



Timmy Graham of Corinth looks ahead as he and other members of the Waits River Cub Scout Pack 727 take part in the 30<sup>th</sup> Fourth of July parade in East Corinth on Sunday morning. Despite unseasonably cool temperatures and lingering clouds after a steady rainfall, several area Independence Day parades returned this year after a pandemic-induced hiatus in 2020. For more photos, see page 10.

JO PHOTO BY ALEX NUTI-DE BIASI

## Corinth man ordered to have more treatment

by Mike Donoghue  
Correspondent

BURLINGTON—An Orange County man, who initially received a nine-month federal prison term for being a felon in possession of explosive materials, had a little over two months added onto his sentence after he admitted he ignored three directives from the sentencing judge.

Mark A. Mattiace, 44, of East Corinth acknowledged in court on Thursday that after he got out of prison that he tested positive in February for both methamphetamine and marijuana—a violation of an order to remain drug-free.

He also admitted he failed as required to undergo a proper substance abuse evaluation and enroll in a subsequent drug treatment program approved by the U.S. Probation Office. He also missed drug tests.

During his hearing in U.S. District Court, Mattiace also admitted he had failed repeatedly to

respond to multiple phone calls from his federal probation officer in March.

Senior Federal Judge William K. Sessions III ordered Mattiace, who has been in federal custody since April 27, be released to a residential drug treatment facility—likely Valley Vista in Bradford—but only when a bed was available.

Sessions denied a request by Mattiace that he be allowed to go home from court on Thursday and seek medical help for an ongoing foot problem. Sessions said he thought that was a bad idea and that Mattiace needed to go directly from prison to the treatment facility.

Sessions thought it would be a risky proposition during the transition. The judge said he wanted something more seamless. The prosecution agreed.

Once Mattiace does return

home from the residential drug treatment facility, he must remain at home unless he is at work, church, medical appointment, a legal issue or for educational reasons, the judge said. Sessions imposed a 90-day, stay-at-home order with location monitoring.

Sessions had given Mattiace an earlier break at sentencing at the request of the defense in May 2020. The federal sentencing guidelines, which are discretionary, had recommended a prison sentence somewhere between 24 and 30 months. Sessions, after hearing arguments, agreed to a downward departure that came out in the range of 8 to 14 months.

Sessions agreed to a sentence of time served—the nine months in prison while awaiting trial. The

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## Towns share cruiser after moose crash

by Lillian Gahagan

ORFORD—Orford's police cruiser is getting repaired after a moose sideswiped it last month.

Just after 11 a.m. on June 23, Orford Police Chief Jason Bachus was traveling east on Route 25 near the Mount Cube Farm on a routine patrol.

In a brief interview this week about the incident, Bachus said that he was traveling at 41 mph just before the collision. In the moment before that, he had flashed his lights at an oncoming vehicle that was exceeding the speed limit.

He then caught a glimpse of something appearing suddenly at the front passenger side of the car, right before a "boom" as a moose galloped right into the cruiser. Its head hit the windshield and its body vaulted over the roof.

"I am absolutely fine," Bachus said. He was not injured and the moose immediately continued running off into the woods. He and fish and game officers tracked a small blood trail for 100 yards or so, but they could not locate the moose. Bachus described the amount of blood seen as something like a "bloody nose."

Meanwhile, the whole left side of the vehicle was impacted by the collision, according to Bachus. It is currently being repaired at a body shop in North Haverhill. Repairs are estimated to be about \$6,000, which will be covered under the town of

Orford's insurance policy. The cruiser has approximately 83,000 miles on it.

Bachus said the accident should not affect the planned replacement of the cruiser in 2022. That proposal is scheduled for the 2022 town meeting. Orford has put aside money over the years in its capital reserve funds to purchase the town's next police vehicle.

The current cruiser was purchased in 2015 and Bachus has been driving it during the three years since he became the police chief.

In the interim until the repairs to the Orford car are completed, Bachus is driving the Fairlee town police cruiser thanks to a standing mutual aid agreement between the two towns. Bachus is also the part-time police chief in Fairlee and works 10 hours a week in that town.

Fairlee Town Administrator Tad Nunez said an addendum to the agreement was signed by both selectboards adjusting the terms to allow the use of the vehicle through July 31 if needed. Bachus said in his interview that the repairs might be completed by the end of this week.

Nunez described the arrangement as a day-to-day memo of understanding and not a lease. Orford will reimburse Fairlee for mileage using the federal mileage

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## Bradford aims to reduce false alarms

by Meg Trogolo  
Community News Service

BRADFORD—On June 24, the Bradford Selectboard approved two new ordinances to address fire department reimbursement and false alarms.

The reimbursement ordinance identifies incidents, like an unpermitted burn, where the Bradford Fire Department can bill businesses or individuals after a response. The false alarm ordinance states that the fire department will bill businesses and individuals with excessive false alarms for the costs associated with the department's response.

"We decided to write a policy the right way, instead of waiting until after something happens and then writing a policy for that," Bradford Public Safety Committee Chair Gary Moore said.

The Bradford Fire Department and Public Safety Committee have been collaborating on these two ordinances for the past two years. Both policies were finalized in December and passed in June, and will go into effect in August.

Bradford Fire Chief Ryan Terrill said that the new ordinances were not caused by any specific incident, but a response to issues that had gone unaddressed.

"These are essentially hand-in-hand policies," Terrill said. "There had been calls in the past that had led up to this. It just took a while to

collaborate on what would work best for our town."

People and businesses responsible for incidents covered in these policies will be billed according to how many firefighters responded and what equipment the fire department used.

Under the new reimbursement policy, those responsible for unpermitted burns, permitted burns that grow out of control, and wildfires caused by negligence will be billed for the fire department's response.

Hazardous materials incidents and nuisance incidents, meaning repetitive incidents of the same nature at the same location, will be subject to the same rules, as will emergencies caused on purpose with malicious intent.

In addition, the fire department will also bill for motor vehicle collisions where the person at fault does not rent or own property in Bradford. Terrill said that his department often responds to such accidents on I-91.

Under the new false alarm policy, a business or individual will not have to reimburse the fire department for the first two false alarms they experience within a 12-month period. However, they will

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## Traffic calming measures under consideration

by Meg Trogolo  
Community News Service

FAIRLEE—The Fairlee Selectboard is considering measures to lower traffic speeds around Lake Morey and improve pedestrian safety.

The town may lower the speed limit on Lake Morey Road from 30 to 25 mph during summer, add more speed limit signs, or install speed bumps in order to make the area safer for summer crowds, according to Fairlee Selectboard Member Peter Berger.

"There are really dangerous sections [of the road] that people don't pay attention to," Berger said. "Curbing behavior is difficult."

Berger said that vehicles have rolled over on Lake Morey Road in recent years and expressed concern about the possibility of car accidents involving pedestrians.

"Observing the speed limit is all right, but you'll pull around a corner and see a group of people you don't expect," Berger said.

Lake Morey is surrounded by two summer camps, a resort, a boat launch, a public beach, and several private summer homes, all of which contribute to a high volume of pedestrians on the road that surrounds it during the warmer months.

The Lake Morey Protective Association has been concerned about speed limits in recent years and is working with the town to determine what measures will be most effective, according to Berger.

In August 2019, the LMPA encouraged its members to contact the selectboard about repaving sections of the road and installing speed bumps, according to meeting minutes posted on the LMPA website.

The Town of Fairlee is also looking into collecting data on which sections of Lake Morey Road see the most speeding drivers, with the intent of putting up speed limit signs in those areas.

Currently, both the Fairlee Police Department and the Orange County Sheriff's Department patrol and enforce speed limits on Lake Morey Road, and Fairlee police submit a monthly report on the road to the selectboard, Berger said.

The Fairlee Police Department could not be reached for comment.

Newbury has recently introduced similar measures on a similar

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## Board approves ATV rules changes

by Alex Nuti-de Biasi

NEWBURY—The Newbury Selectboard approved amendments to the town's municipal ATV ordinance at a meeting on June 30 that could come into effect in a few weeks.

Selectmen said that all of the revisions were made to conform with recent changes in state law, including one that will now prohibit ATV use of class 4 roads during the winter.

Under the current ordinance, ATV use along town highways in Newbury is generally banned although there are several exceptions, including for agricultural purposes provided a permit is issued by the selectboard.

Another exception had permitted ATV operators to use town highways that are not maintained or plowed during the snow season. That

exception had also been enshrined in state law, but in 2019, Vermont passed a bill that stripped the provision from the section covering ATV use. The measure went into effect in July 2020.

Town officials said there are approximately eight miles of class 4 roads in town. The ordinance will go into effect 60 days after last week's meeting.

Meanwhile, selectboard chair Alma Roystan said she continues to receive complaints about ATV use in town. Many of the complaints are about ATV use during the daytime.

She said she will ask the Orange County Sheriff's Department to conduct targeted patrols on specific roads that were subject to many of the complaints. The town maintains a \$15,500 contract with OCS for patrolling services.

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FINDING THE RIGHT SPOT TO CATCH THE SUN SETTING—From a discovered vantage point, the photographer captured the sun setting recently in Woodsville.

COURTESY PHOTO BY DELORES DREW

## New clerk, trustee elected in WR

by Alex Nuti-de Biasi

WELLS RIVER—Village elections were conducted last week in Wells River. The special election to fill several offices came after one contest was disputed following the annual meeting in March. That dispute prompted the resignation of the longtime district clerk and treasurer.

So, the special election was held to fill various vacant offices. For trustee, Jean Welch was elected after she received 36 votes, Jason Winchester received 28 and Mary Schilke received 2. Welch will join Brian Emerson and June Griswold on the board of trustees.

The contest between Welch and Winchester was a repeat of one in March where Welch received more votes. But Winchester filed a complaint in Orange County Superior Court because Welch had worked the polls at the March election. Under state law, some candidates, including village trust-

ees, cannot serve as an election official if the office is contested.

But Winchester dropped the complaint after Welch resigned and last week's special election was scheduled.

Schilke will be village clerk, treasurer and tax collector after she defeated Lyndia Melchin in three distinct votes for the offices. The results of the races were 32-25, 31-27, and 30-26, respectively. There were a smattering of write-ins and spoiled ballots.

Schilke is the widow of Bill Schilke, a longtime trustee who passed away in January. The village office positions were filled by temporary appointments in between Jody Engle's resignations in April and last week's special election.

Sixty-six village voters participated in the election, which was held on June 30.

