at and the hesitation for judges to incarcerate people caused the big slowdown in farm labor for the Grafton County Farm.'

The bail reform law is having an

NORTH HAVERHILL—Why is impact on those who have been there an inmate labor shortage on arrested. It prevents defendants Grafton County Farm? from being detained before trial because they cannot afford bail.

The law, which was enacted in of incarcerated at the Grafton bail; yet, it still gives prosecutors a method to seek pretrial detention of The lack of farm help started in those who are dangerous to them-

workers have to be those who have inmates who had not been convicted received sentences and with no one of a crime and were there only

They were not sentenced but had Farm Manager Grant Nelson to stay in jail until their court date, approximately six inmate workers thereby being unable to pay rent and

there were not enough people from incarcerated, the severity of the crime." Hornick said. "We want to achieve a balance. There is a whole Attorney Marci Hornick, "New host of things which are consid-

Now that the court is returning to crimes. That, coupled with Covid full capacity, the sentenced population is once again increasing.

"All of these things come into

See Closure on page 7



"We look at who should be A parade carrying Oxbow High School graduates hits Main Street in Bradford after commencement was held on June 18. Pictured here are Emma DeGoosh (left) and Rachel Spear (right) waving to community members. For more photos from Friday evening's festivities, see page 2.

vulnerable to the coronavirus.

your reason to get vaccinated."

JO PHOTO BY RICHARD SWENSON

Scenic spot set for makeover

Waits River. There are barns on pushed it to this year. either side of the road and in the

New England photographer and blogger Jeff Folger calls it "an iconic location.'

Indeed, it is and folks are loathe way. But those railings are now warped and in need of repair. The 1950s. bridge bed itself needs attention.

selectboard member Brad Calhoun.

"We're not rebuilding the taken?" foreground is a small bridge with wooden railings.

bridge," Calhoun said." We are raising it 1 foot to get it out of the floodplain." He recalled how high but the state mandates that for the water was when Tropical Storm safety's sake, the guardrails have to Irene blew through in 2011.

The bridge abutment is esti- will not be advanced. to make changes to the scene in any mated to have been built in the

The proposed new cement deck Repairs have been planned for a will be stronger and safer for number of years, according to emergency vehicles. The current legal weight allowed on the span is "We applied for a grant five only 8 tons. With the average fire years ago, didn't get it," he said. truck weighing at least 18 tons, the

Reapplied four years ago and were new deck will be a welcome change. Repairing the 34-foot bridge is Oct. 1

WAITS RIVER—One of the most mately \$160,000 cost), it took a Otterman understands that Topsham photographed sites in Vermont is couple more years to get to the top residents are concerned and are Pike Hill Road's approach to the of the list and work should have asking, "What will it look like? Will New Hope Methodist Church in started last year but COVID-19 it be the tourist destination to see the place where the photos are

> Several people have said they want the wooden railings retained, be metal; otherwise the grant money

According to April 26 board 1830s. Its last new deck came in the meeting minutes, some town officials said they believe the metal guardrails could be encased with

That proposal is still on the table. Austin Construction, winning bidder of the Pike Hill Bridge project, will begin work in mid-September with a proposed finish of

The bid was awarded during the May 24 selectboard meeting. Several residents have complained to selectmen, according to meeting At least one person said that

there had been no advance notice that the bridge would be undergoing repair. Another said the lengthy detour will require travel through Corinth and on some very narrow roads. Emergency vehicle access is another concern. "The state provides the design.

We're at the state's mercy. Their primary concern is safety," Otterman

It remains to be seen if the guardrails will get a wooden facade or whether the state's metal rails will remain open to view.

Perhaps they will sport a patina to make them look older, as Calhoun suggests they might.

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Local vax rollout matches state rate the 20% of Vermonters who have were zero new cases in Orange the New Hampshire COVID-19

Community News Service As Vermont reached an 80%

vaccination rate, eligible residents of Bradford and surrounding communities are receiving the COVID-19 vaccine at a pace comparable to the rest of the state.

According to data from the Vermont Department of Health, Bradford's vaccination rate was between 81 and 90%, as was the rate in Thetford. Fairlee's vaccination rate was higher than 90%, and Chelsea's vaccination rate was between 71 and 80%.

Corinth, Vershire, Washington, Newbury, Topsham, Ryegate, and Strafford all had vaccination rates between 61 and 70%. Orange and West Fairlee had lower vaccination rates, and the Department of Health noted that they had experienced issues gathering vaccine data in both of those towns.

Currently, any Vermont resident aged 12 or older can be vaccinated against COVID-19. Locations throughout the state offer the Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson

Gov. Phil Scott announced during a June 14 press conference that 80% of Vermonters had received at least one vaccine dose, and that as a result, all state pandemic restrictions would be lifted

The people we vaccinate tomorrow are just as important as those we vaccinated yesterday," Scott said.

Vermont Health Commissioner Mark Levine said at the same press conference that it is still important

not received the vaccine are still County.

Over the course of the pan-"Low incidence rates are not the demic, Vermont has seen 24,339 new coronavirus cases between same as zero," Levine said. "Find cases and 256 deaths, according to a June 7 and June 21, three of which June 15 report published by the were still active on June 15. There were four new COVID-19 Department of Health.

In New Hampshire, 60.6% of Response website does not publish cases in Caledonia County between June 14 and June 20, according to eligible residents have received at Department of Health data. There least one vaccine dose, according to

Response website.

Grafton County recorded 11

The New Hampshire COVID-19

See Vax on page 7



to make sure Vermont's entire BLENDING IN—The photographer spotted this cecropia moth near Rivendell Academy in Orford recently See Bridge on page 3 population receives the vaccine, as and was able to get a great shot of it.

COURTESY PHOTO BY GREG ALLEN

Embattled bridge inspires neighbors by Lillian Gahagan

Ompompanoosuc River on Tucker Thetford Selectboard with an idea Hill Road was temporarily closed and the board approved her plan. She for several hours midday on June 17. then started to fundraise.

But this time the closure was not due to damage caused by an to the effort, and she collaborated oversized truck striking the wooden with others on the design and frame, an all-too common occur- historical accuracy of past signage rence at the site. Instead, a throng of neighbors, engineered bridge.

Thetford officials and other friends of the bridge gathered near its east support" received from residents, end to install new signs on either end the selectboard and the historical of the Sayre Bridge. Several short society. speeches and a ribbon-cutting ceremony marked the occasion once work," Babbott said. both signs were mounted in place.

the Sayre is one of two covered construction date is unknown. There bridges—along with Union Village were several dams close to the Bridge—in Thetford. At one time, bridge on the Ompompanoosuc and Thetford had as many as seven waterpower was generated for covered bridges, with most lost to various businesses including a mill,

Until last week, the bridge had no signs depicting its name. About six

THETFORD CENTER—The one- months ago, Thetford resident lane covered bridge over the Katherine Babbott approached the A number of donors contributed

> used on this historic and distinctly Babbott noted the "enthusiastic

> "Teamwork makes the dream

The 128.5-foot span was built Located just west of the village, around 1840 although its actual





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Oxbow High School





Members of Oxbow High School Class of 2021 toss their caps (top) in the air as they celebrate graduation on the evening of June 18; sisters Aspen and Sierra Longmoore (above) were among the 45 seniors celebrating graduation as were Zach Kane, Carter Allen and Bryce Ilsley (above right) who displayed their diplomas for family and friends taking photographs; this year's ceremony was held outside under a tent allowing families, including Ronald Senecal's (right), to gather together for the event.

JO PHOTOS BY RICHARD



New scholarship set for Bradford women

by Meg Trogolo **Community News Service**

Bradford women studying at the foundation, Wheeler said. University of Vermont.

a 1952 UVM graduate, worked with scholarship. the foundation to establish the scholarship in honor of her mother, community should thank the Pratts UVM Foundation's website.

The scholarship fund currently contains \$1 million, according to have even considered UVM." the same UVM Foundation article.

The first recipient of the to the Pratt family as well. scholarship is Jessie Daigle, who "It spans generations," Daigle will graduate later this year and is said. "Margaret Pratt graduated studying communication sciences from UVM in the 1920s, and in hopes of becoming a speech knowing that someone from language pathologist.

Pratt Scholarship even existed until graduated, is still able to give back to February 2020, when she received those of us who are at UVM, is a an email from the university really cool circle of life." informing her that the scholarship

Both Daigle and When had been awarded to her.

UVM Foundation, Daigle learned community as a whole. that the scholarship was established in honor of Margaret Pratt, who A lot of people go to UVM because spent her entire life in Bradford and it's one of the cheaper options opportunities that she enjoyed.

said. "I didn't know what I was going women around here." to do for money over the summer, so

School Principal Jean Wheeler, for stronger equity, it sets the stage high school students from Bradford for an overall culture, and I think do not apply for the scholarship that's key to change," Wheeler said. when they choose UVM. Instead, the UVM Foundation chooses a female acknowledgement and the advocacy UVM student who hails from for young women is a positive thing Bradford to be the scholarship's and will lead to positive change for

The UVM Foundation invited scholarship when it was in develop- reached for comment. ment, and Oxbow High School gives

tion now offers the Margaret students who may be eligible. The Jenkins Pratt Scholarship to rest of the process is up to the

Wheeler expressed gratitude to award by Ian Blackmer, his instruc-In 2018, Harriet Pratt Peterson, the Pratt family for establishing the

Margaret Pratt, who also attended over and over again," Wheeler said. UVM, according to an article on the "As we all know, college is expensive, and this opens up the door for many students who may not

Daigle discussed her gratitude

Bradford also went to UVM, and Daigle had been unaware that the almost a hundred years after she

Both Daigle and Wheeler hope In a follow-up email from the positive impact on the Bradford

"I think it could be really helpful. expensive," Daigle said. "It's a "It was a pretty big scholarship, pretty big scholarship, so it can and then the pandemic hit," Daigle definitely help out some of the

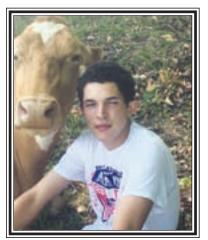
"When students, particularly in it was a pretty huge blessing and this case female students, are definitely a welcome surprise." experiencing community members
According to Oxbow High providing resources that will allow

Neither Harriet Pratt Peterson Wheeler to give feedback on the nor the UVM Foundation could be

River Bend student receives award

STRAFFORD—Since 2005, the Vermont Land Trust has recognized outstanding high school juniors and seniors who are dedicated to agriculture and forestry. This year, Jackson Ransom of Strafford re-BRADFORD—The UVM Founda- information on the scholarship to ceived one of nine Land Stewards Awards presented by the land trust, along with a check for \$300.

