

# Times of Shrewsbury

March 2015

## Jim Jeffords State Forest

A new State Forest is being created in Shrewsbury and Mendon to honor long-time Shrewsbury resident and U.S. Senator Jim Jeffords. The Jim Jeffords State Forest will connect the Coolidge State Forest in the northeast corner of town and south of Shrewsbury Peak with the Aitken State Forest on Bald Mountain to the west. It will preserve a corridor for movement of wildlife, especially black bears, and enhance access for human recreation in a large, permanently protected block of public land in the central Green Mountains. The properties will be acquired and transferred to State ownership this fall, upon successful completion of public and private fundraising.

Senator Jeffords served as Vermont Attorney General from 1969-1973. In 1974 he was elected to the US House of Representatives and served there from 1975-1989. Winning election to the U.S. Senate in 1988, he served three terms (1989-2007) before retiring. Prior to assuming statewide office in Vermont, Jim was Town Agent and Grand Juror in Shrewsbury and then a State Senator from Rutland County. He was born in Rutland May 11, 1934 and passed away at age 80 on August 18, 2014.

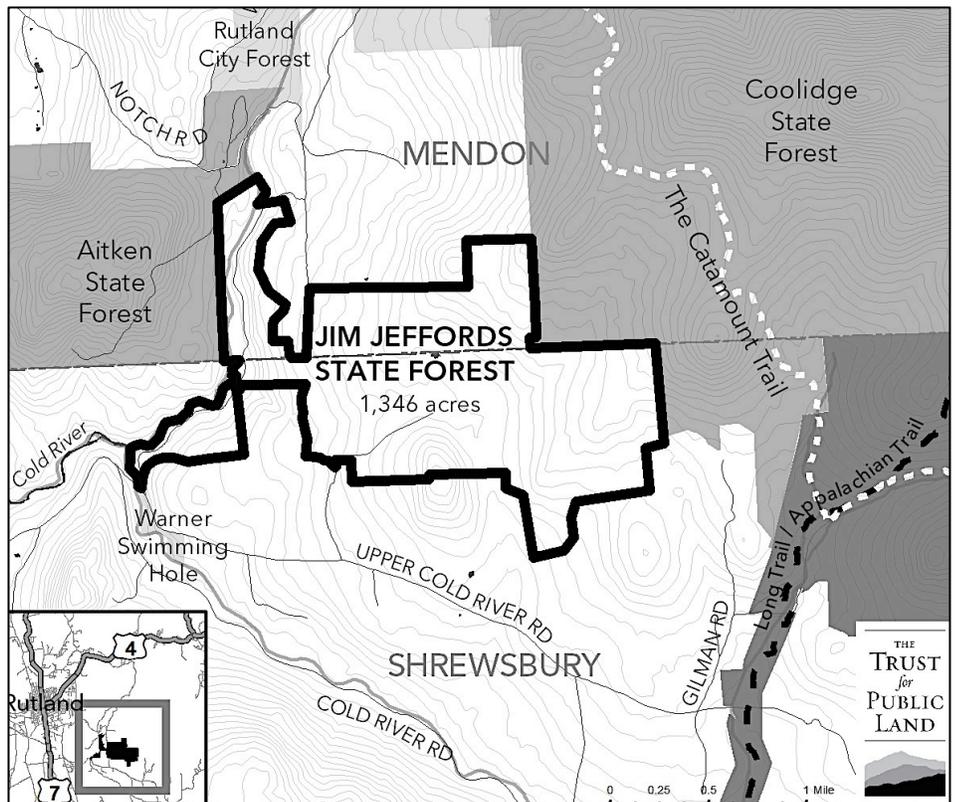
Jim was a leading voice in Congress for clean air and water, farmland preservation, the Land and Water Conservation Fund, and the Vermont Wilderness Act. He loved the outdoors, and his Shrewsbury neighbors remember how he enjoyed being out working on his tractor, clearing brush, and cutting firewood. Those who knew him can imagine how pleased Jim would be to have this new State Forest in his hometown.

The 1,346-acre Jeffords State Forest will bring together into pub-

lic ownership three separate parcels: 973 acres of the Mendon Brook Tree Farm, owned by Nick and Deborah Holland; 109 acres from Lincoln Forestry Company in Mendon; and 266 acres in Shrewsbury that have been generously donated by Lesley Heathcote. The project area is located along the Shrewsbury–Mendon town line adjacent to and north of the historic Brown Bridge and is traversed by VAST Corridor 407 on the west flank of Mendon Mountain.

Watershed protection will be one of the major benefits of the new State ownership. Three miles of Mendon Brook and other headwater streams flow through the property, as well as three miles of the North Fork of the Cold River. The area includes 124 acres of riparian areas and 17 acres of wetlands, which increase the land's absorptive capacity and help to reduce downstream flood damage.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Moderator Write-In

Oops. Due to my negligence in getting out a petition my name will not appear on the ballot for town and school moderator. I would very much like to continue serving as your Moderator and would appreciate being written in. As penance for my negligence I promise to help count votes after the March meeting. Thanks.  
*Eldred French*

### Dear Editors,

We would like to thank the Shrewsbury Road Crew for keeping the roads in good shape during the recent snowstorms. Also thanks to the letter carriers who do a good job all year in all kinds of weather. You are very much appreciated,

*Lou & Tess Williams*

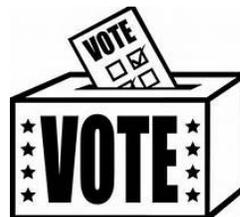
### Thank You Jonathan and Eliza!

The Shrewsbury Board of Auditors would like to thank Jonathan Gibson for his nine years of service as a Town Auditor for the period of 2006 to 2015. Jonathan's knowledge of Town operations and history, his curiosity, ability to think "outside the box", attention to detail, perseverance, application of experience from his professional career, and ability to find and collate information from several sources all served him well as Town Auditor.

His writing skills and desire to recognize residents who significantly contributed to the Shrewsbury community resulted in exemplary dedications in the Annual Reports published during his tenure. Jonathan was instrumental in expanding the use of pictures in the Town Report providing a visual record of important events, commemorations, our community, landscape, and history. We thank him for his work with the Board of Auditors, and wish him all the best in his "retirement".

We would also like to thank Eliza Mabry, Jonathan's spouse, for the support she provided to the Board during our auditing sessions and when preparing the Annual Report. Her words of encouragement and willingness to help in any way (providing courier service for pictures and documents, assisting with the research of Town History, providing suggestions and advice, and providing delicious foodstuffs for late night work sessions) are greatly appreciated.

*Richard Biziak and Sanford Bragg*  
Shrewsbury Board of Auditors



**Tuesday**  
**March 3, 2015**  
**10am – 7pm**

**Town Meeting Polls**  
**open for voting**

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## The Times of Shrewsbury

The *Times of Shrewsbury* is published monthly February through December. It is compiled by volunteers from material submitted by residents with the goal being to keep townspeople informed of what is happening in Shrewsbury. The views and opinions expressed in articles are solely those of the author and not necessarily those of the editors.

All submissions are subject to editing for length and clarity and must be accompanied by the name of the submitting person. Letters to the Editor exceeding 350 words will be subject to editing for length. Any opinion piece or informational political letters (without specific party or vote appeal) will be subject to the same guidelines previously described. All items including letters are printed at the editors' discretion. A writer of any letter that names a Shrewsbury resident or organization in a critical manner must get copies to that resident or organization and to the *Times* by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication or it will not run. If the named person or organization indicates in writing to the writer and to the *Times* that they choose not to respond,

the letter will run. If the named entity responds, the response and initial letter will run in the same issue.

