



# Times of Shrewsbury



May 2016

## UPPER COLD RIVER ROAD LANDSLIDE UPDATE



During the several years since Irene, the wet raw slope of silt and gravel continued to landslide and fail, more than doubling in size since the original slide. The new ballasted slope, similar to the slopes you see along Rt. 107 in Stockbridge, was designed by geotechnical engineers to resist the geologic natural tendency to continue to slide and to allow our continued use of the Upper Cold River Road. The total project cost? Over \$800,000 !! Good thing FEMA is picking up most of the bill. But, think of it this way, that's only 2 cents per pound of rock.

Have you noticed that Wallingford looks a bit lighter lately and Shrewsbury is a bit overweight? That's because Casella Construction has hauled approximately 38 million pounds of blasted and crushed rock from South Wallingford to the Upper Cold River Road to repair the landslide caused by Tropical Storm Irene. If you haven't visited the site, between the Brown Bridge and the Cold River Road, it is quite a project to see. A buttress wall, composed of 6 ft to 9 ft rock, 15 ft wide, and extending along the river's edge and 8 ft below the river bed, holds back a huge slope of 1-2 ft blasted rock, extending from the river to the newly constructed Upper Cold River Road. There is certainly a lot more sunlight in this area than there ever was.

Seriously, by the time you read this newsletter, the project will be 99% complete. Casella predicts that the project will be 100% complete by May 20, if not before, and the road will be able to be opened to traffic. Finally, our newly restored covered bridge will actually be able to be used!!

This is the last of the Irene repairs the Town is making with FEMA reimbursement. It has been a long and frustrating process at times. But, the end is in sight and Nicholas Powers' covered bridge, now a National Historic Landmark, will once again be used for getting folks safely across the Cold River. Take a walk and visit the bridge. Follow the path upstream along the river. It is really a lovely spot.

*Mark Youngstrom* , Project Engineer,  
Otter Creek Engineering



*At the Brown Bridge worksite, Scott Chandler said the crew had to move the river back 30', build a huge retaining wall to hold the rock slope and install a temporary bridge (for the construction traffic) beside the original Brown Bridge. This temporary bridge will be removed when the project is completed. He expects the project to be completed in about two weeks! ~RR*

*Photo by Mark Youngstrom*

**GREEN UP DAY**

**MAY 7 ~ 8:00-10:00AM**

Pick up your route and collection bags at the Meeting House  
Bring bags to Transfer Station 10am-12noon

Donuts, Muffins, Juice, & Coffee too!

More details on page 6

### Family of George Richards Express Thanks

Thank you to everyone who connected with us about Dad's passing. It has been amazing to receive all the cards, calls, phone messages, and stories so many have shared.

If you didn't hear the story of the coins for donations to the Shrewsbury Community Church suppers and *The Times of Shrewsbury*, Dad had a tendency to collect change daily. He would put it in just about anything he had available--pill bottles, to-go containers, jars, coffee cans, or paper cups. When we were looking for documents and bills Gregg kept finding these containers filled with coins. He brought some home and decided to roll them. Each time he returned from Dad's he had more little containers of coins. It grew to quite a sum of money, and we decided that Dad would have loved to be able to donate to his favorite Town activities--the *Times* and the Suppers. This is a story for the Remembrance Book that Grace brought. Thank you Grace. If anyone wants to write in this book let me know, and I will deliver it to you. The stories and thoughts are terrific.

We want to give a very special thanks to people who made the celebration so successful. Sue Ransom Kelley, Lisa Sharrow, Annette Parrish, Paul Sgalia, Trish Norton and Grace Brigham all contributed so much.

Thank you to all who attended the celebration and shared with me so many emotions and stories about

how Dad was part of your lives. It was an amazing day. and I am sure he would have loved it. Thank you all.

*Lynette, Gregg, Janette, Morgan, Lauren,  
and Courtney*



### *Donations to the Times of Shrewsbury In Memory of George Richards*

*Joan Aleshire*

*Grace Brigham*

*Richard & Susan Buchanan*

*Steven, Mary, and Rachel Nicholson and*

*Victoria Nicholson Conner*

*Liz Flint*

*Lynette & Gregg Over*

*Family of George Richards*

*Sirjane Family*

*Bernard & Joan Stewart*

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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)

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1/2 page \$35      Business card \$5  
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Chryl Martin ~ Rich Bizjak

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## SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

May 3	12 noon	Senior Lunch! The Doll House at Stafford Tech. RSVP to Penelope 492-3345
May 3	7pm	Historical Society meeting at the Museum
May 7	8am-Noon	*Green Up Day in Vermont (see notice elsewhere for details)
May 7	10-11:30	*Lego Club at the Library
May 7	5:30pm	*Free Community Supper at the Town Hall – 88 Lottery Road.
May 8	12noon	Prayer Shawl group meets at home of Tess Williams 492-2187
May 8		*Quilt Raffle drawing at the Library
May 10	7pm	*Library Annual Meeting
May 13	7:30pm	*Presentation by Aveloy Lanning, Rutland Women’s Network & Shelter at the Library
May 14	11am	*Service for Donna Marzilli at the Shrewsbury Community Church
May 15	4pm	*Famous Books Discussion Group meets at the Library
May 20	5pm	*Wine tasting at Pierce’s Store with Sandy Bragg
May 22	4pm	*Science Book Club meets at the Library
June 11	9am – 1pm	*The SCC will be holding an Invasive Species Control/Habitat Restoration event.
July 8	7pm	*Butterflies by Jerry Schneider at the Library
July 23		*Mettawee Theater Company at 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
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 Historical Society Museum	Closed for season; to schedule access call 492-3324
Shrewsbury School District Board Mtg	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday at the school—4:30pm
Shrewsbury Singers	Every Sunday 9-10:15am upstairs at the Community Church
Shrewsbury Sno-Birds	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays—7:00pm at Southside Restaurant, Rutland
Shrewsbury Volunteer Fire Dept.	Thursdays—7:00pm at Cuttingsville Station
Conservation Commission	1 <sup>ST</sup> Tuesday—5:15pm at 1608 Lottery 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 7:30am-10:30am and 11:30am-2:30pm  
Saturday 8am-11am