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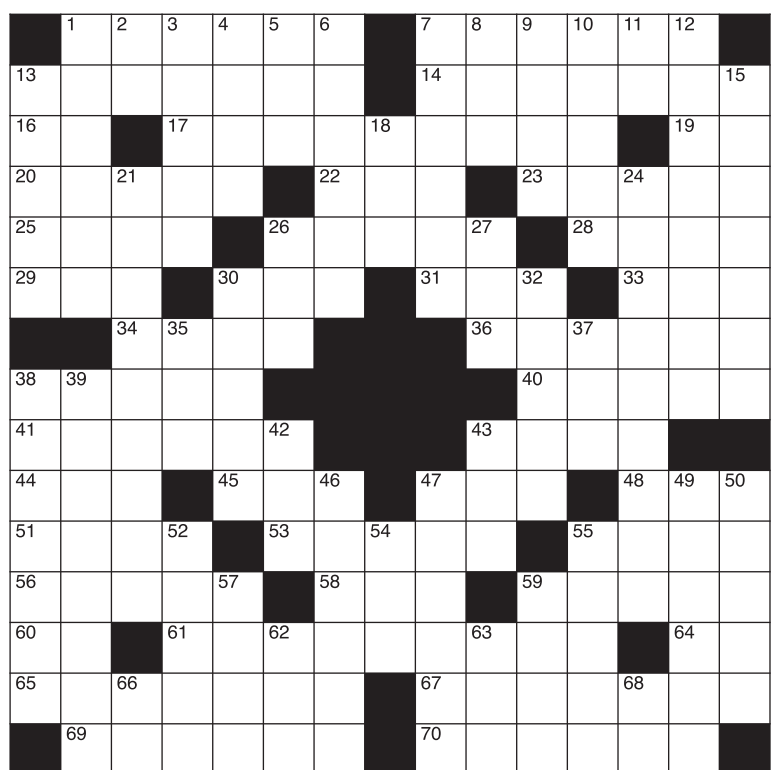
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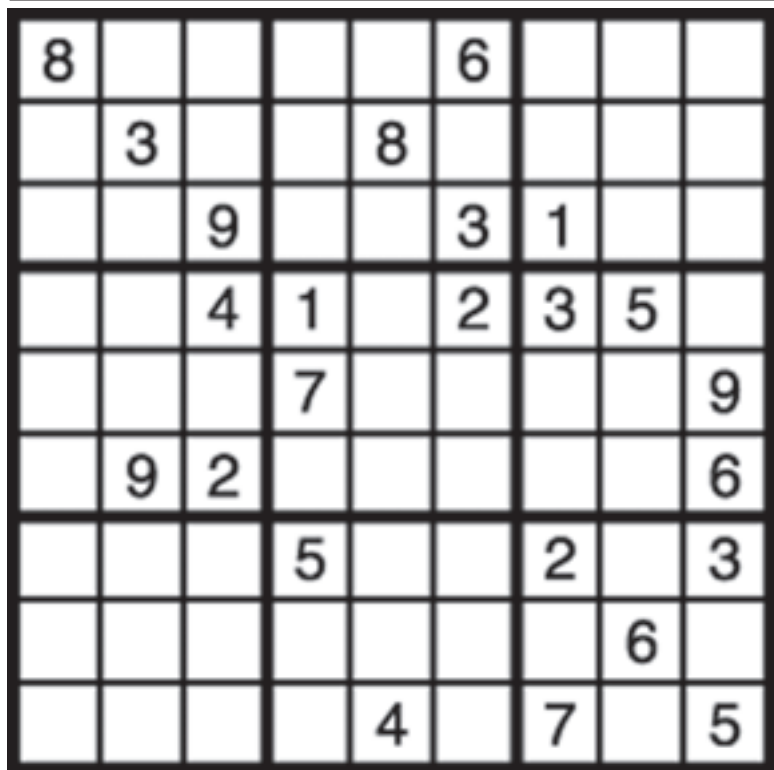
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14. A volume of several novels
16. Type of degree
17. Good job!
19. Seventh tone in major scale
20. Fevers
22. One's mother
23. Fertile desert spots
25. Large integers
26. Plate for Eucharist
28. Tennis matches have them
29. Peyton's little brother
30. Monetary unit of N. Korea
31. Head movement
33. Twelve
34. Renaissance musical instrument
36. Behavior showing high moral standards
38. Letter of the Hebrew alphabet
40. Notes to be sung
41. Women's garment
43. Coarsely ground corn
44. One point south of due east
45. A way to deplete
47. Rough, prickly covering of a seed
48. LA hoopster, but not a Laker
51. Hindquarters
53. Franz van \_\_\_\_, German diplomat
55. Liquid body substances
56. Rhythmic patterns
58. A beaver might build one
59. Police officer's tool
60. Indicates who you are
61. Pinwheel
64. Exist
65. Ornamental molding
67. Closes again
69. Verses
70. Come into view

**CLUES DOWN**

1. Short stick used as a weapon
2. An alternative
3. Laws
4. Sense organs
5. One from Utah
6. Mariner
7. People in charge of cattle
8. Health insurance organization
9. Ornamental box
10. Forest-dwelling deer
11. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)
12. Atomic #71
13. Become less intense
15. Cowards
18. Body ornament (slang)
21. Applicable to all cases
24. Multiplied by 6
26. Afghanistan monetary unit
27. Calendar month
30. Cena and Lennon are two
32. Monetary unit of Serbia
35. First time on the market
37. Georgia rockers
38. Free from contamination
39. Coastal region of Canada
42. Clothing retailer
43. It rises and sets
46. Fathers
47. Stain with mud
49. Suitable for crops
50. Feels concern for
52. Orange-brown
54. Buddy
55. Late sportscaster Craig
57. Used to align parts
59. Wake up
62. Solid water
63. Semiprecious stone
66. Atomic #45
68. Top lawyer

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Level: Intermediate

**WORD SEARCH**

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**Newbury**

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Janis Moore recently underwent cataract surgery. Despite the fact she has to fuss with eye drops, she is doing well. Mary Hathaway from Warwick, RI, travelled on her motorcycle to visit her sister and brother-in-law, Theresa and Mal Wetherell.

Michael Thomas had a party on June 19 to celebrate his retirement, his 65<sup>th</sup> birthday, Father's Day and a niece's birthday. There were about 30 people in attendance. His father and brother came from Maine; his sister came from Burlington; and his daughter Hayley and her mom came from Stowe. Hayley made arrangements for the party. Music was played by his friends and brother. Food was great, and conversations were never ending. Michael may have retired, but he will still be active as a park attendant at New Discovery in Groton State Forest.

Amanda Beaulieu and Edee Thurston attended the graveside service and reception for Vi Hatch in Haverhill.

Celina Wright took Edee to Northfield Falls to place flowers on her parents' grave.

A memorial service was held at Newbury Congregational Church on June 8 for Marion Chamberlin. A silver service reception was held in the vestry following the service at the cemetery.

Linda Rafael from Northwood, NH spent a week with her mom, Nancy Hood, recently. She and Nancy attended the graveside service for Vi Hatch, who was Nancy's sister-in-law.

The fourth annual Red Tractor Festival will be held July 25 at 10 a.m. at the Newbury Congregational Church with a potluck lunch in the vestry after. Steve Wright, Patty Williams, David

Rock and Patrick Ross will perform along with many others. A free will offering will be taken. All are welcome.

The Baltimore orioles are back at Montebello Apartments on the back porches. Two lunar moths were also on the front porches in beautiful display.

**Stork Report**

**FAIRLEE**—Tara Collins and Aaron Apigian, of Fairlee, announce the birth of their daughter, **Kinsley Ruby Apigian**. The baby girl was born June 26, 2021 at Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center, Lebanon.

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**  
**WEST BARNET**—Lake View Grange in West Barnet will be holding an in house/sit down breakfast on July 10 from 8 to 10 a.m. Pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, scrambled eggs, jams, jelly, toast and real maple syrup. For more information, call Matthew at 802-745-8176

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**At the library**

**Piermont Public Library**

**PIERMONT**—It's not too late to join in the summer fun at the Piermont Library. For younger readers, there is the Kids Summer Reading Book Club. Every Tuesday readers in grades Pre-K to 8 are invited to share reading discussions, free pizza, and free books. So far participants have been talking about Sasquatch, the Space Shuttle Challenger, and librarians on horseback. It takes place from noon to 1 p.m. at the library.

For readers of all ages, there is the Piermont Reads Challenge. Choose from a list of activities to get points on a reading chart. Points count towards a free ice cream, a book, and lots of reading fun. There is one chart for adult readers and another for kids. Participants could have earned five points on their chart—check email.

For more information on these and other programs, contact the Piermont Library: 603-272-4967, or email librarian@piermontlibrary.com, or stop by in person.

There are a lot of new books arriving at the library on a regular basis. Check out the Piermont Library Facebook page, or the Scroll newsletter, to read about some of them.

**VT arts group readies funds**

**MONTPELIER**—A total of \$1.2 million in grants seeded by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 and funded through the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities was made available starting June 21 through the new COVID-19 Cultural Recovery Grant Program co-administered by the Vermont Arts Council and Vermont Humanities.

Any arts or humanities organizations that are incorporated in the state of Vermont with a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status may apply for the grant. The funds may be used to cover general operating costs; efforts related to preparing, responding to, and recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic; the expansion of outdoor and virtual programming; salary support; and more. Funded activities for all grantees must start no later than Dec. 1, 2021 and must end no later than Nov. 30, 2022.

**Fairlee concert series returns**

**FAIRLEE**—Fairlee Community Arts has announced its 2021 schedule of Tuesday evening summer concerts on the common. Concerts are free to attend, and audience members get a chance to win prizes from local businesses. Each week features a different performer, with musical styles this summer covering rock, jazz, blues, folk, oldies, and more.

Upcoming performances feature Annie and the Hedonists on July 13; The Party Crashers on July 20; Dave Keller Trio on July 27; Red Clover Quartet on Aug. 3; Blue Jay Way on Aug. 10; Mellow Yellow on Aug. 17; Patti Casey and the Wicked Fine Players on Aug. 24; and Bow Thayer Band on Aug. 31.

Concerts are held 6:30-8:30 p.m. rain or shine. Concert-goers may wish to bring a chair or blanket. In the event of sustained bad weather, the performance will be held inside the Fairlee Town Hall's air-conditioned auditorium.