**There is no charge for:** jokes, poems, essays, nature reports, family event announcements, or feature articles or letters that are non-commercial.

**Articles and Advertisements:** Deadline for submission is the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication; exceptions will be announced in the prior month's *Times*. If you have questions, call Chryl Martin at 492-2244 or email [shrewsburytimes@gmail.com](mailto:shrewsburytimes@gmail.com)

**Best Formats:** *Articles:* Word or in an email message with no formatting. *Photos:* JPG. *Ads:* PDF file or Word document.

### Monthly Advertisement fees:

Full page \$60      1/4 page \$10  
1/2 page \$25      Business card \$5  
Classified ad (15 words) \$2.

Payment is due by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication.

Chryl Martin ~ Rich Biziak

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# SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mar 2	5:30pm	*Informational meeting at the Meeting House, Lottery Road; School portion will be first with the Town portion to follow.
Mar 2	5-7pm	*2015 Shrewsbury Phone Book on sale at the Meeting House
Mar 3	10am-7pm	*Polls open for voting at the Meeting House, Lottery Road
Mar 3	10am-7pm	*2015 Shrewsbury Phone Book on sale at the Meeting House
Mar 7	10-11:30am	*Lego Club at the Library
Mar 8		Daylight savings time begins
Mar 8	10-12noon	*Bio-Dynamics Workshop (rescheduled due to weather)
Mar 10	12noon	Senior Lunch at East Asian Rtuland. RSVP to Lillian Rohe 492-2300
Mar 13	7:30pm	*Gardeners' Roundtable at the Library
Mar 15	4pm	*Famous Books Book Club at the Library
Mar 18	12noon	*Prayer Shawl group meets at home of Tess Williams
Mar 22	4pm	*Science Book Club at the Library
Mar 28 & 29		Vermont Maple Sugar Open House Weekend
April 10	7:30pm	*Fiber Optics from VTEL Q & A @ Meeting House (sponsored by the Library)

\* see elsewhere in newsletter for details

## TIMES OF SHREWSBURY

Is online at the town website at  
[www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org)



**Deadline for submission to *Times of Shrewsbury* is by 5:00pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

## REGULAR MEETINGS and EVENTS

Board of Selectmen Meeting	1st & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays—7:00pm at Town Office
Bone Builders	Tuesdays & Thursdays—9:00am at Meeting House
Library Trustees' Meeting	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday—7:00pm at Shrewsbury Library
Mill River Union School Board Mtg	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays—7:00pm at Mill River Union High School
Pierce's Store Take-Out Meals	Friday nights
Planning Commission	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays—7:30pm at Town Office
Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)	Sundays—10:00am at Shrewsbury Library, upstairs
Shrewsbury Community Church Worship	Sundays—10:30am at Shrewsbury Center Church
Shrewsbury School District Board Mtg	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday—6:30pm
Shrewsbury Sno-Birds	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays—7:00pm at the Snow Angel Tavern in Mendon
Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Dept.	Thursdays—7:00pm at Cuttingsville Station
Conservation Commission	1 <sup>ST</sup> Tuesday—5:15pm at 450 Frank Lord Road

**Shrewsbury Town Website: [www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org)**

**Town Clerk's Office** 492-3511  
Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm; Closed Friday

**Town Treasurer's Office**  
492-3558 or 492-3487  
Wed 5pm-7pm

**Transfer Station**  
Sun 8am-4pm & Wed 1pm-7pm

**Shrewsbury Town Library** 492-3410  
Mon, Fri & Sat 10am-Noon  
Tues & Thurs 7pm-9pm  
Wed 10am-5pm AND 7pm-9pm

**Cuttingsville Post Office** 492-3585

Window (Retail) Hours:

Monday-Friday Open 7:30am-10:30am and 1:30pm-4:30pm  
Saturday 8am-11am

Lobby Hours:

Monday-Friday 7:30am-5pm & Saturday 7:30am-11am

**Meeting House** 492-6050 (Reservations: 492-3361)

**Health Officer** Daphne LeaHemmer 773-7157

**Emergency Management** Bert Potter 773-2272

**Ambulance** 773-1700

**GrMP power outage** 1-800-451-2877

**Medical—Fire—Police Emergency** Dial 911

**Rutland Hospital** 775-7111

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With its proximity to Rutland and ease of access from within Shrewsbury, the Jeffords Forest will increase recreational opportunities for snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hunting and fishing. The Vermont Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation will manage this addition to the state forest system for multiple uses, including recreation, wildlife habitat, and forestry, with continuation of the existing public uses.

The new State Forest has received enthusiastic support from Shrewsbury. The Shrewsbury Selectboard, Planning Commission, and Conservation Commission have all sent letters of support, as have the Shrewsbury Sno-Birds and the Shrewsbury Outing Club. State ownership will not adversely affect municipal taxes in Shrewsbury; in fact, the State's Payment in Lieu of Taxes is estimated to be greater than what the Town currently receives in property taxes.

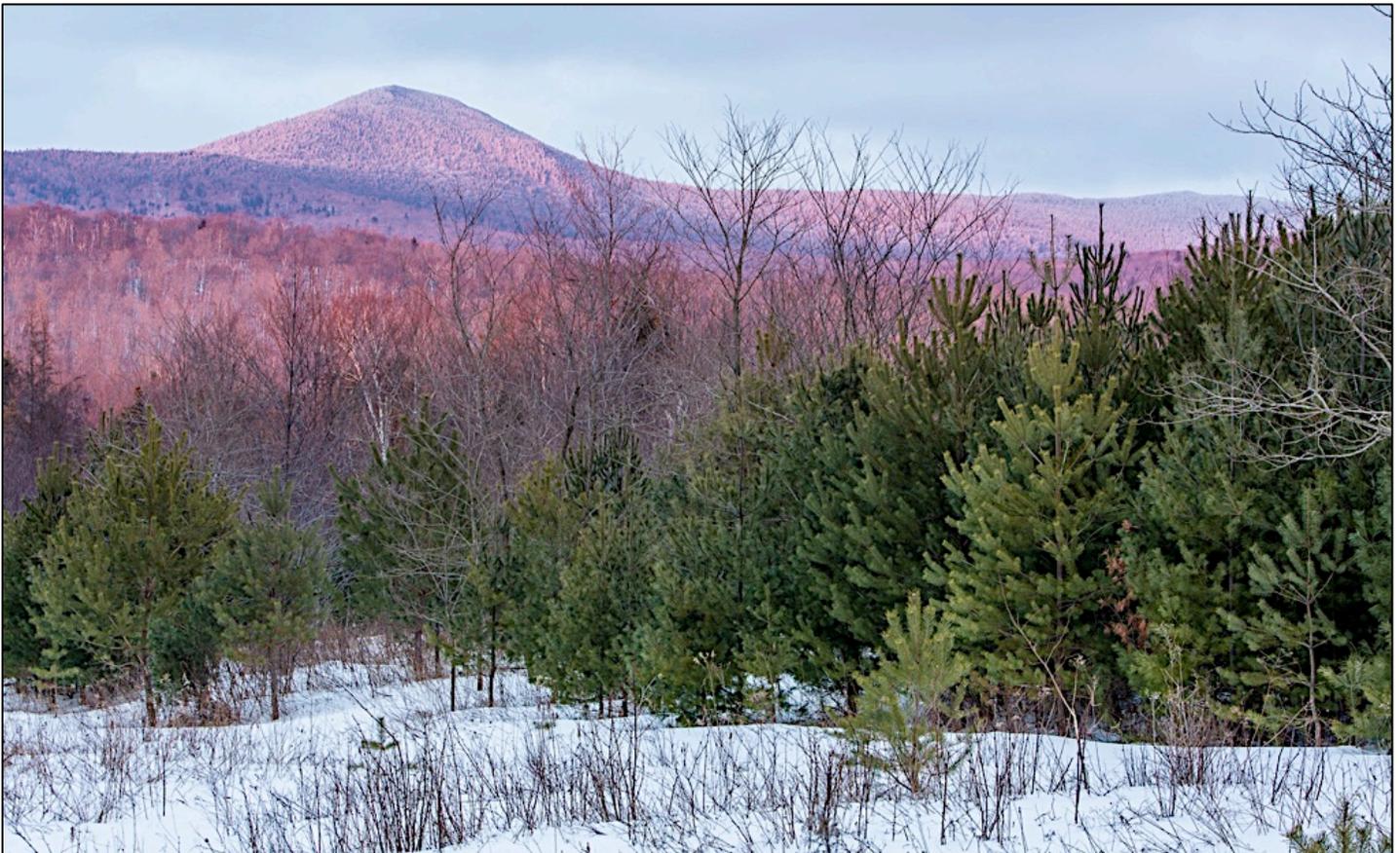
Funding for the \$1.5 million project is coming from Federal, state, and private sources. This includes \$367,200 from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB), \$425,000 in funding to mitigate