Lobby Hours:

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

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

**Emergency Management** Bert Potter 773-2272

**Ambulance** 773-1700

**Green Mountain Power outage** 1-800-451-2877

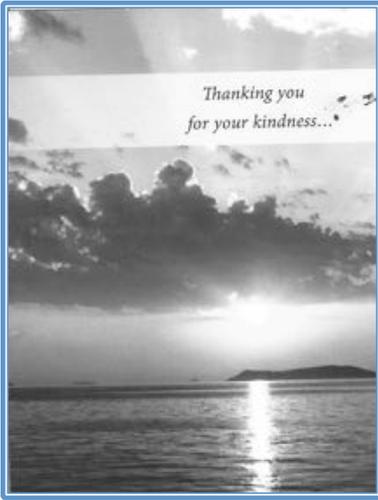
**Medical—Fire—Police Emergency** Dial 911

**Rutland Hospital** 775-7111

*Revised 4/22/16*

### To all the wonderful Patrons of Pierce's Store

I can't thank you enough for all your kind words and all the cards I have received. Although my heart is breaking, it gives me great comfort to know how well thought of Donna was. Everyone has said the same thing about how cheerful, thoughtful and joyous she was.



Everyone agrees that she would do anything she could to please you. I found her to be all of that as a daughter, and it is such a comfort to know that other people loved her too, not just her family.

I'm looking forward to meeting everyone at her Memorial Service in May and thanking you in person.

*God Bless,  
Elaine Marzilli*

### Service for Donna Marzilli

There will be a community gathering for Donna Marzilli on  
**May 14 at 11am**  
at the

#### Shrewsbury Community Church

Everyone is invited to attend this celebration of life. Fellowship and a light lunch will follow. For further information, contact Rita Lane at 775-2578.



Please Join Us to Welcome

**AVELOY LANNING**

Executive Director of the Rutland Women's Network & Shelter  
for a talk on the

### RUTLAND WOMEN'S NETWORK & SHELTER

Who will be speaking about RWNS' work in the community.

**Friday, May 13 at 7:30pm**  
at the Shrewsbury Library

Free, all welcome  
Please come early to ensure a seat!

### In Memory of George Richards

I wasn't able to attend the party in George's honor recently, but I wanted to share with Lynette and family my favorite memory of George. I moved to Shrewsbury from London, England with Peter Cosgrove in the late 70s. George was an unfailingly friendly mailman, and we found short poems written on our bills on occasion. One day, however, we received a postcard from friends in England addressed to, simply, "Marilyn and Peter, Shrewsbury, VT," and George actually got that card to us! Now, some people won't be very impressed by this, but coming from the anonymity of London, this represented for me a huge welcome back to America and my new home. I was very touched by this.

*Marilyn Dalick*



### Ellen Kennedy

Ellen Kennedy, 82, of Cuttingsville died on Tuesday April 12, 2016.

Ellen considered herself very lucky to have called this Town home for the past 45 years. She grew up in Lodi, New Jersey and could really appreciate what Vermont offered her and her family. It had lots of room inside and outside for her children and grandchildren, a place for her to garden and a community to be a part of and grow old in. Although Ellen loved everything about living here she also loved going back to the Jersey Shore for two weeks every July.

As her health declined in the past few years it was important to Ellen to be home, not just in her house but in her community. We could not have followed through on her wishes without the love and support of family, friends, neighbors, Meals on Wheels and RAVNAH.

She is survived by her husband David Kennedy. Her son Dave Kennedy and wife Karen of West Burke, VT, son Bruce Kennedy and wife Tricia of Williston, VT, daughter Denise Mueller and husband Steve of Hollister, CA, son Jeff Kennedy and wife Jennifer of Stratham, NY, daughter Susan Kennedy and husband Steve of Cuttingsville, VT

She also leaves 12 grandchildren: Tara, Tyson, Melissa and Molly Kennedy, Grace and Brad Kennedy, Alyssa Mueller, Kaleigh and Brenden Kennedy and Joshua, Cole and Ella Bankert.

~Susan Kennedy





## SHREWSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

If you think it's tough being a firefighter, try being a firefighter's wife. ~Author Unknown

During March and April, fires were roaring all over Shrewsbury. Fortunately, those fires were in the arches of local sugarhouses, boiling sap into wonderful maple syrup. Many of the sugarhouses are owned and operated by SVFD members, their families and friends. Severy, Stewart, Ridlon, and Carrara are the main operators, along with others who work to assist such as Tom Ryan who boils at the Jesser operation. That is a lot of syrup, a lot of work, and a lot of time. Fortunately, the SVFD emergency calls were few during the sugaring season; however, when the alarms rang, the members did their duty and responded.

The old adage in the department regarding calls is that "they come in threes". This was true for this spring as well. On March 21, (the day after last month's Times articles were due), the department responded to Mount Holly and rendered mutual aid for a grass fire. Fortunately, it was a minor event, and firefighters were able to quickly return to the sugar houses.

The second call was to a local chimney fire; again, a quick call, thanks to vigilant homeowners who dialed 9-1-1. This was tended to, the fire extinguished, and the chimney brushed. Of course, the owners are always instructed to have their chimney professionally examined after such an event before relighting their wood fire.

A few days later, a call came in re: a motor vehicle accident on Lincoln Hill Road near Shrewsbury Center. Department members secured the scene and tended to the injured driver until Regional Ambulance arrived. Then a tree, which had been knocked over onto the road, was removed by the Town Road Crew assisted by firefighters. The Vermont State Police were also on the scene to investigate and render their aid. We are thankful that this was all of our calls for the month.

