

Town of Middlebury
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Paycheck Protection Program Forgiveness Webinar

As Willie Nelson sang “Forgiving you is easy, forgetting seems to take the longest time”. Indeed. We’ll not soon forget about the struggles in this pandemic. But forgiveness is out there. The Small Business Administration, Vermont District Office, holds a daily webinar on the forgiveness program, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. daily. Join the webinar on line at <https://meet.lync.com/sba123/sbmazza/SFFM2N9R> or by phone 1-202-765-1264 code 237511921#

Holiday and Summer Yard Sales

Have at it! Since May 20 yard sales are okay. Keep in mind, this infection is still out there seeking willing (or unwilling) hosts and we expect a lot of out-of-state people, coming from states where COVID is a lot more prevalent than Addison County. So sellers should cover up mouth and nose. If you can get them, get wipes and disinfectant and hand sanitizer to protect yourself as well as potential buyers. Out in the open, people don’t need to wear masks, in close quarters they should. It’s not mandatory, but just plain common sense. Try to organize displays so that people don’t bunch up. Besides, if potential buyers see you’re being safe, it could stimulate more interest in your display! There were 17 new positive cases reported overnight. Yup. Seventeen. We’ll see how things are shaping up in 2 weeks when any new exposures go from incubation to illness.

Trusted Traveler Program Enrollment Centers

Customs and Border Patrol announced the postponement of the scheduled opening of their trusted traveler enrollment centers. The new tentative opening date is August 10.

Vermont Case Status

In spite of 17 new cases, Vermont remains relatively stable. There have been no new cases in Addison County in a couple of weeks, and no new deaths statewide in several weeks. Maryland, Virginia, and D.C. are showing a decline in new cases while 23 other states are showing, in some cases, dramatic increases. These states are now pausing their own “spigot opening” plans to try to stem the virus. Arizona, California, North Carolina, Texas, and Tennessee are showing substantial increases, which would almost make one think, lyrically speaking, that in fact the virus IS after all, like the father, son, et al, taking the last train to the coast. But alas, it’s still here. Be safe this weekend and stay healthy.