expanded development around the Okemo Ski Area, and \$50,000 from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund. More than \$400,000 in land value has been donated by the participating landowners, and another \$50,000 has come from private individuals and foundations, including a contribution of \$25,000 from the Vermont Land Trust made possible by a bequest from the Joan Sibley Estate.

Approximately \$50,000 in private funding and \$200,000 from VHCB are currently being sought to complete the project. Several Shrewsbury residents are organizing an effort to raise the \$50,000 that is still needed. More information about this effort will be forthcoming.

The Vermont-New Hampshire office of The Trust for Public Land (TPL) is managing the acquisition and seeking to secure funding. TPL is a national organization that works to create parks and to protect other special places where people can experience and enjoy nature. For questions about the project – or to learn how you can make a donation to help complete it - contact the TPL project manager Kate Wanner at [Kate.Wanner@tpl.org](mailto:Kate.Wanner@tpl.org) or 802-223-1373 extension 27.

*Jonathan Gibson*



A view of Mendon Mountain from the Jim Jeffords State Forest  
*Photo by Jerry Monkman, The Trust for Public Land*



## SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

March is here, and the weather has been hard this year. We haven't seen any break from the cold, a 20 degree day seems warm, and the snow just keeps piling up. It's just another normal Vermont winter!

We held our monthly Business meeting in February, a Building Committee meeting, we made repairs to the air compressor/battery maintainer on Engine 2, and had a department-wide drill. We have inducted a new member, Jared Rau, who is a welcomed addition to the SVFD! Monday, March 2 is the Town Informational meeting, and Tuesday, March 3 is Voting day. Your vote is your voice, please make every effort to have your voice heard. Hopefully, we won't have another voting day storm! As always, the SVFD appreciates your support!

Gina and Mark Stewart manage our SVFD Nascar Racepool! This has been our largest fundraiser for many years. Thanks to Gina and Mark for all the work and time donated to making this fundraiser successful. Race season has begun, good luck to everyone!

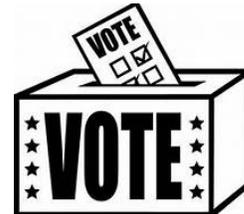
We have filed a grant request with FEMA for all new SCBA equipment. FEMA received a Congressional Letter of Support from Senator Leahy and Senator Sanders and Congressman Welch regarding this grant request. FEMA will be awarding these grants from March thru September of this year. We are hopeful we will receive this funding.

We have been fortunate to have experienced just a few calls since last month's Times article. As usual, the road crew is doing a good job keeping the roads clear in what could be described as a challenging winter. I always look forward to the town line on the way home, knowing the road conditions will be far better. Slowing down in bad weather is your best decision to keep control of your vehicle, and so far, we have not had to respond to many vehicle accidents. With the snow and continued cold, heating devices and electrical installations in your residence are working overtime. Keep your chimney clean, remove snow from vents and air intakes or exhaust points are critical to safe operation of equipment. Also with the abundance of snow, it's important that access to your home is open. Although our trucks are equipped with chains for icy conditions, it can be difficult to maneuver the large vehicles in tight areas. We have seen a couple reports this year where fire equipment was unable to get to the structure. Fire doubles in size every 2 minutes, so initial at-

tacks are very important. It is apparent to us by the number of calls for assistance that everyone is working hard to stay safe.

The SVFD responded to a report of smoke in a basement, which was the result of a boiler problem; a motor vehicle accident on Rte 103, and lastly an unknown odor in a residence. Each of these calls had a dangerous component to them. The smoke in the basement requires the firefighter to enter the building in full turnout gear with SCBA (self-contained breathing apparatus). The weight of the turnout gear & the SCBA alone is approximately 50 lbs. The motor vehicle accident put us in traffic and many times in bad weather. The unknown odor may require a resident evacuation and research into the cause of the odor, many times with full SCBA. If you find yourself in any questionable situation, always call 911 and remember **STAY FIRE SAFE**

*Submitted by Jack Perry*



### Annual Town Meeting Informational Meeting and Election

**February 25**

Last day to apply for addition to checklist (register) to vote for Town Meeting election

**Monday March 2**

**Informational Meeting starts at 5:30pm**

School portion first, with Town portion to follow. Shrewsbury Mountain School will be providing refreshments between meetings.

**March 3, 2015 Tuesday**

**10am – 7pm**

**Town Meeting Polls open for voting**

Absentee / Early Ballot requests can be made anytime by contacting the Town Clerk:

Phone 492-3511

E-mail [shrewsburyclerk@vermontel.net](mailto:shrewsburyclerk@vermontel.net)

Download form requesting Absentee Ballot: <http://shrewsburyvt.org/>Town Office>Elections and Voting> and mail it to 9823 Cold River Rd.

Please contact the Clerk if you are interested in working the polls or counting ballots.

Warnings and sample ballots will be available on the Town Website [www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org)

Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk

# SHREWSBURY LIBRARY

Library News Submitted by Joan Aleshire

- The Library is requesting level funding at \$7,500 in town tax support again this year. A "Yes" vote on the warning helps pay for electricity, phone and internet service, fuel, and insurance: the basic costs of keeping the doors open. Please see our Report in the Town Report for details; we appreciate your consideration.

- The 2015 Shrewsbury Phone Books will be for sale at the Information Meeting on Monday, March 2 and at Town Hall on Tuesday the 3rd. Thanks to all for getting it out so quickly! Your \$5 purchase of this storehouse of community information helps support Library programs.