On April 10, the department bid farewell to one of the last three charter department members, George Richards, at his memorial service. George was remembered as a generous, active, and giving friend by the department as well Shrewsbury neighbors and friends. It was important for us to honor a man who represents our roots and to celebrate his legacy. He was one of the pioneers who met on that day in 1952 to form the basis of what is now the SVFD. His name shall always

remain on the plaque listing charter members that is displayed at the Cuttingsville station.

Due to sunny weather with drying winds, the forests are currently tinder dry, and the state has issued a "red flag" no burn warning due to fire danger. Hopefully, by the time you read this, we will have had some rain, things will have continued to green up, and there will no longer be an extreme fire danger.

As a reminder to all, if you plan to burn brush, please be sure to call Fire Warden, Kevin Brown (775-6194) or Assistant Warden, Al Ridlon Jr. (282-3642) for a burn permit. They will also advise you as to when it is safe to burn.

With late spring upon us and summer around the corner, your department will be running drills, participating in the Loyalty Day Parade, tending to maintenance and business, and preparing for the late summer State Firefighters Convention.

This is also a great time to arrange for chimneys to be cleaned, furnaces to be tuned and cleaned, and to be cautious with charcoal or gas grills. A few moments of preventative care and attention can spare a great deal of heartache. If you do have a concern, please call 9-1-1 for immediate help.

Have a great spring season, and until the next time, remember to stay fire safe!

*Submitted by Bob Snarski, SVFD Safety Officer*

## Copperas Hill Farm

*Shrewsbury, VT*

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[www.copperashillfarm.com](http://www.copperashillfarm.com) [marc@copperashillfarm.com](mailto:marc@copperashillfarm.com)

MAY 7, 2016

# GREEN UP DAY!

Pepe le Shrew INVITES



**YOU** TO GO  
SHREWSBURY MEETING HOUSE

8:00-10:00 AM

1 REFRESHMENTS

A. SELECT YOUR GREEN UP ROAD ON THE OFFICIAL MAP  
B. TAKE BAGS

2 GREEN UP!

AS YOU COLLECT, PLEASE PUT RECYCLABLES IN ONE BAG, TRASH IN ANOTHER. RECYCLABLES WILL BE SORTED AT TRANSFER STATION.

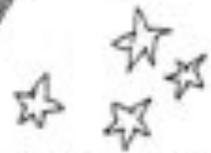


WATCH FOR COLORED EGGS.

BRING ONE TO THE TRANSFER STATION TO CLAIM YOUR PRIZE.

3 10:00AM-NOON

BRING BAGS TO TRANSFER STATION FOR SORTING, AND BESTOWING OF



SPECIAL

PRIZES FOR OUTSTANDING DILIGENCE & ACHIEVEMENT

♡ THANK YOU FROM YOUR CONSERVATION COMMISSION ♡

# SHREWSBURY LIBRARY

Library News Submitted by Joan Aleshire

MANY THANKS to GEORGE RICHARDS and his family for the gift of the CUTTINGSVILLE SCHOOL BELL that GREGG OVER discovered when renovating the Library ten years ago. The Library Building Committee will explore ways to install the bell -- on the roof? In a separate tower? It would be great if it could ring again!

THANKS to State Biologist DOUG BLODGETT for the terrific talk and slide show about Vermont's rattlesnakes last month. The near-capacity crowd will know how to identify them and let them be their sun-loving, peaceable selves. THANKS to MATTEO for his good questions!

THE LIBRARY'S ANNUAL MEETING for the election of officers and trustees whose terms expire this year will take place on Tuesday, May 10th at 7 p.m. All are welcome to attend.

## Coming Events:

Sunday, May 8 (Mother's Day): QUILT RAFFLE DRAWING! Buy your tickets now for this beautiful quilt!

Friday, May 13 @ 7:30pm: AVELOY LANNING, Executive Director of the Rutland Women's Network & Shelter, will speak on her organization's work and how our community can support it. Place: The Library Meeting Room.

June TBA

Friday, July 8 @ 7 pm: BUTTERFLIES with Jerry Schneider.

Saturday, July 23: METTAWEE THEATRE COMPANY: NEW SHOW!

## Continuing Programs:

Sunday, May 15 @ 4pm: FAMOUS BOOKS BOOK CLUB: *Brideshead Revisited* by Evelyn Waugh. Books available at the Library, or call Joan for more: 492-3550.

Sunday, May 22 @ 4pm: SCIENCE BOOK CLUB: *The Origin of Species* by Charles Darwin: The classic treatise on evolution. Books at the Library; for more, call Joan: 492-3550.

Alternate Wednesday evenings: QUILTERS' GROUP. Please call Gail Hartigan (492-3605) for information.

## New Books include:

- ❖ *The Ancient Minstrel and Dead Man's Float* by Jim Harrison: A last book of novellas and a book of new poems by the late, great writer, celebrating life.
- ❖ *The Nest* by Cynthia d'Aprix Sweeney: A smart, funny first novel about money, love and a flawed, engaging family.
- ❖ *"Most Blessed of the Patriarchs": Thomas Jefferson and the Empire of the Imagination* by Annette Gordon-Reed, author of *The Hemings of Virginia*, and Peter S. Onuf of the University of Virginia: A new, ground-breaking history.
- ❖ *Lab Girl* by Hope Jahren: A memoir about the joys and trials of a woman's life in science.
- ❖ *Kill 'Em and Leave: Searching for James Brown and the American Soul* by James McBride: An insightful meditation by the author of *The Color of Water* and a James Brown fan.
- ❖ *Consequence: A Memoir* by Eric Fair: Harrowing and brave: the confessions of an Army interrogator in Afghanistan.
- ❖ *Thirst* by Mary Oliver: Poems in search of belief, after the poet's partner's death.
- ❖ *Disrupted: My Misadventure in the Start-Up Bubble* by Dan Lyons. A funny, poignant memoir about the contemporary workplace.

