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Historical Society News

Local Artists Exhibit Under New Historical Society Roof

By Jody Normandeau

As usual it is a busy time at the Dummerston Historical Society. An exciting new art exhibit by many of our own talented artists opened on July 8th (see accompanying article). We are also looking forward to our fall exhibit put together by Chuck Fish. This exhibit is about West Dummerston, past and present, and should prove to be an interesting one. If anyone has photos about West Dummerston that they would like to share, please contact Chuck at 254-2554.

On July 19th we were treated to a wonderful program about Victoria Woodhall who was the first woman to run for President in 1872. She was also an advocate for free love, the world's first stockbroker, and a scandal-mongering newspaper editor (to quote from the program's publicity). This program was funded by the Vermont Humanities Council and organized by Dwight Miller.

Watch the newspaper for announcements of this season's popular walkabouts and plan on joining us for these very interesting walks and talks. You are sure to learn a lot about places and people in our community.

If you haven't already noticed our newly dressed up building, please stop and take a look. It is sporting a new coat of paint from last year and now is topped with a beautiful new roof that is supposed to last for fifty years.

they stripped off the three layers (yes, three) of asphalt shingles they found underneath the old boards that held the original wood shingles. The boards, however, were in pretty bad shape and filled with many holes. They therefore had to cover them with plywood before proceeding with the rest of the new roofing materials. Unfortunately this was not part of the original bid, as no one knew what shape the roof really was in, and as a result the cost for the roof escalated quite a bit. Because of the extra cost involved

Jim and Peter Evans did a great job. When we are looking for any size donation you could possibly give to offset this cost. Donations can be sent to The Dummerston Historical Society, P.O. Box 8064. Brattleboro, Vermont 05304. Your donation will be greatly appreciated and as the society is a non-profit organization it will be tax deductible.

> Please remember that even though we would love to have you as a member, you do not have to belong to take part in any of our activities. Everyone, of any age is always welcome. We hope to see you.

Community Center **Yodeling Classes Offered Soon**

By Ann Davis

The Community Center members and friends have been very busy this summer! Friday July 20 we served many Vermont visitors who stopped at the Welcome Center. Saturday July 28 was our second barbecue chicken supper and raffle at the center Grange.

Our sincere "thank you" to everyone who helped us with these two events - we couldn't do it without you.

Hopefully, in September we will hold a



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tag sale at the center. Donations are needed...so remember us when cleaning out! Please, no exercise equipment, computers, TVs, or similar items.

The electrical work has finally been completed, most importantly including new lights upstairs, outside light, and electrical panel. This has been a long time coming.

Some classes will soon be available at the center, including vodeling classes with Kerry Hohout (call Jean at 254-9212 for more information), and piano, banjo and guitar lessons with Paul Adkins (call 258-2454 for more information).

As always, please remember the Community Center when planning your next party or get together. It's a great place for classes and workshops, too. With the kitchen and playground, it just can't be beat as a fun and safe place for the kids. We are handicapped accessible, making it possible for all to enjoy the facility. Reserve your date now by calling Joann at 257-0845 or Jean

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