This year's concerts are made possible by generous support from the Lake Morey Foundation, the Jack and Dorothy Byrne Foundation, and numerous area businesses. The concert schedule got underway on July 6 with the 40<sup>th</sup> Army Band.

**Haverhill man to lead new NH agency**

**CONCORD**—Gov. Chris Sununu announced that he will appoint Jared Chicoine of North Haverhill to serve as interim commissioner of the newly established New Hampshire Department of Energy, effective July 1.

"I am pleased to designate Jared as interim commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Energy, where he will continue his work as Director of the Office of Strategic Initiatives to open new opportunities for streamlining energy policy, and delivering the best deal possible for ratepayers," said Sununu. "Jared will play a vital role in preparing this new department for success while ushering in a new approach to energy in New Hampshire state government."

Chicoine has served as director of the New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives since 2017.



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# Back Porch News...

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## Student achievements

**Cole Alan Stever** of Fairlee received a master's degree in architecture from Norwich University at the May 1 commencement ceremony.

Granite State College recognized 2020 and 2021 graduates from its undergraduate and master's degree programs on June 27 including **Elizabeth Vance** of Piermont, bachelor's degree in nursing, *summa cum laude*; **Nathan Hill**, Thetford Center, bachelor's degree in business management, *summa cum laude*; **Tabitha Pena**, Bradford, bachelor's degree in nursing, *magna cum laude*; and **Lisa Potter**, Strafford, bachelor's degree in applied studies in management, Strafford, *summa cum laude*.

Granite State College welcomed nearly 70 students, including **Leia Wood** of Bradford, into its honor society, Alpha Sigma Lambda, during the 2021 Honors Convocation, held via Zoom on June 9.

The following students have been recognized on the Dean's List at Norwich University for the spring 2021 semester: **Alexis Rose Gaetz**, Corinth; **Gabriel Thomas Gaetz**, Corinth; and **Jonah Gabriel Madill**, West Topsham.

The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring semester: **Sawyer Hanlon** of Lyme, **Cameron Marshall** of Lyme, **James Kertis** of North Haverhill, **Curtis Wyman** of Woodsville, and **Morgan Beck** of Groton.

Ithaca College has named the following students to the Dean's List for the spring semester: **Tyler Longmoore** of Bradford and **Emily Trage** of East Thetford.

The following local students were named to the Dean's List at Saint Michael's College for the spring semester: **Frank Loveland**, a sophomore international relations major from Fairlee and a graduate of Thetford Academy; and **Eliza Masteller**, a junior sociology and anthropology major from Thetford Center and a graduate of Sharon Academy.

The following students achieved Dean's List Honors for the spring semester at Vermont Tech: **Mercedes Ellis** of Bradford, **Rigel Garrison-Botsford** of South Strafford, **Aneleisa Gladding-Hinton** of Chelsea, **Michael Green** of West Newbury, **Janos Groszek** of Thetford Center, **Katherine Howard** of East Thetford, **Erin Noel** of Chelsea, **Anthony Stoffel** of South Strafford, and **Cassandra White** of West Fairlee.

**Jahirah Thurber** of Bradford was named to the spring dean's list at the University of Findlay.

## Study to examine local school transit

THETFORD—The Future of Rural Transit—Network Action Team has announced the two school districts that were selected for a feasibility study on combined school and rural transit service. Mount Mansfield Unified School District and its sending towns and Orange East Supervisory Union/Thetford Elementary School were selected from a pool of applicants to participate in this feasibility study exploring the possibility of expanding sustainable transportation options for both students and the general public.

The goal of the program is to prepare Vermont to have a more efficient, equitable, and cost-effective rural transportation system.

The FRT team, led by VEIC and Vermont Clean Cities Coalition, seeks to expand transportation options for rural communities in Vermont by offering combined bus services to schools and community members using electric buses. Combined public and school transportation has the potential to reduce transportation costs, increase mobility options particularly for residents of rural communities, improve health, and reduce carbon emissions.

Bruce Williams, the now-retired assistant superintendent for the Orange East Supervisory Union, was excited to have Thetford involved in this project.

"Thetford has an unusually active citizenry around climate issues, a citizenry of problem solvers, and a forward-looking school board," he said. "With close proximity to I-91 and employment hubs at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center and Dartmouth University, we are looking forward to exploring the possibility for expanded transportation options."

The feasibility study is expected to be completed by September 2021 and will determine the costs and benefits of combining service, including enhanced student travel options, and increasing access to rides among the public. The project team will work closely with the selected school districts, regional planning commissions, and regional transit providers on this assessment.

Building upon project findings, planning and outreach for combined transportation service pilots is likely to begin in the fall with the potential for pilot projects to be launched in 2022 deploying electric buses to serve the rural school systems and surrounding communities.



## Tickets available for Cohase Garden Tour

WELLS RIVER—The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Cohase Garden Tour is scheduled for July 18 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The tour kicks off at the Denny Park bandstand on North Main Street in Bradford across from the Wells River Savings Bank. The Cohase Chamber of Commerce holds this event each year with the support of local business sponsors.

Visitors on this year's tour are invited to stroll through four beautiful and unique private gardens with a wide variety of fruits, vegetables, and flowers, including an English-style garden and an art studio with work on display. The tour continues at Root 5 Farm, a certified organic vegetable farm on the Connecticut River with tours of their fields and hoop houses. Finally, visitors are invited to Montview Vineyard for wine-tasting and an optional catered lunch. The tour takes visitors along scenic back roads between Bradford and Corinth. Drive time is less than one hour, leaving plenty of time to enjoy the gardens.

Admission is \$20 (free for children under 12), and tickets can be purchased in advance at [cohasse.org](http://cohasse.org) or in person on the day of the event. For more information, email [chamber@cohasse.org](mailto:chamber@cohasse.org) or call (802)518-0030. To reserve the catered lunch, call Montview Vineyard at (802)439-6160. Select from a grilled lemon chicken or mozzarella, tomato and basil sandwich with homemade cookies for \$9; add a glass of wine for \$5.50. Visitors are also welcome to bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy along the tour.

## Seniors agency has new director

BARRE—Central Vermont Council on Aging announces the appointment of John Mandeville of East Hardwick as its new executive director.

Mandeville has spent the last 11 years as executive director of the Lamoille Economic Development Corporation in Morrisville. He will succeed outgoing executive director, Beth Stern, who resigned from CVCOA in October 2020, as well as Jeanne Kern and Davoren Carr, who have served as interim co-executive directors since November. Mandeville will assume his responsibilities on July 6.

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MONTPELIER—Gov. Phil Scott and the Vermont Agency of Transportation announced that AOT has received \$1,026,659 through the Federal Transit Administration's "Low and No Emissions" grant program.

The award will allow for the purchase of four new electric buses, associated charging equipment, and the necessary facility improvements to introduce e-buses in the Tri-Valley Transit region, which serves the counties of Addison, Orange, and northern Windsor.

This latest award marks the fifth year in a row that AOT has received funds through the program. Currently, six of Vermont's seven transit organizations either operate e-buses or have them on order. With 12 e-buses and related infrastructure already awarded, and another two e-buses planned with VW Mitigation Trust funds, this latest federal grant award will bring Vermont's public transit fleet to a total of 18 e-buses.

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The opinion page of the Journal Opinion is devoted to editorials, commentary and letters. The editorial under the heading editorial is the only column that expresses the opinions of the *Journal Opinion*. All others are the views and opinions of the authors only.

## Letters

### Celebrating life in Pike

**To the Editor:**

As I stood in the Pike Cemetery on June 23, I was overcome by many thoughts and emotions.

First was the celebration of the life of my friend Richard Hall whose 93 years were so beautifully described by Melissa Gould as many of us stood at the gravesite with Moosilauke in the background. Melissa's talk was long but so powerful and thoroughly researched, and I never tired of standing and listening as she recounted the farming life, caddying at the old Lake Tarleton Club, marrying Shirley, raising daughters Lisa and Denise, and his pride in grandchildren Danielle and Stacy, not to mention two great grandchildren. There was also his daily presence at Always Fit in Woodsville which he kept up as long as he could drive.

Second, the ceremony highlighted the rich agricultural heritage that has defined the character and economy of Haverhill and our region. While many fields are still mowed for hay (including an operation in progress across Route 25 during the ceremony), family farms are largely a dying breed as the economics of agriculture have dramatically changed in recent years. There aren't many left like Richard who so dutifully worked the land all of his life. While celebrating that heritage, I also felt a deep sadness for future generations who will not have the opportunity to make a living off the land and experience the lifestyle and pride that go with it.

Third, the crowd was quite large for a funeral of someone of that age, demonstrating the impact that one person can have in life. I knew most of those gathered, but had not seen many since COVID-19 hit some 15 months earlier. This event had a kind of joyous coming-out feeling for reconnecting, for community, and for relationships as we emerge from the isolation of this long pandemic.

Fourth, of course, was the beauty all around us—of fields and forest and mountains in the distance. We are lucky to live in such a sacred place.

After the formal service, as I milled about reconnecting, one of the young people who was back visiting made the comment that things haven't changed much over the years. Yes, there is the pastoral beauty and, on the surface, it mostly looks the same. But I thought of the diminished agricultural economy, the loss of that lifestyle, empty storefronts, and houses in some degree of disrepair.

I also thought about people who have passed on like Richard, Paul Tetreault, Jim Walker, John Wolter, Norma Lavoie, Richard Fagnant, Gene Puffer, and, of course, Ray Burton. Will future generations live up to what these people gave our communities? I pondered the divisions that have stoked discontent in Haverhill. Disrespect for those who disagree with us is a national trend, of course, but I wonder if we can pull together to improve our town in the present climate of widespread distrust.

Thanks, Richard, for a great life and this unexpected opportunity to reflect upon so many aspects of our special community. We will carry on without you, and I hope we can live up to what you gave us.

*Douglass Teschner  
Pike, NH*

### Credit where it is due at Grafton County

**To the Editor:**

My name is Kelley Monahan and I have served as the Grafton County Register of Deeds for 11.5 years, receiving the vote of confidence last November from 47,467 of my fellow citizens to return me to my sixth term. I have served as Vice President of the NH Register of Deeds Association and now serve as President. This service required me to spend a great deal of time in legislative committees in Concord. It is from this experience that I write.

I can clearly see that a new day has dawned at Grafton County. I have been blessed to witness extraordinary leadership germinate and flourish and her name is Wendy Piper.

Commissioner Piper's intellect, common sense, determination, work ethic and ability to dissect a problem and seek solutions is responsible for this new era for our County. Wendy also serves as the President of The New Hampshire Association of Counties, which greatly contributes to her work load.