Ransom was nominated for the



Jackson Ransom, a recipient of the Vermont Land Trust's Land Stewards Awards.

that the Pratt Scholarship will have a tor of diversified agriculture and natural resources at the River Bend Career and Technical Center in Bradford.

'While at River Bend, Jackson soaked up the Diversified Agriculture and Natural Resources program whose children wanted to give other women from Bradford the same with that, it can still be pretty ture and Natural Resources program content, from forest stewardship to maple production—and runs the family sugaring operation. We are lucky to have Jackson as one of the next generation of dairy farmers in Vermont," said Blackmer.

Ransom grew up on an organic dairy farm and is highly focused on continuing the family legacy.

He is also knowledgeable and concerned about how farming interacts with the natural environment, from following required agricultural practices to understanding how best to protect water quality and improve soil. Most of all, he loves farming. He plans to attend Vermont Technical College in the fall to study dairy farm management.

WHS students win service award

WOODSVILLE—Woodsville High School students engaged with the to take home over the weekend when food insecurity.

Their efforts were recently is knowing that they are helping others that means the most.

its second year and supports the entire Woodsville High School community. NH-JAG students stuff to date with donated food.

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New Hampshire Jobs for America's they don't have access to high Graduates program have already school snacks and lunches. While learned the lesson espoused by the program is anonymous, and the Martin Luther King Jr. In fact, they names of the students receiving the are living it each day as they help fellow classmates who suffer from is the difference the program makes in students' lives.

The need is real. In 2019, 26.3% recognized for the second year in a of children in Woodsville were row with a first place NH-JAG living below the poverty line trophy for community service, but it compared to 6.9% for the state. While they may not be able to assist everyone, the NH-JAG students are The Pantry Pack Program is in working hard to meet the need, which only increased due to COVID-19, having filled over 400 backpacks Mosquitoes are the deadliest animal in the

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WHS NH-JAG students are looking beyond themselves to help others, and that is not going unnoticed. In addition to the NH-JAG Community Service Award, two Woodsville High School

NH-JAG members applied for and were recently selected into the Empower Coos Youth Group, a program designed to empower youth and connect them to their communities so they can reach their full potential.

FUN FACTS

world: They kill more people than any other creature, due to the diseases they



Woodsville High School NH-JAG students were recently recognized for the second year in a row with a first place NH-JAG trophy for community service. Pictured are (front row from I to r) NH-JAG Executive Director Janet Arnett, Emma Snow, Ella Lebrun, Jaylah Hogue, Becca Smas, Mary Delafontaine, Zach Hutchins and Jack Ball; (back row) Bradley Hendrickson, Daniel Dutilly, Haley Spencer, Kaylena Conkey, Jeter Bailey, Tyler Thurston and Youth Specialist Jill Nichols.

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Blake Memorial Library

EAST CORINTH—Story hour takes place at Blake Memorial Library on Thursdays at 10 a.m. Join Wendy for stories, songs and a craft—in person

A book discussion will be held July 9 at 4:30 p.m. for the book

Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and

Waits River Lois Butler (802) 439-5174

New Hope Methodist Church members were glad to get back to normal again.

July 10 at Paul's field in East Corinth. On July 11, there will be a memorial service for Lawrence (Lefty) Butler. This is open to the public.

Jim Bulger still has plenty of tomato and other plants in his greenhouse.

New Hope church in Waits River has Sunday service at 8:30 a.m. All are

questions of nature with the tools of science. As a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, she embraces the notion that plants and animals are our oldest teachers. In Braiding Sweetgrass, Kimmerer brings these lenses of knowledge together to show that the awakening of a wider ecological consciousness requires the acknowledgment and celebration of a reciprocal relationship The Butler family reunion will be on with the rest of the living world.

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Hunter Heavy Duty



The Sayre Bridge was celebrated on June 17 when a number of Thetford residents, officials, and friends of the bridge attended a ceremony and ribbon cutting for new donated signage for the old bridge.

Bridge

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power plant and a laundry

The Sayre Bridge was listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974 and it is the only known example of the Haupt patent truss system in Vermont; it may be the only example of such construction in the northeastern United States. A covered bridge is considered authentic not due to its age, but by its construction using trusses rather than other bridge-building methods such as stringers.

For most of its existence, according to Sally Duston of the Thetford Historical Society, the "Center Bridge" or the Thetford Center Bridge has also been known interchangeably as the Sayre Bridge after two brothers-Oramel and Wesley Sayre—operated a mill there from about 1883 until the 1920s. Mostly, they did various kinds of woodworking at the mill.

All those buildings are gone now, but the bridge still survives thanks to ongoing maintenance and repairs.

The bridge has a metal roof and is vertically sheathed with boards. It has a total width of 20.5 feet with trusses are a variant of what's known in bridge design as a multiple kingpost truss. Each truss has verticals and diagonals in that style, but also has a laminated arch, consisting of heavy planks pegged together. It has a central concrete pier that rests on dry laid stone abutments that have now been capped in concrete.

The bridge's deck, since alterations were made in 1963, is now supported by steel I-beams and its damages and drivers can be charged abutments were capped in concrete with failure to obey the traffic laws. at the same time. A central pier was also added during that phase. In 2007 the deck, siding and interior curbs were repaired.

As one speaker said, the bridge is always in need of repairs, especially when hit by trucks. Tucker Hill Road is a relatively high-volume link to both Strafford and Norwich. Clearance does not accommodate large trucks or modern recreational

Road signs posted outside both Bridge. ends of the bridge clearly note the height limit to passing traffic. explained in a brief phone interview Nevertheless, the bridge has been damaged many, many times.

there had been "a spell of continuing replacement of six boards. damage" although fortunately the most recent damage has been of the cosmetic variety.

restrictions won't be of any use to in the future. the clueless. He noted that when the most recent truck hit the Sayre, the driver had no idea the height of his vehicle exceeded the limit.

clearance within and across the actually created from symbols in the code bridge may vary as much as 3 inches because the span has a bit of an arch to it and is "an antique."

There are a lot of dynamics in play,"Evans said. "What can we do to keep this iconic bridge safe? The one lane of travel. The bridge it, but truck drivers need to be aware town is ultimately responsible for so that they know what's happening on the road.'

> Evans said there has been discussion about various height warning systems including lasers, giant signs and height barriers placed in front of the bridge, but these measures could be very expensive and still be impossible to make travel through it "idiot proof."

> His understanding was that insurance covers some of the But in many cases there is difficulty in identifying many of the hits to the bridge because they are not reported

Old bridges were built in the era when horses and buggies were the transportation method of choice. Later on, Model-T type cars followed in the early 1900s.

For the past few years, Daniels

vehicles that exceed 11 feet, 9 Construction of Ascutney has repaired accident damage at the Sayre

Project manager Matt Belden this week that two years ago the company repaired broken boards BRADFORD—There was a savory courtesy of Bradford resident Brian Marla Ianello streamed the event Thetford Police Chief Michael throughout the bridge from end to aroma amidst the air of celebration Schlager and Twin State Financial over Zoom for staff to watch as Liu Evans said in a brief interview that end. Recent repairs were the at Bradford Elementary School on

According to Belden, the company has fallen into a niche business restoring and repairing covered Evans said that many drivers are bridges in Vermont and New not aware of the actual height of Hampshire, in addition to its other their vehicles. In that circumstance construction projects. If the trend road signs posted signifying height continues, they won't lack for work

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According to Evans, the actual The green code in The Matrix was designer's wife's sushi cookbook.



Bradford Elementary School Principal Marla Ianello, special educator Kristen Liu, Brian Schlager of Twin State Financial Solutions, and Scott Danforth of Smokey D's standing in front of Danforth's food truck on Friday afternoon in front of Bradford Elementary School.

JO PHOTO BY ALEX NUTI-DE BIASI

It's good to be the winner

by Alex Nuti-de Biasi

It was the final day of the school year and there was an early release. educators across the country. Students and staff said their farevellow school buses rolled away under the bright midday sun.

adults who stayed behind, but this was important that during a year answering the question that clinched lunch was a little sweeter, well filled with COVID-19 and stringent smokier, than usual. This lunch of public health measures for school barbecue was catered and paid for staff to have some fun. after special educator Kristen Liu emerged triumphant during an some silly stuff," Schlager said. The online trivia tournament earlier this trivia game used the Kahoot!

The lunch, provided by Topsham's Scott Danforth via his

erate that specializes in covering her and her colleagues.

"It was nice to get together for be the inaugural champion. . learning platform.

After an initial round, three BES staff members—Wanda Vaughan, homes in Bradford for lunch. Lauren Hosmer, and Liu—advanced

Smokey D's food truck, came to the championship. BES Principal Solutions. Twin State is part of the emerged victorious earning a trophy Horace Mann insurance conglom- for herself and the catered lunch for

Named in honor of 19th century As a long, pandemic-interrupted America's most ardent advocate of wells and waved goodbye as the winter came to a close the trivia public education, the Horace Mann tournament was held in March for insurance company was founded in staff from some 10 schools across 1945. That date was not lost on Liu, And then it was lunchtime for the Central Vermont. Schlager said it who recalled the milestone in the title.

> "1945 sounded good to me," said Liu, who added she was proud to

During a brief gathering at the school on Friday, Schlager presented Liu with a trophy. And then recessed to one of their contingent's

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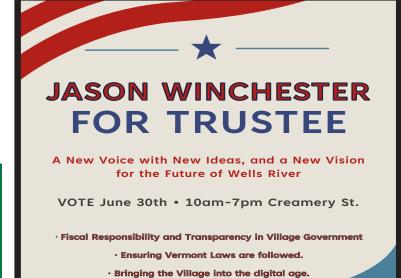


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Letters

Big lie peddlers should face consequeces

Donald Trump's "big lie"—that the election was stolen—wasn't just the source of the Jan. 6 insurrection, it's a lingering threat to our democracy. It's undermined faith in our democracy, led to countless voter suppression laws, and could spawn efforts to overthrow future elections, either by violence or devious political means.

The "big lie's" destructive power could have been lessened if more prominent conservative Christian leaders and Christian media had told the truth. Sadly, they spread it. For example:

•Franklin Graham said, "when [Trump] says this election was rigged or stolen, I tend to believe him.'

•Tony Perkins, of the Family Research Council, signed a letter that urged state legislatures to override the election results and appoint their own electors, claiming that, "There is no doubt President Donald J. Trump is the lawful winner of the presidential election.

