

Wallingford News

113th Edition

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TOWN OFFICE NEWS

Town Clerk office hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to Noon. Contact: 446-2336 or townclerk@wallingfordvt.com. After-hours mail slot is in the left-side door.

Wallingford News is online at the town website at www.wallingfordvt.com.

Check out our new website!!

FRONT PORCH FORUM

Have you signed up yet with Front Porch Forum? Wallingford neighbors are joining daily. This is an online forum that corresponds to the neighborhood where you live. People use their real names. Front Porch Forum combines the advantages of being online, like the ability to connect with Wallingford residents to find a plumber or electrician, sell or buy something, keep current on local events, etc.

Sign up today at FrontPorchForum.com. Simply enter your valid street address and click "Sign Up." Confirm by clicking the box for your community and select "Next Step. Enter your name and email address, and choose a password, Accept terms, etc. and click "Create your Account." Go to your email inbox for your confirmation, and click on the link in the email you receive to confirm your registration. Be prepared to post regularly to keep your forum lively and active!

THANK YOU

The family of "Bill" Seward would like to thank everyone who participated in the celebration of his life by providing flowers, food, cards, phone calls, donations and visits. Your generosity and support was a great comfort to our family and we will always be grateful. Thank you for sharing your memories and for showing how much he was respected and loved!

Carol Seward and Family



The Town Office will be closed September 1st in observance of Labor Day. The Transfer Station WILL be open.

PROPERTY TAX RATES FOR 2014-2015

HOMESTEAD	FY15	FY14
Municipal Rate	\$ 0.2944	\$ 0.2921
Education Rate	\$ 1.4773	\$ 1.3824
Local Agreement Rate	\$ 0.0051	\$ 0.0056
Fire Protection Rate*	\$ 0.0809	\$ 0.0852
TOTAL	\$ 1.8577	\$ 1.7653

NON-RESIDENTIAL		
Municipal Rate	\$ 0.2944	\$ 0.2921
Education Rate	\$ 1.4390	\$ 1.3683
Local Agreement Rate	\$ 0.0051	\$ 0.0056
Fire Protection Rate*	\$ 0.0809	\$ 0.0852
TOTAL	\$ 1.8194	\$ 1.7512

*Fire district 1 & 3 only

The municipal rate is set by the Selectboard to cover the amounts voted for the budget at Town Meeting. The local agreement rate compensates the state education fund for the \$40,000 reduction in assessment (not taxes) that Wallingford voted to give its disabled veterans. It also compensates the state education fund for exempt properties owned by the Wallingford Rotary, Maple Valley Grange, Masonic Halls, Rescue Squad, Wallingford churches, etc.

Education rates are set by the State, taking into account local per pupil spending plus their analysis of how close to fair market value our grand list is (Wallingford's common level of appraisal). Properties that the owner has declared to the Vt. Department of Taxes to be their principle residence pay the Homestead rate. All other properties pay the Non-Residential rate, as well as those whose portion of principle residences are used for business purposes and/or have an apartment.

PROPERTY TAXES DUE
 Town of Wallingford
 1st Payment Property Tax Due
 Monday, October 20, 2014
 Payments can be made in person at the Town Office
 or by mailing to: Town of Wallingford
 75 School Street
 Wallingford, VT 05773
 Post-marked dates are not accepted.

Deadline for submission to the Wallingford News
is the 23rd of each month.

FREE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Reminder! The last Hazardous Waste Collection day in 2014 will be Saturday, October 11th from 8:00-10:30 a.m. at the Transfer Station. Visit www.wallingfordvt.com for a list of acceptable materials.

WALLINGFORD TAX SALES

Six property tax sales are scheduled for September 18th at 12:00 p.m. at the Wallingford Town Office. Further information can be obtained by viewing the notices posted at the Wallingford Town Office or by calling the Delinquent Tax Collector, Lee Perry at 446-3227.

COPIER FOR SALE

Copystar Model CS-2560, two-drawer copier for sale. Purchased in 2010 from Vermont Digital. Works great! Make an offer! Call Sandi at the Wallingford Town Hall at 446-2872 or email: townadmin@wallingfordvt.com.

VACANCY

The Wallingford Fire District #1 is currently seeking someone to fill a position on the Prudential Committee.

Anyone who resides in WFD #1 interested is urged to send a letter of interest/intent either by email or mail by September 10th to: Wallingford Fire District, PO Box 87, Wallingford, VT 05773 or wallfired1@vermontel.net.