Her friendship with and respect for Republican Commissioner Omer Ahern unlocked the former partisan gridlock and bickering. With Commissioner Ahern's vote, Wendy Piper became the new Chairman of the Grafton County Board of Commissioners.

I have had the pleasure of working with Commissioner Ahern over multiple terms. We fought Northern Pass together. I credit his innovative "Just Omer" show available on Pemi-Baker Public Access Television with helping keep the South-Eastern corner of the County informed. As a real estate attorney, he understands the value of my office and I have always appreciated his input and ear. He has also been a tireless advocate for the County Farm and has gone back to basics with his FarmDoc Plan.

Once these two minds met, there was no stopping the reset. These two dedicated public servants worked tirelessly to craft the excellent budget that was just adopted for Fiscal Year 2022 with little input from the Delegation.

But with reset and rebirth, a death must first occur. Much like Rhett and Scarlett watching the Old South die, I feel very privileged to have been eyewitness to that death. The last gasp of the powerless and flailing ideologue was on full display during the June 28 meeting as feeble attempts were made to control what is uncontrollable. Many busy people were held hostage for hours while a handful of Republicans indulgently strategized and then acted out their futile obstructionism. In the past, the Ray Burton era, the Democrats and Republicans of the Delegation arrived an hour prior to the start of the meeting to caucus. Those days of respect and courtesy are truly gone with the wind.

Most notable was the behavior of the leadership of the Executive Committee who failed to recognize the hard work and commitment of Board of Commissioners or the brilliant and always dependable Grafton County Finance Director Julie Libby. FD Libby who has carried the burden of two full time roles for far too long and is the rock that Grafton County is centered around. Not a word to the eager and innovative new County Administrator who has hit the ground running.

Andrew Dorsett having just arrived in February as the department budgets were just about to be presented to the Board of Commissioners.

Nothing to the department heads who work for half a year preparing their figures, specifically the Human Resource Department who rose to the challenges of managing everything Covid-related throughout every other department. I have rarely heard them praise any Grafton County Elected Official and expect nothing but most importantly they ignored the essential worker.

Instead, as we have so often seen from the stereotypical politician who lacks any self-awareness, they congratulated only themselves for showing up. The egos.

But I do not believe that the blame for this type of collective behavior can be placed on the individual, as they participate in a form of government, well intentioned or not, that does not equate a reasonable value on their time and energy. This system which attracts, almost exclusively, people who can afford to place no value on their own time but are then tasked with determining the value of the time of others. And then there is the ideologue who has nothing better to do with their time then advance their cause at the expense of everyone else. A great deal of time was wasted on June 28, and that is the biggest insult of all to those who have consistently showed up and toiled over the past year during a pandemic.

In closing I would like to thank my team, the most dedicated and knowledgeable group of women and men that I have ever had the pleasure to work alongside. They showed up every single day, assisted the stressed and agitated public and recorded thousands of documents to the official public record.

We will close FY2021 by contributing \$1.5 million back to general fund and we are just getting started.

*Kelley Jean Monahan  
Grafton County Register of Deeds*

### The United States of America-2021

**To the Editor:**

Fake news is the norm.  
Gas prices are at a seven-year high and rising, and we are no longer energy independent.

Grocery prices are out of sight.  
Crime is out of control in Democratic-led cities due to the defunding of the police.  
Standard English is now "racist."  
Washington, Jefferson, etc. are now "racists."

"Man" power, chairman, selectman, mother, father, aunt, uncle are sexist terms and improper.

Illegal aliens are flooding our border, and they can vote, get licenses, free money, free health care, etc.

Democrats want to "pack" the Supreme Court with more Democrats so they have a majority.

Radical Democrats want Justice Breyer (a Democrat) to retire, because he is not liberal enough.

The rotunda of the National Archives building is racist because it displays the Declaration of Independence and Constitution.

Democrats want to abolish the filibuster, and change the rules of Congress as part of their "power grab."

Statues deemed offensive to the radicals are being removed from government buildings.

Stimulus money is given to everybody with no accountability (no wonder people won't work).

Conservatives are being censored for their speech and beliefs.  
Religious freedom, and the Right to Bear Arms are under attack.

Former employees and whistleblowers are exposing CNN, MSNBC, etc. for fake, biased news coverage.

Where did the "me too" movement go in view of the sexual misconduct allegations against Gov. Cuomo

Over two dozen aides to VP Harris cited a dysfunctional and abusive, toxic atmosphere in her office.

Businesses across America are closing because nobody will work.  
Virtually everything is in short supply for the same reason.

Critical Race Theory (itself racist) is being taught across the US at every educational level (if you do not know what this is, get educated before it is too late).

A first-grade teacher in Virginia was teaching masturbation!  
Police officers are being assassinated.

A recent national poll revealed a big jump in the number of people who no longer think that the US is the best country to live in. Have you seen enough? If not, wait 24 hours—it gets worse by the day. Remember these things in November.

*Ron Willoughby  
North Haverhill, NH*

### Road money saga nears end

**To the Editor:**

Marilyn Blaisdell recently made some editorial points ("Woodsville road money," June 30) about Haverhill/Woodsville road funding that can stand some reply.

She used an email exchange between Town Manager English and Woodsville commissioners as an example of what was wrong with the system in place. I contend that her example actually portrays what was right about it.

The only point she gets correct is that conversations/decisions by email are not the way to proceed in public office. NH law allows some "electronic" participation but in this case, it was more than it should have been.

This is why we have moved to having a professional administrator do the tasks previously performed by us "lay people." By the way, I haven't been chair of the commission since 2014 and haven't been a member since 2019.

For background, Woodsville is a precinct within the Town of Haverhill and has its own very efficient road department. In 2009, an agreement was reached based upon the fact that about 25% of Haverhill's local revenues come from Woodsville.

The agreement provided that this percentage of the Highway budget would be returned to Woodsville for its use. These funds make up roughly half of the Woodsville department's needs and the remainder is raised within the village. The Town of Haverhill has never paid money to Woodsville but, rather, returned the portion of the Highway budget raised within the Village.

The email she provided shows TM English stating that Woodsville overpaid into the road budget and was due a refund of \$17,000 and that he was adding it to the 2019 budget. He goes on to ask if Woodsville wanted him to reconcile the 2018 budget. The purpose of that would be to see if more money was due to be returned to Woodsville.

The Woodsville Commissioners did not wish to do that mostly due to the fact that a change in our status with the DRA had significantly reduced the amount of funds that we needed to keep on hand and we didn't need to seek more funds. We also knew that our road funding was widely misunderstood and didn't want to give anyone angst over this issue.

It's funny how folks often only publish the facts that support their cause and disregard facts that don't. Ms Blaisdell didn't point out earlier emails when calculations showed that Woodsville underpaid into the Town Highway budget by \$38,000 and Jo Lacaille asked (by email) if we would make up that difference. We did so at the next meeting. These year-end adjustments made the funding system work properly for both parties.

Ms. Blaisdell seems delighted that the Bob Guida HB26 bill has passed. It is designed to make Woodsville choose between some poor to worse options. This bill is about the fifth version of what was initially an entirely different kind of bill and leaves Woodsville to choose between three paths. Woodsville can either: 1) Pay full boat into the Haverhill Highway department and full boat into their own Highway department too. This is double taxation and is exactly the situation that the 2009 law (that is now cancelled) was made to fix. 2) Let the Town of Haverhill maintain the Woodsville streets at great cost to taxpayers outside of Woodsville with a significant degradation in quality of road maintenance throughout Haverhill and a reduction of costs to the Woodsville taxpayers who would no longer need to fund their own department. 3) Secede from Haverhill. Haverhill would then need to pay its entire budget with 25% less tax base (33% tax increase in Haverhill unless they can find significant budget cuts). I certainly do not advocate for this last option as sharing costs over a larger tax base is advantageous to all.

One last point about Ms. Blaisdell's editorials. In a previous effort, she made mention of Woodsville's finances being a disaster and some diatribe about audits. First, let me say that many small villages were in the same boat about audits (such as her own North Haverhill).

It's a mystery what the financial disaster is or was as we've been adequately funded and the audits have shown no malfeasances. At the end of the day, except for the "lay person" mistakes, Woodsville is just fine and I hope it continues to be. As for the divide in our town that Ms. Blaisdell laments, it started very shortly after the employment of TM Brigitte Codling and might possibly be related thereto.

*Richard (Dick) Guy  
Woodsville, NH*

### Don't Hesitate

by Rebecca Farley

For our faithfulness to our Lord,  
He promises us a kingdom divine.  
With all we will ever want and need,  
a glorious place, oh so sublime.

A seat beside our loving Savior  
each one of His followers will receive.  
Yes, there is one just for you,  
once you repent and believe.

For He cares for each and every one,  
and wants us in His kingdom to abide.  
For soon He'll return to claim the faithful,  
and for the unfaithful, no place to hide.

His coming is sooner than we know,  
so don't hesitate and wait too long.  
Remember if you don't decide soon,  
on His return, all that you knew is gone.

###  
*The author resides in Wells River.*

### ON THIS DATE

The U.S. Congress annexed Hawaii through a joint resolution signed by President William McKinley on July 7, 1898, paving the way for the islands to become a territory (1900) and later a U.S. state (1959).

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On July 7, 2005, the London transit system was struck by coordinated suicide bomb attacks that killed 39 people and injured more than 700.

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In Chillicothe, Missouri, pre-sliced bread first went on sale July 7, 1928. The loaves, baked by a local company, were cut using a machine designed by Otto Rohwedder.

###

Satchel Paige, a professional baseball pitcher who earned legendary fame during his many years in the Negro leagues, is believed to have been born July 7, 1906 in Mobile, Alabama.

### ABOUT THIS PAGE

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We encourage readers to comment on matters of interest and will publish letters regardless of their politics providing they are in good taste. We ask that you limit letters to 400 words or less and write no more than twice per month. All letters must be signed with contact information given for verification.

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The deadline for letters and commentaries is Monday at noon. They may be mailed to the *Journal Opinion*, PO Box 378, Bradford, VT 05033, emailed to editor@jonews.com or faxed to (802)222-5438.

