Village Market **Deeded House** Without Notice

HARDWICK - On October 12, the Hardwick Town Clerk re-ceived a quit claim deed in which Winston Jennison Investments, LLC., 'remissed, released, and forever quitclaimed unto the said Hardwick Village Market ... all rights and title which it, the said Grantor. Winston Jennison Inrights and title which it, the said Grantor, Winston Jeanison In-vestments, L.L.C., and or it's faid heira" the house at 91 Mill Street. An important detail in the transaction was overlooked: no noe told the Hardwick Village Market. They transferred the proper-ty to us without our consent or knowledge, "said Hardwick Vil-

hey transferred the proper-ous without our consent or wledge," said Hardwick Vil-Market's Pam Trag. "They filed a tax transfer document

also filed a tax transfer document without our signature on it. "
She said the matter is now in She said the transfer of the said the lawyers, but the Village Market has still not discarded the possi-bility of taking over the property. "We don't know the numbers," she said, "It's a real question," of whether it's \$6,000 or \$60,000 whether it's \$6,000 as of the said of the mediation of the site!."

The land on which the house

Caledonia Spirits'

by Doug McClure

given the company as an incusa-tor town.

"Hardwick has been incredi-ibly supportive. We have nothing but good things to say about the town of Hardwick," said Cont.
"When you decide to move your business, there's lots of reasons and it has nothing to do with the support we've gotten from the [Hardwick] select board and town

ager and everybody else

manager and everybody else."
The company's current facility
is 6,500 square feet, according to
Conant, and demand for the spirits they produce outstripped that
the business investigated 'probably ten' properties in and around
Hardwick, including the Yellow
Barn, and the reality was there
simply wasn't enough space to
size and access Caledonia Spirits
needed for growth.

size and access Caledonia Spirits needed for growth. Hardwick Town Manager Jon Jewett pointed out that Montpe-lier put \$406, 700 into an offering for Caledonia Spirits and Hard-wick can't match Montpeller of proximity to transport. He said the initial economic development loan of \$100,000 Hardwick gave or Caledonia Spirits has always

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not have known that it had been deeded the property. Attempts to contact Winston Jennison by the Gazette were un-



Jeudevine Committee Gets First Glimpse of Expansion

by Doug McClure

HADDWICK. On, Thurnday,
October 25, the Jenderins Memorial Library Budling Committee
got its first look at the architects'
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were, according to chair Johl-Lew
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For the most part, the committee liked what it saw and felt the
concerns successfully. The design features two sections, with **New Facility On Track** by Doug McClure

HARDWICE. The new Caledraft Spring facility in Meatedraft Spring facility in Meatedraft Spring facility in Meatedraft Spring facility in Meateint is nutrack for Alay opening,
according to Minty Conant, the
CRO of the company. She said the
not run into any humps or major
surprises, and attributes a lof of
that to the help Hardwick has
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assigned by their receivables of experience which allow the two sections to be used in-dependently. The new main employers of the control of their receivables of their receivables of their receivables. On their receivables of their receivab

it to be the most westoming species bile."

She said that may see if the adjacent church, St. John the Baptist, would be willing to allow the expansion to extend right up to the piperty line, perhaps in extended to the property line, perhaps in expension to extend the property fort. Everyone on the committee felt that the architects had done well with a fairly tight site and that little extra space would help.

In the new plan, the basement area has a large open space with a divider, which the committee wanted to be movable, and adds a kitchea. Overall, the committee was not to be movable, and adds a kitchea. Overall, the committee was on opening up spaces a bit more where possible and getting natural light into the new spaces. For example, George Hemmens of the committee of the commi

up a larger space for the young adults.

"It makes that whole stack area the center of the library," he said. Some concern was raised over the architect deaire to use a flat roof in part of the expansion of the library, and the library, and the was to awid blocking the upper windows of the library, Joyce M. Mandeville said blocking the some the library, Joyce M. Mandeville and blocking the some the library was to make the library, Joyce M. Mandeville said blocking these windows would be "a big loss" and the architects assured the committee the goal was to make sure that the flat not would be "found that the fla

"We will really dig into that,"
said Nimtz. "Everyone says that
flat roofs don't work in Vermont,
See EXPANSION, 7

Administrative Merger for **Local Schools**

NORTH (LARENDON on the Month of the Month of

no school closures are on the table."

Right now, the OSSU has nine
At different school boards. Of those,
the the Board of Education has made
46 recommendations about Craftsof bury, Greensboro, Hardwick
the Town (Hardwick Elementary),
not Lakeview Union, Stannard Town,

Town (Hardwick Elementary), Lakeview Union, Stannard Town, Wolcott, and Woodbury Town Craftsbury and Wolcott are so far slated to remain as-is, with the other five school boards being merged into one Preft-6 board. Hazen Union is also unchanged. LeBlanc stressed "Just to be clear, this is still a provisional procommendation but we don't ex-

Craftsbury School District Granted Stand-Alone Status

CRAFTSBURY – The answer to the one question asked at last Tuesday's community meeting of the Craftsbury School District has been answered provisionally

the Craftsbury School District has been answered provisionally by the State Board of Education. Craftsbury School District Chair Harry Miller reported, alone district. Monday's meeting of the State Board of Education (SEE) at Mill River Union High School in Will River Union High School in Will River Union High School in word and the Company of the Company with the Company of the Company of the main a PK-12 system within the Orleans Southwest Supervisory Union.

Miller reported two other out-

remain the same as they are for a year, but may be revisited in the future. Secondly, the Lake-ther the secondly the Lake-tic second second between the District, Greenabore School District, Hardwick School District, and be merged into a Pfc.6 Medified Unified Union School District (MUIUSD). According to the SSE week of the State of the State of the University of the State of the State (MUIUSD). According to the SSE (MUIUSD). According to the SSE (MUIUSD). According to the SSE intrained to the State of the SSE (MUIUSD). According to the SSE (MUIUSD).

provisional votes will be finalized later in November in preparation for a final, statewise school dis-trict plan to be issued on or before November 30.

At an earlier October SBE meet-ing in White River Junction, the Wolcott School District was given a reprieve from merging and will See CRAFTSBURY, 5

Vote on Joining Lawsuit Against Merger Expected

MARSHFIELD — The Twinfield school directors looked at the op-tion of joining the lawsuit against forced mergers by the state Board of Education, but took no action as

of Education, but took no action as it was not warned for the Oct. 16 meeting. Chair Patrick Healy said he could schedule it for the next meeting so the board could vote on whether to join the suit or not. Director Jon Groveman said at present there are 15 towns that have signed up to be parties to the suit, but the complaint will not be filed with the superior court until the statewish action

the unit, but the complant wait court until the statewish extion plan is announced. He said that there may not be only benefit to a on, as an injunction may not cover cristricts that did not join as the district deson of the said that the district deson sign on. Growenna said at present the bone, with no cot to the schools, but if the lawant gets to court which will be said to the said of the which will be said to court which will be said to court which will be shared by those who enter into the suit. He said some money has already been school money to fund their share.

He said be is against both a forced merger and re-assigntion of the said be in a special to the said be said to the said to

Board of Ed Rejects Cabot-Danville Merger

NORTH CLARENDON - As NORTH CLARENDON – According to board chair Krista Huling, the Vermont Board of the Control of th See REJECTS, 8

Hardwick facility

In Sports, 12 CHIEFTANS BLANK



In Hardwick, 3 HAUNTED HOUSE RAISES FUNDS



In Arts, 6 HARP GUITARIST