**NOTICE OF SALE – LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE
SOUTH WALLINGFORD, VERMONT**

The Wallingford School Board seeks persons interested in purchasing the property known as the Little Red Schoolhouse located on the South Hartsboro Road, (91 Homer Stone Road) in South Wallingford, VT.

Interested parties should contact David Younce, Superintendent of Schools, dyounce@rssu.org or call: (802) 775-3264 for more information.

THE SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

If you know of people or families with temporary or emergency needs in the towns of Wallingford, Cuttingsville, Healdville, Shrewsbury, Belmont, Danby or Mt. Holly, please contact Town Clerk Julie Sharon at 802-446-2336.

WALLINGFORD COMMUNITY

As you will recall, the voters of Wallingford approved a bond question in the spring of 2014 to be allocated toward building improvements and modifications at Wallingford Elementary School. The scope of the intended project was broad: new roof, new interior ventilation systems, kitchen upgrades, redesign of entryway of the school, elevator installation, a new pellet boiler system (to be paid for through grant funds), solar arrays (also supported through grants), etc. This was/is to be an exciting project for the school and directly addresses deferred maintenance projects that have become more urgent over time, the need to replace aging equipment, and a desire by the Board to ensure efficient, low-impact operations and reduced peak loads on the school's utilities in order to be good stewards of taxpayer funds and the environment.

Bids for the project came in higher than anticipated and the expected grant monies for the pellet boiler system were not, in fact, made available. These circumstances caused the Board to enter into numerous public discussions of how to best utilize the available funds to accomplish the most critical tasks as well as those geared toward efficiency. After long consideration the Board determined to engage in a contract with Wright Construction (out of Mt. Holly) to begin work as soon as possible.

Most significantly, the pellet boiler and entryway components were removed from the current scope of the project in order to meet cost requirements, but are very important moving forward. The Board will be aggressively pursuing grant funds and other options that are budget-neutral in an effort to have the pellet boiler system installed as soon as possible. This may take time, but the Board is committed to realizing those savings for the community. Additionally, the Little Red Schoolhouse property in South Wallingford is for sale and proceeds from that sale will be used to supplement the WES budget and to add high-priority components of the building project back into the overall scope. To express interest in the Little Red Schoolhouse property,

please contact RSSU Superintendent, Dave Younce at 802-775-3264.

If you have any questions about this process or the scope of the work to be done, please feel free to contact Dave Younce at the number above or WES Board Chair Ken Fredette at 446-3108.

Best Regards, The Wallingford Elementary School Board
Ken Fredette
Tara Lidstone
Shannon Pytlik
Janine Rodgers
Paul Rondinone

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Seller: Northeast Land & Trading, Buyer: Peter and Pam Pinto, 1045 Dawson Hill Road, 13A, Assessed value: \$132,700; Purchase price: \$42,000.

Seller: Sound of Fury; Buyer: John Conroy, Hateful Hill Road, 88A, Purchase Price: \$180,000.

ZONING PERMITS ISSUED

David & Melissa Whitmore, 408 Route 140W, expand deck.

Christopher & Deborah McPhee, 28 Pembroke Ln, bedroom addition.

Dennis & Ruth Kitchin, 80 Shedd Place, new half-bath.

Stephen Orloske, 1331 Centerville Road, renovate garage & apartment; new porch.

Karl Frederick, 1056 Homer Stone Road, replace mobile home.

Michael Pacilio, 2210 Sugar Hill Road, garage.

Wallingford Baptist Church, 39 School Street, renovate bathroom, kitchen & office.

VACANCIES - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There are vacancies on the Development Review Board, Rec Committee, Planning Commission, Energy Committee, and Conservation Commission. For more information, contact Sandi at 446-2872 or

townadmin@wallingfordvt.com. Please send a letter of interest to the Selectboard at 75 School Street.

NEWLY APPOINTED JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

The Wallingford Board of Civil Authority would like to welcome Tom Truex who was duly appointed and commissioned by Governor Shumlin to complete the term of Justice of the Peace, resulting from the passing of JP Stanley "Bill" Seward in June.

Originally from Middletown, NY, Tom and his wife, Barbara, a native of St. Johnsbury, moved to Wallingford in 2006. Following his military service, including a tour in Vietnam, Tom graduated college and received an appointment to the Vermont State Police. During his 26-year career, he served as a major crime investigator for 21 years, retiring in 1998.

Together, he and Barbara started a consulting business for insurance companies specializing in fire investigations. After 10 years they both decided to retire.