### It was a great parade!

**To the Editor:**

Although it looked really "iffy," it did not "rain on the parade!" The judging results of the Fairlee-Orford parade theme "Unsung Heroes of the Red, White and Blue" were:

- 1<sup>st</sup>—American Farmers
- 2<sup>nd</sup>—Gray's Auction
- 3<sup>rd</sup>—Lake Morey Protection Association entry

Best of Parade: "Super Unsung Heroes" by Rivendell Interstate School District. Congratulations to all. Ribbons may be picked up at the Fairlee Town Hall Town Clerk's office.

Thank you to all for participating in the parade and a special thank you to the volunteers who made it happen. See you next year.

*Ann Green  
Orford-Fairlee July 4<sup>th</sup> Committee*

#### BOOK DISCUSSION

EAST CORINTH—There will be a book discussion on July 9 at 4:30 p.m. at Blake Memorial Library in East Corinth for the book "Braiding Sweetgrass: Indigenous Wisdom, Scientific Knowledge and the Teachings of Plants" by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Copies of the book are available at the library.

#### BOOK READING

GREENSBORO, VT—On July 11 at 3 p.m., *Back Roads Readings* will present Poets Chard deNiord and Sydney Lea outside in a tent at the Highland Center for the Arts, Greensboro, VT. Reading is free, followed by reception and book signing. For more information, contact Lisa von Kann 802-633-4956.

## Rambling Reflections

### Four fireflies

by Nessa Flax

When I moved into this house in 2004, one of my summer joys was watching fireflies. Dark green pine trees encircle the backyard, making a perfect backdrop for the flashing lights.

These native pines provide an ideal habitat for some lightning bug species. They mate and lay eggs in the canopy, and have a safe place to rest during daylight hours. Some larvae grow and flourish among the needles. Others dwell in tall grasses.

As a child, it was easy for me to imagine fireflies were really faeries. I am not at all sure I have completely surrendered that fancy. At the very least, and despite now having more knowledge about them, the sight of their blinking lights at night is still magical.

Fireflies are not actually *flies*. They are soft-bodied beetles, members of the superfamily *Elateridae*. Scientists believe they glow to alert predators to their toxicity. This works well against birds and amphibians, but is ineffective against spiders that eat them.

Not all fireflies blink their lights. There are also glowworms, which are steadily biolumines-

cent. In the U.S. and Canada, there are 114 species of flashing fireflies, 24 species of glowworms, and 30 are daytime dark flies.

Over the years I have watched the proliferation of "my" fireflies diminish. This year, my first viewing amounted to only four flashing faeries.

In March 2021, the first assessment of extinction risk for lightning bug species in the U.S. and Canada was published. Liz Kimbrough of the Mongabay website reported that:

"Of 128 species evaluated, 14 species (11%) are threatened with extinction, 2% are near threatened and 33% were categorized as being of least concern. . . More than half of the species are listed as data deficient, meaning there is not enough information" to assess their extinction risk.

According to Kimbrough, if you want to do your part to preserve fireflies, here are some things you can do:

- Leave areas of leaf litter on your land or lawn
- Mow less
- Reduce ground-disturbing activities or do them on rotation

- Reduce or eliminate use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides (especially neonicotinoids)
- Allow slugs and snails to live; firefly larvae love to eat them
- Reduce unnecessary outdoor lighting and close blinds at night

- Use fences to keep cattle out of fragile wetlands
- Participate in community science projects like Firefly Watch

While adults survive for less than a month, larvae live up to two years. Most larvae require wet habitats like streams, wetlands, and damp fields. Threats to larvae primarily put the delightful beetles at risk.

But light pollution interferes with three-quarters of the species that rely on flashing to attract mates and deter predators. (I was stunned to learn that due to the proliferation of artificial lights, 80% of North Americans cannot see the Milky Way from where they live. I feel blessed to be part of the remaining 20%.)

We can all contribute to preserving the summer night magic of lightning bugs.

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## HAVERHILL POLICE DEPARTMENT

HAVERHILL—On June 19, Haverhill Police arrested James Smart, 35, of North Haverhill for 2<sup>nd</sup> degree assault; serious bodily injury-domestic violence and endangering the welfare of a child. Smart was held on preventative detention.

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On June 25, Haverhill Police arrested Emily Boyce, 23, of Woodsville for DV; simple assault-bodily injury. Boyce will appear in Haverhill District Court on Aug. 11.

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Haverhill Police responded to and/or investigated the following calls:

June 16, responded to Railroad Street in Woodsville and took a report of criminal trespass. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 17, responded to Clark Pond Road in North Haverhill and took a report of criminal mischief and criminal trespass. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 18, responded to the Rail Trail in Woodsville and took a report of a missing person. The case is closed due to person being located.

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June 22, responded to Mont View Drive in North Haverhill and took a report of conduct after an accident. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 23, responded to White Mountain Road in North Haverhill and took a report of theft by unauthorized taking. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 25, responded to Chapel Street in Woodville and took a report of criminal mischief. This case is currently under investigation; responded to Central Street in Woodsville and took a report of simple assault; physical contact. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 26, responded to Benton Road in North Haverhill and took a report of disorderly conduct. This case is currently under investigation.

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June 28, responded to Dartmouth College Highway in Woodsville and took a report of theft of services. This case is currently under investigation.

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Haverhill Police responded to and/or investigated the following; juvenile matter-no crime (three); assist citizen (four); assist other agency-NHSP (one); welfare check (one); suspicious activity-no crime (one); alarm activation (one); suspicious vehicle-no crime (one); VIN verification (one); police information (one); unattended death (one); paper-work service-trespass (two); unwanted person (one); civil matter-no crime (one); intoxicated person-no crime (one).

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Haverhill Police responded to the following motor vehicle accidents:

June 16, Dartmouth College Highway, Woodsville, two car accident; June 22, Forest Street, Woodsville, two car accident; June 24, South Court Street, Woodsville, one car accident.

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Haverhill Police issued the following warnings and citations: speeding (11); multiple beam lighting (one); uninspected vehicle (three); stop sign, yield sign (one); defective equipment (five); tail lamp and reflectors (one).

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All individuals are presumed innocent unless and until found guilty in a court of law.

## VERMONT STATE POLICE

BRADFORD—On June 25 at 9:36 a.m., VSP responded to a report of a trespass at a residence on Moore Hill Road in Newbury. Troopers determined that Devin Fryar, 41, of Newbury, had previously been trespassed from the residence and was refusing to leave. Troopers arrived on scene and while placing Fryar under arrest he resisted. Fryar was taken into custody and transported to the Bradford outpost for processing. He was later released with a citation to appear in Orange County Superior Court on Aug. 18 to answer to the charges of unlawful trespass and resisting arrest.

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On June 27 at 9:58 p.m., VSP responded to a report of a wrong-way driver on I-91. The vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed north in the southbound lane. VSP attempted to stop the vehicle near milemarker 124 in Barnet, but the vehicle failed to yield. After a short pursuit, the vehicle was eventually stopped. The operator, Cassandra Pierce, 42, of North Haverhill, was arrested for driving under the influence, gross negligent operation, attempting to elude and excessive speed.

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VSP was contacted on June 27 at 8:20 p.m. regarding a reported two-vehicle crash in Newbury. Troopers responded and determined both vehicles were traveling on Railroad Street towards Woodsville. Janet Scott, 61, of Newbury, slowed her vehicle after she observed pedestrians on the opposite side of the roadway. A juvenile was following too closely and unable to brake in time which resulted in a collision. One vehicle was towed from the scene due to disabling damage.

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On July 1 at 12:05 p.m., while on duty, Trooper David Hastings struck and killed a deer near milemarker 109 south on I-91 in Newbury. Hastings did not suffer any injuries and his cruiser sustained minor front and passenger side damage.

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On July 3 at 7:48 p.m., VSP responded to a report of a domestic disturbance on Beanville Road in West Fairlee. Troopers arrived on scene and identified the victims. Further investigation revealed that Savannah Lovely, 29, of West Fairlee, had assaulted three members of the household in front of a minor. Lovely was subsequently arrested for three counts of domestic assault and three counts of offense committed in the presence of a minor and processed at the Bradford outpost. Lovely was later lodged at Northeast Correctional Complex on court-ordered bail and conditions, with a citation to appear in court on July 6 to answer for the offense.

Sabil & Sons DIRTcar Sportsman Modified: 1)Richie Simmons; 2)Max Dolliver; 3)Jason Gray  
Wells River Chevrolet Sportsman Coupe: 1)Ricky Sanville; 2)Tim Hodge; 3)Tim Martin  
C.A. Miller Limited Late Model: 1)Todd Dunham; 2)Nicholas Longley; 3)Matt Piper; LaValley's Building Supply Dirt Stockers: 1)Mike McClay; 2)Jesse Dunham; 3)Mike Mann  
Peanuts Auto Four Cylinders #1: 1)Cary Hunter; 2)Santana Merritt; 3)Carl Sweet  
Peanuts Auto Four Cylinders #2: 1)Buddy Welch; 2)Jason Porter; 3)Jonathon Baker  
WYKR Sprint Cars of New England: 1)Caleb Lamson; 2)Matt Hoyt; 3)Jacob Williams  
Granite State Mini Sprints 600cc: 1)Anthony MarVuglio; 2)Jack Koponen; 3)Justin Burr  
Granite State Mini Sprints 500cc: 1)Donny Sharp Jr.; 2)Tom Chaffee; 3)Rob Williams

June 26

Sabil & Sons DIRTcar Sportsman Modified: 1)DJ Robinson; 2)Jordan Fornwalt; 3)Jason Gray  
Wells River Chevrolet Sportsman Coupe: 1)Ryan Christian; 2)Jason Horniak; 3)Brian Chaffee  
Peanuts Auto Four Cylinders #1: 1)Wesley Blake; 2)Blake Buccellato; 3)Taber Andrews  
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Sting Vintage Race Cars 4/6 Cylinder Enduro: 1)Hunter Garduno; 2)David Wilder; 3)Trevor Mears

July 3

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## White Mountain Motorsports Park

June 19

North East Mini Stock Tour: 1)Matt Sonnhalter/East Thetford  
Foley Oil & Propane Late Models: 10)Oren Remick/Monroe  
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank Strictly Stock Mini: 17)Scott Senecal/Lisbon  
Arnold's Wayside Diner Dwarf Cars: 1)Jamie Ball/Barnet; 4)Jason Wyman/Easton; 5)Kevin Wyman/Bath

June 26

Foley Oil & Propane Late Models: 10)Oren Remick/Monroe  
ACT Late Model Tour: 13)Ryan Olsen/Bath  
Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank Strictly Stock Mini: 14)Jeremy Stygles/Bradford  
Dad's 4 By Tool & Supply Kids Trucks: 8)Sam Aldrich/Haverhill