## New DVDs include:

- ❖ *Brooklyn*, starring Saoirse Ronan and Domhnall Gleeson, based on the novel by Colm Toibin.
- ❖ *Jackie Robinson*, directed by Ken Burns.
- ❖ *The Black Panthers*, the acclaimed documentary, directed by Stanley Nelson.



## Lego Club

At the Shrewsbury Library

**Saturday, May 7 @ 10:00-11:30**

All school age children are welcome.

Younger children are also welcome when accompanied by a parent.

**Come, discover, explore and create with Legos.**

Questions? Please call: Doris Perry 492-3440; Linda Olney 492-3513; or, Carol Goodwin 747-0192

**Lego Club will begin again in September.**

**Stay tuned for summer reading activities!**



**A Bone Builder's Boney Birthday**

Bone Builder's recently had a surprise birthday celebration for their leader, Jan O'Hara (*above*). Jo Fretz, Grace Korzun, Judy Lawry, and Carol Goodwin (*below*) chatted over cake (*above*) and coffee. The group has about 20 members and meet Tuesday and Thursday at the Meeting House. New members are welcome!



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**Hosts Needed for Village Harmony Singers**

Village Harmony teens will be performing in Shrewsbury July 2<sup>nd</sup>! Are you interested in hosting? If so, contact Cedelle Sirjane at 492-3377 or email at [ecedelle@gmail.com](mailto:ecedelle@gmail.com).



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**Pullitzer Awarded to Alissa Rubina**

Spring Lake Ranch Board Member Alissa Rubina spoke at Town Hall last summer on ISIS. She is the New York Times Bureau Chief in Paris has recently been awarded the Pulitzer for her international reporting. *Submitted by Phyllis Wells*

**Meeting Location Change for Shrewsbury Conservation Commission (SCC):** Please note that starting with the May 3rd meeting, and till further notice, the SCC meetings will take place at 450 Frank Lord Road on the first Tuesday of the month at 5:15pm.

**Apartment for Rent in Shrewsbury**

Beautiful setting

One person, no pets, no smoking

Lease, credit check,  
 first, last, and security

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**Shrew'd Berries to Play for Contra Dance**

A group of Shrewsbury musicians will play for the Tinmouth Contra Dance on Friday, May 20, at 8pm. The Shrew'd Berries features Mark Hamilton on fiddle; Silas Hamilton on mandolin, bass, accordion, and feet; Marcos Levy on bass, guitar, and keyboard; and Emmett Sirjane on guitar—all from Shrewsbury! See the ad on page 20.



**5h Annual  
 Pickin In the Hollow  
 You're Invited**

**When:** Sunday, June 12, 2016

**Time:** 11:00am

**Location:** Rick & Annie Lees  
 465 Town Hill Road  
 Cuttingsville, VT 05738  
 (802) 492-3693

Please bring a dish to share, BYOB, lawn chairs, and if you play an instrument, bring it!

**Directions:**

- From North—US 7 south, left onto VT 203, left on to Town Hill Road; house is .5 miles on left.
- From the South—US 4 to US 7 south, left onto VT 103, left onto Town Hill Road; house is .5 miles on left.

## First Eagle Sighting in 2016

Barry & Barb Griffith spotted two eagles near Carrara's Pond between Cold River Road and Northam Road on Saturday, March 26 around early afternoon. Barry says there was a male and a female and that "you can tell by the color." Catherine and Kayla Grace also enjoyed the sighting out their living room window. The question is "were they migrating or settling in for the season?"

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## An Ounce of Prevention and Not Too Deep

Two potentially devastating invasive forest insects, Asian Long Horned Beetle and Emerald Ash borer, have still NOT been detected in Vermont. The war against EAB has at least stabilized the expansion in known areas although some beetles are still being detected in Worcester, Massachusetts. Emerald



Ash borer has Vermont surrounded with infestations now established in New York, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Quebec. However, one of the major effective weapons, in ALB control and in slowing EAB expansion into new areas has been NOT moving firewood from state to state and to burn local wood.

To further strengthen what has been a voluntary program the legislature has established a quarantine, effective May 1, 2016, which will prohibit the importation of UNTREATED firewood into Vermont. Its purpose is to protect forest health by preventing the long-distance movement of wood-borne invasive forest pests into Vermont. Firewood cut to short lengths is a particular risk because it is easier to transport long distances. Firewood is defined under the quarantine as wood processed for burning and less than 48" in length, but does not include wood chips, pellets, pulpwood, or wood for manufacturing purposes. It does allow treated firewood to enter Vermont if it is treated to the USDA standard of baking it for 75 minutes at 71.1 C (160 F) at a certified treatment facility and is accompanied by a certification of treatment.

May is also the perfect time to plant new trees. Frost is out of our lawns and soil temperature is generally above 50 degrees. So as the Old Arborists Almanac says "buy a good quality tree suitable for this area and don't plant your \$200.00 tree in a \$50.00 hole." Do it right in other words. Three bullets for spring tree planting:

- (1) Don't plant too deeply – look for the root flare and plant it at that height;
- (2) Generous hole without additives to allow for root expansion;
- (3) Mulch exposed soil but do not volcano the trunk.

*Submitted by Gary Salmon, Tree Warden*



## What a system!

### What's the story?

There are differences between how different states vote.

### Closed Presidential Primaries:

A closed presidential primary means that in order to be able to vote you have to be registered as a Democrat or Republican. This makes it harder for the primary to be "raided" by outsiders of the party who seek to influence the primary. In some states you have to be registered with the party for a year before you are allowed to place your vote.