•Pat Robertson proclaimed, "We must declare that God Almighty is not going to let this great nation of ours be taken over by fraud ... the Lord himself will intervene before this country turns into something socialist."

•The Christian Broadcasting Network published statements like: "Stunning revelations about the 2020 election: President Trump's legal team says it has evidence that software was used to steal the election and that the evidence is strong enough to overturn results in multiple states. Is it possible that President Trump won by millions of votes?"

Some media companies—like Fox News—have faced consequences for their lies. Shouldn't Christian media that peddle the same dangerous disinformation also be held accountable? If not, the "big lie" will continue to infect our churches and society, fostering ever more division as well as efforts to restrict the sacred right to vote, especially among communities of color.

Steve Gehlert West Newbury, VT

Do You Know Me?

by Rebecca Farley

When you wake in the morning do you take time to talk to me? Do you speak my words to others you might see?

Throughout your busy day do you keep my Golden Rule? Do you in everything you do and everything that you say?

Do you help someone in need, or do you slowly pass them by? Do you forgive the rude one, or let your temper fly?

Are good things in your heart, in your mind and on your lips? Or is evil still lurking there, and sometimes your tongue slips?

When you retire at night, do you kneel and pray? I look forward to hearing everything you have to say.

Do you know me? The author resides in Wells River.

ON THIS DATE

The first U.S. typewriter was patented by Luther Sholes on June 23,

Olympic gold medal sprinter Wilma Rudolph was born June 23, 1940 in Bethlehem, TN. She won the 100-meter and the 200-meter races and the 400-meter relay in the 1960 Rome games. She was the first woman to win three gold medals at the same Olympics. She overcame polio as a child and went on to Tennessee State University to become an athlete. Rudolph won the Sullivan Award in 1961. She died in Brentwood, TN on Nov. 12, 1994.

Apple Computer Inc. unveiled the new Power Mac desktop computer on June 23, 2003.

On June 23, 2013 in Arizona, aerialist Nik Wallenda completed a quarter mile tightrope walk over the Little Colorado River Gorge.

Verizon announced it had completed its \$4.4 billion purchase of AOL, Inc. on June 23, 2015.

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Legislators should uphold S-107 veto

by Lisa Loomis

The Vermont legislature will be called back into special session this week to try to overturn three vetoes issued by Gov. Phil Scott and also to possibly consider legislation that failed to get needed support before adjournment in May.

There is no need for this special session. Legislators, media members, lobbyists and others who follow the State House have noted each of the three vetoes can be addressed in greater detail when the legislature returns in

The cost to taxpayers will be approximately \$50,000 for each day of the veto session. Legislative leaders have indicated that in addition to the bills vetoed by the Governor, they plan to take up S-79, a housing reform bill. It is expected the special veto session could last three or four days costing taxpayers \$200,000 for issues that can wait until January.

The Vermont Press Association and the Vermont Association of Broadcasters were among the groups and people that urged one of the vetoes. The bill, S-107, is designed to eventually allow young adults up to age 20 to avoid having their initial arrest and criminal conduct released to the public.

In his veto message on S-107, Gov. Scott said that he had "concerns with the policy to automatically raise the age of accountability for crimes, and afford young adults protections meant for juveniles, without adequate tools or systems in place.

Vermont, which closed its only juvenile detention center, does not have the proper programs, systems or housing in place for young adult offenders.

to veto the bills, but I disagree with his reasons

In his veto message, Gov. Scott asked the

legislature "to revisit the issue of non-citizen

voting in a more comprehensive manner." He

endorsed the concept of a statewide policy

governing the manner and instances in which

non-citizen residents might be permitted to vote.

In taking that position, the Governor has clearly

signaled his view that non-citizens may legally

vote in some elections. For two significant

an attribute of citizenship. When a person becomes a citizen of the United States, that

person takes an oath that begins, "I hereby

declare, on oath, that I absolutely and entirely

renounce and abjure all allegiance and fidelity to

any foreign prince, potentate, state, or

sovereignty, of whom or which I have heretofore

to eliminate conflicts of interest and divided

loyalties. A person who votes without giving

such assurance is under no such obligation of

citizenship oath, however, several other requirements must be met. In order to qualify for

Be at least 18 years of age;

continuously for a certain number of years;

Before one even gets to the point of taking the

2. Be a legal resident of the United States

The purpose of that declaration, of course, is

First, voting has long been understood to be

reasons, I disagree.

been a subject or citizen. ...

naturalization, a person must:

undivided loyalty.

There are also concerns for our local

Somebody age 18 or 19 could be involved in child abuse, sexual abuse or elder abuse and have their cases heard confidentially in Family Court. And as one legislator noted the abuser can than turn around and later get a job working or volunteering with youth or the

Also a Vermont store owner or banker looking to hire a clerk or a teller will never know the applicant may have embezzled or stolen funds from a job, or may have stolen checks and forged names because the arrest records will be automatically hidden. Should parents have the right to know the truth when

driving while intoxicated? What about being ticketed for going 100 mph on the interstate? Is the youthful driver safe for your child to ride with? In the rush to pass S-107 the bill never got a complete airing in the legislature and many of these

their child's best friend has been arrested on a charge of

questions were never fully answered. The House Judiciary Committee never had a single hearing. Neither did the Senate Judiciary Committee. It would seem prudent that legislation which has a serious impact on the Vermont judicial and law enforcement systems would have warranted some testimony in those committees. Perhaps state, county and local law enforcement officials might have some thoughts about a topic they deal with every day.

There also is the issue that teenagers can vote, drive, get married and have a baby. But S-107 is saying they are not mature enough to have their misconduct addressed as an adult. If they drive drunk and kill somebody it is okay to have that crime hidden.

This is a clear case where the legislators should step back to allow for proper vetting and to fully address unanswered question when the legislature returns in January for the second year of the biennium.

Gov. Scott said as much in his veto message to the

"Three years ago, I signed legislation intended to give young adults who had become involved in the criminal justice system certain protections meant for juveniles. At the time, I was assured that, prior to the automatic increases in age prescribed in the bill, plans would be in place to provide access to the rehabilitation, services, housing and other supports needed to both hold these young adults accountable and help them stay out of the criminal justice system in the future," the governor wrote.

"This has not yet been the case. In addition to ongoing housing challenges, programs designed and implemented for children under 18 are often not appropriate for those over 18. Disturbingly, there are also reports of some young adults being used—and actively recruited—by older criminals, like drug traffickers, to commit crimes because of reduced risk of incarceration, potentially putting the young people we are trying to protect deeper into the criminal culture and at greater risk," he said.

"I want to be clear: I'm not blaming the Legislature or the Judiciary for these gaps. All three branches of government need to bring more focus to this issue if we are going to provide the combination of accountability, tools and services needed to ensure justice and give young offenders a second chance," Scott noted in his veto letter.

So we hope legislators can make quick work of this special session.

Uphold the veto. Kill S-107 so more work can be done on the bill and the unaddressed issues. Come back in January with the answers. There is still plenty

Lisa Loomis, who is president of the Vermont Press Association, is the co-owner and editor of the Valley Reporter in Waitsfield.

Voting is for citizens

by Thomas F. Koch

Gov. Phil Scott has vetoed two bills, H.77 3. Establish residency in the state in which the and H.227, that would have permitted nonperson intends to apply for citizenship; 4. Have "good moral character; citizens who are legally present in the United States to vote in local elections. He was correct Be proficient in basic written and oral English;

Demonstrate knowledge (by means of a test) of U.S. history and government; and

7. If a male between the ages of 18 and 26, register

for the draft. The bills which Gov. Scott has vetoed require none

of these things, except that non-citizens desiring to vote in local elections in Winooski and Montpelier be at least 18 years of age and be a resident of one of those cities (no duration of residence specified). There is no requirement for competency in the English language, no need to show knowledge of U.S. history and government, and no demonstration of "good moral character," however loosely that may be understood. Since the right to vote is one of the main attributes of citizenship (the right to hold public office being the other), it begs the question why any person (including some good friends of mine) would go through the procedures specified in law to become a citizen if the benefits of citizenship could be obtained by circumventing those procedures.

Let me be clear. I welcome immigrants, provided they come legally. And I welcome new citizens, provided they meet the requirements for naturalization set out in law. Even though our current immigration laws are a mess and sorely in need of comprehensive revision, they are still the law until changed, and I cannot support measures that enable people to shortcut the

There is a second, and perhaps more important, reason why the governor was correct to veto House bills 77 and 227—they are unconstitutional. Chapter II, Section 42 of the Vermont Constitution provides, in relevant part:

Every person of the full age of 18 years who is a

citizen of the United States, having resided in this State for the period established by the General assembly and who is of a quiet and peaceable behavior, and will take the [Voter's Oath or Affirmation], shall be entitled to all the privileges of a voter in this state...

Clearly, our Constitution grants the right to vote to any person who, among other things, is a citizen of the United States. The corollary of this grant is that those who are not citizens may not vote. Under the Constitution, the legislature simply does not have the power by ordinary legislation to provide for voting by those who are not citizens. And if the state does not have that power, neither does any municipality of the state, since municipalities are creatures of the state. Simply stated, what the state does not have the power to grant directly cannot be granted indirectly through its

Any effort to grant non-citizens the right to vote in Vermont elections—whether state or local—can be accomplished only by means of an amendment to the Vermont Constitution. Significantly, several years ago, the provision allowing 17 year old citizens to vote in primary elections if they would be 18 before the date of the general election needed to be done by constitutional amendment, not by ordinary legislation. So it is with this current proposal permitting non-citizens to vote in local elections.

Later this month, the legislature will vote whether to sustain Gov. Scott's vetoes of House bills 77 and 227 or whether to enact those bills notwithstanding his vetoes. The legislature will be fulfilling its oath of office and serving the public interest by sustaining the Governor's vetoes.

Thomas F. Koch is a former member of the Vermont House of Representatives and a resident of Barre

Gypsy moths making a comeback in VT

MONTPELIER—Many Vermont- droughts and dry weather, a fungus killing fungus. defoliation of their trees.