July 3

Rained out

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## Devil's Bowl Speedway

June 19

Sportsman Modified: 2)Adam Pierson/East Corinth; 12)Tanner Siemons/Orford; 22)Gene Pierson Jr/East Corinth  
Sprint Cars of New England: 4)Adam Pierson/East Corinth; 13)Chris Donnelly/Piermont  
O'Reilly Auto Parts Limited Sportsman: 5)Melvin Pierson/East Corinth; 19)Kyle Huntington/Bradford

June 26

Sportsman Modified: 2)Adam Pierson/East Corinth; 24)Gene Pierson Jr/East Corinth; 25)Tanner Siemons/Orford  
O'Reilly Auto Parts Limited Sportsman: 16)Kyle Huntington/Bradford; 17)Melvin Pierson/East Corinth

July 4\*

CRSA/SCoNE Sprint Car Challenge: Chris Donnelly/Piermont  
Sportsman Modified: 3)Adam Pierson/East Corinth  
O'Reilly Auto Parts Limited: 4)Melvin Pierson/East Corinth  
\*Not all results were available by a press deadline

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## Thunder Road Speedbowl

June 17

Maplewood/Irving Oil Late Models: 4)Chip Grenier/Orange/  
RK Miles Street Stocks\*: 10)Luke Peters/Groton; 11)Haidyn Pearce/Chelsea  
RK Miles Street Stocks: 9)Luke Peters/Groton; 10)Haidyn Pearce/Chelsea  
Lenny's Shoe & Apparel Flying Tigers: 19)Brandon Gray/Thetford; 23)Chris Chambers/Chelsea  
\*Memorial Day Make-up Feature

June 24

Maplewood/Irving Oil Late Models: 10)Chip Grenier/Orange; 19)Derek O'Donnell/North Haverhill  
Lenny's Shoe & Apparel Flying Tigers: 6)Brandon Gray/Thetford; 23)Chris Chambers/Chelsea  
RK Miles Street Stocks: 8)Luke Peters/Groton; 15)Haidyn Pearce/Chelsea  
Marvin Johnson Memorial: 1)Luke Peters/Groton; 5)Haidyn Pearce/Chelsea

July 1

Maplewood/Irving Oil Late Models: 15)Chip Grenier/Orange  
Lenny's Shoe & Apparel Flying Tigers: 4)Brandon Gray/Thetford; 23)Chris Chambers/Chelsea  
RK Miles Street Stocks: 16)Luke Peters/Groton; 18)Haidyn Pearce/Chelsea

## FUN FACTS

All of an adult human's blood vessels, if laid out end to end, would be about 100,000 miles, so they could encircle the earth four times.

## Fairlee to study improvements for its transfer station

FAIRLEE—The Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, Solid Waste Program has awarded the Town of Fairlee with \$4,600 to be used toward planning for infrastructure improvements at the town transfer station. This grant will be used to fund the planning for infrastructure improvements at Fairlee's transfer station on Dump Road just south of the village.

Fairlee is part of the Central Vermont Solid Waste Management District and manages a transfer station for the collection of recyclables, food scraps, and other materials produced by the residents of Fairlee. The overall purpose of this grant is to support infrastructure that will improve the safe and efficient collection and management of household hazardous waste and Conditionally Exempt Generator hazardous waste, food scraps, and/or mandatory recyclables.

## FUN FACTS

The hardest working muscle in your body is your heart: It pumps more than 2,000 gallons of blood a day and beats more than 2.5 billion times in a 70-year life span.

## GRAB N GO

NORTH HAVERHILL—Horse Meadow Senior Center provides a drive through hot Grab N Go meal each Tuesday and Thursday from 11:15 a.m. to 12 p.m. Masks are required. The procedure is check in, order and pay, the meal will be brought to the car, and drive out. Meals are \$3 for those over 60 and \$5 for all others.

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## ORANGE EAST SUPERVISORY UNION PUBLIC INPUT SURVEY

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As part of the U.S. Department of Education's Meaningful Consultation process, we must seek public input on use of these funds to incorporate into our drafted plan. Based on our needs assessment, we have identified the following areas of need (see Question 3). Question 5 is designed for public comment.

Please complete the survey and return to:

Nicole Bell  
OESU  
PO Box 396  
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The survey is also available online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Z9S2LT7>

1. What town are you from?

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 Other

2. Do you have children who attend schools within OESU?

- Yes  
 No

3. OESU has conducted a needs assessment and has determined the following areas are priorities. Select the area you think is the highest priority.

- Classroom Instruction  
 Extended Learning Programs (After School programs)  
 Social Emotional Learning and Well Being  
 Data Literacy  
 Career and Internship Programs  
 Employee Appreciation  
 Equity in Education  
 Other

4. If you reviewed the needs assessment, do you think our suggested actions will help improve student learning and well being?

- Yes  
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5. Do you have any additional suggestions or recommendations to improve student learning and the overall educational experience within the schools in OESU?

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# OBITUARIES



**Nancy Hartley**  
1942 - 2021

HAVERHILL—Nancy Jean Coulter Hartley, 78, of Haverhill, passed away peacefully at home in a beautiful setting where her family provided constant care and comfort during the last few weeks of her life on July 2, 2021. She will be greatly missed by many.

She was born in Cambridge, NY Oct. 2, 1942, to Donald H. and Thelma (Lant) Coulter, their fifth child and only daughter. Nancy grew up attending schools in East Dorset, VT and Cambridge, NY. In 1958, she met a young Army private from Piermont, and they were married June 2, 1959. Together Nancy and Ernie had three children, Cindy, Ernie Jr. and Annette.

After leaving the military they moved their family back to Piermont. Although they relocated several times, Piermont was always their home and where they eventually settled.

Nancy always had a large garden and enjoyed canning during the summer months. She enjoyed watching her children play sports and was always in attendance at their sporting events. The joy of her life was her five grandchildren whom she loved spending time with. There were so many weekend sleepovers at "Mimi's farmhouse" which was always a highlight for both grandchildren and grandmother. Regardless of their neverending antics, she was always delighted that they wanted to stay. Her favorite mantra (which was readily welcomed by the children) was "what happens at Mimi's house, stays at Mimi's house!"

Nancy had a strong faith and was a member of the Piermont Congregational Church and participated for many years in their Bible study group.

Nancy retired from DHMC at the age of 70. During her 17 years there, she developed many great lifelong friendships.

After retirement, Nancy sold her farmhouse and moved to Haverhill. She

watched her grandchildren get married and have children of their own and was the even prouder great grandmother of nine.

Nancy is survived by her children, Cindy and Rob Daley of New London, NH, Ernie and Pam Hartley of Piermont, and Annette and David White of Bradford; her grandchildren and their families, Heather Daley Baade, husband Blake, children, August and Harrison of Newmarket, NH, Ashely O'Donnell Osgood, husband Chad, children, Jayde, Byrkle, and Brantley of Fountain, NC, Dana Hartley, wife Jasmine, children, Aspen and Lane of Piermont, Derrick O'Donnell, wife Abby, children Landyn and Claelyn of North Haverhill, and Geoffrey Daley and wife Katie of New London.

Nancy was predeceased by her parents; five brothers, Donald Coulter, Laverne Coulter, Jerome Coulter, Denver Coulter and Forrest Coulter; and her best friend and ex-husband, Ernie Hartley Sr.

A memorial service for Nancy will be held July 12 at 10 a.m. at the Piermont Congregational Church, 101 Church Street, Piermont, followed by interment at the South Lawn Cemetery in Piermont.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Piermont Congregational Church.

The family wishes to express their deepest gratitude and thanks to Dr. Patricia Min of DHMC and the Bayada Hospice for their loving care and support.

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](http://www.rickerfh.com).

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# Roude Rattles On

by Robert Roudebush

## The owl and the pussycat fix it good

feathers. Perched on a limb next to the trunk of a tree, and unmoving, he could just disappear from sight even in full sunlight while I was looking directly at him.

I wouldn't want either of those two deadly fix-it machines mad at me.

Tiger tom Teddy was damn near invisible too, his orange and brown fur blending into the covering grass and dead leaves, about 10 feet from Chippy the mink. He was invisible as long he did not move. Now he was moving. His approach was a low slow-hunting crouch, placing each foot deliberately and carefully forward, his stare intent on his victim. He would get close enough to fix his meal in one soaring pounce. Seen him do it many times.

And I noticed that papa owl had stirred his wings up on his high perch. He was about to take flight.

In hunting, timing is everything. I never underestimate a chipmunk's ability to survive, despite its size. They were quite quick and very nimble escaping when they saw something coming. This chippy saw nothing coming.

I kept the eyeglasses moving from one animal to the other, seeing Teddy creep, seeing the owl position for flight, seeing the chipmunk knowing nothing. Suddenly papa owl was in steep swooping downward flight, silent death on two wings. Teddy crept quickly to shorten the distance to pounce time, both carnivores zeroing in for the kill.

Teddy sprang upwards and forwards into the air. At the top of his arc, he was 2 feet off the ground flying forward.

Papa owl plummeted downward, skimming above the surface of the pond, about 2 feet from the water, flying forward.

Timing is everything. And timing can be bad. It was this time for each of the two hunters, but not the hunted.

Colliding in mid-air, the two predators fell heavily together to the ground amid ear-piercing screeches and yowls as they tried to kill each other. The owl pumped his broad strong wings in desperation clapping Teddy with his talons, darting his tearing beak into Teddy's midsection repeatedly.

Teddy was face to face with the enraged bird, biting back, clinging close to the flier's body with strong front legs clamped tightly, claws digging into flesh, and ripping into the owl's body with powerful back clawed feet, both legs convulsively pumping in unison.

Lord, what an ear-shattering screeching caterwauling.

Fur flew fast, feathers flew faster. I could see the blood splattering.

Suddenly, it was over. Maybe five seconds, or 10, it seemed an hour, but it stopped. Silence. Teddy broke off, leaping away lopsidedly through the woods. The large bird, shaken but seeming unharmed from my vantage point, righted himself, flapped big wings, and pumped into the air, surging slowly away out of sight to the far end of the pond.

The chipmunk had the luckiest moment of his short life and darted away to nibble for at least one more day.

I ran down to check the battleground. Blood splatters, still warm; fur, feathers, lots of them. No sign of Teddy till he

came limping back in four or five days. Crusted blood puncture wounds on his belly and torn flesh around his head and neck. He lost part of one ear.