### Coming events:

Friday, March 13 @7:30pm: GARDENERS' ROUNDTABLE with Market Gardeners Alchemy Gardens (Scott & Lindsay Courcelle); Caravan Gardens (the Sirjane Family); and Evening Song Farm (Kara Fitzgerald & Ryan Wood-Beauchamp). Please bring your questions and stories!

Friday, April 10 @ 7:30 pm: FIBER OPTICS Q & A with VTEL @ TOWN HALL.

### Continuing Programs:

Sunday, March 15 @ 4pm: FAMOUS BOOKS BOOK CLUB: ULYSSES: Final session. Contact Joan joanaleshire@vermontel.net) or call 492-3550 for information.

Sunday, March 22 @ 4pm: SCIENCE BOOK CLUB: TALE OF 7 ELEMENTS by Eric Scerri. Books will be available at the Library. Call Joan (492-3550) for more books.

Tuesdays @6:30pm: QUILTERS' GROUP. Call Gail Hartigan (492-3605) for information.

Alternate Thursdays 7-9 pm: WRITERS' GROUP. Call Penelope Weiss (492-3345) or Martha Izzi (492-3346) for information.

### New Books include:

- *Twelve Recipes* by Cal Peternell: A chef encourages his kids to cook food they (and he) like!

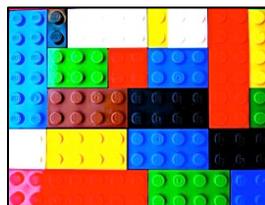
- *The Whites* by Richard Price, writing as Harry Brandt: A master of crime fiction comes back.
- *The 36-Hour Day: A Family Guide for Caregivers for People with Memory Loss* by Nancy Morse and Peter Rabins.
- *The Evil Hours: A Biography of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder* by war correspondent David J. Morse.
- *Something Rich and Strange* by Ron Rash: Stories set in Appalachia.

### New DVDs include:

- "The Theory of Everything," starring Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones: A biopic about scientist Stephen Hawking.
- "Game of Thrones: Season 4": The latest DVD in the HBO series.
- "The Fall: Series 1," starring Gillian Anderson: An acclaimed British crime series.
- "Small Change": The classic by Francois Truffaut, with subtitles.

### And take another look at:

- "Eyes on the Prize": The documentary of the American Civil Rights Years.



### Lego Club

Lego Club will meet On Saturday, March 7 from 10am until 11:30am, weather permitting. Younger children

are welcome with their parents. Come and create with the Legos we have at the library. Any questions, contact Carol Goodwin at 747-0192.



### Biodynamic Boot Camp

Rescheduled due to weather to

**March 8**

**10am - 12noon**

**Potluck Lunch – 1 pm Q & A**

Location: The Russellville School House

Suggested donation of \$20 per Person

Register by March 6

Email Sagevermont@gmail.com or

call 492-3377

## Dear Townspeople

As this is the last Times of Shrewsbury before Town Meeting I would again like to thank you all for supporting the budget we presented last year and ask that you vote "yes" this year, as well.

Our school is in the enviable position of actually growing in numbers. Our Equalized Pupil count has gone from 61 in the 2012/2013 budget year to 76 for the 2015/2016 year. Better news is that our Education Spending per Equalized Pupil has gone from \$12,590/pupil to \$12,183/pupil. This number is calculated through a somewhat cumbersome calculation that can be found on pg. 73 of the Town Report. It is this number that drives our tax rate.

To put this in perspective, the elementary portion of our homestead tax rate has risen just 2 cents before being adjusted by the CLA (Common Level of Appraisal) from last year to this. Our school has the lowest per pupil cost in the RSSU district. My submission to the Town Report goes into a bit more detail on the numbers and has other positive school information. We will have other handouts and worksheets for you to study at the Informational Meeting. We will present the school budget and be open for questions at 5:30pm. Then stay for a light supper that benefits the 6th grade trip before the Town portion of the meeting. Read through your Town and Mill River Reports and **Don't Forget to Vote on March 3rd!**

Next month we will have more School News.....  
*Submitted by Adrienne Raymond, Chair*

## Shrewsbury Town Auditor Needed.

Effective March 3, 2015, the Shrewsbury Board of Auditors will have an opening for one Town Auditor. Town Auditors are mandated to "examine and adjust the accounts of all Town officers and all other persons authorized by law to draw orders on the Town Treasurer". We are also responsible for preparing the Town's Annual Report. Details on our activities are in the 2014 Auditors Report on page 8 of the Town's 2014 Annual Report.



Experience as an auditor, accountant, or bookkeeper would be great but not necessary. We will provide guidance and have developed checklists to help perform our routine auditing tasks. We primarily are looking for someone that has a willingness to serve the Town, and who would be comfortable both interacting with other Town Officials and utilizing Excel, Word, and email software applications.

The normal term length for an elected Auditor is three years; however, an appointment may be possible for one year as a means of evaluating the office. It is a paid position commensurate with the budget submitted to the Selectboard.

Please contact either Richard Biziak (492-3595) or Sandy Bragg (492-2143) for more details.



## Open Sugar House

### March 28th & 29, 2015

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**Spring Lake Ranch**  
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**Weaving at the Ranch**

Three years ago, we invested in some looms and lessons to introduce weaving as a part of our winter programming. "What does gardens crew do in the winter?" is a question I had been asked repeatedly. Until the last few years, I had a good answer (sewing, quilting, baking, snow shoveling, helping with sugaring) but not an exciting one.



After three years of gathering information, skills, and looms, this winter, weaving has taken off! We have been intentional about what projects we are doing, how we want to set them up, and how we will utilize what we make. We have made exquisite wool and chenille scarves to sell at market, woven pillowcases that decorate the living room, created wall hangings that make the Ranch even more beautiful and even made rugs out of recycled t-shirts for the houses and to sell. If you live locally and want to see these exceptional projects, come visit our booth at the Rutland farmers market.

Gardens crew members like, as well as a number of other staff and residents have been instrumental in the success of the weaving. Seeing people be creative as they learn a new skill and translate it into a beautiful project is inspiring! As long as the interest is there, anyone can take part in the process, which makes it a great addition to the work program. Trying something new, learning from each other, taking pride in something you make, thinking about how you want to improve it next time... these are the experiences that make a good program into a great one!

Here is what Amy (a loyal Gardens crew member) and Phil (our weaving intern) had to say...

*Amy:* "It can be challenging because you don't know what will happen. You don't know if the pattern is going to come out the way you expect. But that's also the fun in starting a new project."

*Phil:* "There are times when weaving is tedious and you need to be patient. Or sometimes things aren't responding the way you want and you need to persevere. There's times you need to be flexible. These are qualities that you can carry into other aspects of your life. I think another interesting thing is that the work goes back into the community. There's an actual product that gets used or seen or sold."

*Lisa Gardner, Gardens Crew Head*



**SHREWSBURY  
 PHONE BOOK**

**2015**

\$5

**New Phone Book  
On Sale!**

**March 2 ~ 5-7pm**  
 at the Meeting House

**March 3 ~ 10am-7pm**  
 at the Meeting House

**Price: \$5**

After March 3 the Phone Books  
 will be sold at the Shrewsbury  
 Library and Pierce's Store

Paid Political Ad

Dear Shrewsbury voters:  
 This year I am asking for your vote to be re-elected Town and School Treasurer. For those of you who don't know me, I have been honored to serve as the town treasurer for the last 17 years and enjoy serving our town. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, *Linda McGuire*



### Prayer Shawls

The Shrewsbury Prayer Shawl group has been meeting once a month at members' homes for about 5 years. A Prayer Shawl is given to one who has experienced illness or loss, or is in need of spiritual comfort or even to celebrate an important event.

