The Barnard Bulletin

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SELECTMEN'S NEWS

Work will begin the first week of June on replacement of the bridge on VT Rt 12 near the Town Garage; however, the actual bridge and road closure will not occur until about June 20. This is a State of Vermont VTrans Accelerated Bridge Project with Miller Construction the selected contractor. The new bridge and road should reopen within 28 days. There will be no temporary bridge during this time; the North Road will be the official detour with some local traffic using Mt Hunger & West Roads as well as Rhoades Hill. We have reposted on the Barnard list serve (barnard@lists.valley.net) further information from VTrans about the bridge replacement.

Meanwhile back at the ranch, the news on replacement of the Town bridge off Old Route 12, which we expected to be underway by now, is not so good. FEMA approved the change of scope proposed by the engineer last July but there wasn't then time to get the project bid out and built in that construction season. We left the engineering firm in charge of bidding the work out and selecting a contractor and expected the work to have begun this spring. Apparently they're having difficulty engineering the longer bridge into the space available with consideration to maintaining traffic flow during construction, finding room to accommodate truck access onto the new bridge and engineering the piles that will support the new structure. Suffice to say that with June just around the corner, we are concerned about completing this project even this construction season. We will update next month.

The Road Crew gradually is getting the roads back in shape; following a brutal winter, the frost has lingered in places longer than any of us can remember. Even now we have some places still "sweating" and settling. We've also had considerable road edge and ditch collapses due to the severity of the frost and water running under the heaved-up roads. As a result of the delay in drying both on and below the road surface, we're three weeks or so behind getting a final grade for your driving pleasure.

A reminder that one of the semiannual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Events at the Bethel-Royalton Recycling Facility is June 21st, 8-12. For more details on what is accepted see posters around Town; for more information call the Facility at 763-2232. Note that latex paints or their cans are not accepted; just dry off the liquid by air exposure and throw in trash.

With a welcome to summer residents and visitors, we remind you and a handful of stubborn locals that our admittedly misnamed Zero Sort Recycling box prohibits glass, cardboard, plastic bags & styrofoam making is really a Sort of Sort box or something. Please just take a minute to read the signs and/or ask the attendant if anything is not clear.

The bass are biting and the peas are in, albeit it none too early, so we declare Spring to be finally here. Hard to imagine the longest is only a month away!

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THE RANDALL DRIVE-IN NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Randall Drive-In Theatre in Randolph, Vt., is trying to raise money for a Digital Projector. The Drive-In needs to buy a Digital Projector in order to stay in business, because the age of 35mm film is over. All future movies will be distributed in digital format. Thus the Drive-In needs a new projector.

If you have even $10 that you can spare to help keep this small drive-in going, go to Kickstarter.com and search for: World's Smallest Drive-In. You do not need to login to donate, but if you have a Facebook account you can login with your Facebook account.

If you believe that a local drive-in theatre is worth having around, please consider donating a few dollars. This Kickstarter funding drive ends May 27th.

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LISTER NOTES

The Listers are expecting to lodge the Grand List Abstract in the next two weeks. About two weeks after that the Listers will hold there Grievance hearings. After the Abstract is lodged, Change of Value Notices will be sent to the owners of property that have had the appraised value changed in the last year. If you receive such a notice please check it for errors and if you have questions, please contact the Listers Office.

Remember, anyone can grieve there appraised value, but they must do so in writing and submit the grievance to the Listers Office before the close of the grievance hearings. If you miss this years grievance period you will have to wait until next year to challenge your appraisal.

NEWS FROM HELPING HANDS

It really is spring and we hope everyone is able to enjoy these warmer and longer days. Barnard Helping Hands has been busy with the sinking of George, Green Up Day, and a fund raiser dance.

Helping Hands is grateful to have received half of the betting pool for George plus other contributions. This money will be added to our Trevor/Harshbarger Fund. The fund was set up to receive donations for the rebuilding of Dagney and David's home, which was destroyed by fire on March 15th. Even though they had insurance, it will not cover the total rebuilding and replacement costs. The fire destroyed years of hard work and irreplaceable items. Contributions are still welcome and will help Dagney and David begin to recreate the home they loved and lost. Checks should be made out to Barnard Helping Hands with Trevor/Harshbarger on the memo line and mailed to Barnard Helping Hands, PO Box 888, Barnard, VT 05031. We are a non-profit, so you will receive a written confirmation of your gift.