He would not allow a trip to the vet's. We disinfected what we could with topical antibiotics and in a week red inflammation had turned pink, no more limping. He hunted as usual, successful most of the time.

It took another week to witness the owl still around. I'd caught no sight, heard no identifiable calling, one mate to the other. One afternoon he was just there, quiet and efficient as ever, taking his fill from our wetlands.

Who won and who lost?

Well, it's an eternal battle between predator and prey and sometimes predators cross each other's boundaries.

You can guess I was lucky to have witnessed this border dispute between two masters of their territory. They both survived to hunt again, they both won.

## Dartmouth lifts restrictions

HANOVER—Significant changes to Dartmouth's remaining COVID-19 restrictions were announced last week, although current restrictions on outside visitors will likely remain in place until Aug. 1, and the Hood Museum of Art, the Hopkins Center for the Arts, and the Dartmouth Library remain closed to the public.

The restrictions were loosened because more than 80% of Dartmouth's on-campus student community has now been vaccinated. In addition, the town of Hanover has lifted its COVID-19 emergency public health notice, which had mandated the wearing of masks and restricted gatherings in town.

Among the changes: vaccinated individuals no longer need to wear a mask indoors or outdoors; most spaces on campus can return to full capacity for the campus community, though a handful of spaces with limited ventilation will continue to have lower capacity; all event and gathering size limits have been lifted, as well as dining and eating restrictions; and the Moosilauke Ravine Lodge will reopen for dinners and day use next week for summer students with transportation available from campus.

DRUMS ALIVE

NORTH HAVERHILL—On Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to noon, Drums Alive takes place under the tent at Horse Meadow Senior Center. Reservations are needed. Call 603-787-2539.

## Half NH residents buy local food

DURHAM—Eighty percent of Granite Staters reported purchasing local farm foods in the past year, with 49.7% buying at least a few times a month, according to research by the Carsey School of Public Policy at the University of New Hampshire.

Frequency of local farm food purchasing varies widely across the state. Within the state's three urban counties (Hillsborough, Rockingham, and Strafford), between one-third and one-half of adults buy local farm food at least occasionally, compared with a much wider range—from 89% in Sullivan County to 2% in Coös County—in rural places. Overall, rural Granite Staters are more likely to be at least occasional farm food purchasers, at 61.2% versus 42.6% in urban places, with the greatest engagement along the Vermont border.

Granite Staters were most likely to report that traditional models like farm stands, brick-and-mortar stores, and farmers markets were easily accessible. While there has been an overall rise in online shopping during the pandemic, fewer than one-in-four respondents said that an online market platform for locally produced food was an easily accessible option.

This research finds that most New Hampshire residents at least occasionally purchase local farm foods, with clear patterns in which sources are perceived as easily accessible. However, these estimates also indicate that there is significant room to grow consumer engagement.

It is not clear why engagement is highest along the Vermont border. Review of earlier work (2019) suggests that farm food retail sources are not especially prevalent in this region, suggesting geographic concentration of local farm food sources may not be the sole explanation. Analysis of U.S. Census Bureau data suggests that these counties are not uniformly better resourced either in terms of median household income or the share of household with access to a vehicle.

It is possible that local food culture, advocacy, or other engagement tools may be more prevalent here, or result from interstate spillover: Vermont consistently ranks highest in per-capita direct sales of farm foods to consumers.



## GOD HAS A WAY

by Dennis Prutov

A piece of furniture from the house of worship, the ark of the covenant, had to be moved. A brand new cart was hewn for the task. Uzza was one of the drivers. The cart faltered. Uzza put out his hand to steady the cargo. "The anger of the Lord burned against Uzza, so He struck him down because he put out his hand to the ark; and he died there before God" (1 Chronicles 13:10).

After some reflection, King David declared his opinion to the priests. "Because you did not carry it at the first, the Lord our God made an outburst on us, for we did not seek Him according to the ordinance" (1 Chronicles 15:13).

Numbers 4:15 declares no one must touch the ark of the covenant on pain of death. God also designated certain priests to carry this sacred chest with poles inserted through rings on each side of the ark. God gave this rule or ordinance. David failed to approach God, to seek Him, according to the ordinance.

Jesus says, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me" (John 14:6). We have little problem following the prescriptions a doctor gives us to heal our bodies. We should have no difficulty following God's prescription for the healing of our souls.

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  5. Pray and invite Jesus Christ to come into your heart and control your life through the Holy Spirit (receive Him as Lord and Savior). Amen.
- Read the Bible to grow! Lean on the Lord. You are now God's new creation. He will never leave you.

### Report highlights threatened birds

MONTPELIER—A U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service report on Birds of Conservation Concern identifies the species of highest priority. As noted in the report, recent studies have shown that birds are facing significant threats. In a landmark publication, researchers at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology documented the loss of almost three billion birds in North America since 1970.

In 2017, the Vermont Center for Ecostudies issued a report documenting a number of significant and worrisome trends relating to the decline of Vermont forest birds. In its "Survival by Degrees" report, the National Audubon Society documented that two-thirds of North American bird species are at risk of extinction from climate change by the end of the century.

With these threats in mind, the Birds of Conservation Concern report provides an important source of information for Vermont as Audubon Vermont, VCE and the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department continue their bird conservation efforts. Despite its small size, Vermont hosts a remarkable diversity of breeding bird species.

By protecting habitats across forests, farms, and fields, Vermont can help at-risk birds and sustain the diversity of birds that delight us with their rich songs and vibrant colors. Vermont birds on the USFWS list of priority species include well-known and historically common species across a variety of habitats statewide, such as lowland forests (eastern whippoorwill, wood thrush, veery), grasslands (upland sandpiper, bobolink, eastern meadowlark), mountain forests (Bicknell's thrush), shrublands (golden- and blue-winged warblers), and even towns and cities (chimney swift).

#### FUN FACTS

Among lost works, this story might be even worse: Ernest Hemingway's first wife, Hadley, left a suitcase full of the author's writing on a train. When she went back to get it, it was gone. "I had never seen anyone hurt by a thing other than death or unbearable suffering except Hadley when she told me about the things being gone," Hemingway wrote in *A Moveable Feast*.

#### FUN FACTS

It's impossible to hum while holding your nose (just try it!).

### Local library has science kit

BURLINGTON—The Bradford Public Library is one of 25 libraries across Vermont to have a science kit designed to help users learn about watersheds.

Lake Champlain Sea Grant, in partnership with the Fletcher Free Library in Burlington and the Vermont Department of Libraries, has created two science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics kits.

These kits are designed for use with the Watershed Explorer Challenge booklet, created by the Watershed Alliance, a Lake Champlain Sea Grant youth education program, to increase awareness and knowledge of watershed issues. They feature hands-on science activities and field experiments to help families explore various watershed science topics.



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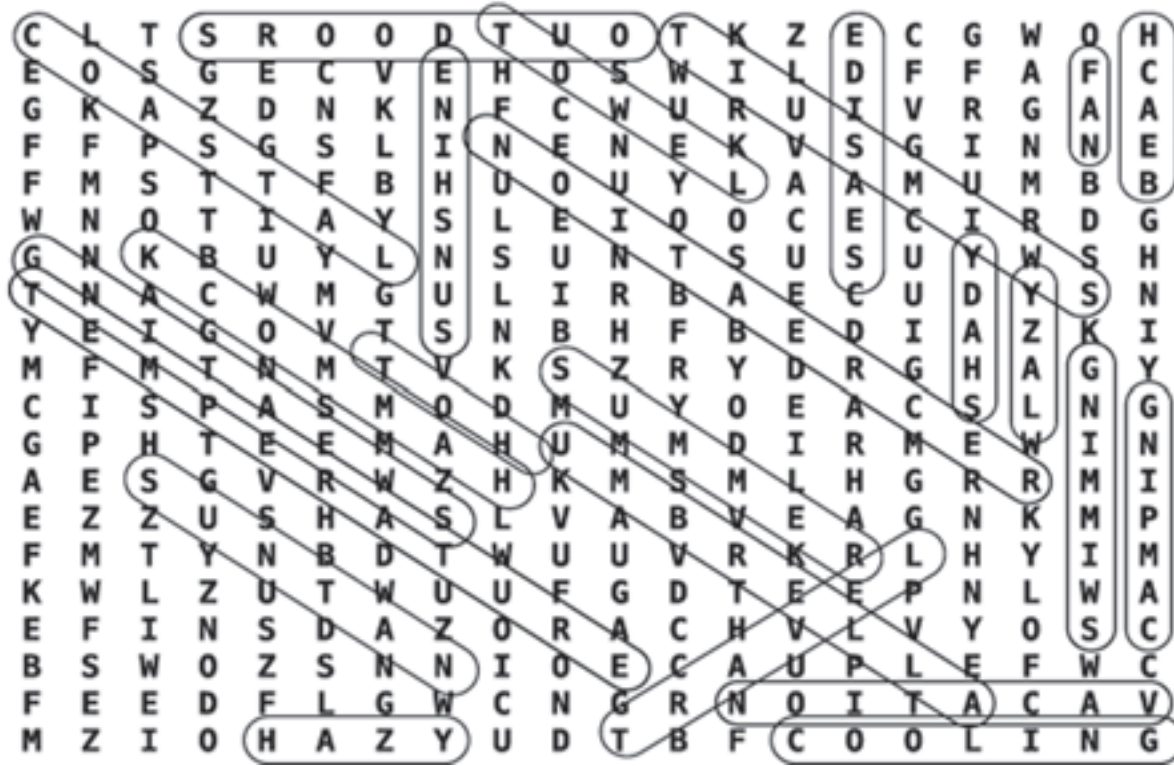
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Gary Goodrich (top) of the Vershire Historical Society had the VHS museum open on Vershire Day on July 3. A steady rain throughout the day dampened the festivities. At left, a bygone school sign was one of the items on display at the Vershire Historical Society museum over the weekend.

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## •Mattiace

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judge was not happy that Mattiace opted to violate three conditions imposed by the court at sentencing.

The case began when Hartford Police found Mattiace with a grenade in a car he was driving on I-91 on July 7, 2019. A federal grand jury initially indicted him for unlawfully possessing a blasting cap, detonation cord and pentaerythritol tetranitrate, an explosive material, records show. Investigation revealed the grenade had no powder, but the other explosive items were legal problems, the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives reported.

Mattiace was not allowed to possess explosives because he was a six-time convicted felon at the time, the ATF said.