The Prayer Shawl ministry began in the 1990s and is a worldwide ministry. So far, our little group (about 5 of us) has given a total of 60+ Prayer Shawls and 28 Prayer Blankets to the Veterans' Hospital in White River Junction.

Anyone is welcome to join us. There is no protocol, just a relaxing and rewarding meeting. You don't have to be an experienced knitter or know how to crochet. If you'd like more information or would like to attend a meeting, call Fran Patten 492-3706 or Roxanne Ramah 492-3675.

*Submitted by Fran Patten*

### Bent and Broken



Storms in December and February involving a little ice and a lot of snow created spectacular scenery along our Shrewsbury Roads. It was almost like the trees were praying as they bowed obediently over roads, and driveways, and fields, and roofs. Beautiful to look at but not healthy for the young paper birches, willows, aspens, and cherries involved. During the first storm I found one particular birch praying on the roof of my house. I shook the icy crown (you can also hit them with brooms) in an effort to get it upright again and it lifted about four feet. Once the warm weather melted the ice it returned (almost) to its rightful place in the tree line. BUT the second storm got it praying for spring again and it returned to the sanctuary of my roof. A pruning saw got it off the roof and prepared it for entry into my wood pile come Spring.

Trees are built (young ones) for flexibility so that they can move with the wind and also continue to find the light in a forest of trees. Age and establishment in a canopy lessen this flexibility as the tree ages. Certain species (mentioned above) can tolerate ice and snow loads up to a point and beyond that they bend over or snap off. The flexibility built into them allows them to partially return but a second attack will in all likelihood permanently damage them creating a permanent bend. So if you still have a bent tree in the yard I would not expect it to return to its pre-storm condition. Other signs of

damage to look for in trees are broken branches hanging in the crown or branches that have cracked where a weak spot was present (canker or other wound).

If you like bent trees (there are now weeping varieties of many tree species available from nurseries) you now have one. It will continue to grow. Dangling branches should be removed (from trees where people are around) and if most of the crown is intact the tree will survive as well. If there is major damage to the trunk (especially involving a prior wound) it should probably join its friend in the woodpile. That is the amazing nature of trees. They come equipped to withstand all that nature can throw at them and most are bent but not broken.

*Gary Salmon, Tree Warden*

Paid Political Ad

To the Shrewsbury Community:



I am again standing for the office of Town Clerk and would appreciate your continued support for the honor and privilege of serving the Town of Shrewsbury.

*Mark Goodwin, Town Clerk*

*Isn't it your time to Thrive?*

### Celebrating Our 13th Year of Service to the Community

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### Farm House to Rent

With horses and cows and views of the mountains

The house is an old carriage barn converted into three upstairs bedrooms, two bathrooms (one full, one half), large kitchen and open living room with picture window, basement for storage and laundry, small north facing porch. The entire house is hardwood floors. The house is unfurnished and weatherized. Utilities not included in rent. Short or long term.

**Call Ludy Biddle 492-3350**

# Shrewsbury Historical Society

www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.com

## Remembrances of Leonard F. Korzun May 23, 1931 - January 19, 2015

On Monday evening, January 19<sup>th</sup>, I received a call telling me of the passing of Leonard Korzun. My first reaction was, no, it could not be Len. To me, he seemed invincible, even though his body was plagued with pain from earlier injuries and walked slowly with a cane, his mind was clear and strong and full of the adventures of past history. And he was so eager to tell us all. He was constantly seeking information about the early settlers of Vermont, and Shrewsbury in particular.

At our monthly Historical Society meetings, Len would sit right up front, with Grace by his side, and eagerly await the "New Business" section of the meeting, as he always asked for his usual five minutes of recognition prior to the meeting. He would tell us of his various trips around the state to other historical societies and museums and to libraries and the different textbooks he discovered, and the more he learned, the more questions he would raise. His eyes would sparkle with each subject and then he would remember to tell us of another important find. Often Grace would gently lead him back to his original subject for the meeting.

Ann Ridlon remembered that Len would visit her mother at her farm, and how much her mother enjoyed his visits, and Ann would not doubt that Len would talk about his trips to Poland. And Al Ridlon, Sr. remembers Len's visits to the farm museum at the Vermont State Fair when Al was the superintendent and that they would visit about the farm tools.

Nancy Spencer recalled Len's unexpected visits. She said, "Leonard would come by and we would sit in the kitchen and talk for hours about historical happenings in and about Shrewsbury."



*Leonard Korzun at Town Celebration for Jim and Liz Jeffords on August 20, 2006. (Photo by Don Parrish)*

Fran Patten said, "Len Korzun was a wealth of information. When I first moved to Shrewsbury, I was impressed with his insightful messages at Town Meetings. He was also interesting to listen to at our Shrewsbury Historical Society meetings. He'd do a lot of research at various museums, in reading of books and speaking with others and report back to the members. History was his passion and he was able to retain everything that he learned and was always willing to share it with others. He will be missed."

Donna Smith remembered: "Thinking of times and Len's endless hours given to the town, one was cold winter nights. I mean 15 below, auditing in Stewart's store till after midnight, then to climb the hill not know

ing how much snow or ice. I froze my fingers one night when I could not make the hill, this was in the 60's. Len milked the cows and came later than the rest of us. We had an adding machine that cranked out yards and yards of paper. Gordon Pierce always used a jack knife to erase a mistake and Freda Stewart would let us know of errors in the town report and one year we had to add a corrected page. All in a lifetime of learning."

Bill Smith added: "Len and I grew up together as our two farms joined. We attended the one room school in the center. All walked to school in all kinds of weather, my walk was short compared to others. Len was a year ahead of me and went on to M.S.J. and I went on to Rutland. After college days Len returned to the farm and we farmed side by side. We have lost a good neighbor."

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Jonathan and Eliza Gibson related: "Leonard was a man of great curiosity and wide interests. He observed the land and nature as only a farmer can do. He knew where the good springs were and was the first to see the wild June pink blooming in our field. Leonard was a link for us to the rural and agricultural past of this place, a past that has vanished. We are thankful to have known him."

Joan Aleshire related: "Leonard was a great neighbor, friend and example of the best Vermont traditions. His knowledge of farming and Vermont history was encyclopedic; he never stopped learning and sharing what he knew. I feel lucky to have known him, and miss him."

Mark and Connie Youngstrom told this wonderful story. "Soon after we bought our old house in February of 1978 we stopped by the barn and had our first visit with Len and Grace. Len told us that a couple had looked at the house before us and inquired if his cows ever got loose and end up near the house. Len immediately smelled a problem and calmly assured the couple that his cows did frequently get loose and would often end grazing on the house's lawn, all 40 of them. Well, that couple went away and that opened the opportunity for Connie and I to move to Shrewsbury, fix up this old house, become a part of this wonderful town, and be close to the Korzun family. For this we are very grateful to Len! And yes, his cows did get out and occasionally end up on the lawn, and we miss that."