As a Wallingford resident, he previously was a member of both the volunteer fire department and Rotary continuing to help as needed. Currently he serves as Commander of American Legion Post #52 in town. As a couple, Tom and Barbara have worked with foresters to improve their properties and now operate a Certified Tree Farm. They are extremely involved with the First Congregational Church in Wallingford, each serving in many capacities. They are both dedicated to giving back to a community that is so gracious and welcoming. Any spare time for Tom is devoted to restoring antique fire trucks. They have both assisted in town elections in the past as well.

The Board of Civil Authority certainly has an excellent addition to its ranks and the voters of Wallingford should be grateful for Tom's tireless energy and dedication to community. Tom has placed his name on the November ballot for JP with hope that you will return him in that capacity.

MINUTEMEN FLAG FOOTBALL REGISTRATION FOR GRADES 4-6

We have formed a no-equipment, limited contact football program for all students in grades 4-6 in the Mill River area. Please see the information below for registration date and location:

DATE/TIME: Saturday August 30, 10 AM
LOCATION: MRUHS, Varsity practice field (south field)
WHO SHOULD ATTEND: Players AND parents
COST: \$30, make any checks out to "Mill River Friends of Football"

Players should come equipped to display their football skills. Athletic cleats and shorts or sweats are suggested. Tennis shoes will work if that is what you have. This date is the 2014 high school football opening day. The MR Minutemen are playing host to Windsor. Please stay after the registration and enjoy a great day of high school football!!

*ANY PARENTS INTERESTED IN COACHING OR WITH QUESTIONS CAN CONTACT ART PETERSON VIA EMAIL AT artpeterson71@aol.com.

{Please note that these meeting minutes are a brief summary and are not the final approved version.}

SELECTBOARD

08/04/14. Present: N. Tift, M. Tessier, T. Phillips, R. Regula, and G. Fredette

The Selectboard reviewed the town's bidding policy to determine whether it should apply to the Elfin Lake pavilion project. N. Tift said funds were donated for the project and no taxpayers' dollars were used. Pricing from the companies involved were discussed. A majority of the Board approved a contract with The Belden Company for the pavilion slab and r.k. Miles for construction materials.

Karen Holden's firearm complaints were reviewed. Since there was no evidence or record of actual property damage or harm to any person, or illegal activity taking place, no action was taken.

September meetings were rescheduled to September 8th and 22nd, due to the Labor Day holiday.

Delinquent tax collector Lee Perry sent 11 properties to the attorney for tax sale. 30-day notices resulted in three paying in full and one making payments. There was discussion on whether the town should bid on any of the tax sale properties. More discussion will be held at the next meeting.

The Board deferred to the Zoning Administrator to pursue possible violations related to ongoing garage sales on Lidstone Lane.

Municipal committee vacancies will be posted in three designated locations.

M. Tessier will prepare a draft set of requirements contractors must meet if they want to do business with the town.

T. Phillips agreed to contact residents living near the recreation area regarding their concerns over vandalism and other activities at the ball fields.

08/18/14. Present: N. Tift, M. Tessier, R. Regula, T. Phillips, and G. Fredette

Road Commissioner Phil Baker reported the manhole near the fire station would be repaired this week and he would begin work on Hartsboro Road soon. The underground storage tank at the town garage was removed and discussed the findings during the disposal that resulted in additional costs.

Road Foreman Steve Lanfear will be directed to remove a section of pavement and add gravel on Hillside Road near the Robbins' property.

There was some discussion regarding insurance requirements for anyone hired by the town to perform work on behalf of the municipality including workers' compensation insurance.

VLCT information was provided to the board regarding municipal bidding at tax sales was discussed. The Selectboard will decide whether or not to bid on any before the tax sales scheduled for September 18th.

There was a lengthy discussion regarding recent vandalism of the basketball courts, backboards, picnic tables, sign, port-a-potty, pavilion, pedestrian bridge, newly planted tree, kiosk at Stone Meadow Park as well as signs along Route 7. Long term solutions ranging from surveillance cameras to better lighting and increased law enforcement patrols were discussed. The Selectboard agreed to put the pavilion project on hold because of the vandalism.

A fuel tank permit application was approved for the above ground fuel storage tank at the town garage.

Heating fuel bids were reviewed and the lowest bidder was approved (Champlain Valley at cost plus \$ 0.15 capped at \$3.35). G. Fredette directed S. Switzer to request Champlain Valley match the fixed price of \$3.20 a gallon given to the school.

The board reviewed VLCT's estimates increase for property insurance in 2015 with an attached outline of the new property valuations.

