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Senior lunch in Newfane

NEWFANE — On Thursday, July 9, at noon at the Newfane Congregational Church, the monthly senior lunch will be served. On the menu is pork tenderloin stuffed with spinach, roasted potatoes, peas, dinner rolls, and a green salad with oranges and cranberries. Rhubarb compote will be served as an appetizer, with blueberry lemon cake for dessert.

This meal is sponsored by Senior Solutions, and prepared and served by hard-working volunteers from the church and community. A suggested donation for this meal is \$4; takeouts (please reserve ahead) are \$5. Call Winnie Dolan at 802-365-7870 for information.

'Suffs' watch party at All Souls Church

WEST BRATTLEBORO — On Friday, July 10, from 6 to 9 p.m., there will be a watch party at All Souls Church UU, 29 South St., to view the filmed Broadway musical *Suffs*, written by a Vermonter, Shaina Taub.

This entertaining and moving show is packed full of the true dramatic history of the Women's Suffrage movement in the U.S. Bring your own snacks or light supper; popcorn and drinks will be provided. Admission is free of charge, with a suggested donation to benefit the Women's Freedom Center. For more information, contact All Souls Church at 802-254-9377.

Summer book sale at Moore Library

NEWFANE — The Friends of the Moore Free Library will hold their summer book sale at the library on 23 West St., Saturday, July 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The offerings will include multiple categories, with an especially large children's section. Buy a Moore Free Library tote bag for \$20 or fill it with books for \$25. For more information, contact julielavorgna@gmail.com or call the library at 802-365-7948.

Annual Strawberry Supper at Westminster Church

WESTMINSTER — The community is invited to gather for a traditional New England summer favorite, the Strawberry Supper, hosted by the First Congregational Church of Westminster, 3470 Route 5, Saturday, July 11.

Guests will enjoy a hearty homemade dinner featuring baked ham, baked beans, potato salad, coleslaw, rolls with

butter, and refreshing beverages. The evening will conclude with delicious local strawberries served as a sweet summer dessert.

The supper will be offered in two seatings, 4:30 and 6 p.m. Tickets are available in advance and seating is limited. To reserve tickets or obtain additional information, email strawberrysupper@gmail.com or call 603-707-6461.

Senior walk in Guilford's Ashworth Forest

Block July 14

GUILFORD — Guilford Cares will gather with walkers at the Ashworth Forest Block on Tuesday July 14, at 10:30 a.m. This is one of a number of forest blocks named and described in the Guilford Natural Resources Inventory.

With guidance and permission from the landowners, participants will walk some of the open flat woodland trails they have created on their land. Karen Murphy will serve as guide and will help walkers identify flora, birdsongs, and whatever nature presents that day.

The walk is about a mile out and back on a woodland trail with red oak and pine; wide, flat, and dry. As with all nature walks, bug repellent and protective clothing are recommended. From Guilford Center Road, turn onto Bonnyvale Road, then take the first right onto Ashworth Road. Stay on this dirt road until the gate where the walk begins. For further information or a ride, call 802-579-1350 or email guilfordcaresvt@gmail.com.

Townshend Library presents dinosaur program

TOWNSHEND—As part of its Summer Reading Program, the Townshend Public Library is presenting “Dinoman,” a fun, informative program featuring life-sized inflatable dinosaur models.

How do we know dinosaurs existed? What are fossils and how are they created? Dinoman, aka Bob Lisaius, will take participants on a tour of the Mesozoic era to answer these and other questions about the prehistoric giants that once roamed the Earth.

78 The program takes place Wednesday, July 15, at 1 p.m.,
79 at Leland & Gray Union High School. It is free and open to all.
80 For more details, see the library website at
81 townshendpubliclibrary.org or call 802-365-4039.

82 ***Serious Illness Program at Center for Solace***
83 ***accepting new participants***

84 BRATTLEBORO — The Serious Illness Program at Center
85 for Solace began two years ago and was created to offer support,
86 solace, and assistance to people going through a life-altering
87 serious illness, one that may or may not have a terminal
88 prognosis.

89 The program offers one-on-one volunteer services,
90 support groups, and activities with others who have a serious
91 illness, as well as opportunities to learn more about what
92 resources are available in the community. It also has trained
93 volunteers who can offer emotional support and a listening ear,
94 companionship, help around the house, transportation for
95 appointments, support for appointments and treatments, and
96 more.

97 The Serious Illness Program is for people in Windham
98 County and bordering New Hampshire towns. All services are
99 free of charge and fully confidential. They do not provide medical
100 care. To learn more about the program, contact coordinator
101 Eileen Glover at 802-257-0775, ext. 106, or
102 eileen.glover@cfsolace.org.

103 ***Rockingham cemeteries exhibit now at RFPL***

104 BELLOWS FALLS — The Rockingham Cemetery
105 Committee presents an ongoing exhibit at the Rockingham Free
106 Public Library, 65 Westminster St., showcasing the rich history,
107 artistry, and evolving traditions of Rockingham's five municipal
108 cemeteries.

109 From the nationally recognized Rockingham Meeting
110 House cemetery to the civic landscapes of the Oak Hill,

111 Restland, and Saxtons River cemeteries, to the rural cemetery in
112 Cambridgeport, there is much to explore.
113 Of particular note is the 18th-century Samuel Walker
114 slate headstone and information on its artistic, cultural, and
115 historic value. Other displays explain the assessment photography
116 now underway in the cemeteries and the digital database of
117 cemetery information being developed in collaboration with the
118 library. Genealogical storylines demonstrate the connection
119 between the cemeteries and the day-to-day life of the community.
120 The exhibit underscores the critical importance of
121 historic preservation and volunteer stewardship. Community
122 members are invited to contribute through a survey about the
123 cemeteries and to step forward to volunteer for projects led by
124 the cemetery committee.
125 Check the library's hours at rockinghamlibrary.org or call
126 802-463-4270. Feedback or questions may be directed to
127 chairofrockinghamcemeterycomm@gmail.com.

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