Saturday, May 3rd was a big day for "Greening Up" our town. Jo Oliver-Yeager organized Green Up Day and reported that there were over 30 participants – the most ever! Two people won gift cards to the Barnard General Store--one from Helping Hands and one from the BGS. The store celebrated their one-year anniversary, on the same day, with $1 ice cream cones. All in all, it was a very successful day and another reminder of how wonderful Barnard is.

On Friday night, May 9th, we held a fundraiser dance at the Town Hall. The dance was big success, thanks to all the efforts of our board member Joann Ference and other volunteers. There was a delicious Pot Luck to begin the evening and Jeanne and the Hi-Tops played the night away. We received many donations, which will be added to our General Fund. Thanks to so many of you, for making this night a fun and successful fundraiser and a great way to usher in our spring.

We have been able to make a number of deliveries to the two food shelves in the past month. Many thanks for your support. We are delighted to be making more deliveries, as the number of people relying on the Bethel and Woodstock food shelves continues to increase.. Here is a list of items they always need, but please don't feel that you have to stick to the list: peanut butter, tuna fish, canned meat, stews or soups, pasta and pasta sauce, rice, any canned fruits and vegetables, hot or cold cereals, coffee, tea, sugar, and personal care items (such as shampoo, toothpaste and toilet paper). Thank you for supporting the food shelves!

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you or someone you know could use a helping hand. We have people ready and willing to help. If the job is too big for us to handle, we can refer you to other available resources.

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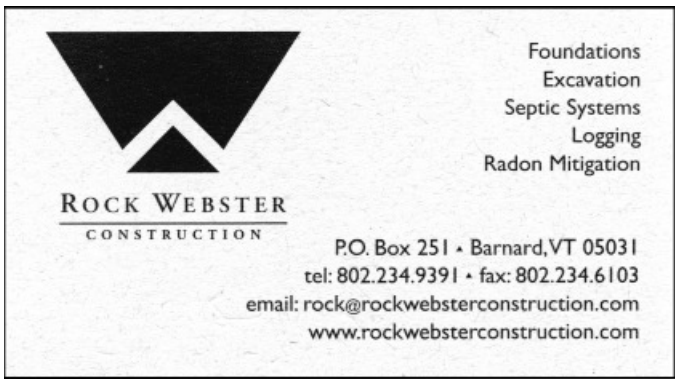


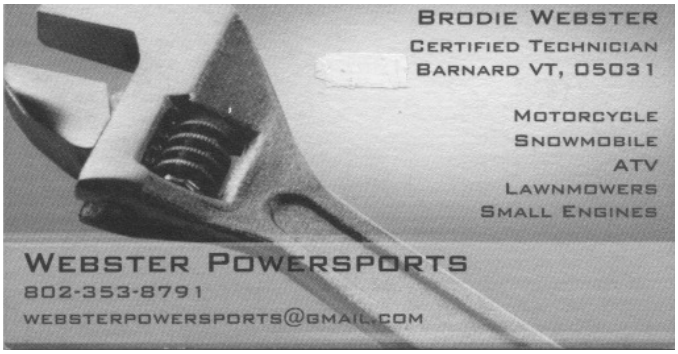
VT 12 BRIDGE CLOSURE REMINDER

The bridge on VT Rt 12 near the Town Garage and Ward's that was destroyed during Irene will be replaced June-July this summer under VTrans' accelerated bridge replacement program. There will be no temporary bridge;

Rt 12 will be closed in this area. The North Road will be the official detour.

The start date for construction activity is June 2, the date for bridge and road closure June 20. The replacement with pre-cast structural members and deck should take about 28 days.

Engineer's plans, pre-construction meeting minutes and further information is available at the Town office or from VTrans http://vtrans.vermont.gov



LOCAL CRYPTOGRAM

A cryptogram is a code in which one letter is substituted for another. For example, the word "Church" could be written BWMSBW. The letter B would be the letter C and would be throughout the entire message. In this message **C = A**. The solution is found by trial and error.

