Fall Foliage Craft Fair This Saturday

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"Anything you can think of. There's not a particular theme," she said. "Some people make Christmas ornaments or fall things, but it's a lot of everyday items, too. People like to start their Christmas shop-

Fair organizers track how many people come to the event each year. Johns said that it usually averages between 750 and 1,000 attendees. Valerie Hussey will manage the food served in the school cafeteria

area.

Johns said a new vendor this year is Sugar Top Farm, from Hyde Park. The farm will have goat milk idge. A popular regular is Theresa Kep el, from Craftsbury, who makes

by Michael Bichwelt

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make a little money, but it's also good awareness and publicity. Peo-ple get to see us there, 'AWARE di rector Anna Pirie said.

Johns said that, overall, the crafts fair is doing well and should continue to be a mainstay for years to come.

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The HVCC supports eight towns in the area, including Stannard, Walden, Woodbury, Welectt, Hardwick, Craftabury, Greensboro, and Cabat. She said their primary role is to help businesses grow.



State's Fund Recapture **Compromise Threatens** School District Budgets

MONTPELIER — A I ______ALLER — A last-minute state budget compromise has led to a \$13,000,000 shortfall in school district and supervisory union bud-gets.

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Referencing the State's budget compromise passed in June, Rep-Young said, "It was a bestage situ-tation. We were a few days before the fiscal year ended. Because the budget had been vetoed by the Governor (Governor Phil Scott), we needed a budget. "You have a given to your head," he said." It's not just schools, but ev-end, "It's not just schools, but ev-sed, "It's not just schools, but ev-

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Six-Month Budget For November 7 Vote

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would anter everything, not just the budget had passed unanimously in the House, but then everything changed when the compromise proposal came out.

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Sarah Waring is Vermonter of the Month

HARDWICK - The Attorney Generals office is starting a new initiative to recognize individuals around the state who are substan-tially benefiting their communities and local economy. The first person to be selected is Sarah Warnig or serves as Executive Director of the Center for an Agricultural Econo my (CAE) and can often be found at their Pool Venture Center findlity

Center for an Agricultural Econo their Food Venture Center facility in Hardwick's industrial park. The Committee of the Committee of their and their Economic Committee of their and has lived in Weshington, Die and the Beely Mountains. Her in federal land use management, new prefit work, undeer learning started work at the CAS in 2012. The Center for an Agricultural syspenser lead enountily initiatives in town and the region themsel she development. In Hardwick, the CAS is known for the efforts in Venture of the CAS in 2012. Venture of the CAS in 1012, the CAS is the committee of the CAS is known for the efforts in Venture of the CAS in 1012. granite processing site.

The Food Venture Center facility provides space and resources for





Thieves Hit ATM at Willey's Store

GREENSBORO — On the evening of Sunday, October 1, The Willey's Store was burglarized and its ATM machine destroyed. The intruders were able to demolish the ATM, access the machine's cash

rault, and remove an undisclosed ameauth of cash. Rebert Hurst, Jr., who runs the store, said that the burglars had jimmied a side door open after the saurveillance samesa, which ought what was transpiring in the store. No damage was done scrept to the dot of the saurveillance saurveillance saurveillance saurveillance saurveillance saurveillance between the ATM and into the cash vault, 'Hurst said. 'Noth-ing side was taken. They destroyed a few minutes. They were seen on camera."

"It (the robbery) is upaetting. We are going over our security policies and making sure we are better pre-

and making sure we are better pre-pared."

The store had a break-in last year; the intruders were also eaught on eamera. They had riffed through the offices but took nothing

through the offices but took nothing substantial, according to Hurst.

"This is the first time that some ne has actually gotten something."

The Willey's Store is centrally lecated in the Greensbore Village and is very visible. However, with the change of season and the de-parture of summer visitors, more past, someone breaking a window next door and dogs' barking would arouse a neithbor.

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mont Vaudeville show Too Much Information, performed September

28 – 30 at the Hardwick Toum House.

School Negotiations Reach An Impasse

photo by Will Walters The tree planted by Marc DiStefano and students with whom he was working in the 1980s was cut down recently. A small tree was planted in its place, so decorators could reach the upper branches for its seasonal display. See story, Page Five.

PIAINFIELD — Negotiations for professional and support staff at Twinfield Union School, Cabot School and the Washington North-east Supervisory Union (WNESU) negotiation council have come to an impasse on the contract talks for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019

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services are the scheduled negotiators did not appear at the scheduled negotiators than the scheduled negotiators after the WNESU council held that open sessions were generally required and WNESU filed an unfair labor practice against the union council. A counter-suit was subsequently filed that the scheduled of the scheduled than the scheduled that the Labor Relations Board (VLRB).

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spen meeting law did not apply un-der these oriumatures. The shoat of the control of the control of the control committed an unfair laber practice by refuting to good thin negelatar, peal of the VLRB rating to the Ver-month of the control of the control of the VLRB rating to the Ver-month of view on the Tapesti. Negolations resumed, using WNESU statumers and would allow discussion to proceed in execu-tion of the control of the control work of the control of the control of the control of the control of the WNESU statumers and would allow discussion to proceed in execu-tion of the control of the control work of the control of the control of the control of the control of the work of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the same control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the desired of the control of the control of the control of the control

tricts that the state had previously promised them.
Governor Phil Scott wanted a state-wide health insurance agreement, in which all teachers would pay 20% of premium costs, saying the state would realize \$26 million in savings. The proposal was not accepted by the legislature, resulting in a veto of the budget bill and a subsequent veto session of the legislature.

subsequent vero session or one vop-islature. During the session, a statewide plan was not enacted, but the gov-ernor and legislature compromised on an arrangement to achieve the savings in healthcare costs that Scott wanted. The compromise See IMPASSE, Page Four

by Will Wilders

CADDY — A six-merchi. budget for carry the twent from January 1, 20216 s Jull 20, 2018, will be sent to a special Town Medicing for voice to a special Town Medicing for voice to a president to the sent to a fixed year transmitten the twen to a fixed year from July 1 to June 20.

The budget, which was approved for general administration and \$962,200 for highway expenses, \$962,200 for highway expenses, but a fixed to the sent the sent the proposed of the sent to the

collecting taxes twice a year and town taxes will be due in August, immediately after the budget is in effect. The money being spent ones in within a month. School taxes will be due in November. The change will open up the possibility that the town will not have to borrow money on a tax anticipation note and will, therefore, save on interest exense. A tax anticipation of the control of the con

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