This invasive insect arrived in increase. the United States over 100 years ago leaves, including maple and pine.

ers around the state are encounter- that keeps the gypsy moth populaing gypsy moth caterpillars causing tion in check has been limited and outbreak, state officials say chemi-

and has been expanding its range lars are damaging, otherwise healthy steps homeowners can take to limit ever since. Gypsy moth can be a trees can often survive a few years damage and decrease next year's significant defoliator (leaf eater) of of successive defoliation. Defoliapopulation. More information on trees and shrubs, and although they tion and drought conditions, can gypsy moth identification and mitiprefer oak trees, high populations combine to stress tree health and stressors, Vermont may see another gypsy-moth. Vermont has not seen a large year or two of high levels of gypsy outbreak of gypsy moth since 1991, moth activity unless the state sees although it has been present at low some rainy seasons to increase the levels for decades. Due to the recent population of the gypsy moth-

Based on the current stage of the allowed the gypsy moth numbers to cal controls are not recommended for large-scale areas. However, effectively when behavioral changes Although gypsy moth caterpil- there are practical, non-chemical gation steps can be found at more information or sign up for this class,

NORMAL OR NOT NORMAL? NORTH HAVERHILL—This workshop, part of the "Aging and Dementia Informational Series," helps learners understand and recognize the differences in "normal" and "not normal" aging. If it's

not normal, this workshop will help

develop skills to recognize and intervene

occur and what should be done about them. The workshop is presented by Mohamed Basha, CEO, and Wendy Bombard, of TLC Home Care via Zoom.

will cause them to eat many types of vigor. Due to this combination of www.vtinvasives.org/invasive/ contact your senior center: Horse Meadow, wsawyer@gcscc.org or (603) 787-2539; or Orford, lheath@gcscc.org or (603) 536-1204.

-Rambling Reflections-

Seeking an inventor

by Nessa Flax

Have you ever had an excellent idea, but lacked the expertise to execute it? That is my

Having watched quite a few episodes of "Shark Tank," I believe I have some understanding of the elements necessary to win investors for a new product. (If this is an illusion on my part, so be it.)

The top elements for a uniquely marketable invention are:

•The product must have a potential worldwide market. Nationwide just is not good enough. There must be proven need for the creation.

•The new device must truly be new—with no comparable competition in the existing market. My idea is based on personal experience,

which is often at the heart of the most successful entrepreneurial ventures. See a need that has not been filled and fill it. The orientation of my house is ideal in winter.

On sunny days, passive solar heat bakes the

front, warming the core of my home, reducing the

need for heating fuel. In the summer, however, this means it does not take long to overheat the

My window unit air conditioner is, unfortunately, in a front window. Due to interior design, it's the only place I can put it. Years ago, I figured sun beating down on it all day was probably reducing its efficiency.

In fact, expert energy sources state that direct sunshine on outdoor window units reduces efficiency by as much as 10%. Ideally, the U.S. Department of Energy states, such units should be installed in a shady area on the north or east side of the house—just not possible here. One summer, I wrestled with placing a large

patio umbrella to shade the a/c. Staking it to the ground, tying it to the front porch railing, all to no avail. I get quite a bit of wind up here on the hill

and the umbrella simply would not stay put.

Thus my idea was born. A collapsible small umbrella attached to the top of the a/c, with a mechanism to pop it open after installation. A second mechanism accessible from inside would

tilt the umbrella appropriately as the sun's direction shifted.

Such a feature would be especially useful for

apartment dwellers in multistory buildings. Potential market? In the United States, 5.9 million window unit air conditioners were shipped in 2020. In 2016, the European Union and Japan each procured 9 million units. That same year, China had the largest annual sales of residential air-conditioning units: 41 million.

The only existing product I could find was an 'outer hood," consisting of double-sided aluminum foil to reflect sunlight, with elastic bands to secure it. This presumes the sun will only come from one direction, and at nearly \$35, why not just duct tape a few foil sheets to the top instead?

The DOE suggests installing an awning to shade the a/c. Sorry, guys. With winter snow and ice avalanching off the metal roof, an awning would quickly be toast.

So if you have engineering expertise and an inventive spirit, let's join forces.



Topsham-Corinth baseball celebrates after winning the Connecticut Valley North Little League majors championship last week.



Bradford softball went undefeated and brought home the Connecticut Valley North Little League majors championship after a game against Bath last week. This year the team donned camouflage jerseys in support of the Vermont National Guard troops who were recently deployed overseas, including Jarrod Kosakowski whose daughter Alyssa played on the team.

Additionally, Noah Geary has joined

the staff as a mechanic, bringing

experience from Stan & Dan Sports

of North Conway and Brown Cycles

planning stages include group rides,

barbecues on the porch, and tech

2.5 billion watched her funeral in 1997

support for area rides.

of Grand Junction, Colorado.

COURTESY PHOTO

Bike shop now open

Red Clover Bikes, a new bike shop, bicycling. on June 5 on Route 5 in

the Upper Valley is an authorized the best ride possible.' Trek dealer with a full-service shop on the premises, including gear, Pandemic-related supply and deaccess to trained mechanics, route mand issues created bike shortages

maps and rideinformation. and trapped, I just wanted to get as the company adjusted production

ing a neighborhood bike repair related needs. service out of her garage for several her to take the leap.

Last year I was riding for my Also joining Red Clover Bikes is physical and mental health, and a lot Read Carlan, a Bradford native who of others were too," she said. "I saw brings of experience from White a chance to make a difference during Pine Touring, a leading outdoor a difficult time. I have skills and retailer in Park City, Utah as well as knowledge that can benefit experi- The Bike Hub, formerly of Norwich.

FAIRLEE—Sarah Pushee opened encedriders as well as people new to

Red Clover Bikes was born of a Fairlee. The newest bike shop in desire to empower all riders to have

Pushee's decision was timely. just as interest in the pastime When COVID-19 stay-at-home soared. Red Clover Bikes was one of orders were issued. I felt isolated the last Trek dealerships authorized outside, reconnect with nature," to match the limited resources said Pushee. "It felt like an available. Focused on providing a opportunity to get back to basics and clarify what mattered most to me." personalized experience, where the rider is just as important as the bike, The wedding of Princess Diana and Di A Vermont native who grew up in Pushee brings service to the Prillion people worldwide in 1981; sadly, Thetford, Pushee had been operat- forefront supporting all bicycle million people worldwide in 1981; sadly,

Pushee is an avid rider herself, months, but had not pursued a brick-mountain and road riding since the and-mortar business plan. Covid late 1990s and is a veteran of Upper restrictions, and her own experi- Valley biking mainstay Omer & ence riding with her family, inspired Bob's, currently located in Lebanon, where she was a part of the

"Ilove bikes and I love Vermont. retail staff from 1998-2003.



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position breaking his streak of four visits in the third-place spot this season. Coming from midpack he worked his way to the front, and after several laps of a hard-fought battle with rookie Max Dolliver, who was riding on point, he was able to get by him to take over the lead. Dolliver, in his best finish yet, held on for second holding off veteran Jason Gray

The winner pool continues to grow in the Wells River Chevrolet DIRTcar Sportsman Coupes as Ricky Sanville is the one to join the club on JTB Towing and Recovery night. Sanville didn't have far to go to get to the point, but he did have to hold off some seasoned veterans to keep it. When the dust finally settled on the 35-lap main event Sanville is recorded as the sixth different winner. Tim Hodge in the Gary Corsi machine crossed the line tight behind him in second with Tim Martin taking home the

The Bear Ridge Speedway USAC DMA Midgets made their first of two trips to Albany Saratoga on Friday night with Justin Phillips the winner over Josh Sunn and Will Hull. Justin Sheridan and Jason Goff rounded out the top five. The USAC DMA Midgets will be back at the Ridge on July 3.

The Sting Vintage Race Cars 4/6 Cylinder Enduro next event is scheduled or June 26

General admission pricing for June ticket.)

PULLED PORK DINNER

educators to develop a work-based pulled pork dinner with strawberry training program for bicycle mechanics. Other activities in the

Simmons joins the winners; Hunter gets first win BRADFORD—JTB Towing & Recov-

ery night feature winners at Bear Ridge Speedway were Richie Simmons in the Sabil & Sons DIRTcar Sportsman Modifieds, Ricky Sanville in the Wells River Chevrolet DIRTcar Sportsman Coupes, Seth Carlson in the USAC DMA Midgets (from Albany Saratoga Friday), Todd Dunham in the C.A. Miller Limited Late Models, Mike McClay in the LaValley Building Supply Dirt Stocks, Cary Hunter in feature one in the Peanuts Auto LLC Four Cylinders and Buddy Welch in the feature two, Caleb Lamson in the WYKR Sprint Cars of New Englandand Anthony Mar Vuglio in the Granite State Mini Sprints 600cc and Donny Sharp in the 500cc.

Simmons got the monkey off his back making it back to victory lane in top who was unable to make a move to get

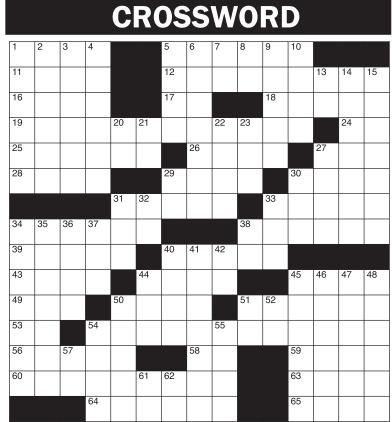
final trophy in third.

26 for general admission (front gate) ticket for adults (ages 17 to 61) is \$13 and children 11 and under \$2. Teens 12 to 16 and seniors 62 and older are \$10. Military Discounts are available at \$2 off for those with a valid ID. The back gate (pit gate) ticket price for Bear Ridge Speedway and DIRTcar 2021 license holders is \$30. Non-license holders are \$35 (both prices include the front gate

Pushee hopes to work with area PEACHAM—There will be a barbecue shortcake at the Peacham Congregational Church on July 4 from 4 to 6 p.m. Meal will include barbecue pulled pork, potato salad, cole slaw, applesauce, strawberry shortcake and beverage. Suggested donation is \$12 for adults (over 12), and \$7 for ages 3 to 7, under 3 free. It is takeout only and reservations are encouraged. Call Ann Goss at 802-684-3386 or Marilyn Magnus at 802-592-

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24. The Great Lakes State 25. Winter sport

A thin layer on something Peacock network

28. Give birth to a lamb or kid "Too Scared to Cry" author

30. Nose 31. Friend

33. Country music legend Haggard

34. Curved 38. More deformed

39. Bleated

40. Set on its end 43. An aspect of Ra 44. Releasing hormone (abbr.)

45. Harsh, grating noise 49. __ Francisco

Common Japanese surname . Punish with an arbitrary penalty 53. Football position (abbr.)