### Semi-closed Presidential Primaries:

Semi-closed presidential primaries are the same as their closed counterpart except for being more lenient towards voting registration. Some states with semi-closed primaries will allow you to change party affiliation on the voting day.

### Open Primaries:

Other states, like Vermont, have open primaries which means any registered voter must choose either a Democratic or Republican ballot.

### Caucuses:

Caucuses are different for each party:

Republican: Representatives from each candidate are present to make the case for their candidate. After the period of debate ends, secret ballots are cast for each candidate and the votes are tallied up.

Democrat: The room where the caucus is held is divided into sections, one for each candidate, and one for undecided voters. Voters stand in each section according to their preference of candidate. The voters have 30 minutes to try to persuade their neighbors to change sides. The voters are then tallied.

### Mystery Question:

What former U.S. President was thought to have coined the term "Caucus"?

*\*footnote: due to unforeseen errors of one of our interns the mystery question of last month's paper contained faulty information. We apologize for any distress we may have caused.*

*Submitted by Silas Hamilton.*

# Shrewsbury Historical Society

www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.com

## Still Teaching

Marjorie Pierce loved teaching. She was still receiving notes from her former pupils when the Shrewsbury Historical Society (SHS) interviewed her on July 31, 1997. Marjorie was born on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903, and according to her maternal grandmother, Sarah Spaulding, who wrote to Marjorie's paternal grandmother, Damaris Pierce, "Marjorie arrived at 2 am this morn – a little Mayflower – with bright eyes and a heavy head of shining black hair."

With this being an election year, I cannot help but remember when Marjorie talked to us about her father's first cousin, Aurora Pierce, and her influence and indomitable Vermont spirit which became entwined in many writings about President Calvin Coolidge and his family's homestead in Plymouth.

Marjorie's grandfather was Edwin Pierce, a Civil War veteran, who had a twin brother, Eli, also a Civil War veteran. Edwin married Damaris Colburn Aldrich and one of his sons was Willie E., Marjorie's father. Eli married Eldora Lamb and moved to Plymouth and had five children, one of which was Aurora, born 1868 and passed away in 1956.

When Aurora was 40 years of age, she joined the family of Coolidge in Plymouth and was employed as housekeeper for Col. John Coolidge. For almost 50 years, Aurora was witness to the comings and goings of worldly politics and in fact, she wrote that she was sleeping when Colonel John swore in Calvin as President of the United States, upon the death of President Warren Harding. According to the *First Hand Account* written by Aurora, she said, "When I saw the newspapers that morning my blood started to boil. Can you imagine those city reporters had written that the presidential oath had been administered by the light of an 'old spluttering, greasy' oil lamp? No dirty lamps in my house – never! I'm not too proud to say that I consider my cleaning skills second to none. Every day I was up at dawn and had the laundry done before breakfast. If it was time for me to wash the kitchen floor, Cal (even though he was president of these United States) had to move his feet from under the breakfast table."

Aurora went on, "The Coolidges were always very good to me and allowed me to remain in the house long after Col. Coolidge died. I kept everything as tidy as ever and was happy to entertain the many thousands of folks who came to see what is now called "The Oath of Office" room. Of course this also gave me

a chance to sell them a few knick knacks on the side; my braided chair pads were a great favorite. There wasn't any need for electricity or plumbing. I got by just fine without those new-fangled improvements. I have to admit that when the Homestead was given to the State of Vermont (after I had gone to the great hereafter; so to speak), everything was pretty much as it had been back on August 3, 1923. I think ol' Cal would be pleased."



Aurora Pierce

On July 2, 2004, Cyndy Bittinger, executive director of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation, spoke from a radio studio in Norwich on "Saving the Coolidge Homestead". She gave credit to the two women who cared for the Plymouth buildings and gave tribute to the former First Lady and the Farm Woman Aurora Pierce. She said that Calvin's father, Col. John Coolidge had hoped that the village of Plymouth would become a memorial to his son. In any case, Grace Coolidge managed to preserve the Vermont legacy of her husband in Plymouth – with Aurora's help.

Bittinger concluded, "Most of the village is now owned by the State of Vermont and the house furnishings are still there courtesy of the careful, thrifty housekeeper who did not throw anything away if it had any usefulness left. Calvin Coolidge's boyhood boots still stand next to a stove."

Submitted by Ruth Winkler



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### Weston Playhouse Talk

Steve Settler from the Weston Playhouse will be at the home of Michael and Phyllis Wells at noon on Monday May 16th. He will be discussing the up coming play at Weston this summer, *All My Sons*, by Arthur Miller. Please join us at our home (429 Spring Lake Rd) for a brown bag lunch and another of Steve's stimulating discussions.

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### New Jim Jeffords State Forest

The new Jim Jeffords State Forest is now open to the public, The Trust for Public Land and State of Vermont announced on April 6, 2016. The Trust for Public Land protected 1,346 acres in Mendon and Shrewsbury to create the new state forest. Less than a mile from the Long Trail, the Appalachian Trail, and the Catamount Trail; this northern hardwood forest will provide outdoor recreationists opportunities to hike, cross-country ski, snowmobile, fish, and hunt.

“Vermont’s newest state forest secures permanent access for the hikers, skiers, hunters and snowmobilers of Rutland County, and enhances flood resiliency along the North Branch of the Cold River,” said Kate Wanner, project manager at The Trust for Public Land. “Jim Jeffords State Forest would not have been possible without deep support from the Shrewsbury & Mendon communities, hard work by the dedicated staff at the Dept. of Forest, Parks & Recreation, and generosity and patience on part of the landowners.”

The land is an essential wildlife corridor between Coolidge and Aitken State Forests, offering refuge to animals including black bear, moose, fisher, and bobcat that range along the spine of the Green Mountains. Protecting this land will also create more flood resiliency upstream of Rutland and conserve two miles along the Cold River and other streams providing native brook trout habitat.