"NE PLF YPCPF DE DMCPDMS

PLCP NIRIZCPFY DRM

FZRWCPNDICH NIYPNPRPNDIY

ZRMNIJ PLF UDIPL DE GRIF

WDRHZ QF PMCIYEDMUFZ NIPD

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WCHNEDMINC, KF YLDRHZ CHH

QF LCVVNHS CKCYL DM

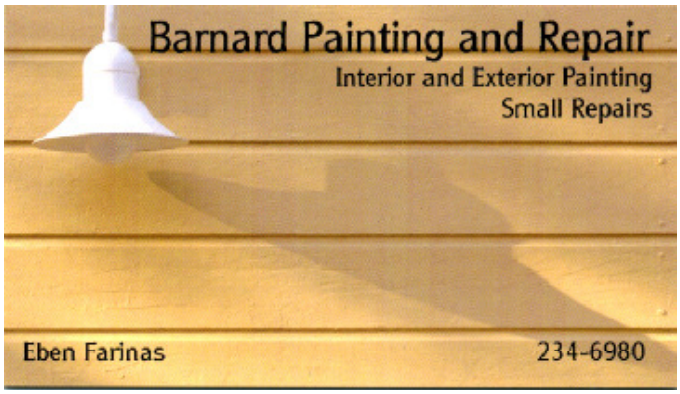
KCPFMHDJJFZ." -YCURFH JDRHZ

The answer to the CRYPTOGRAM can be found on the inside of the back page.

A REMINDER FROM THE BARNARD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Due to recent out breaks of brush fires in and around Barnard, we remind people that any outdoor burning requires a fire permit which can be obtained by calling Fire Chief Scott Mills at 234-7250 or Deputy Fire Warden Lance Webster at the town garage on weekdays at 234-6961 or in the early evening at 234-9705.

It's the time of year again when the fire department is looking for gently used items as donations for their July 5th flea market and barbecue. We respectfully request that items are in good working condition and no donations of clothing please. Anyone wishing to donate items for the sale can contact Scott Mills at 234-7250 or Mike Manning at 234-5263 to arrange for a fireman to pick up your donated items. Details on the annual July 5th flea market and chicken barbecue will be in the next issue of the Bulletin.



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EAST BARNARD CHURCH ANNOUNCES SUMMER SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

BY VIRGINIA GLASS SCHLABACH

In the two weeks since Green Up Day, when a work crew gathered to clean up the grounds around the Community Hall and church, the East Barnard landscape has indeed greened up. As the lowly coltsfoot along the roadsides turns white, the dandelions and marsh marigolds have taken over with cheerful splashes of yellow. Hummingbirds are back from the South. But best of all, the neighbors are outside again, working in yards and gardens, walking and biking, stopping to talk - the village is alive once more!

Recently, a small group gathered at the church to ring the bell in commemoration of the Civil War battle of the Wilderness. Soon the church will again be an active gathering place as summer worship services are scheduled to begin on June 15. Our summer minister is Kellyann Wolfe from Tunbridge, a lay priest of the Episcopal church who also indexes text books. Kellyann was a guest speaker last year and says she loved her time in East Barnard. She is already ministering to folks in need of support within our community.

Sunday services begin at 9:30 a.m. with the summer schedule ending on August 24. Three of the music leaders will be Amber Leavitt, Carol Rousseau, and Pattie Reggle, and choir practice will be held at 8:00 a.m. each Sunday. Throughout the summer there will be church-related events on the theme, "What Is Prayer?" The first is a "meet and greet the minister" potluck on June 1 at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Steve and Vali Stuntz. A book discussion and bread and music workshops are also planned.

Installation of ECFiber WiFi service for the firehouse and Community Hall is still in process at this writing. Soon people will be able to sit on the Hall porch or at the picnic tables on the green to use their iPads and laptops. The Hall will be open for various summer activities sponsored by the Community Club, and horseshoes and a croquet set are available on the porch for use at any time by anyone who wants to play on the grounds.

Marlene Rand, Linda Ward, and Charlotte Croft tie the queen-size "Gentleman's Fancy" raffle quilt, made by the women of the East Barnard Community Club. Tickets are now on sale at $1.00 each or 6 for $5.00. The drawing will be held at the Largely Local Supper on September 6. Raffle proceeds benefit the Community Hall.

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FEAST AND FIELD MARKET AT THE CLARK FARM

Fable Farm, Heartwood Farm, Eastman Farm, Kiss the Cow, and Camp Red Clover are excited to announce the upcoming season of the Feast and Field Market at the Commons at the Clark Farm. This collective of farm-based businesses is working together with the Vermont Land Trust to access the land and establish sustainable farm businesses in the valley. The Feast and Field Market is an evolution of artisan and farmers market at the "Clark Commons" introduced last year, but with more offerings. This year, as a collective, the group of farms will all be contributing foods toward farm fresh tacos for purchase at the market.