54. Not in the know 56. African antelope

58. Popular tech (abbr.)

59. Baseball teams get three of them 60. Make up one's mind

65. Susan and Tom are two

Spumante (Italian wine) 64. Martens

CLUES DOWN

1. Excessively showy Put an end to
 Blood disorder

4. Ingredient in wine5. Shellfish

6. Made smaller 7. We

8. The Treasure State 9. __ Ekland, actress

10. Male parent

13. One hundredth of a watt (abbr.) 14. Dish of minced meat 15. Smothered laugh

20. Article 21. Atomic #12

22. Small parrot
23. Fictional "Star Wars" planet

27. French wine grape29. Football stat (abbr.)30. Sound unit

31. Where you sleep 32. University of Dayton 33. Miller beer offering

34. Feel embarrassed 35. Able to be estimated

36. Commune in NW France 37. Adult female chicken

38. Intergovernmental organization 40. Archaic term for until

41. That which is not sacred 42. Sound made in speech

44. Handgun (slang) 45. Fill up again

46. Evoke or awaken 47. Beam Me Up, __!

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51. Exclamation of surprise

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54. Figures 55. Men's fashion accessories

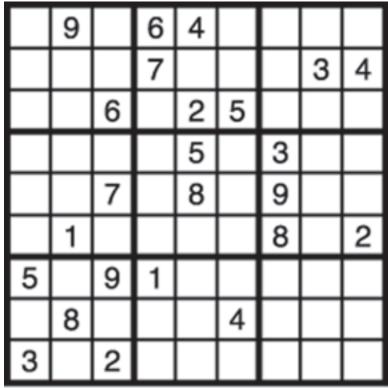
57. Indicates position

61. Megabyte

62. The Prairie State

ANSWERS ON PAGE 7

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OBITUARIES



Carol Nau

1933 - 2021

MONROE—Carol Janice Nau, 88, of Littleton Road, died on June 15, 2021 at

Carol was born on April 26, 1933, in Norwalk, CT to Samuel and Carolyn

(Hopfer) Wadhams. She was a graduate of Stamford

High School, Class of 1952 On Nov. 21, 1952, she married Ralph F. Nau at the Roxbury Methodist Church

Over the years, Carol worked as the secretary and bookkeeper for Ralph Nau Lake Dredging. She was a talented artist, enjoying painting and ceramics. She was an active 4H leader in Connecticut and New Hampshire, she taught a ceramics class for the 4H children. In her free time, she enjoyed having a flower and vegetable garden, traveling all over the U.S with their camper, they would take family vacations on their properties in Vershire and West Fairlee. Around the year 2000 they retired to their home in Monroe, where she became a member of the Monroe United Methodist Church.

She is predeceased by her father,
Samuel C. Wadhams; her mother,
universe. Carolyn (Hopfer) Wadhams; a granddaughter, Amber Nau; and a brother, Robert Wadhams.

She is survived by her husband, ever Ralph F. Nau; two sons, Ralph K. Nau of Stamford, CT, and Richard Nau Sr., of Pulaski, NY; two daughters, Janice Nau of Spottswood, VA, and Joann Knapp of New Milford, CT; five grandchildren, Michael Bezok of Spottswood, VA, Natasha Nau of Seymour, CT, Richard Nau Jr, of Pulaski, NY, Timothy Knapp Jr., and to offer an online condolence, visit wife Laura of New Milford, CT, and Jamie Knapp of Riverview, FL; three step-grandchildren, Alannah, Shannon, and Meghan Callaghan of Stamford, CT; and one great granddaughter, Delilah

À graveside service will be held on June 23 at 10 a.m. at the Monroe Village Cemetery with Pastor Earl Brock as officiant.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Monroe Community Church, PO Box 179, Monroe, NH 03771.

Ricker Funeral Home and Cremaarrangements. For more information or Chelsea, PO Box 98, Chelsea, VT to offer an online condolence, visit 05038; the Corinth Historical Society, in of Pike; great grandsons Remington place, until the day dawns and the www.rickerfh.com.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

RANDOLPH—The celebration of life OH 45250-0301. for Maurice Dickey Drysdale, longtime editor/publisher of the Randolph Herald who died April 28, 2021 will be held at 2 p.m. July 10 at Chandler Center for the Arts in Randolph.



Priscilla Boutin

1930 - 2021

BENTON—Priscilla Boutin, 90, died at PIKE—Richard Bartlett Hall, 93, died her home on Coventry Road on June 19, peacefully at his home on June 20, 2021. 2021, one day shy of her 91st birthday.

surrounded by her family.
She was born in Woodsville to Theodore and Madeline M. (Bassett) Paradie on June 20, 1930.

She was predeceased by her husband, Joseph N. Boutin Sr., on Sept.

Survivors include their seven children, Joseph "Buster" Boutin Jr., Ted Boutin, Clifford Boutin, Robert J. Boutin, Jane A. Boutin, Mary L. Whitcher, and Angela Clark.

The family found the following, written in Priscilla's hand: Hear me O Lord, Master of the

Thou hast given me a family who

gives me great pleasure and joy. For this I thank thee forever and

You have laid down a foundation for a great work and You carried me

Prayer that never fails: Thy will be done.

Ricker Funeral Home and Cremation Care of Woodsville is in charge of arrangements. For more information or www.rickerfh.com.

FUNERAL SERVICE

CORINTH—A funeral service for Emilie C. Howarth, 85, who died on Dec. 24, 2020, will be held June 27 at 2 p.m. at the United Church of Chelsea in Chelsea. A burial will follow the service at the Riverside Cemetery, Chelsea. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions tion Care of Woodsville is in charge of may be made to the United Church of care of Norm Collette and Connie Longo, 2283 Backway Road, Corinth, Houston, TX; and five nieces and two VT 05039; or DAV-Disabled American nephews. Veterans, PO Box 14301, Cincinnati,



Richard Hall

1928 - 2021

Richard was born in Pike on Feb. 7, 1928 to Ellis and Ruth (Snell) Hall.

He attended Pike Grammar School and graduated from Haverhill Academy

Richard served as a medic in the United States Army from 1953-1955. On Oct. 5, 1957, he married Shirley public. Eichhorn.

From the time they were small children, Richard farmed and managed the livestock business alongside his brother, Howard, at the family farm until Howard passed in 2001. As a youth, he held summer jobs at the Lake Tarleton Club in Piermont, working as a golf caddy and a driver transporting guests between the Pike train station and the Club. In the 1960s, in addition to his daily farming chores, he operated a school bus service that served the Haverhill school district and provided occasional private charters. He especially enjoyed driving the kids from Kingswood Camp to various activities around New Hampshire, whether it was to the seacoast or to the mountains.

Richard loved taking trips to the Maine coast with his family. He enjoyed playing basketball and baseball and was fan of the Red Sox, Celtics and Patriots. After he retired, he joined Always Fit Athletic Club in Woodsville. The friendships he formed with his fellow fitness enthusiasts were precious to him.

Richard was predeceased by his parents, Ellis and Ruth Hall; and his siblings, Elizabeth Kimball, Howard

all, Édith Hall and Herbert Hall. Survivors include his wife Shirley; daughters Denise Eastman and husband Scott of Pike and Lisa Hervey and husband Craig of Newbury; granddaughters Danielle Getsinger and wife Amanda of Houston, TX and Stacy sure, to which you do well to pay Eastman and husband Kyle Batchelder attention as to a lamp shining in a dark Getsinger and Chessrown Getsinger of

At Richard's request, there will be no calling hours. Graveside services will be on June 23 at 2 p.m. in East Haverhill from the printed page. We need light Cemetery, Pike, with Melissa Gould as from God to arise like the sun at dawn Funeral Celebrant.

Memorial contributions may be read in the Bible. made to the Pike Bethany Congregational Church, in care of Alice Hodgdon,

1150 Brushwood Road, Pike, NH 03780.

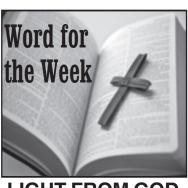
Ricker Funeral Home and Cremation Care of Woodsville is in charge of arrangements. For more information or to offer an online condolence, visit www.rickerfh.com.

Vets to share stories at town halls

VERMONT—All community members are invited to attend outdoor throughout Vermont.

Veterans are invited to stand before their community and speak for up to 10 minutes about what it was like to serve their country. Nonveterans are encouraged to attend and listen. These events are nonvalued.

The Vets Town Halls will take place on June 27 at Camp Meade in Middlesex, on July 18 at Prouty Beach in Newport, on Aug. 8 at the Godnick Center in Rutland, and on Sept. 19 at Ethan Allen Homestead in Burlington. All are on Sundays at 1 p.m., and are free and open to the



LIGHT FROM GOD

by Dr. Dennis Prutow

When I was a youngster, we visited Mammoth Cave, Kentucky. Once inside a huge subterranean cavern, our guides turned out the lights. There was deep darkness. We could not see our hand in front of our face. The guide struck a match. We stood amazed at how such a tiny light pushed away the heavy black veil of darkness. We could see the vaulted ceiling and shimmering walls. I could see mom and dad.

The pages of the Bible are often dark and obscure. We need light from God. Look at the words of 2 Peter 1:19. "We have the prophetic word made more morning star arises in your hearts.'

The prophetic word is the Bible. We ought to pay attention to it and read it. There is light in the Bible. We also need light from the Spirit of God to derive light

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POLICE BLOTTER

BRADFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT BRADFORD—On June 12 at 8:30 a.m., Bradford Police and Vermont State Police responded to reports of a suspicious individual acting erratically on Main Street in Bradford. Police subsequently encountered Michael Fleming, 38, of Bradford, in the parking lot area of Thomson Fuels. Shortly thereafter, Thomson Fuels employees discovered the business had been broken into and the interior had been ransacked with various pieces of equipment and merchandise being damaged. Investigation revealed Fleming was involved in the burglary. Fleming was arrested for burglary and later issued a citation to appear in Orange County Court on July

On June 15 at 3 p.m., Bradford Police stopped Christopher Carle, 45, of Newbury, on Main Street in Bradford for a speeding violation. Investigation revealed Carle to be driving on a criminally suspended license. He was issued a citation to appear in Orange County Superior Court on July 28 along with several traffic tickets.

VERMONT STATE POLICE

Vets Town Halls held this summer BRADFORD—On June 8 at 12:32 a.m., VSP responded to a single motor vehicle crash. The operator, who was identified as Corey Stevens, 33, of Danville, failed to stop at the intersection, crossed Route 5 and went off the roadway. Alcohol is believed to be a factor. Stevens was transported to Cottage Hospital for injuries. Criminal charges pending upon results of a blood test.