The State of Vermont will manage the new state forest for recreation, wildlife habitat protection, sustainable timber harvesting, and water quality protection. A conservation easement on the property is held by the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board.

A portion of the project funding came from the federal Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF). A leading member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, Vermont Senator Patrick Leahy takes the lead each year to secure funding for LWCF grants.

The acquisition was made possible by a combination of public and private funding: \$517,200 grant from the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board, \$469,000

of bear corridor mitigation funds, \$50,000 of federal funds from the Land and Water Conservation Fund, as well as generous private grants from Green Mountain Power, VELCO, Fields Pond Foundation, S&C Harvest Foundation, Ververka Family Foundation, Vermont Land Trust through the Joan Sibley Estate, and 51 individual donors. Nearly \$700,000 of land value was generously donated by the landowners, Lesley Heathcote and Nick and Deborah Holland.

The public will be invited to a ribbon-cutting and celebration of the new state forest in early summer.

*Matthew Shaffer, The Trust for Public Land*

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### Restore Habitat

#### Learn & Volunteer in VT State Forests & Parks

The Shrewsbury Conservation Commission (SCC) will be holding an Invasive Species Control/Habitat Restoration event on **Saturday, June 11**, from 9am-1pm.

We will be working on controlling both Garlic Mustard and Poisonous Parsnip. Garlic Mustard eradication will take place in the general vicinity of the Shrewsbury Peak trail head parking lot. It's scattered around the parking area and around what's left of the old pavilion. Our efforts against Poisonous Parsnip will be focused on the meadow at the end of Tin Shanty Road (where the old Tin Shanty camp used to be). We're planning to have everyone meet at the Shrewsbury Peak trail head parking area (where the old pavilion was) just past the gate on the CCC Road at 9am. We'll tackle the Garlic Mustard first then head over to the Tin Shanty to the Poisonous Parsnip.



*Goutweed before eradication effort (left), and SCC's eradication effort (below).*



Targets of past Invasive Species Control/Habitat Restoration projects which were sponsored by the SCC were Phragmites on the CCC Road (2014) and Goutweed on Tin Shanty Road (2015). If you are interested in joining us or have questions, email Jesse Shapiro at [jshapiro@rnesu.org](mailto:jshapiro@rnesu.org). We welcome your participation!

## The Shrewsbury Community Church



Compiled by Sue Ransom-Kelley



### FREE Community Supper May 7 at 5:30pm at the Town Hall – 88 Lottery Road Come One! Come All!

All Invited! It's a Mexican Fiesta! Sombreros Optional. Live Music! Our menu will include: Homemade Beef, Bean and Chicken Enchiladas, Rice, Salsa, Guacamole, and of course Scrumptious Desserts! Have a neighbor who can't get out? Let us know and we can make a dinner to go.

Sunday Mornings Shrewsbury Singers - meet to sing rounds and songs that have originated from throughout the world, spanning centuries and musical styles. All are welcome to sing or just come and listen! 9:00am-10:15am in the Shrewsbury Center Church Sanctuary. For more information contact Licia Gambino Hamilton 492-3792 or hamgam@vermontel.net

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## Community Church Calendar

May 1 @ 10:30am: Worship Service led by Donna Smith, and Preschool Program.

May 7 @ 5:30pm: Free Community Supper Town Hall. All Welcome!

May 8 @ 10:30: Worship Service & Holy Communion led by Rev Skip Dickinson, and Preschool Program.

May 15 @ 10:30am: Worship Service led by Rev Terry Hanley, and Preschool Program.

May 18 @ 12 noon. Prayer Shawl group meets at home of Tess Williams 492-2187. All are welcome; please call to let Tess know you can come.

May 22 @ 10:30am: Worship Service led by David Rice, and Preschool Program.

May 29 @ 10:30am: Worship Service led by Rita Lane, and Preschool Program.

## Community Needs

Wedding, Funeral or Memorial Service Requests: Contact Rita Lane 775-2578 or Sue Kelley 492-3738, 779-5241.

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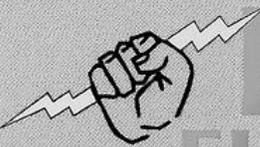
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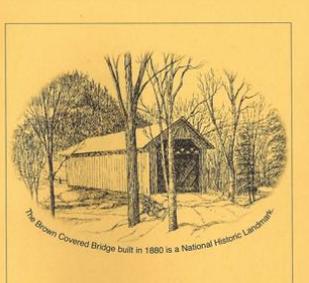
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## SHREWSBURY MOUNTAIN SCHOOL NEWS

I expect that you have already received an invitation to attend the first meeting of the new Mill River Unified Union District on May 12 at 5:30pm, if not, you have now. The meeting will be held at Mill River Union HS. Rebecca Holcombe, the VT Secretary of Education will be there to swear in the new board. We will also be voting a number of items (read full details in the mailings that will come directly to your home) from the floor. We hope to have a good turnout for this first meeting of the new district. Refreshments will be served.

Our last Mountain School Board meeting had a bitter-sweet feeling to it and I expect that will increase we only have two more meetings before we dissolve. We have been such an active board, involved in all sorts of things that a larger board will have trouble even being aware of. At the next Mountain School Board meeting on May 3 (4:30) we will be finalizing plans for our school's Advisory Committee. At our last meeting we discussed the make-up of this group and next we will discuss its charge. We all agreed that this should be an active group with a clear direction to make sure that a local voice and focus is shared with the new larger board. Our last actions as a local board are a push to make some needed and long planned upkeep repairs to our building this summer. We are hopeful that this will include the installation of an automatic generator system. We announced this last month and have received a few donations which brings this closer to a reality, but we are not there yet. A donation of any size will help. It would be great not to have interruptions to our school days and weeks because of lack of power, water and heat in the future. Lets keep the kids in school!

