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**From:** Talbert, Lilly  
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**To:** Talbert, Lilly  
**Subject:** VCW VIEW Message: June 10th

Today, June 10th, is the 50th Anniversary of the Equal Pay Act, the federal law amending the Fair Labor Standards Act and targeting the elimination of wage disparity based on gender. That was 1960, when the national wage gap was about 61%. Today it's around 77 cents. At the current rate of closure, women will not have pay parity until 2057. Vermont's wage gap, at 84 cents, is a bit smaller than the national average. One way to further reduce the wage gap (in a shorter period of time) is to create change through legislation. The Vermont legislature just passed a [new equal pay law](#) which, according to Cary Brown, VCW Executive Director, "Provides a wealth of tools for addressing inequities in pay and working conditions, and is a huge benefit to working families in Vermont. It strengthens and clarifies existing laws ensuring equal pay for equal work, increases the accountability of state contractors, and creates new protections for workers who discuss wages." Get more info on [VCW's homepage](#).

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A reminder to join the Vermont Commission on Women at an Open House celebration for staffer Janet Bullard's retirement this Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>. We'll have light refreshments and will welcome you anytime between 11:30 and 1:30.

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Women Business Owners Network Meeting  
Middlebury Chapter  
June 18, 8-9:30 a.m. at Rosie's Restaurant

Theme: A Sense of Belonging and Letting-go of Belongings. We all want to belong, have a place to call home and be part of a community. But what do we do when our belongings take over our lives and trap us in our homes? Moving can be overwhelming at any stage of life, but this major transition can be especially stressful when you are less mobile or when family members live far away. A Senior Move Manager can assist with the daunting task of simplifying one's long-time home and contents. Specifically, the Senior Move Manager oversees organizing and downsizing belongings, designing floor plans, and managing your move into a comfortable and safe environment. A Tempo Senior Move functions as an integral part of your process, listening to your concerns and working with the physical and emotional issues associated with your changing needs. Learn more: <http://www.wbon.org/>

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Events supporting Planned Parenthood of Northern New England (PPNNE):

Sunday, June 9th  
Mary's at Baldwin Creek in Bristol  
5:30 - 9:00 p.m.

This season's Common Good Benefit Dinner will benefit PPNNE with 25% of all food sales to be donated.

More info: <https://www.facebook.com/events/455966217831120/>

Sunday, June 23rd  
Salon Lanier in Burlington

11- 5 p.m.

100% of the proceeds for services, cuts, and product sales will go to PPNNE.

More info: <https://www.facebook.com/events/128845047314687/>

Friday, August 23rd

Lake Monsters Baseball game

7:05pm First pitch and there will be post-game fireworks!

You can [purchase discounted tickets for \\$6 each here](#) and

PPNNE receives \$3.00 for every ticket sold.

More info:

<https://www.ticketreturn.com/prod2/buy.asp?EventID=92257&promocode=ppnne#.UbY0Lufv52>

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Bennington Area Women's Leadership Circle

Vermont Leadership Institute and Network at The Snelling Center for Government is now recruiting for the next six-month-long program in Bennington County. More information:

<http://www.snellingcenter.org/leadership/womens-leadership-circles/>

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