Jonathan Gibson forwarded to the Society the following record of Lenny's service to the Town of Shrewsbury: "Leonard Korzun was a Selectman from 1974 through 2000 (until Town Meeting 2001); Auditor from 1957 through 1971; Lister from 1959 through 1961; and a Trustee of the Shrewsbury Community Meeting House from 1980 to present, and was very dedicated to the maintenance of that historic building."

The Shrewsbury Historical Society is indebted to Len's daughter, Diantha, and to his son, Joel, for copies of their beautiful eulogies given at their father's funeral. These items will be added to the Korzun file in the museum

Gracie Brigham said: "I'm grateful to have gotten acquainted with Leonard and Grace in the late seventies when I was teaching at the Mountain School. While Aaron, Joel, Ann and Diantha were students there, I saw their parents often. Grace was a member of the Shrewsbury School Board and Len could be counted on to photograph important events, in-

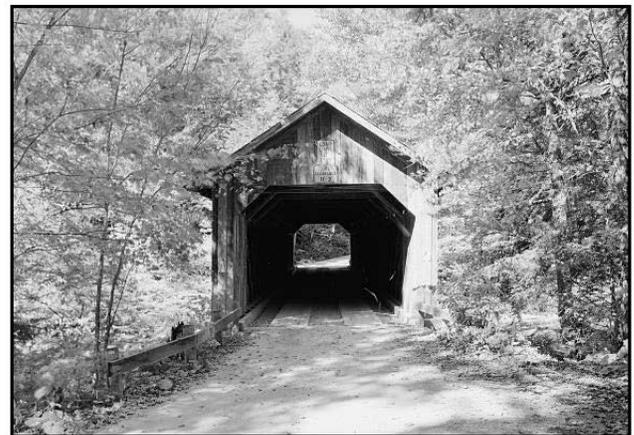
cluding the amazing floats Kathy Staley and the kids created, with which they participated in Rutland's Halloween Parade."

Finally, as quoted in the Historical Society's *Times Past* of last December, 2014, President Grace Brigham noted "The SHS did not exhibit at the History Expo in Tunbridge this year (2014), instead choosing to attend and observe. Leonard Korzun was unquestionably the most successful! He attached a sign to himself inviting folks to talk with him about interesting historical things."

Yes, that was Len. We shall truly miss him.

*Submitted by Ruth Winkler*

## *Town of Shrewsbury, Vermont*



## *2014 Annual Report*

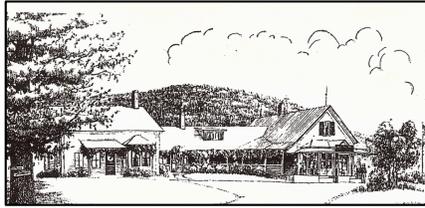
### **2014 Annual Report Online**

Town of Shrewsbury 2014 Annual Report has been mailed and is also now available online at [www.shrewsburyvt.org](http://www.shrewsburyvt.org)

We hope you will read your report and bring it with you to the Informational Meeting at 5:30pm on Monday, Marcy 3 at the Meeting House.

*Shrewsbury Board of Auditors:  
Richard Biziak, Jonathan Gibson, Sanford Bragg*

## LIFE AT PIERCE'S



I am sitting here at Marjorie's table in the kitchen getting the wood stove going. I've learned to shut the door between the kitchen and the living room to get the room to heat up quickly. One time, the room got so toasty warm that the butter melted! I'm very proud of that. If I can get it warm enough, our cats, Grettie and Gracie, will join me. Right now, it is 15 degrees below zero.

Tim couldn't get his car started this morning and neither could our neighbor. According to Sally's "Daily Email from Pierce's General Store" (I highly encourage you to subscribe to it, it's great!), there are 32 more days until spring. So, as you read this essay, it will now be history and we will be that much closer to spring.

Many are tired of the snow and cold weather, and then there are some who have been loving this winter's perfect snow conditions. Most evenings, Tim and I will head out for an evening ski or snowshoe on or around the Plymsbury Trails. Tim has seen two moose this winter. Many times, we will break in the trails but we always check to see if anyone else has been out on them.

Those evenings are generally super cold and it is either dumping snow or crystal clear. On the clear nights, the stars are abundant and brilliant but always the quiet is so grounding. Lots of times, we like to ski or snowshoe without our headlamps and find our route by feeling the trail beneath our feet. Sometimes, we'll head out a little earlier. Once we skied down the snowmobile trail to Coldham Road. We stopped at the top of a sloping field that was covered with the white blanket of snow with the sun setting behind the Taconic Range, showing us a picturesque scene that was beyond amazing. And here it was, just down the road from where we live.

One evening as I skied up the snowmobile trail, I had to step aside as the groomer passed in his snowcat with his grooming rake hooked behind it. The rake reminds me of a farm plough. From what I understand, we have two groomers who keep the snowmobile trails in excellent condition. The groomer that I met was from the Mt. Holly Snowmobile Club. He stopped to chat and told me he grooms 40 miles of snowmobile trails from the end of the Old Plymouth Road all the way to Route 100 with trails in between. I think it would be fun to go on an evening tour in the snow cat.

From what I gather, in the 1840's a small community existed for about twenty years off the Old Plymouth Road with a schoolhouse and a few small houses nearby. It was the District 13 school. According to our neighbor Lee, you can find the old cellar holes if you know where to look for them. One of the Plymsbury Trails is called Schoolhouse Meadows Trail, because it starts close to where the schoolhouse was located. Does anyone have a picture of it or know the exact location? I'd love to see and learn more about it. The Plymouth Road used to be the connection between Plymouth and Shrewsbury. There used to be a mill nearby, too. Now, in the winter, it is a snowmobile trail, and in the summer, Tim and I use it as one of our mountain bike trails. It sure shows how things have changed.

Many of us heat with firewood during the winter. Besides a billion layers of clothes, a roaring fire in the woodstove is what gets me really warm. It's been such a cold winter this year that many of us have firewood stacks that are getting low a little bit faster than expected. And for those of you paying for oil, thank goodness for the low fuel prices this year.

So, the beautiful thing about living out here with our cycle of seasons is how close it parallels the cycle of life. While we are in the midst of this dark and cold winter, it is easy to lose sight of what is ahead.

And when reminded, it is like hope--we have the faith that we know spring will soon come with warmer temperatures. So hope is the temperature gradient that makes the thermometer a little easier to look at in the winter. How about them icicles??

*Warmly yours- Stacy McKiernan*

### Area Lecture/Discussion Programs

March 1 @ 4pm: Science Pub @ Holidia Inn, Rutland; Topic: *What Lies Beneath* (No Fee)

March 4 @ 7pm: Vermont Humanities 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Program @ Rutland Free Library. Topic: "India Rising". (No Fee)

Each Friday in March @ 1:30pm: Osher Lecture Series @ Godnick Center in Rutland (Fee)

## MESSAGE FROM MONTPELIER

The first several weeks were filled with meeting new members, and submitting ideas for proposed bills. Many groups have visited the Statehouse to promote their cause and meet with likeminded lawmakers.

As you can imagine there are many education bills circulating. The idea is to get some proposals out early that gain support within the Education Committee. One that I have supported in the past moves more school funding to the income tax. And a draft bill from the Education Committee has been put out to start the conversation about small school grants and associated penalties that could hurt our area. I am not sure if we will see any major changes this spring, but also think any changes would be implemented over time.