I have to put this in... Congrats to board member, Sarah Bolster, and her husband, Steve Spatz, on the new addition to their family!

*Submitted by Adrienne Raymond*



## MILL RIVER UNION HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

e.e. cummings referred to spring as "mud-luscious" and "puddle- wonderful". It's clearly a time for renewal, taking deep breaths, and carefully observing nature's awakening. It's also an opportunity for Mill River students to play spring sports, march in parades, take center stage, or simply go for a walk with the family dog and spend a bit of time in reflection. It's hard to believe that June is just around the corner, and the

class of 2016 will soon become a part of our school's rich history. Of course, most importantly, the graduates will forever be members of the Mill River family that began in 1975 and continues to be greatly treasured by the hundreds of students, faculty and staff who are an integral part of what has always made MRUHS special.

**Stage 40 One-Act Play:** This year's show was *The Real Inspector Hound*, a play within a play, by Tom Stoppard. The plot focuses upon two theatre critics named Moon and Birdboot who are watching a ludicrous setup of a country house murder mystery in the style of a "whodunit". By chance, they become a part of the action, which causes a series of events that parallel the play they are actually watching. At the one-act regional competition, MRU's production was chosen to participate in the 2016 Vermont State Drama Festival. Congratulations to Director Peter Bruno and the cast and crew!

**Loyalty Day Parade:** The MRUHS band will be marching in Rutland's 53<sup>rd</sup> Annual Loyalty Parade on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 2pm. Sponsored by the Rutland County Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #648, this year's parade will be held in honor of American ex-prisoners of war.

**All State Parade:** The marching band will also participate in this year's All State Music Parade on Wednesday, May 4. This is the grand opening of the All-State Honors Music Festival that will be held in Swanton this year with concerts being performed at Missisquoi Valley Union Middle/High School.

**Celebration of the Arts:** This year's Celebration of the Arts will feature an Instrumental Concert and Art Show on Tuesday evening May 17, and a Vocal Concert and Art Show on Thursday evening, May 19. All art exhibits may be viewed in the library, beginning at 6:30pm each evening of the celebration.

**The Prom:** The MRUHS prom will be held on Saturday, May 14 from 8:00-12:00 at the Holiday Inn. Family and friends are invited to stop by at 11:30pm to see the crowning of the king and queen and the announcement of the court.

**Memorial Day Parades:** The MRUHS marching band will appear in Memorial Day parades on Sunday May 29 in Middletown Springs at 3:00 pm and in Wallingford on Monday, May 30 at 10am.

With our students participating in so many events held in the spring, there is a plethora of wonderful opportunities for watching a parade or a game on a sunny afternoon or visiting the campus and enjoying the multitude of impressive things being done by the students at our school.

*Submitted by: Sally-Anne Snarski 492-3505 and  
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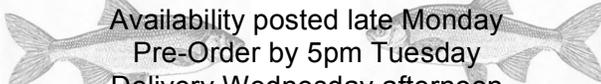
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- We have a new website and also a presence on Facebook. Check us out.
- We were able to participate in a program for non profits offered by the United Way that has been very helpful.
- We have reached out to new schools and organizations to offer new programs.

May 7th is our volunteer training day. It will be at the barn in Shrewsbury 430 Robinson Road from 10 am - 12. You must be 14 years old to volunteer to be leaders or side walkers, however; there are many other opportunities to volunteer no matter what your age. Some of the areas that one might like to volunteer might be gardening, helping to build new obstacles

for the sensory trail, helping to mark and clear a new trail, and office work. We have been painting mugs to sell that are delightful. Please consider volunteering, it is a lot of fun and very rewarding.

In June we be offering a desensitizing clinic to help make your horse more confident in himself and in his rider. Some of the duties our horses are able to do routinely by going through this training are dealing with tarps, noises, balls bouncing off them, going over bridges, horse see saws, obstacles, balloons, umbrellas, trucks, large machinery, motorcycles, and snowmobiles. They play horse soccer where they kick the ball or basketball on horseback and so much more.

July 2nd there will be a silent auction to benefit Reinbow Riding Center to be held at the Mount Holly Community Center from 4 - 6:30.

*Submitted by Grace Brigham*



### Moose Messages

Check out the display of moose items for sale at Pierce's Store including Jerry Parker's Moose coatrack and lamp. Also there are moose cards and postcards and a book about Shrewsbury's famous moose that came to visit Jessica, the cow, almost 30 years ago. Watch for more moose messages in future issues of the Times!



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- Wed, 05/18/2016, Rutland, Linden Terrace, 11am
- Thurs, 05/19/2016, Rutland, Maple Village, 10am
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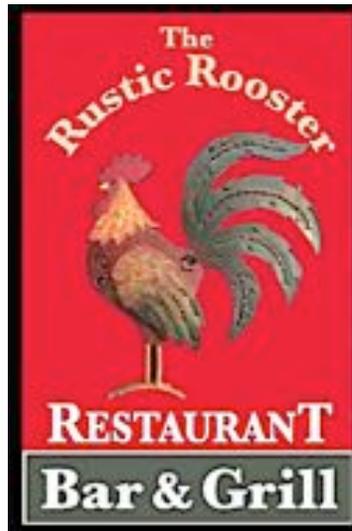


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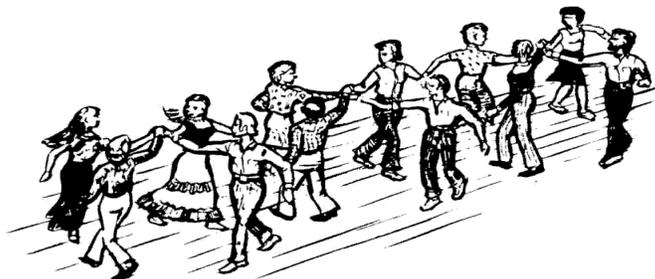
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## Pierce's Store First Annual Postcard Photo Contest

Pierce's is sponsoring a contest to find photos of our town that we'll print as postcards to sell in the store.

