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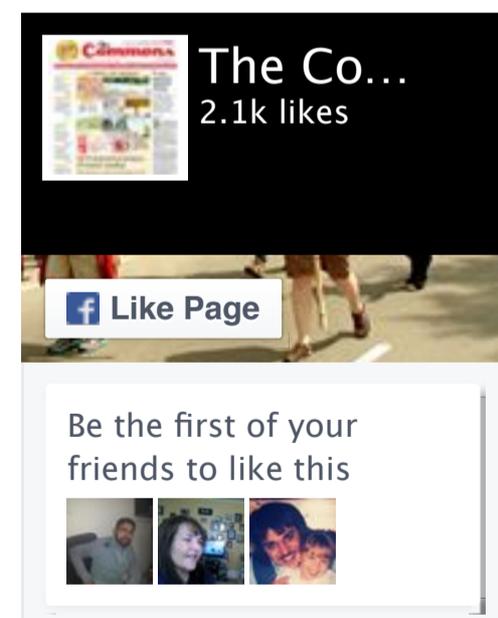
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Inclusion Center to host educational events

For more information regarding the event being held on Feb. 8 and 12, or The Inclusion Center, contact Julie Tamler at 802-387-5285.



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BRATTLEBORO—Miss VT International 2016, Maddie Shaw, will have her first public speaking event at The Inclusion Center, on Monday, Feb. 8, at 12:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church on Main Street.

The event will be held again on Friday, Feb. 12, at 2:00 p.m. at The Inclusion Center at St. Michael's Episcopal Church on Putney Road.

At this free event, Shaw will conduct ice-breaker activities, educate those attending about Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS), a rare genetic disorder, and offer tips on how to interact with individuals who have special needs.

On Feb. 12, Michelle Pulver will join Maddi Shaw to share her story through song about how one interaction with Miles, Maddi's brother, who was born with CdLS, helped her through her struggles of depression.

“These two speaking events are the kick-off to my campaign as Miss Vermont International 2016”, said Shaw, and “I hope to engage all members of the community because the topic is worth discussing among all demographics.”

According to Julie Tamler, the program coordinator, “The Inclusion Center is a no-fee program for all people who have disabilities whether mental or physical as well as those suffering from anxiety or depression and for anyone interested in joining the activities held there.”

The Inclusion Center offers two sessions a week, which include varied activities such as creating music videos, dancing, sports, art, discussions, writing and connecting with professionals in the community. The environment is relaxed and welcoming.

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