On June 8 at 12:44 a.m., VSP received a call regarding a party in Ryegate. Subsequent investigation revealed Kelsey Farias, 20, of Wells River, had violated an abuse protection order by being in contact with the protected party. Farias was political and all perspectives are issued a citation to appear in Caledonia County Court for the aforementioned

On June 8, at 12:42 p.m., VSP received a call about vandalism at a camp on Route 25 in Corinth. The victim reported her family's camp was utilized without permission and vandalized on the above date and time. Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Trooper Evan Johnson at the St. Johnsbury barracks (802-748-3111).

On June 9 at 11:23 a.m., VSP responded to a report of intentional property damage at Erin's General Store in West Fairlee. Troopers arrived to the area and learned that Edwin Huntley, 46, of Randolph, used a motor vehicle to intentionally cause damage to property owned by Erin's General Store, and then left the area. Prior to Huntley driving away, he also assaulted Melanie Durkee, 38, of Post Mills. A be on the lookout was issued for Huntley, and he was eventually located by the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Huntley was issued a citation to appear in Orange County Criminal Court for the above mentioned offenses

On June 13 at 7:11 p.m., VSP was dispatched to a reported motorcycle crash in the area of Waits River Road and South Road in Bradford. Troopers arrived on scene and learned that Fred Fellows, 60, of Corinth had been operating a motorcycle, was unable to maneuver around a corner, resulting in him leaving the road and striking a parked truck. Fellows was evaluated on scene by Upper Valley Ambulance, and later administered Standardized Field Sobriety Tests. At the conclusion of the tests, Fellows was placed under arrest for suspicion of DUI and transported to the state police outpost for processing. He was later released with a citation to appear in Orange County Criminal Court.

On June 14 at 6:47 a.m., VSP received a call about a single-vehicle crash located in the town of Topsham. At the conclusion of the investigation, Troopers determined Javier Gonzalez Hernandez, 30, of Barre was traveling towards Barre from Bradford and fell asleep while going around a corner. The vehicle crashed into a guardrail and traversed a concrete retaining wall. The Corinth Fire Department and Barre Town EMS provided assistance on scene, and the vehicle was towed by JTB Towing due to disabling damage.

On June 15 at 2:39 p.m., VSP was notified of a motor vehicle disturbance located on Route 302 in Newbury. At the conclusion of the investigation it was determined that Gregory Crews, 38, of Barnet operated his vehicle at a high rate of speed through a work zone, intentionally swerved toward several road crew personnel, and caused a public disturbance. Multiple equipment violations will be ssued in conjunction with the charges stated above.

On June 15 at 9:17 a.m., VSP responded to a reported family fight on Route 302 in Newbury. Troopers learned through investigation that Timothy Kearney, 29, of Newbury, assaulted a household member and caused serious bodily injury in the presence of a child. Kearney was taken into custody and later transported to the Orange County Courthouse for arraignment. He was subsequently released on conditions of release.

On June 19 at 6 a.m., VSP responded to a report of a single vehicle crash on Route 113 in Vershire. Troopers arrived on scene and learned the juvenile operator fell asleep which resulted in the vehicle exiting the north side of the road. The vehicle struck a telephone pole and then flipped at least one time. The juvenile was evaluated at the scene by members of Upper Valley Ambulance.

FUN FACTS

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Police investigate death at Halls Lake

NEWBURY—The Vermont State Police is investigating the death of a man whose body was found on the afternoon, June 13, at Halls Lake in the town of Newbury.

Police received a call at about 12:45 p.m. from people on the beach at the lake reporting that they had seen a man enter the water, begin swimming, but a short time later appeared unresponsive. Bystanders pulled the man from the water and attempted life-saving measures on shore, but he could not be revived and was subsequently pronounced deceased by EMS and state police upon arrival at the scene.

The victim is identified as James Peabody, 72, of Bradford. His body was taken to the Chief Medical Examiner's Office in Burlington for an autopsy to determine the cause and manner of death.



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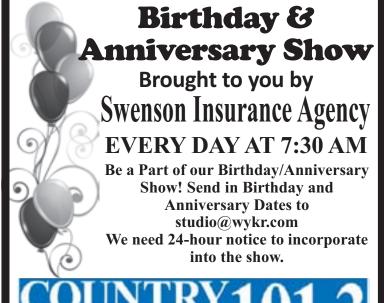
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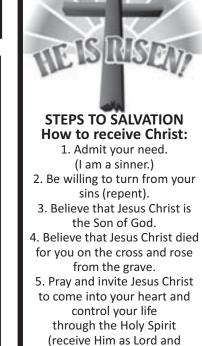
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Closure

(continued from page 1) play to impact the level of population," she said.

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'Gotta say there is a tone that is slightly shifting in terms of what judges propose," she said. "In conversations with the superintendent, other attorneys, and the prosecutors, we looked at who should be incarcerated.'

The courts, she said, aim for

"They are not out for punishment but want to address the issues that cause people to commit crimes."

Ever optimistic, Hornick feels that now is the time for other types of programs, those that may help men and women to plan for bettering their lives outside the penal system.

Training programs are key to helping people turn their lives around. Hornick said they can be trained to grow their own food and education will equip them for

For safety's sake, inmates, whether they work on the Grafton County Farm or within the confines of the jail, must undergo training for their jobs. There are limits as to what they can do.

Bail reform is changing the way courts do business.

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vaccination data by location. According to the website, all New Blues band starts Hampshire residents age 16 and over are eligible for vaccination.

In New Hampshire, vaccines are ORFORD—John Lackard, leader of available at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, as well as at state-Littleton, and Plymouth and at the Walmart, Rite Aid, and Shaw's pharmacies in Woodsville.

In Vermont, vaccines are available at the Kinney Drugs and Hannaford pharmacies in Bradford.

Bradford town officials did not while numerous pharmacies in Bradford and Woodsville were rollout due to company public relations policies.

Award to fund forest benches

MONTPELIER—The Bradford Conservation Commission will use a is drummer Jim Mayer, who toured small grant to purchase materials for 12 years with New England for trailside benches in the Bradford bluesman James Montgomery per-Town Forest.

The Association of Vermont Ciity's top blues clubs. Conservation Commissions awarded 2021 Tiny Grants to conservation member of Luther "Guitar Junior" commissions in the following Johnson's Magic Rockers, will be towns: Bradford, Dummerston, Hart-on keyboard. ford, Hinesburg, Huntington, Johnson, and Shrewsbury.

Grantees will receive between \$300 and \$600 to improve trails on conserved lands, document

wildlife activity with trail cameras, eradicate invasive plants, encourage plant and wildlife biodiversity, and educate communities.

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More than 670 students received degrees from Plymouth State University on May 8 including the following local students: **Antonio Houde** of Woodsville, bachelor's degree in management; Chandler Cloutier of Bath, bachelor's degree in information technology; Christopher Underhill of Piermont, bachelor's degree in criminal justice; Geremy Enboden of North Haverhill, bachelor's degree in environmental science and policy; Henry Huang of Strafford, bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies; Jillian Mason of North Haverhill, bachelor's degrees in history; Kaitlyn Hamilton of Warren, bachelor's degree in art education (K-12); Kayla Horton of Haverhill, bachelor's degree in accounting; Nathan Burgess of Bath, bachelor's degree in interdisciplinary studies; Philip Cadreact of North Haverhill, bachelor's degree in mathematics; **Sylvie Donnell** of Warren, bachelor's degrees in art; **Sara Walker** of Bradford, bachelor's degree in youth development and education; and Spencer Guilmain of North Haverhill,

The following students at the Community College of Vermont earned associate degrees in spring 2021: Claudia Johnson and Tatum Lauzon of Bradford; Mariah Gadwah of Chelsea; Alyssa J-Lynn Fontain and Jodi Meyette of Corinth; Nicholas Cook of East Thetford; William J. Charuhas, Julia May Connolly and Carissa Lasure of Newbury; Tammi Chaffee of Post Mills; Shenia Covey of Thetford Center; and Alan Shi Hoang of Wells River.

Emma Kinerson of Corinth, a biology major, was named to the President's List at Coastal Carolina University.

Lindsey Carbee of Newbury was named to the Castleton University President's List for the spring semester.

The following students were named to the Castleton University Dean's List for the spring semester: Morgan Busby of East Thetford, Brookelyn Dennis of East Ryegate, Olivia Houghton of Groton, William Moreno of Bradford, Jarret Rock of Newbury, and Justin Tedeschi of Orange.

Seth Boyce of Post Mills and Morgan Lavoy of East Corinth were named to the Dean's List at the University of Rhode Island for the spring semester

bandstand series

the John Lackard Blues Band, will run sites in Lancaster, Lebanon, Orford Bandstand on June 30 at 6:30 p.m. as part of a summer tour.

Lackard has performed as a member of The James Cotton Band, along with Jimmy Rogers and Bob Margolin as well as many others in the blues scene. The band has also served as the opening act to many respond to requests for comment, national and international touring blues bands.

Joining Lackard that evening on unable to comment on local vaccine the bass guitar will be Kenny B, an alumni of the John Lackard Blues Band. Currently Kenny is a member of Luther "Guitar Junior" Johnson's Magic Rockers. Kenny has performed worldwide with Johnson and will joing him again on tour after the pandemic.

Rounding out the rhythm section is \$162. formed at virtually all of New York

Paul Nadeau, who is also a

State: Don't swim at boat access

MONTPELIER—The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department asks the public not to swim at fishing access areas due to safety make a special appearance at the concerns. The primary use of the fishing access areas is for launching and retrieving motorboats.

The Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department maintains 196 developed fishing access areas on lakes and rivers throughout the state. The access areas were purchased and are maintained with funds derived from the sale of fishing licenses and motorboat registrations, as well as a federal excise tax on fishing equipment, fishing tackle, and gasoline for motorboats. These funding sources explicitly prohibit activities that are in conflict with fishing and boating.

Vermont State Game Wardens often respond to incidents involving people swimming at fishing access areas. In some cases people, including children, are swimming right at the boat ramps while boats were being launched, risking injury or preventing the launching of boats.

The fine for swimming at an access area







Arts on Sunday evening.

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Winchester seeks WR trustee seat

WELLS RIVER—Jason Winchester has announced he is a candidate for the three-year vacant village trustee seat in Wells River.

Winchester has owned and operated the Winchester Enterprizes was a facility manager at a residential retreat center in the Northeast Kingdom and was responsible for the water and sewer system operations. road maintenance, and upkeep of 20 plus buildings and the grounds.