The market will run every Thursday beginning June 12th from 4:30-7:30, and will feature vegetables for CSA pick-up and for a la carte purchase from the Heartwood Fable Collective Farm, Fable and Heartwood's new partnership. The market will also feature, Eastman Farm beef and pork, Kiss the Cow eggs, chicken, ducks, milk and canned goods, Fable Farm Fermentory bottled cider, and Carin's Kombucha. Some favorite local food and craft artisans will also grace the market with their wares.

A full schedule of music is planned throughout the summer, and guests are encouraged to remember cash for the passing of the bucket and purchase of CDs to value the time of the artists who share their time and skill. Music begins at 5:30, and opens June 12th with Spencer Lewis and the Folk Rock Project. June 19th, flat top guitarist Doug Perkins will perform, and June 26th features Bow Thayer and friends. Arts and crafts and kids activities will be coordinated by Camp Red Clover.

Space is still available for Fable Heartwood Collective Farm CSA shares. This year, the two vegetable farms are merging their vegetable operations to increase efficiency, and improve the land base. The pay structure has changed and a new credit system is being introduced. Rather than picking up a share of assigned vegetables each week, customers may pre-purchase credit in amounts of $400 or $600 towards a credit of $440 or $660 in produce. If a family is on vacation and misses the weekly pick-up, they can still get the full price of their investment and more. The market will be set up as a traditional market with vegetables available a la carte for non-members. The hope is that this new system will make the market accessible to more people and give customers more choices and flexibility. As a new offering, Kiss the Cow Farm will also be introducing milk shares, and Eastman Farm will be introducing meat shares to offer regular customers a better deal with bulk purchasing.

All are welcome, and we hope you'll join for what should be a great season of sharing food, art, stories and merriment on the land that sustains us.

If you are interested in being a vendor, and have a product that is not yet featured at the market contact clovermont@gmail.com.

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THOMPSON CENTER NEWS

SUBMITTED BY PAM BUTLER

It's Barnard Day again at The Thompson Center on Monday June 9th, and we invite our Barnard neighbors to call a friend and come for a delicious noon lunch for just $2.00. It's our way of encouraging Barnard residents to familiarize themselves with the senior center – Barnard's senior center - and what we have to offer adults of all ages. If you need a ride, call Paula at 457-3277 and she will be happy to schedule a ride from your Barnard home.

This summer a new group will be starting at The Thompson Center for those diagnosed with an early stage memory disorder, co-facilitated by Susan Moor and Katrin Tchana. Alzheimer's disease, and related disorders, can now be diagnosed earlier in the disease process than ever before, sometimes when people have very few symptoms. This support group will give participants an opportunity to meet others with similar issues, learn how to manage symptoms, and gain support. Care partners are encouraged to attend as well.

Susan has been working in the field of dementia since 2005. She was the Social Services Manager for an adult day health program in Massachusetts and later held the title of Early Stage Program Coordinator with the Massachusetts/New Hampshire chapters of the Alzheimer's Association. She has facilitated a variety of support groups over the course of seven years and trained others to facilitate groups. Susan recently relocated to Woodstock, Vermont with her husband.

Katrin is one of the Care Coordinators for Mt. Ascutney hospital and works at the Ottauquechee Health Center. She works with community members throughout the Ottauquechee region to promote wellness and help older people age in place. She has a MSW degree and is one of the facilitators of the Thompson Center's Caregiver Support Group.

If you are interested in more details about joining this group, please contact Katrin Tchana at the Ottauquechee Health Center 457-5414, or email her at katrin.tchana@mahhc.org. She can also be reached at the Thompson Center on the third Wednesday of each month.

Also new in June is a beginner's Italian class on Thursdays, beginning June 5th to 26th, 1:15 to 2:30pm. This class will focus on basic Italian through conversation, some grammar, and "hands-on" learning with word games, props, and exercises. The use of a text book and/or other resources will be discussed as a group. The class will meet following lunch, where an ongoing group of Italian speakers enjoy lunch and relaxed Italian conversation at the "Italian Table". Instructor Veronica Delay has studied Italian for over 20 years, both in Italy and the United States, and has taught Italian in a variety of settings.

If you would like to receive The Thompson e-newsletter weekly for a glimpse of upcoming program highlights and the week's menu, sign up by emailing: djones@thompsonseniorcenter.org. Find us on Facebook and search "The Thompson Senior Center" and click "like" for regular updates, pictures, event reminders and invitations, and for interesting articles about health, finances, and Aging in Place.

