LOIS WITH THE MONTGOMERY NEWS, MAY 4, 2025

Here we are in beautiful May, the trees are leaving out in an odd color, that will soon get greener as they get bigger. The grass has got a good start and some lawns have needed mowing, just now my neighbor is out mowing his lawn. Had a call from my daughter in Johnson and said she had been out to walk and play with her dogs and it had started to rain. No rain here since before lunch time. Our Church Service was prepared by John Gorton and Merle Van Gieson, John came and officiated most the Service; Communion was completed by Merle and Lois. The sermon was entitled "Feed My Sheep." I had on my mind to have Patrick play as our opening Hymn "The Old Rugged cross," When Patrick started playing it was "The Old Rugged Cross," opening Hymn as the Candle Lighters go and light the candles on the altar. It was so perfectly done, and I thanked him.

What has been going on around town this week. Maggie Elkins had received paint for the guard rail in front of the Fuller Bridge from the Town Road Crew. Maggie and I have painted the rail for several years and I think it has been a couple of years without new paint. It was in bad shape. Maggie called me after receiving the paint to see if I would help her scrape and paint the next good day with our rain. It just so happened on April 29 the weather cleared up nicely for us to get out there and start scraping. We got security cones to put out in the road to alert drivers there were workers ahead..we did not say two ladies over 80 were the workers..SHHHH!!! Our neighbor came with his camera and took our picture and had it on FaceBook. We got quite a few comments..Thanks to All.. SOOO, we got the rail completed in the forenoon. I wore my pink jacket..was so sure I would be careful and not get paint on me, OMGoodness, I had that oil based paint on my jacket..thought it was a goner. When I came home I soaked it in paint thinner, then put dawn in hot water and scrubbed it out, all the paint came out, its perfect.

Now, its my special day..Wednesday and Sue Peters picks me up to go to the Bowling Alley, she was driving again this week, two ladies than come with us or they drive, we had David Matthew come with us, as he sometimes as other commitments after bowling and drives himself. Sue's team was missing a player, and the other team that was playing near our score board was complete with its three players. This is how I have got to know the other teams. They are all so friendly and helpful. Just enjoy it all so much. Plus we had a nice day to and fro..NO Snow.

Thursday morning was a rather coool morning but no rain, Maggie and I decided to work at the Bridge with the white paint, to do the inside boards that were white..the sun hits early over that way, so we got right to work scraping, sweeping down the dirt and dust..we got all the board with new paint. The Montgomery Road Crew came with the bucket-loader and painted the peak, took down the signs..in which Maggie repainted them, after lunch they came back with the equipment and put them back up. OUR bridge got a great Spring cleaning and will look even more beautiful once Maggie put the two baskets of flowers she has already to put out as soon as we are free of a frost. The rails on the other side of the bridge, will be done later by our local Montgomery Painters..Thank You So Much!!

Now here comes Friday, Lois Babbitt had called to invite me to come with her and friends for an outing of shopping etc. I had to say, Sorry as My daughter was coming over on business and visit her Mom. Early in the morning before 8 Maggie was going early to Enosburg and called to ask me to come along with her, There were things I needed and went along. We were back by 10 and Veronica was coming by around that time, I was home and put my groceries away, and I see I had purchased buttermilk, I was almost out of doughnuts and Veronica loves to help Mom fry. She was willing to help, I mixed up the donuts and she sifted me a bowl of flour got things needed to finish the task. It only takes an hour to make the small batch, walllah we were done in no time. Then we had a delicious lunch and in the afternoon we worked here at my IPad doing a list of contacts. We had a wonderful visit and accomplished a lot in the 4 hours before she had to leave. She has been doing Mother's Day Cards and bought her newest paintings to the Craft Shop in Montgomery

Center. She is a busy Lady..all her own creation and tattings.

Happy Birthday To: Laurel Tryhorne, Maryann Lyons 5/11, Robin Pelkey, Isaac Lumbra 5/13; Aaron Auclair, Landry Potvin, 5/14; Hayley Wiliam's, Gary McAllister 5/15; David Wisell 5/17.

Anniversary Wishes to ...Randy and Priscilla Hammond.... Celebrating 41 years 5/12.

Events coming up in May: 1. The Heartful Kitchen Food Shelf open Tuesdays 3-5 p.m. in the basement area at the Town Hall.

2. Spirit Time;;May 17 from 5 - 6 p.m. At the MCA. A monthly gathering for Inclusive and Interfaith Worship and reflection offered by the Montgomery Community Church Convened by Jane Butterfield.

3. Sunday May 25, at noon time, A Memorial Day Commemoration at the West Hill Cemetery; Roll Call, Wreath Lying, Military Honors by Enosburg American Legion post 42. Sponsored by the M. H. Society.

4. Montgomery Winter Market every 4th Sunday of the month from 10:30 A.M.- 2 P.M. All kinds of goodies available, 5. YOGA classes and workshops on Thursdays 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. at the Town Hall.

** 1. What do bees Welcome to the back porch where wasting time is considered... Time Well Wasted. 2. Today I bought a doughnut without sprinkles...Diets are hard. 3.Men say that women should come with instructions. What's the point? Have you ever seen a man read instructions? 4. If April Showere bring May Flowers what do May Flowers bring? Pilgrims. 5. Why did the bird wear a mask to the bank? It was a rob-in. That's all folks...enjoy and have a wonderful week... Love to all.