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For the Week Ending May 29, 2015

While by no means a total representation of all the work performed by the Town, the following highlights some Departments' activities:

Town Manager's Office
Dawn Francis, Town Manager

The Selectboard adopted a new firearms ordinance based upon the recommendations of a citizen Task Force. We appreciate the efforts of these individuals and Sgt. Jeff Bean for facilitating the effort. The ordinance can be found on our website.

Every June, we treat our employees to a picnic and recognize individuals with special employment anniversaries. We are fortunate to have such dedicated and experienced employees. This year we will celebrate:

- Floyd Sheesley, 10 years with the Department of Public Works
- Wanda Morin, 20 years in the Town Clerks' office
- Sherry LaBarge, 25 years, now Director of Human Resources
- Jeff Smail, 35 years with the Department of Public Works

In addition, we offer our congratulations and best wishes to the employees who will be retiring this summer:

- Alice Grieg, with nearly 16 years at the Town Offices, and who piloted our IT department for many years
- Suzanne Murray, with more than 22 years in the Finance Department
- Bob Provost, with almost 40 years in the Department of Public Works Highway Division.

We also recognize long-time Police Department employees who are listed in Chief Morrison's report, below.

We would also like to say "thank you" to our Cemetery Advisory Committee for placing approximately 275 American flags on our veterans' graves in Colchester Cemeteries in remembrance of Memorial Day.

For more information about the Town Manager's Office, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/Manager/index.shtml> or call (802) 264-5509.

Police Department
Jennifer Morrison, Police Chief

Next week numerous Colchester Police Department employees will be recognized for reaching milestones in years of service. This caused me to review our seniority list and realize what an incredible depth of experience we have here at the PD. It is highly unusual for police agencies to have such long-tenured, loyal employees who choose to stay an entire career in one

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community. The following employees are to be commended for their dedicated service to the Town of Colchester:

- 35 years – Sgt. Jeff Bean & Cpl. Jeff Fontaine
- 30+ years – Lt. Doug Allen and Lt. Jeff Barton
- 25+ years – Ms. Pat Spacapan, Ms. Gail Parish, Sgt. Jim Roy, Sgt. Mike Fish, Sgt. Francis Gonyaw, Ms. Lois Fontaine, Sgt. Pete Hull and Cpl. Don Demar

Thank you to all of these loyal employees who help make Colchester a terrific place to live, work and recreate.

For more information about Colchester Police Department, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/Police/index.shtml> or call (802) 264-5556 (non-emergency).

Rescue and Technical Rescue Squads
Amy Akerlind, Rescue Chief

Rescue has received 94 calls for service since 04/29. We've transported 66 people to the hospital, and turned over two calls.

During National EMS Week (May 17-23) we held a CPR Challenge. On Thursday, May 21st, from 10:00 AM- 6:00 PM, we taught 130 people hands-only CPR. They included students from Colchester Middle School health classes to members of the community. All of them wanted to be prepared for an unexpected emergency and learn CPR!

For more information about Colchester Rescue, please visit <http://colchestervt.gov/Rescue/index.shtml> or call (802) 264-5990.

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