A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER FROM WAITSFIELD AND CHAMPLAIN VALLEY TELECOM

Call 8-1-1 Before You Dig!

It's springtime, do you have building projects in the works—maybe building a deck or planting a tree? 8-1-1 (or 1-888-DIG-SAFE) is the number you should call before you begin any digging project. If you hit an underground utility line while digging, you can harm yourself or those around you, disrupt service to an entire neighborhood and potentially be responsible for fines and repair costs. Remember to contact Dig Safe at 1-888-DIG-SAFE or 8-1-1 prior to any digging. Don't assume you know what's below. Call 8-1-1 every time.



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Office Closure: Monday, May 26 Memorial Day



Celebrating 110 Years!

This year marks our 110th anniversary. What better way to celebrate than take a step back in time and honor our history. We'll start with featuring a story on Eunice Farr, grandmother of current president Gregg Haskin. This is the first feature in our three part series celebrating the company's 110th anniversary. We hope you enjoy a stroll down memory lane.

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"She even climbed poles ..."

Eunice Florence (Buzzell) Farr—grandmother of current president Gregg Haskin—was born in Warren, Vermont on December 13, 1898. When her husband, Alton Farr, died in 1940, Eunice took over managing the telephone company by herself. This was a notable feat in an industry and era clearly dominated by men and made her one of the first women to run a utility company in the U.S.

During her stewardship, the responsibility to repair, maintain, install, and troubleshoot the entire telephone system fell on her. Over the years, she developed an advanced understanding of every aspect of the telephone business. It was not uncommon for Eunice to be seen performing maintenance on the outside plant. Wearing her house dress and apron, she would venture out in the old truck to untangle lines, replace batteries, or install a new phone for someone. One Valley resident claimed that "she even climbed poles," but Eunice adamantly denied this.

Eunice remained president of the telephone company until her death in 1965. Many of the philosophies she developed are ingrained in the way Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom operates today.

Customer Spotlights



Elusive Moose – Waitsfield

The Elusive Moose, under the hand of executive chef Christopher Harmon and hosts Marty and Ginger Locke, turned the lights back on in the building that was previously Purple Moon Pub and Easy Street Café. Back home in Jersey, the couple owned a German restaurant called the Alps Bistro. The mountain cuisine Locke learned from her Swiss father will make appearances at the Elusive Moose, as well as a selection of burgers and comfort-food appetizers. Serving lunch, grazing/après ski, and dinner Tuesday through Sunday, breakfast Thursday through Sunday. Closed Mondays. Enjoy comfort food with flair at the Elusive Moose! Visit them at 6163 Main Street in Waitsfield. You can reach them at 496-6444.



Poésie Tissée – Bridport

Poésie Tissée crafts finely woven baby wraps with French flair, in rural Vermont with fabric milled in America. After years of using baby wraps herself, Nancy Sunderland, mother of five and entrepreneur started Poésie Tissée in July 2013. Poésie Tissée is French for "Woven Poetry" and Nancy believes weaving is poetic and wearing your baby is poetry in motion. Poésie Tissée baby wraps are 100% made in the USA, from top to bottom, down to each stitch, hem, and damask woven label. Keep you dear one close enough to kiss in a Poésie Tissée baby wrap. For more info, visit www.poesietisse.com or call 758-6836.



Visit WCVT at the Vermont Business and Industry EXPO in May

The Vermont Business EXPO is scheduled for May 21-22, 2014, at the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center in Burlington, Vt. The EXPO is northern New England's largest business-to-business trade show, attracting over 3,000 business leaders and hosting nearly 200 exhibitors. WCVT will be sponsoring the free networking reception on May 21 at 5:00 p.m. Entrance into the tradeshow is free if you pre-register on or before May 14. Visit www.vtexpo.com for more information or to register.





BIGGER ISN'T ALWAYS BETTER

Ask Goliath. Or the Titanic. Or the Roman Empire.

Sometimes bigger isn't always better. When you're the biggest, it's hard to keep an eye on the little things. That's true for companies, too—when you're a big, national company, it's easy to forget about the people in the communities you serve.

Sometimes, smaller is better. Waitsfield and Champlain Valley Telecom is directly involved with the community—from volunteering, supporting local events, serving our neighbors, and great customer service from people you know. All that, and we still provide the world-class technology you expect from the big guys. WCVT has been committed to the people of Vermont since 1904.

Give us a call or stop by today to start the conversation.

Welcome New Businesses

It's now more important than ever to support our local businesses. When you buy local, everyone benefits. Please support the community by doing business with these new neighbors.

Elusive Moose – Waitsfield	496-6444	Lucas Dairy – Starksboro	453-7983
Food 4 Farmers – Hinesburg	482-6868	M and C Family Farm – Charlotte	425-2283
Ironwood Building		Poésie Tissée – Bridport	758-6836
and Design – Bristol	453-6917	Red Clover Family Dentistry	453-3911
Landscape Architecture	425 5200	Scott's Home	
Planning – Charlotte	425-5299	Repair LLC – Huntington	434-4448