A hot topic every session includes where cuts are to be made, and the use of Results Based Accountability to evaluate how wisely our money is being spent. Our Committee on Government Operations received a presentation about how Financial Management tracks the effectiveness of our spending. The plan is to use RBA to aid in our decision making. My committee has taken testimony on IT spending for every agency in state government to look at what each pays to the Department of Information and Innovation. Dii, as it is called, provides service and support to most departments.

I attended public hearings on the price of gasoline and a proposed gun control bill. Both areas where the public wants to provide input. Recently there was a very impressive presentation on the condition of our state's waters. There is strong support to fund more cleanup efforts before the EPA forces us. The funding to maintain the ongoing improvements will be difficult to find, but I am sure we intend to make every effort to address the problem. We are convinced our state's economy and the quality of the water are connected. Every speaker spoke of the value of clean water, and agreed we must improve it for our children's future. There is a water quality bill now circulating but it lacks the necessary funding.

You can contact me at [ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:ddevereux@leg.state.vt.us) or at home at 802-259-2460.

*Rep. Dennis Devereux*

## MILL RIVER UNION HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

*"...Under the cloak of winter lies a miracle...a seed waiting to sprout, a bulb opening to the light, a bud straining to unfurl. And the anticipation nurtures our dream."* Barbara Winkler

**Mission Statement:** The mission of the MRUHS community is to maximize each student's learning.

As we put this together on the morning of February 19<sup>th</sup>, the temperature is a balmy +26, the snow is steadily falling, and the students are enjoying the last days of their winter break. With all of this wonderful snow, the world of winter surely has reached its peak; however, for many of us, there is anxious anticipation as we search for signs of spring.

**Stage 40:** Stage 40 will travel to People's Academy in Morrisville, VT for the Regional One Act Festival on March 14<sup>th</sup> with a cast and crew of 25 students. They will perform *Leonce and Lena*, by Georg Buchner (1835), a comedy set in a mythical kingdom.

**Soup Bowls for Hunger:** Once again, Lucinda Hudson-Knapp's pottery classes will be making some bowls for donation to the 2015 Soup Bowls for Hunger Project sponsored by Vermont's Gamma Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. This year's event will be held on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup> in the Rutland High School Cafeteria. Tickets are \$15 which includes soup, roll, dessert, beverage, a hand crafted soup bowl and entertainment. There will be three sittings (5:00, 6:00, and 7:00 pm). Tickets must be purchased in advance at Rutland High School. All proceeds will be donated to the Community Cupboard and other local food shelves. For questions about the event or to purchase tickets, call Lynn DelBianco Hier at 770-1113).

**The MRUHS Board:** The MRUHS Board works very hard to control spending while continuing to provide an excellent program for students. The expenditure budget for the Mill River Union School District 2015-2016 Year is \$9,462,530, and is 0.45% lower than the total budgeted expenditures for the current school year. Please support the budget by voting YES on the Mill River ballot March 3rd.

Information re. board actions can be accessed on line at [www.rssu.org/millriver](http://www.rssu.org/millriver). Regular board meetings may be viewed on the PEGTV website.

*Sally Anne Snarski 492-3505  
Adrienne Raymond 492-3578*



### 2015 Dog Licenses are now due.

\$8 Spayed / Neutered

\$12 Intact

Late fees are assessed after April 1.

## The Shrewsbury Community Church



*Compiled by Sue Ransom-Kelley*

**Happenings:** We had a wonderful time at the Valentine's Day Supper! Great Music, Great Company, Great Food and Great Décor! Thank you to everyone who helped make this event possible.

Our Mission Projects are coming along splendidly! In January we started making adult bibs and walker bags to be donated to local home health and nursing home residents through RSVP. We are still working on completing these; so far we have 6 walker bags and 11 bibs completed! In February we started cutting shoe pieces for Sole Hope. We will again meet March 8th to complete this project. Thanks to all who have participated and those of you who can come out to help!

"Invitation to the Community to Serve" for people of all ages who want to make a difference in the community by getting involved and realizing the satisfaction that comes with being a volunteer.

Sunday March 8 @ 1030 am-1200 noon at the Shrewsbury Community Church (Center Church & Meeting House) the community is invited to participate in a new alternative service. This is different than a traditional worship service. We will watch a short movie explaining our mission and we will be cutting out shoe pieces for "Sole Hope". The pieces will be sent to NC and eventually to Uganda. Shoemakers will make them into shoes, which help keep children jigger-free and give them freedom from foot related diseases. Shoemakers will be paid a livable wage and children will receive much needed medical care before they are given their pair of shoes. We can make a difference!

If you have any of these items please bring them: used Blue Jeans, fabric scissors, Large Safety Pins, Plastic-items such as milk jugs, thin plastic folders, laundry detergent bottles or 2 liter Soda Bottles. However, bringing anything is NOT required. Please just come and help. Refreshments will be provided.

## Community Church Calendar

- March 1 @ 1030am: Worship Service and Holy Communion Rev. Bob Boutwell. Please bring a non-perishable food item.
- March 8 @ 1030am-12 noon: Community Service Project Sole Hope. All Invited!
- March 15 @1030am: Worship Service Rev. Skip Dickinson.
- March 18 @ 12 noon: Prayer Shawl Meeting at the home of Tess Williams. Please bring a bag lunch, dessert and drinks will be ed. Please call Tess 492-2187 to let her know if you can attend. All welcome!
- March 22 @ 1030am: Worship Service Donna Smith.
- March 29 @1030: Palm Sunday Worship Service Rev. Bob Boutwell.

Tired of Winter? Starting to get sick of reminding yourself that snow is the most beautiful thing on earth? Reality can bite and so does the chill of winter. The change of the seasons can seem discouraging, as it changes from cold to warm, to cold again, all in two days; yet we are accustomed to this and bear it with a smile and a sense of pride. We are strong! Yes, survivors we are! Transition from winter to spring in Vermont can be confusing and extremely slow, but it can also be an opportunity to grow in faith, trust in the things we cannot see. We are assured there is a new season coming around the bend for us. Regardless of what we do or don't do, spring will happen. Nature depends on spring coming and rest assured it will come, so have faith and remember how beautiful the light is that reflects off those icicles!

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## Community Needs

- Wedding, Funeral or Memorial Service Requests: Contact Rita Lane 775-2578 or Sue Kelley 492-3738, 779-5241.
- Community Helping Hand Requests: Contact Rita Lane 775-2578 or Donna Smith 492-3367
- Pastoral Care, Home, Hospital Visitation, Outreach Requests: Contact Rita Lane 775-2578, Roxanne Ramah 492-3675 or Ruth Kinne 775-5318.

## Library Book & DVD Reviews—



Two ways to share: Please share your book reviews by writing them in the journals kept at the front desk at the Library or email to [maplesugar@comcast.net](mailto:maplesugar@comcast.net) THANK YOU!

*Book reviews are compiled by Marilyn Dalick*

★★★★★	Fantastic!
★★★★	Compelling, page-turner
★★★	Enjoyable
★★	Just O.K.
★	Not recommended

### **Elephant Company** by Vicki Constantine Croke

★★★★★

This is an amazing, true story of how a man, over the years, by character, patience, sympathy, and courage gained the confidence of men and animals—so when the time of testing came, that mutual trust held. The enormity of the task that was asked of the elephants (you won't believe what they were asked to do!) demonstrated that their courage and loyalty surpassed even their physical strength. James Howard William, a Brit from Cornwall, said that the elephants made him a better man. The bond that he had forged with the elephants was something so large and deep that he could frame it only in spiritual terms, saying they were his "religion."

