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A retreat for women Veterans is being offered at no cost at Gove Hill Retreat in Thetford Center, Vermont, from June 21st through the 23rd. Project New Hope of Massachusetts, a non-profit group, is providing this program. For more information, go to:

<http://www.projectnewhopema.org/retreats> or contact Bernice Clark: 802-785-4000 at [www.govehillretreat.org](http://www.govehillretreat.org)

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Vermont Public Radio (VPR) won a 2013 Gracie Award for a story featuring women Veterans. The Gracies are presented by the Alliance for Women in Media and honor outstanding national and local work “created for women, by women, and about women, as well as individuals who have made exemplary contributions to the industry.” VPR reporter Charlotte Albright was recognized in the outstanding hard news feature category for her story, “Female Veterans Share Experiences at New Women’s Center at VA Hospital,” which aired on November 12, 2012. An archived podcast of this story is at [http://www.vpr.net/news\\_detail/96541/female-Veterans-share-experiences-at-newwomens-ce](http://www.vpr.net/news_detail/96541/female-Veterans-share-experiences-at-newwomens-ce)

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Vermont Interactive Technologies (VIT) Financial Education Workshop Series for Women Workshops will run from 6:00-7:30 PM on June 6, 13, 20, & 27 at Vermont Interactive Technologies (VIT) locations across the state

According to recent reports, 60% of women raising children feel unprepared for retirement, only 25% of women have a formal plan for reaching retirement goals, and 42% of women agree they “don’t know how” to reach retirement goals. In response to this information, Vermont Interactive Technologies has partnered with a financial advisor to develop a financial education series built for women by women. This four part workshop series titled “Be Great in 8: Eight Financial Steps that Make Cents” will guide women through eight steps to becoming more financially secure. These interactive workshops will be hosted by VIT and led by Laura Cooley, financial advisor and creator of the website Financial Wisdom for Women. Cost for the series is only \$30. Space is limited and registration is required. To view the program description, obtain more information on VIT locations, or to register, visit [www.vitlink.org](http://www.vitlink.org) Vermont Interactive Technologies (VIT) is Vermont’s nonprofit distance learning system with 17 Vermont classrooms and mobile connectivity. VIT’s mission is to deliver education, training and information equally to all areas of Vermont. For more information on the series, contact [Tara Lidstone](mailto:Tara.Lidstone@vitlink.org) or 345.0092.

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Read the full text of Vermont’s [new equal pay law](#) or get more info on [VCW's homepage](#).

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Vermont Women's Business Center’s Business Wisdom Circle Discussion  
Tuesday May 28, 2013 from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
Quarry Grill & Tavern, 210 North Main St., Barre

Join Vermont Women's Business Center’s next week to "Spark a Connection" at our May Business Wisdom Circle! Communication is essential in business. Every day we talk about our services or products with customers, clients, vendors and peers. We talk to promote ourselves (gulp!) or to state

our prices (yikes!). And through it all, we strive to make a personal connection. How do you spark that connection - strike up that conversation (and keep it going) - when it feels like the cat's got your tongue, or you find yourself "stumbling and mumbling" over the tricky parts? Practice, practice, practice -- with a hefty dollop of support. Find your spark and get connected with your savvy sister entrepreneurs. Cost: just \$10.00! Light refreshments provided. [More information](#) or 802.479.9813.

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Please join the Vermont Commission on Women to celebrate staffer Janet Bullard's 26 years of service to the commission and 31 years of service to the State of Vermont! Janet is retiring from State service at the end of June, and we are inviting colleagues to an Open House celebration for her Wednesday, June 12, 2013 from 11:30 – 1:30 in the VCW offices at 126 State St, Montpelier. We'll have light refreshments and will welcome you anytime between 11:30 and 1:30.

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