"My dad runs a business that does com- puter work," said Kyle. "We moved to Vermont and I learned at the North Country Career Center that computer technology is something I should look into. I did some research to see what it entails. I decided that was a career I'd like to pursue." Elizabeth Dabros is home schooled and decided to take the computer class, "So when I go to college I'll be prepared for advance classes. I will be able to get basic classes done, so I can then choose what I want to do with the rest of my schooling." "I'm interested in a career in digital forensics and justice," said Dabros. "I always wanted to help people. I want to work with the police." Introduction to Sociology, American Judaism and Research Methods, economics, politics, macroeconomics, and English composition are the classes Dabros is attending this semester. The course is paid for, but Dabros said she pays for the books. "I like to push myself and achieve my goals in life," she said. 

Mobley said one of the goals of the pro- gram is for the student to be academi- cally capable of passing the college classes. "There can be consequences for financial aid and enrollment into college," she said. "Not passing required classes means taking a high school diploma." The early college program is the only one that doesn't offer open enrollment. Students must complete an essay and provide two references. High school tran- scripts are sent to the college and the school that has open enrollment is the program to which the geographical size of the student's high school does not matter. "Students in the early college enrollment program are super motivated to get ready to get out of high school," Mobley said. "They want to go to college and experience a more traditional educational environment." April 1, 2015 is the deadline for interested seniors to enroll into the program. Searle is the director of Secondary Education Initiative at CVC. She can be reached at 802-885-8368. 

Newport City — The United Church food shelf has been in existence since 1995. Currently at the end of the year, at a time when the food shelf needed to be filled, the Connecticut United Church of Christ's Lighthouse on the Glen Road closed. While currently the church food shelf is related to the Northeast Kingdom Community Action Agency, the need for the food continues.

Merle Chiclao has worked at the food shelf for 18 years. Chiclao, a former parishioner Karen Chastenier, does it all. The food shelf is open Tuesday and Wednesday after the first Thursday of the month from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Vermont Food Bank supplies most of the commodities, but receives the few shelf-stable items from the city. "We’re like pre-bag and food out and 275 bags per month," Chiclao said. "Most of the people are from Newport, but some come from other towns. You don’t have to be a member of the church to receive the food."

At this time of the year the post office holds a food drive to support the church, but there are no exceptions. "We are super motivated to get ready to get out of high school," Mobley said. "They want to go to college and experience a more traditional educational environment." April 1, 2015 is the deadline for interested seniors to enroll into the program. Searle is the director of Secondary Education Initiative at CVC. She can be reached at 802-885-8368.

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
Irasburg Couple Nabbed For Deer Poaching Operation
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After a multi-year investigation, the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department has arrested two sus- picious Wayne Dion, 66, and Jennie Dion, 65 for illegal hunting prac- tices. Wardens say the Dions ran a deer poaching operation that involved hunting at night, taking deer out of season, and hunting without a license.

Major Dennis Reinhart said Monday that the Dions were found at the couple’s Young Street home in North Colchester, well outside their hunting warrant on their property. Also found were the couple’s truck, out-of- season tags, and a large number of gear trails leading to the food.

Wardens found a deer that appeared to have been taken before the current hunting season began but did not contain a tag. Wardens seized the deer Wardens also seized the ATV used for the deer poaching operation, and the Dions were issued a ticket to the示意的.

Law enforcement officials had con- tact with the Dions before they were cited into court, but what they dis- cover about the current investigation is ongoing, Reinhart said.

“Most Vermont hunters pursue deer for personal consumption, not for sale,” Reinhart said. “These few who choose to poach face serious consequences and can seriously damage the hunting oppor- tunities for those who follow the law.”

In Vermont it is illegal to bait deer and hunt a half an hour before and after dark. Reinhart said hunter reg- ulations are set to protect all people, especially, hunters. Baiting is also an ethical issue because deer are foragers and peling food for them is not what occurs in their natural habitat, and it could spread disease. The Dions may have to take a reme- dial hunting ethics course if they wish to even hunt again. The Dions are facing up to 60 days in prison, and large fines, along with lost hunting privileges for three years.

Wayne Dion faces multiple hunting charges, including taking big game in closed season, separate counts for taking, transporting, and possession of big game by illegal means, use- ing light hunting animals, feeding, and failure to tag big game. Jennie Dion faces charges of aiding in a big game violation and possession of big game taken by illegal means. The department anticipates additional charges for冕ind of a big game violation for arrangement in Orleans Superior Court on December 29 to answer the charges.

The state says numerous anonymous tips from community members led to the charges.

By ED BARKER
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Newport City — It is the rainy season in Newport. The sun is out, but it seems to have disappeared under a thick layer of clouds.

The air is cool and refreshing, a perfect time to be outside. It’s a great day to watch the deer, if you’re lucky enough to find them.

According to Merle Chiclao, who has worked at the food shelf for 18 years, there is always a shortage of food.

Sometimes there will be a extra bags of food, which can be handed out to a needy family even on an off day.

Donations and contributions are helpful, especially during the holiday and winter sea- son.