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Here I am writing the last column for 2023 on the last day of the year. Everyone that knows me, knows very well it has been a difficult year. Do not want to relive it over by mentioning it, it just hurts to much. 12/2..I hope everyone had a MERRY, MERRY CHRISTMAS, we did. Penny planned a dinner that she and I put together for Veronica and her family coming to enjoy. No-one went away hungry. It did seem weird to us Vermonter's not to have snow, a green Christmas, Is very unusual but we got through it.

12/27.. I accompanied Penny with her friends for lunch at "The Phoenix" restaurant, where we all enjoyed one another's friendship and lunch. 12/28. Veronica and her friend Barbara Burns went out to "Bernie's" for a Christmas luncheon and exchange of gifts. She stopped in for a short visit and trimmed her Moms hair before leaving for lunch.

12/29.. Penny has adopted two kittens, from a lady in St. Alban's that rescue's . She got a call early on Friday there had been a change in plans and that Penny could come on this day instead of Saturday to pick up her kitty which turned into kitties. There were several kittens all playing there having a great time, Penny thought how cute they all were playing, wrestling, and taking just one, he would be lonesome, so he would need a playmate. She is right and they are great entertainers, Penny now has Benny and Sunny.

Friday night while I was watching a game show I saw all this snow coming down outside, the biggest flakes I have ever seen, I went out on the porch to watch, it was covering the ground and road in seconds , it was the most beautiful / amazing snow shower I have ever seen, i mentioned this to Maggie and she saw it as it was happening and agreed with me,

Today our Church service was prepared and done by Merle Van Gieson, his message entitled "Be FRUITFUL." SANDY Bowman had gone to Maine for Christmas to spend with her daughter Jill and Family. She told us she was almost to their home when she suddenly had a flat tire, she was lucky to have room to pull into a Church parking lot. The fellows came outside to help and her son-in-law and grandson came to help also. Later on Sandy and Jill came to their Christmas Service, Sandy said it was very nice. She is back safe and sound, but did purchase four new tires to come home on.

Happy Birthday to: Mike Dessous, Taylor Soule, Robert Gendron III 1/11/24; Sue Cherrier 1/13/24.

What is a New Years Resolution? Something that goes in one year and out the other. I'm going to stay up this New Years Eve, not to bring in the New Year but make sure this one leaves.**. Some Astronauts wanted to have anew Years Party on the moon, but they didn't PLANET in time.**. Hope you enjoy the jokes, i did. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL WITH M.L.T.A