S. Switzer gave the board an overview of the town's new website with photographs contributed by several citizens.

M. Tessier will get an estimate from Tucker Mulholland to repair the base for the transfer station trash compactor.

The Selectboard approved the Wallingford Baptist Church request to use the rec field for a carnival with games, food, music and inflatables on September 27 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

R. Regula asked what could be done about removing appliances from the transfer station. The board said transfer station attendants could make arrangements to have someone remove the appliances at no cost to the town.

The board briefly discussed Mie Kingsley using the tennis courts for dog obedience classes. The board took no action to cease the practice at this point.

The board extended its appreciation to Sue and Allan Thayer for the donation of a new gas grill for Elfin Lake.

Betty Barrows' second letter to the town regarding reimbursement for her efforts related to the Little Red Schoolhouse property was reviewed with no action taken.

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Read them online at www.wallingfordvt.com, Energy Committee.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

07/28/14. Present: C. Macleod, M. Pramuk, D. Klock and J. Burkett

Work days for Stone Meadow in July & August were discussed. WCC acknowledged the assistance of Ron Roberts for mowing along the main Beach Trail in Stone Meadow.

Carol, Ralph & Marc pulled poison parsnip in Stone Meadow on several occasions; however, concern was raised over the widespread presence along Waldo Lane and Rte. 140. Carol and Marc are to follow up with the State and AVCC regarding options for addressing this.

There appears to be some damage to the birch stairs at the south end of the boardwalk, possibly due to mountain bike use on the trails. Jill to investigate and make any necessary repairs.

It was noted that there are trees down impacting Fishermans Elbow/Buzzards Roost. This will be addressed on the next work day.

The Selectboard approved WCC's intention to proceed with a low impact approach for the launch area by digging a short dirt ramp into the west bank of Otter Creek near the parking area on Waldo Lane and installing logs for footing.

The road crew will be asked to move two boulders near the new gate into the Meadow along Waldo Lane.

The new kiosk map will be installed in Stone Meadow.

It was discussed whether it was necessary to hire resources to assist with trail work and maintenance in Stone Meadow. This effort is proving difficult given the level of membership and availability during the summer months. WCC will prioritize existing projects and needed work that will be handled with current resources. Longer term, it likely will be necessary to hire resources to assist with maintenance. It was suggested that WCC look at fundraising as an alternative to seeking public funds.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No meeting held in July.

08/11/14. Present: A. Tiplady & J. Burkett

The Planning Commission members reviewed and discussed proposed revisions to the zoning regulations, with Ed Bove from the Rutland Regional Planning Commission. Homework was assigned for review of sign rules form other towns for the next meeting.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

No meeting held 7/23.

08/13/14. Present: S. Sendra, and K. Stocker

The board reviewed the monthly financials and signed off on them.

Maureen presented the board with a request from True Temper to adjust their current bill as they found a water leak that caused a very high meter read. Maureen was instructed to average the usage for the sewer portion and send an adjusted invoice.

The board began reviewing the water ordinance and changed a few things to bring it up to date. They will continue working on this document for the next few meetings so both water and sewer ordinances are up to today's standards.

Maureen asked the board if they would like to be proactive and post the vacancy on the Prudential Committee that will be available starting in October as Alicia is moving out of state. They agreed to post it until 9/10 at which time they can send their choice to the Selectboard for their consideration.

WALLINGFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

07/21/14. Present: K. Fredette, T. Lidstone, S. Pytlik, J. Rodgers, and P. Rondinone

The Board entered into extensive discussion surrounding the scope, details and cost of the project. Two options to bring the project costs within budget would be eliminating either the pellet boiler or the classroom ventilators heat exchangers, and either part of the project could be brought back in later.

Shannon objected to dropping the pellet boiler thereby saving a lower amount on annual fuel costs than what was presented to the voters. Ken felt it made more sense to keep the classroom ventilators and new controls as grant monies may become available for the pellet boiler, but that didn't seem as likely for the ventilators. A majority of the board wished to keep the pellet boiler.

Ralph suggested the project be awarded to Wright Construction. The Board voted to issue a letter of intent to enter into contract with Wright Construction. They also voted to sign a contract for the roof and multipurpose room air handler portions of the project.

Ralph suggested \$10,000 as an appropriate fee for the Clerk of the Works and has a contact for the position.

The board agreed by consensus to hold off on purchase of kitchen equipment.

The Lil Red schoolhouse property will be put on Craigslist and in the town newsletter again and on Front Porch Forum. The Board approved hiring a realtor to sell the property.

The board reviewed Helen's written report, discussed action plan and introduction to community, and Dave's upcoming Admin team meeting.

Board members agreed to set up RSSU.org e-mail address to better be able to organize their inboxes.