He is also the co-founder and coowner of the Wells River Wellness Hall located in the old village hall. He joined the Monroe Fire Department at the age of 18. He went on to be a member of Lyndonville fire and Barnet departments. Currently he is a captain on the Wells River Fire Department.

Winchester grew up in Monroe and Barnet and now lives in Wells River with his wife Kelsey and their two children since 2010.

Winchester is committed to fiscal responsibility and transparency in the Village government. He will work to bring Wells River into the digital age and ensure the village follows the state's laws and regulations. He will continue to help uplift Wells River by expanding on recent projects like the water system as well as other improvements to bring new life and fresh ideas to the village.

Wells River Village vote is June 30 from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. at the Wells River Village garage.

WRAP organizing clean-up day WELLS RIVER—Another sign that things are returning to how they were

before the pandemic is the Fourth of July Parade will once again cross the bridge in celebration of our nation Independence.

The Wells River Action Program is organizing a clean up day on June 26 to spruce up the downtown village area to welcome parade participants and watchers. Kelsey Root Winchester, president of WRAP, explained that this will be the first large gathering of people in over a year, and that carpentry business since 1997. He WRAP wanted the village to shine for the parade and for the Baldwin Memorial Library book sale. Businesses are also encouraged to enter the Storefront Decorating Contest with more information available at www.wwr4th.org. The 2021 theme is "America's Super Heroes"

Plans are to sweep the sidewalks, pick up trash, clear some unwanted vegetation, wash some windows and maybe plant some flowers. WRAP is providing all the tools and trash bags needed for the clean up. Volunteers are asked to bring work gloves, sunscreen and their own drinking water. People do not have to be Wells River residents to help. Volunteers should meet in front of the Baldwin Memorial Library at 9 a.m. on June 26. For more information, contact Kelsey Root-Winchester at kelseyroothc@gmail.com or (802) 626-8982.

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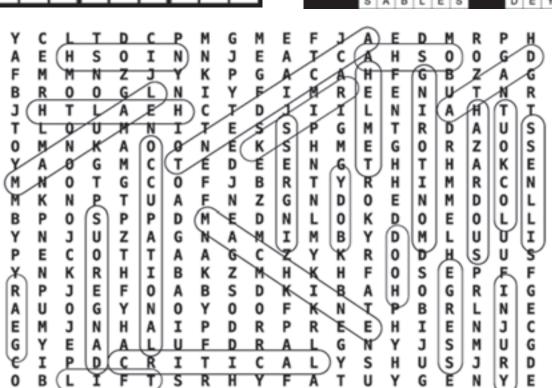
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PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING BRADFORD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Monday, July 12, 2021 10 a.m. at Bradford Academy

There will be a hearing scheduled for Monday, July 12, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at Bradford Academy to act on the appeal of a permit application #2021-21 located at Waits River Road, Parcel #09-57-0179; and to act on the appeal of a permit application #2021-22 located at 176 Waits River Road, Parcel #09-57-0094.

Pursuant to 24 VSA sections 4463(a)(1)(c) and 447(a) participation in this local proceeding is a prerequisite to make any subsequent appeal.

For those unable to attend the hearings, comments may be mailed to: **Bradford Zoning Board of Adjustment** PO Box 339 Bradford, VT 05033

or e-mailed to administrator@bradford-vt.us

Douglas Miller, Chairman Zoning Board of Adjustment



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The successful candidate will report regularly to the

Bradford Selectboard. Prior to hiring the Town of Bradford may conduct a criminal background check on applicants.

Applications can be found at the Bradford Town Office (172)

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The Town of Thetford is looking for an organized, multifaceted individual for the new combined position of Zoning Administrator and Administrative Assistant for the Listers Office. As the Zoning Administrator, the candidate would be responsible for the administration, compliance, and enforcement of the Town's Zoning Bylaws. This requires the ability to understand and interpret the Town's Zoning Bylaws, help applicants throughout the application process, and interface with the Town's Developmental Review Board. As Administrative Assistant to the Listers Office the candidate would be responsible for assisting the Listers in general administrative tasks including data entry to maintain the Grand

It is anticipated this will be a 20-hour per week regular part-time position with an anticipated starting salary range of \$18-21 per hour depending on qualifications. To be considered please submit a cover letter, resume, and 3 work references to: Bryan Gazda, Town Manager, Town of Thetford via email at townmanager@thetfordvt.org by July 5, 2021. Town of Thetford is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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The Town of Haverhill seeks a price per cubic yard of crushed rock, and separately for screening of winter sand, at the Town of Haverhill pit on Benton Road.

- 1. 4000 cubic yards of screened winter sand through a 5/8 screen.
- 2. 1000 cubic yards of 1 ½ inch crushed rock.

Quotes must be received before 2:00 pm on July 1, 2021.

For more information please see the formal Request for Bids on the Town's website www.haverhill-nh.com under "Announcements."

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Hourly: \$14.61-\$16.82

<u>LNA I</u>



<u>LNA II</u> 2nd Shift (Differential included) Annual: \$32,344.00-\$37,377.60 Hourly: \$15.55-\$17.97 **3rd Shift** (Differential included) Annual: \$32,656.00-\$37,689.60 Hourly: \$15.70-\$18.12

Direct Care \$5.00/wk. (\$260.00/year)

Requirements: High school diploma or high school equivalency credential. Must possess and maintain a current license for Nursing Assistant as approved by the New Hampshire Board of Nursing. Valid driver's license required if responsible to transport residents to appointments. LNA I, no experience required. LNA II, two years of experience required.

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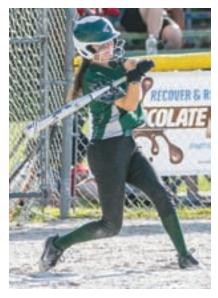
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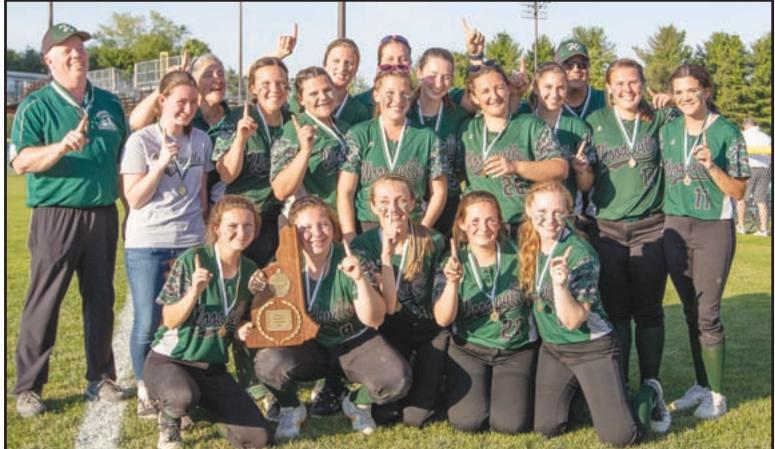
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CONGRATULATIONS WOODSVILLE GIRLS SOFTBALL NEW HAMPSHIRE DIVISION 4 STATE CHAMPIONS









WOODSVILLE 15-1 Regular season **April 12**: Woodsville 13 at Profile 1 **April 14**: Woodsville 17 at Littleton 0 **April 19**: Woodsville 14 vs. Pittsburg-Canaan 0 **April 20**: Woodsville 7 vs. White Mountains 0 **April 23**: Woodsville 22 vs. Lin-Wood 2 **April 26**: Berlin 12 vs. Woodsville 11 April 29: Woodsville 19 at Lisbon 2 May 3: Woodsville 14 vs. Berlin 4 May 6: Woodsville 28 at Pittsburg-Canaan 0 May 10: Woodsville 14 vs. Lisbon 2 May 14: Woodsville 4 at White Mountains Regional 1 May 17: Woodsville 12 vs. Profile 0 May 20: Woodsville 22 at Lin-Wood 1 May 21: Woodsville 17 vs. Littleton 0

May 24: Woodsville 14 at Groveton 0 Woodsville 16 at Groveton 0 Playoffs June 1 (Round 1) Woodsville 15 at Lisbon 1 June 2 (Prelim) Woodsville 14 at Moultonborough 9 **June 5** (Quarterfinal) Woodsville 21 at Profile 3 June 9 (Semifinal) Woodsville 23 at Gorham 0 June 11 (Final in Concord)

Woodsville 9 vs. Newmarket 1







WOODSVILLE SOFTBALL **TEAM ROSTER**

Name, Position, Grade Dory Roy, C/2B, Freshman Maddie Roy, CF, Junior Morgan Wagstaff, 1B, Senior Leah Krull, SS/3B, Junior Maachah Krull, 2B, Senior

Keatyn Horne, RF, Senior

Graci Kaiser, OF, Senior Emily Prest, 3B, Senior Mackenzie Kingsbury, P/SS, Junior Mackenzie Griswold, P/1B, Freshman Emily Farr, C/OF, Junior

21 22 26 30 Anna Roy, OF, Junior Anna McIntyre, OF/SS, Junior Jessica Riley, OF, Junior

Head Coach: Dana Huntington Assistant Coaches: Lottie Page, Erik Wagstaff Managers: Julie Huntington, Courtney Taylor



Woodsville Team Stats Batting average: .463 Hits: 299 Runs: 337 Homeruns: 21 Doubles: 58 Triples: 10 Hitting

Gracie Kaiser: .636 BA Emily Prest: 35 hits, 6 HRs, 13 doubles, 43 runs Mackenzie Kingsbury: .627 BA, 42 hits, 11 doubles, 3 triples

Pitching

Mackenzie Kingsbury: 17-1, 1.20 ERA, 155 Ks, 81 IPs

Mackenzie Griswold: 3-0, .78 ERA, 62 Ks, 36 IPs **State Championships** 2021, 2013, 2010

Granite State Conference Spring All-Conference Softball Morgan Wagstaff, Mackenzie Kingsbury, Emily Prest (Player of the Year) NH All-State Division IV

1st Team: Emily Prest (Co-Player of the Year) 2nd Team: Mackenzie Kingsbury Honorable Mention: Maddie Roy, Morgan Wagstaff