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CURRENT BARNARTS PROJECTS

Registration is now open for the BarnArts **Summer Youth Theatre Institute's production of Willy Wonka**.

Lyrics and Music by Leslie Bricusse and Anthony Newley.

Rehearsal Dates: July 21- August 7 (Monday - Friday)

Time: 9am-3pm

Performance Dates: August 8-10

Where: The Purple Crayon/Artistree in Woodstock and the Barnard Town Hall (tech week)

Ages 8-18 (Students under age 8 who are interested may apply by audition.)

Cost: $375

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FIRST YOGA HIKE OF THE SEASON

MEMORIAL WEEKEND

Spring has greened up Vermont, so it's time for our first Yoga Hike! As its name suggests, a Yoga Hike is an event where we do yoga as we hike through the woods. It's not only a well-balanced workout, but it is also great for releasing stress and connecting with nature.

Yoga Hikes begin with a good stretch at the trailhead and a few moments of reflection about nature. Then we hit the trail, hiking with simple yogic principles of movement and stopping at scenic spots to do yoga poses on our "Yoga Breaks." To deepen the experience, we incorporate periods of silence into our hike. After hiking, we use yoga to cool down and rest.

Anyone who likes to hike is well-suited for a Yoga Hike, even hikers without yoga experience. Local yoga teacher "Miss Amanda" Anderson leads the hikes, and is experienced in gently introducing newcomers to the practice of yoga. Even people who claim they're not flexible will do great. Miss Amanda says: if you can breathe, you can do yoga!

The first Yoga Hike of this season will take place in Pomfret on Sunday, May 25 from 10 am to noon. The trail will reward Yoga Hikers with a spectacular view, so you might want to bring a camera. To sign up or get more information about this unique activity, call Miss Amanda at 234-2125 or email her at amanda@innerliftyoga.com. You can also visit www.yogahikesvt.com, where we will be posting dates of more hikes this summer.

Miss Amanda also continues to teach weekly yoga classes at the Danforth Library on Monday mornings at 9 and Tuesday evenings at 6. Both classes are open to all levels and are offered by donation.

CRYPTOGRAM ANSWER

"If the state of oratory that inundates our educational institutions during the month of June could be transformed into rain for southern California, we should all be happily awash or waterlogged." - Samuel Gould

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FIBER ARTS BARNARD (FAB) - 2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the Barnard library community room, 3:30-5:30. Contact Janet Andersen, 234-5251, hywynds@aol.com, or Jenney Silva, 457-9000, hsilva86@yahoo.com.

THE BARNARD ACADEMY SCHOOL BOARD meets at 8:30 am at the school on the first Tuesday of each month.

THE PLANNING COMMISSION meets at 7:00pm in the Town Clerk's office on the following dates. 2013: June 3; August 5; October 7; November 4; December 2. 2014: January 6; February 3; March 10.

BARNARD LISTERS listers@barnardvt.us, 234-9576. Office hours, except holidays, Wednesday 9:00am - 11:00am, by appointment, or anytime we are in the office.

BARNARD ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S office hours are Mondays, 9am – 12:00 noon.

BARNARD CONSERVATION COMMISSION meets the second Monday of the month, 7:00 PM, Town Hall.

TOWN CLERK office hours are Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 8:00am - 3:30pm,

THE DEVELOPMENT REVIEW BOARD meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at the Barnard Town Hall as necessary.

RECYCLING HOURS: Saturdays, 8:00am to 4:00pm.

BEES MEETINGS First Tuesday of each month allowing for school vacations, 6:00pm - 7:30pm, at the school library.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY meets the last Tuesday of the month. Call 457-3020 for location.

The Energy Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7 pm at the Barnard Town Offices.

DANFORTH LIBRARY is open Saturdays 10:00 to noon, Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00. Story hour is the first Saturday of the month. The Book Club meets the first Wednesday at 7:00pm.

SILVER LAKE CHAPEL will be holding Sunday worship services on Sunday evenings at 6:00pm. Please contact Marty Bascom at 802-728-5764 for more information.

SELECTMEN meet the second and forth Wednesday of the month at 7:00PM at the Town Clerk's office.

YOGA CLASSES offered at Danforth Library, Mondays 9:00 am - 10:30 am and Tuesdays 6:00 pm -7:30 pm with Amanda Anderson. Classes are by donation; for more info, contact theonlymissamanda@yahoo.com.

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