- We want images of our hills and our farms, our buildings and byways.
- We want to have a series of cards that show the beauty of Shrewsbury throughout the year.
- We want you to take the photos.
- We want you to select the winners!

Rules are simple:

- Open to all amateur photographers living in Shrewsbury (full or part time).
- Your own photos (digital format), previously unpublished, taken in Shrewsbury. 300 dpi minimum.
- Commercial rights to the images become the property of the Shrewsbury Cooperative at Pierce's Store (SCPS); photographers will be recognized on the cards. No remuneration will be paid to the photographer.
- No recognizable people in the images.
- Submit photos by May 15th. Voting will be during the last week of May.

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To enter please fill out the form below; one form for each entry. No more than 4 submissions per entrant (perhaps one for each season?). SCPS reserves the right to extend the deadline. Entrants will be notified. Copies of the form are available at Pierce's, the Shrewsbury Library and by emailing a request to [pierces.store@gmail.com](mailto:pierces.store@gmail.com)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Location & approximate date photo was taken \_\_\_\_\_  
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I understand that if my photo is selected as a winner, I will give up commercial rights to the image to the Shrewsbury Cooperative at Pierce's Store. I also understand that the Store will print postcards from my image and sell them and I will not receive any remuneration.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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# NEWS FROM PIERCE'S STORE

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

Sally Deinzer, Manager

Here's the **anticipated menu for May**. If there's something particular you're looking for please call ahead (492-3326) to be sure there wasn't a menu change. The menu will be posted daily on our Facebooks page and sent out to the daily e-mail list. If you want to be included on the e-mail distribution please let me know at pierces.store@gmail.com.

As we are presumably moving into the warm weather, Rob is not planning any hot soups for May. Instead he will prepare salads and/or cold soups. There may also be a hot soup from time to time. We'll publish a daily menu Monday – Friday on Facebook and by email.

### Regular hot meals in the crockpot:

- Monday Chili con Carne (Smith Maple Crest Farm beef)
- Thursday Pulled Pork Sandwiches on Rob's home-made buns

### Specialty Wednesday Pizza Varieties

- 5/4 Caramelized onion with gorgonzola and mozzarella cheeses
- 5/11 Greek pizza with marinara sauce, kalamata olives, feta cheese, and mozzarella
- 5/18 Asparagus with prosciutto, mozzarella and Parmesan cheeses
- 5/25 Julian pizza with red onion, parsley, prosciutto, chili flakes, provolone and Parmesan cheeses

## Friday Night Dinners

Mac & Cheese and Lasagna meals are available from about 11 a.m. each Friday until they are gone. Occasionally, Rob will make Baked Ziti instead of the planned item.

No take-out meals are currently planned for May. If you are interested and able to make a meal please contact Sally at 492-3326.

**Beginning Sunday, May 1, Rob will cut back his days at the store to five** and he will no longer work Sunday mornings. Don't despair; we will still have fresh baked goods. Watch for an announcement of what we'll have. We may experiment with a few alternatives. But I'm sure you'll enjoy the choices! However, a couple of his standard items will change days: Anadama bread will now be made (if any bread is made) on Tuesday. Friday will feature a pastry like cinnamon snails and a French or sour-dough bread.

### Name the Garage/Barn

As work has progressed on the space at the end of the driveway next to the store, some have talked of the "garage" and some of the "barn." This then has led to thoughts of naming the place. While those involved have tossed out some ideas, we thought we should ask you -- Shrewsbury.



Please send me your ideas on what to name the place, be it "Northam's Nook" or "Pierce's Place." Neither of those has actually been suggested they just came to mind as I write.

Ideas to pierces.store@gmail.com please!

### Wine Tasting at Pierce's

Join us on Friday, May 20, at 5pm for a wine tasting at Pierce's Store where we will sample some great value red wines. Each spring one of Pierce's wine distributors takes over the Sheraton Hotel in Burlington for a huge show with over thirty tables, each displaying a dozen or more wines. There are over 340 wines from 200+ vintners in the US, Europe, and Latin America. Our mission was to find the best value wines for Pierce's loyal fans. On May 20, we'll showcase three excellent reds, all priced to sell under \$11: a berried Merlot from our California friends at Crusher, whose Pinot has been popular at Pierce's; a fine organic Cabernet Sauvignon from Argentina; and a wonderful Montepulciano from the folks at 90+ Cellars, who have set up a new label called Earthshaker. Like 90+, Earthshaker convinces established vintners to offer quality wines at discounted 'generic' prices. The Earthshaker label focuses on wines that are off the beaten path. Hope to see you May 20!



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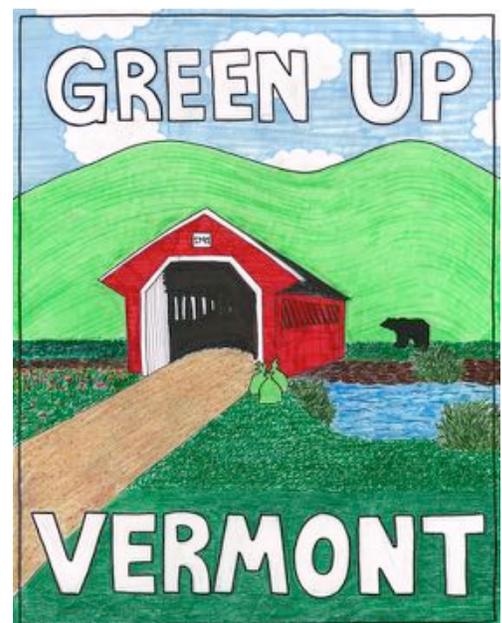
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**Saturday, May 7**