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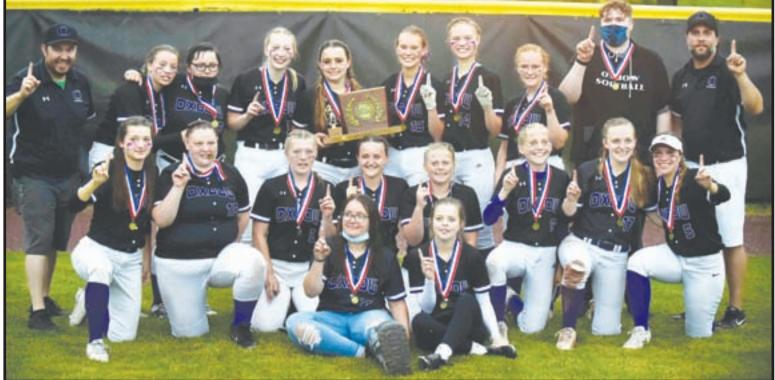
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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE OXBOW GIRLS SOFTBALL VERMONT DIVISION 3 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM











ROAD TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP

OXBOW 13-1

Regular season April 20 Oxbow 19 vs. Lake Region 7 April 24 Oxbow 38 at Randolph 2

April 27 Oxbow 18 vs. Williamstown 0 May 4

Oxbow 13 vs. Lake Region 3 May 8 Oxbow 17 vs. Randolph 2 May 10

Oxbow 31 vs. Thetford 2 **May 11** Oxbow 27 at Lamoille 0 May 13

Oxbow 7 vs. Lyndon 6 May 15 Oxbow 15 at Harwood 0

May 18 BMU 4 vs. Oxbow 2 May 22 Oxbow 15 vs. BMU 2

May 25 Oxbow 14 at U-32 1 May 27

Oxbow 17 at Lake Region 5 **May 29** Oxbow 7 vs. BFA-Fairfax 4 Playoffs

June 5 (Quarterfinal) No. 2 Oxbow 12 vs. No. 10 Peoples 0 June 9 (Semifinal) No. 2 Oxbow 13 vs. No. 3 Windsor 4 **June 11** (Final in Castleton)

No. 2 Oxbow 8 vs. No. 4 BFA-Fairfax 6



Oxbow Team Stats

Batting average: .385 On base percentage: .539 Slugging percentage: .646 Runs: 256 Homeruns: 15 Doubles: 32 Triples: 17

Hitting Lily Lahaye: .524 (BA), 22 hits, 18 RBIs Aspen Longmoore: .500, 27 SBs, 6 HRs Hadlee Allen: .483, 22 hits, 31 runs

Pitching Anastase Bourgeois: 0.74 (ERA), 135 Ks, 75.2 IPs Aspen Longmoore: 3.43, 19 Ks, 16.1 IPs **State Championships** 2021, 2018, 2017, 2013, 1996, 1991, 1983, 1982, 1981



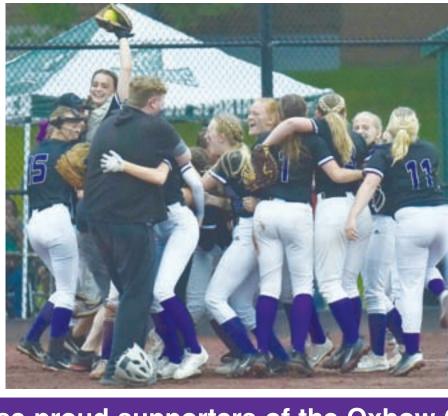
OXBOW SOFTBALL TEAM ROSTER

<u>Player, Position, Grade</u> Alexa Kosakowski, 3B, Junior Faith Eastman, OF, Freshman Taylor Bean, 1B, Junior Laila Ellsworth, OF/C, Sophomore Hadlee Allen, OF, Freshman Aspen Longmoore, C/SS/P, Senior Aivree Bruce, OF, Freshman Allie Root, OF, Senior Ava Smith, OF, Freshman Lily Lahaye, SS/3B, Freshman Desarae Fisk-Norton, OF, Freshman Lillian DeGoosh, OF, Freshman Emma DeGoosh, 2B, Senior Darcy O'Connell, OF/1B, Junior Anastase Bourgeois, P, 8th grade Sierra Longmoore, OF, Senior Makenna Simmons, C, Sophomore

Head Coach: Chuck Simmons Assistant Coach: Josh Allen **Manager: Charlie Simmons**











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The Outside Story

—The graceful fliers—

by Susan Shea

Inevertire of watching the aerial described how tree swallows for-farmers plowing or mowing to catch the birds I see hunting insects on insects, gorging their throats.' summer evenings.

water in marshes, swamps, or wet received less food overall. meadows that produce lots of flying use my bluebird boxes.

reaches a certain level.

with these feathers and will fight over feathers with other birds.

They are not strictly monogamous and often mate outside the pair. Males sometimes attend two fledged, I often see families of forth bringing food to them. swallows lined up on high utility wires.

In his book "Life Histories of North American Birds" (1942), ornithologist Arthur Cleveland Bent

Teen Center is July beneficiary

BRADFORD—The Hannaford leadership team in Bradford has chosen Bradford Teen Center as the July beneficiary of the Fight Hunger Bag Program. Each month, Hannaford stores focus on a local nonprofit, which receives \$1 from every purchase of a \$2.50 reusable Fight Hunger Bag at Hannaford. Local shoppers can reduce single-use plastic in the environment and give back to those in need in the local community, all while running routine weekly errands.

"It's more important than ever to help reduce single-use plastic in the environment," said Patrick Peters, executive director of Bradford Leen Center. "Nonprofits at the local level, like us, need continuous community support. The Hannaford's program offers a tool to address multiple issues of the world today. We hope you'll support us in July by purchasing one or more Fight Hunger Bags at our local Hannaford's."

ern swallow species, and these are through the swarms of higher flying

The tree swallow, with its rising from the water, many swal-iridescent blue-green back and lows may gather to feed. Aquatic bright white breast, is the first insects, such as mayflies and America. If insects are still scarce, shown that chicks that received

ches a certain level. in colonies in rock caves, but after
The male tree swallow courts the
The male tree swallow courts the
European settlement, they began and barn swallows is to provide nest plastering their half-cups of mud pellets mixed with grass against a ###

swallows ended up on the roof of our Brookfield, Vermont. The Outside different mates and nests. These house on their first flight. The next Story is assigned and edited by birds are highly social and in good evening, they were perched in a tree Northern Woodlands magazine habitat frequently nest near other above our deck, and we enjoyed and sponsored by the Wellborn tree swallows. After the young have watching the parents fly back and Ecology Fund of the New Hamp-

Barn swallows regularly follow

acrobatics of swallows as they age: "tour(ing) over meadows, the insects stirred up in the process. swoop over fields, darting back and ponds, and rivers, veering from side They will also glean insects off the forth to snap up flying insects. With to side, doubling back with marvel-backs of livestock. Like tree their smooth, flowing flight and ous quickness, snatching up insects swallows, they drink and bathe on pointed wings, they are beautiful, as they overtake them or meet them the wing by skimming their bodies graceful fliers. Tree swallows and in the air, coursing low down over across the water. Studies by Winkler barn swallows are the most abundant the meadow grass where flies and Dreelin suggest that swallow and widespread of our six northeast- abound, or mounting, crisscross species avoid competition by dividing the airspace: barn swallows fly lowest, tree swallows in the middle, When there is a hatch of insects and purple martins (the largest northeastern swallow) the highest.

Populations of swallows and other aerial insectivores have deswallow to return in spring from its dragonflies, which contain omega-3 clined significantly in recent dewintering grounds in the southeast- fatty acids, are important to the diet cades, likely due to multiple ern U.S. or Central or South of these swallows, and studies have factors, such as decreases in insect abundance and it will consume seeds and berries. omega-3s developed faster than bioaccumulation of pesticides from Tree swallows prefer to breed near those that did not, even if they prey, mismatches between the timing of insect hatching and Barn swallows have a shiny nesting periods due to climate insects. They most often nest in tree cobalt-blue back, orange throat, pale change, habitat loss, and conditions cavities or birdhouses and regularly orange breast, and deeply-forked on migratory stopover and wintering emy bluebird boxes. tail. They return from wintering grounds. According to the North Grnithologist David Winkler of grounds in Central and South American Breeding Bird Survey, the Cornell, who has studied tree America about a month after tree population of barn swallows de-

female in the air, and later she builds building their nests in barns, boxes. Plans are available at a cup-shaped grass nest lined with outbuildings, and under bridges. nestwatch.org. These birds will help feathers from other bird species. Barn swallows often nest in our control insects in your yard, and Tree swallows often display or play garage, barn, or chicken coop, watching these graceful fliers can

> Susan Shea is a naturalist, writer, Last year several fledgling barn and conservationist who lives in shire Charitable Foundation.



A tree swallow monitors its nest made in a nearby bluebird box from a branch in Fairlee earlier this month.

COPING WITH TRAUMA

BRADFORD—A one hour seminar will be held June 27 from 11 a.m. to noon on connent, who has studied tree swallows for over 30 years, found that they don't begin to broad until the first fam. On the fam. O that they don't begin to breed until the availability of flying insects the availabili



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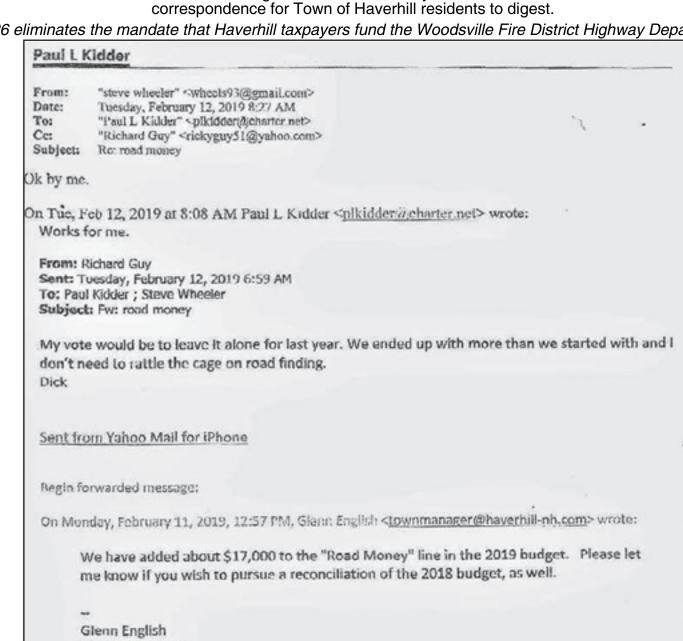
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Haverhill "Road Money"

While we wait for Governor Sununu to sign *SB26 "Road Money" bill into law, disclosed below is disturbing

*SB26 eliminates the mandate that Haverhill taxpayers fund the Woodsville Fire District Highway Department.



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