The story takes place in the teak forests of Burma where wild elephants were exploited by a British company in the teak trade. William, who worked for this company, is an animal lover, and upon meeting the elephants under his charge, he is immediately entranced by them—in particular, one called, Bandoola, who grows into a magnificent bull. William loves Bandoola like a brother and quickly introduces more humane treatment of the working ele-

phants during his years of employment.

The story turns into a tale of war and daring when Japanese forces invade the country in 1942. The elephants (approximately 417 of them) built 270 bridges from local materials to ensure the flow of men and supplies in the fight against the Japanese. Historians credit the animals with making this logistical coup possible. William received an OBE in 1945 for his gallantry in facing the enemy.

If you happen to hold elephants in high esteem like I do, after reading this book, you will love and adore them even more. There are moving, tender moments from William's journal where he writes about feeding sweet tamarind balls to Bandoola—"... watching Bandoola's eyes halfway close in satisfaction as he noisily ate each treat..."

*reviewed by Marilyn Dalick*

### **Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant?**

*A memoir by Roz Chast*

★★★★★

This is the first adult graphic novel to be short-listed for The National Book Awards (and the first graphic novel I've ever read). It is amazing. The subject is the last years of the author's parents' lives, along with flashbacks to the past. It is a funny, devastating, and spot-on look at dying and death in our society today. I couldn't put it down.

There were many parallels between the author's experiences and my own—taking care of my parents until they died—the significant difference being my happy childhood and "normal" parents (by Roz Chast's standards). Reading this book has allowed me to forgive myself for my shortcomings in the process and to relive my experiences in a kinder light. Thank you, Roz!

*reviewed by Heather Shay*

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### Locals to Play at Tinmouth Contra Dance

Tinmouth Contra Dance will be held on Friday, February 20 at 8-11pm. Beginners's Session will be from 8-8:15 at the at the Tinmouth Community Center. February's contra will feature Peter Johnson calling and local favorite band The Plumb Bobs with with **Marcos Levy**, Mary Barron, **Aaron Schneider** and Jonathan Czar providing live music. All dances are taught, and you do not need a partner. There will be live music, enthusiastic swinging and dancing and fun for all. Please bring clean, non-marring shoes. Admission is \$9, \$7 for teens and free for children 12 and under. Refreshments will be available to benefit the dance fund. For info: [www.Tinmouthvt.org](http://www.Tinmouthvt.org) or 235-2718.

### Average Temperatures

	2014	2013	2012
Jan	23	24	25
Feb	13	19	27
Mar	25	29	36
Apr	36	36	45
May	51	52	50
Jun	60	59	63
Jul	69	72	69
Aug	62	65	69
Sep	58	62	63
Oct	52	53	50
Nov	38	38	42
Dec	30	25	33
<b>AVGs:</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>48</b>

*Temperatures based on GMP readings for our area from 12/19/13 to 12/23/14.*

### Grocer Bingo in Clarendon

The Clarendon Fire Auxiliary is having their Grocery Bingo on Friday, March 27 at the Clarendon Elementary School off Moulton Ave. Doors open at 6pm and BINGO starts 7pm. One strip for \$4; and four strips for \$12. Refreshments available.

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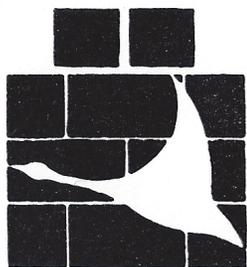
Blood Pressure/Foot Care Clinics

The cost of the foot clinic is \$10.

- 3/04/2015, Wallingford House, 10:30 am
  - 3/05/2015, Rutland, Parker House, 10:00 am
  - 3/11/2015, Rutland, Templewood Court, 10:00 am
  - 3/18/2015, Rutland, Sheldon Towers, 9:00 am
  - 3/18/2015, Rutland, Linden Terrace, 11:00 am
  - 3/19/2015, Rutland, Maple Village, 10:00 am
  - 3/25/2015, Rutland, Godnick Center, 12:30 pm
  - 3/26/2015, N. Clarendon, Comm. Center, 12:30 pm
- NOTE: The foot clinics will follow the school snow day schedule. For info call 802-770-1536.

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# NEWS FROM PIERCE'S STORE

**Monday-Saturday 7am-7pm  
Sunday 8am-5pm**



~ Watch for some special treats around St. Patrick's Day. I'll definitely have a featured Irish cheese. Maybe more.

~ Rob will be gone on vacation for a while in March. But don't despair! We'll have most of the items you expect to find in the store and a few substitutes.

\* Soups, Pizzas and Friday meals from Rob's kitchen change from week to week. The anticipated schedule for March is:

### **Soups**

	<b>Dates</b>
Broccoli cheddar	3/1, 3/15
Clam chowder	3/3, 3/17
Corn chowder	3/30
Cream of mushroom	3/8, 3/22
Creole lentil	3/29
French carrot	3/14, 3/28
French vegetable with cannellini	3/7, 3/21
Italian vegetable (minestrone w/out noodles)	3/12, 3/26
Lentil w/ Italian sausage & kale	3/5, 3/16
Mexican corn & cabbage	3/2, 3/19
Mushroom barley w/ aromatic vegetable & leeks	3/31
Polish borscht w/ kielbasa	3/4, 3/18
Potato leek w/ aromatic vegetables	3/11, 3/25
Southwestern butternut squash	3/6, 3/20
Split pea w/ ham	3/13, 3/27
Tomato cheddar	3/10, 3/24
Yucatan chicken	3/9, 3/23

### **Date & Pizza Variety**

3/4	Two varieties: Sauteed Peppers & Onions and Southwestern with Tomcsato Sauce, Jalapenos & Jack Cheese
3/11	Caramelized Onions, Gorgonzola & Mozzarella
3/18	Sauteed Peppers & Onions
3/25	Marinara, Italian Sausage and Mozzarella

### **Regular hot meals in the crockpot include:**

Monday – Chili con Carne  
 Tuesday – Chicken Stew  
 Thursday – Pulled Pork Sandwiches

### **What's Going on at Pierce's?**

As we cope with yet another round of bitter cold and precip, it's nice to think about March and all it brings. Daylight savings time returns on the 8<sup>th</sup> and Spring returns on the 20<sup>th</sup>. Planning our gardens. Even spring cleaning!

Because in other parts of the country the growing season is picking up, I'm going to try to offer some fresh vegetable buys of items that we're barely thinking of planting yet. Keep an eye on the Pierce's Store Facebook page for details. Or, if you'd like to receive my daily email where I list what's available today and for special orders during the week, please contact me and I'll add you to my list.

As always, if you want to become involved in the store, there are lots of ways you could help – just give me a call and we can chat. ~ Sally Deinzer

### **\*\* Friday Meals**

3/6 3/20 Lasagna  
 3/13 3/27 Mac & Cheese

### **Friday Night Dinners**

March 13: Carol Calotta will prepare the meal. Menu TBD

March 27: TBD

*Meals will be available on Fridays 5:00 to 7:00pm...and on Saturday until they run out. It's best to call ahead and reserve your order!*

**492-3326**

if you are interested in making a meal, please contact either Heather Shay at 492-2284 or Sally Deinzer at the store,

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