Mattiace's record included two felony convictions for a pair of 2016 drug charges in Coos County in New Hampshire, the ATF said. His other felonies were from Alabama between 1997 and 2003 and include burglary, receiving stolen property and breaking and entering into a vehicle, court records show.

The ATF joined the investigation and Mattiace's case later led to the arrest of a longtime Vermont Army National Guardsman for improperly storing high-powered military explosives on his Corinth property in August 2019. The C-4 explosives were stolen from the Vermont National Guard.

Then-Sgt. Jeremy A. Longto, 39, was eventually placed on federal probation for one year after pleading guilty. He was assessed \$1,025 in fines and court costs as part of a plea agreement.

## •Cruiser

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rate as well as any maintenance needed during the time it is being used.

"We are being good neighbors," Nunez said about the agreement.

The moose in Orford is not the only member of the Cervidae family to have a recent brush with a law enforcement cruiser on a local roadway. On July 1, Vermont State Police Trooper David Hastings was traveling south on I-91 in Newbury when his cruiser struck and killed a deer. He was uninjured and the cruiser sustained minor damage.

Email: news@jonews.com.

## •Alarms

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have to pay the department back for any further false alarms.

Alarms caused by storms, drops in water pressure, power outages, or other special circumstances are not impacted by the ordinance.

Terrill said that although repeat false alarms have not been a major issue, when they do happen, they come at a cost to the fire department.

"We generally get a few a month, but sometimes end up with reoccurring false alarms at the same place," Terrill said. "About three years ago, we had about five or 10 alarms at the same location."

Both Terrill and Moore stressed that the goal of the false alarm ordinance in particular was not money, but safety.

"We're not looking to make money with these. We just don't need to get called out five times in the same month for the same issue that someone is neglecting to fix," Terrill said. "When you're able to bill someone for it, it gives you more authority to move them along in getting it fixed."

"When [firefighters are] responding to an alarm, that's a chance for somebody to get hurt in an accident, and so you don't want to respond any more than you have to," Moore said. "The impetus for this policy is to bring alarms into compliance and have them maintained."

Moore also discussed the importance of efficient response, as Bradford's fire department is volunteer and not all of its firefighters are available at all times.

"All fire departments in rural areas are having problems today getting adequate response because so few people work in our towns anymore, so anytime we can eliminate a false alarm, it's going to make it a lot better for everybody," Moore said. "More and more employers are not willing to let their employees go to a call during the day."

Bradford residents and businesses who use fire alarm systems can register their systems with the Bradford Fire Department.

### FUN FACTS

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## Copeland Furniture expands solar

BRADFORD—Acknowledging the significant use of energy in manufacturing, Copeland Furniture increased its commitment to conservation with two initiatives currently underway.

These plans will utilize and build upon Copeland's previous investments in energy conservation. In August 2016, the family-owned company built a 626 kWh solar array on factory grounds.

This installation now produces electricity equal to 64% of the manufacturer's usage and offsets nearly 1 million pounds of CO2 emission each year. Copeland is currently expanding its solar array, adding 396 kWh of solar capacity on its second factory building roof. By spring 2022, the two installations' combined output will exceed a megawatt and equal almost 100% of Copeland's electrical consumption.

Currently, 65% of Copeland's factory heat is biomass-fueled by wood waste generated from its manufacturing operations, with the remainder provided by fuel oil. With the addition of a second biomass boiler now under construction, over 95% of the heat energy for the factories will be provided by biomass generated on-site. The biomass-fired boilers will displace over 30,000 gallons of #2 fuel oil per year. The use of fuel oil will be limited to backup and holidays.

In addition to energy generation, Copeland has invested heavily in energy conservation in the form of variable frequency drives on many large electric motors, LED lighting throughout the factories, as well as significant upgrades to the facility itself.

## •Traffic

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road near Halls Lake, which also has a boat launch, a public beach, and private summer homes. Currently, a highway crew installs temporary speed bumps along the road each summer, according to Newbury Selectboard Chair Alma Roystan.

Roystan said her town has been successful in addressing pedestrian safety at Halls Lake.

"I think [the speed bumps] have an enormous impact," Roystan said. "Even if people do slow down, a lot of people don't, and get pretty careless with their speed. This is one extra measure to help keep people safe."

Roystan also expressed support for similar measures at Lake Morey. "Personally, I think it could only help," she said. "You just never know who or what is going to pop out in front of you."

## UnCommon Jam set to return

NEWBURY—After a year's hiatus, The UnCommon Jam music festival will return to the Newbury Common on Aug. 22 from 1-6 p.m. this year. Under the auspices of Court Street Arts, this will be the seventh year of the festival which features live music, great local foods and craft beers and ciders.

Bands this year include the Dave Keller Band of Montpelier featuring blues and soul, leading off. Then The Mammals from the Hudson Valley bring their rollicking brand of Americana and folk music to the stage with Linda B and the Barncats, featuring Haverhill's native daughter, Linda Boudreaux, bringing their lively set of R&B to the stage to wrap up the event. The local duo of Randy Wales and Phyllis Shea will play on the small stage between sets.

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**6:00 PM:** Public Site Visit at the property of Shepard Butler, 1635 Tucker Hill Road, Thetford Center, VT.  
**7:00 PM:** Public Comment, review of prior minutes and administrative matters.

- 1) Warned Hearing on Application (ZP21-25) by Shepard Butler to request a Waiver of Setbacks to move an existing 14x16 shed and to build a new 12x16 garage on the following property:  
Location: 1635 Tucker Hill Road, Thetford Center, VT 05075  
Parcel Number: 070029.32.1  
Tax Map Number: 09-02-42.01  
Zone: Rural Residential  
Proposal: Waiver of setbacks from 15' to 7.5'
- 2) Warned Hearing on Application (ZP21-30) by Jessica B. Londa for renovations to the existing house on the following property:  
Location: 2446 Route 113, Thetford, VT  
Parcel Number: 0V113B.30  
Tax Map Number: 10-02-50  
Zone: Village Residential/Historic Preservation Overlay  
Proposal: Conditional Use with Site Plan Review
- 3) Warned Hearing on Application (ZP21-31/TSD 691) by Michael Schunk & Allison Perry for minor subdivision on the following property:  
Location: 2436 Route 113  
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- 4) Request by Steven & Sarah Holzer for an informal meeting to discuss the possibility of a multi-family senior housing-type development, on the following property:  
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Please Note: This meeting is for "informational purposes" only and a formal application has not been presented to the DRB.

**Pursuant to 24 VSA sections 4464(a)(1)(C) and 4471(a), participation in this local proceeding is a prerequisite to the right to take any subsequent appeal.**

**Please note:** Hearings will be called in the order as they appear above. If more than one hearing is scheduled and the applicant does not appear, the next applicant should be prepared to begin their hearing.

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Lead the kitchen staff and volunteers in the preparation, packaging and serving of congregate and home-delivered meals. Responsible for control of food costs, inventory and purchasing of food and supplies. Ensure equipment is maintained, serviced and meets safety requirements. Required ability to lift 50 pounds. Looking for upbeat, energetic individual who is able to take initiative. Good oral and written communication skills along with computer literacy is required. HS Diploma or the equivalent. 2 years' institutional or commercial cooking experience preferred. Serve-Safe training and certificate required. Training is provided. This is a fully benefited position, which includes health insurance, life insurance, 403 (b) retirement plan, earned time off and holiday pay.  
Please submit cover letter and resume to: [mplatt-russell@gcsc.org](mailto:mplatt-russell@gcsc.org)  
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**HELP WANTED**  
**Upper Valley Services, Inc.**

Upper Valley Services in Bradford, VT is seeking a highly skilled candidate who has experience using a trauma-informed care approach to provide direct support to an individual. Candidate will create a trusting relationship which focuses on strengths and will ensure the physical and emotional safety of the individual is addressed. Candidate will provide structured support by increasing opportunities for skill development and social connections within the individual's home and community. Compensation for this position is \$18/hour.  
For more information, please contact Jess at 802-222-3863 or email [jbelyea@uvs-vt.org](mailto:jbelyea@uvs-vt.org)

**copeland FURNITURE**

We're looking for production-minded and reliable upholsterers, furniture builders, finishers, and machine/CNC operators to join our great team in Bradford, VT. Experience is a plus, but not required – we will train you! **If interested, please email resume to [jobs2021@copelandfurniture.com](mailto:jobs2021@copelandfurniture.com), visit the "Careers" section on our website, or feel free to stop by our Factory at 156 Industrial Dr., Bradford, VT.**  
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**HELP WANTED**  
**W.E. JOCK OIL CO., INC FULL-TIME DELIVERY DRIVER**

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**FULL TIME (Monday-Friday)**  
**Pay range \$15.87-\$21.33**  
**Shift: Seasonally Varied**  
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**Exceptional benefits package including NH Retirement System**

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**QUALIFICATIONS:** Must be mechanically inclined and possess the skills and knowledge related to the tools and processes of the trade, particularly painting. Requires high school diploma or GED, and 2 years of credible and continuous experience in like work.  
**PREREQUISITES:** Must pass drug screening and background check, have a valid driver's license and a good driving record. Must be able to lift, carry and position objects of varied sizes weighing up to 70 lbs., using proper lifting techniques.  
**OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:** Applicants with proven commercial painting experience, who are meticulous, will be given greater consideration over other applicants.  
Apply at:  
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3855 Dartmouth College Hwy.  
North Haverhill, NH 03774  
(603) 787-2034  
or  
Apply online:  
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## Corinth



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## Orford/Fairlee



### Parade Winners

#### Orford-Fairlee

Parade Theme: Unsung Heroes of the Red, White and Blue  
 Best of Parade: "Super Unsung Heroes" by Rivendell Interstate School District  
 1<sup>st</sup> prize) American Farmers; 2) Gray's Auction; 3) Lake Morey Protection Association

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## Woodsville/Wells River



### Parade Winners

#### Woodsville-Wells River

2021 Parade & Storefront Winners:  
 Commercial: 1<sup>st</sup> prize) Cottage Hospital; 2) Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank; 3) Wells River Savings Bank  
 Organization: 1) The Little Rascals 4-H Club; 2) Oxbow Chapter DAR; 3) Woodsville High School Softball  
 Private: 1) Greg Crews—America Race Car 52; 2) Jeff Maerder—Uncle Sam; 3) John Gordon—Granite Calliope  
 Storefront decorating: 1) Curt 'n Rod; 2) Wells Rivers Savings Bank; 3) Always Fit

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