08/07/14. Present: K. Fredette, S. Pytlik, J. Rodgers, T. Lidstone, and P. Rondinone

The board recognized that the agenda was not posted 48 hours prior to the meeting as required by Vermont's Open Meeting Law, and plan to ratify all decisions at a future meeting. This is a new regulation that the board will be reviewing during this meeting.

Ralph Nimtze presented the new numbers for the building renovation. Due to budget constraints, the contractor presented bids removing the pellet boiler or the classroom ventilators. The Board awarded the contract to Wright Construction for \$783,410.00 to complete the facilities renovation at WES.

The board agreed to notify the public about the building project changes in writing and to pursue the pellet boiler through potential financing or leasing avenues.

The board directed the superintendent to negotiate with a potential buyer for the Little Red School House.

The board discussed the advantages of communicating with parents and the public using social media. A WES Facebook page in accordance with existing policy protecting students' privacy will be created.

The board discussed the before school program. Helen confirmed WES plans to continue offering the free before school program starting at 7:30.

Ken reviewed an issue with the Wallingford Teachers Assn. bank accounts associated with union dues collection using the School's TAX ID number.

WALLINGFORD SENIORS

Foot and blood pressure clinic on Wednesday, September 3rd at 10:30 a.m. at the Wallingford House. Remember the Seniors' lunch every Monday at Noon at the Rotary. Contact Linda Weightman at 446-2301.

EXERCISE CLASSES

Instructor Annie Robbins 446-2343.

Body Weight Toning: Friday's @ 10:00 at the Gilbert Hart Library. Cost \$6 a class when you purchase a 6-class card, or \$7 drop in rate.

Resistance Training: Wednesdays @ 10:00 at the Gilbert Hart Library for those who have completed 8 sessions of Body Weight Toning. Cost is 6 classes @ \$8 per class.

THE GILBERT HART LIBRARY

Back to the books? Whether September means a return to reading for school or for pleasure, it's a time to enjoy all the library has to offer. Over the past year, our young adult collection has been widely expanded to include popular series and a whole lot of "book to film" reads. Many adults have been surprised that they too are drawn to and enjoy these titles. The shelves have many of the titles found on best seller lists, and we'll also try to get what you want that we don't have...but of course you must ask!

In mid-September, copies of the book *Suite Française* by Irene Nemirovsky will be available. The discussion of this highly regarded wartime masterpiece will take place in late October. Tuesday story times for little folks continue at 10:30 a.m. weekly. Also, in October will be the library annual meeting and the Friend's fundraising dinner. It was a wonderful summer full of kid's programming, summer vacationers, and thru hikers...but now, it's time to turn the page...

Library Hours

Tues:	10 - 5:00
Wed:	10 - 8:00
Thurs & Fri:	10 - 5:00
Saturday:	9 - 12:00

HART LINES

The Friends of Gilbert Hart Library have chosen to break their schedule of meetings for a social time and luncheon with Wendy as our special guest. Regular meetings will resume on September 10th at 1:00 p.m.

Whist parties will also resume, but in the afternoons. Carol Pratt has scheduled those at 1:00 p.m. on September 12th and 26th. Need to call her? She's at 446-2843.

Having bought the film series, "Freedom and Unity: The Vermont Movie", we will be arranging to show the six parts at the town hall in the coming months. It was shown on TV this summer on PBS Plus (channel 725) but I wasn't able to see it, so we will watch for dates to be announced for the Town Hall showing this Fall.

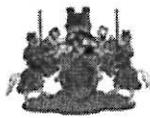
Coming up in October is our annual fund-raising dinner on October 18th. We will be planning the menu when we next meet, and let you know all about it!



RSVP Bone Builders

at the Gilbert Hart Library Tuesday & Thursday at 8:30 a.m.

From there, we will be setting dates for subsequent events, so stay tuned!



WALLINGFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

September 30th at 7 p.m., please join us at the museum. Local author Gary Shattuck will talk about Lt. Alexander Miller of Wallingford and his wife Lucretia. Gary has done a lot of research on this family and will share his information. Please join us upstairs at the Wallingford Town Hall.

For more information on upcoming programs, membership opportunities, publications and photo galleries, visit our website at: <http://wallingfordhistoricalsociety.wordpress.com> or contact President Joyce Barbieri.

EVENTS FOR THE MAPLE VALLEY GRANGE # 318 ON ROUTE 7 IN SOUTH WALLINGFORD

The Maple Valley Grange now has clothing shed outside its property where you can drop off your clean, wearable clothing. The Maple Valley Grange will receive income from collecting the clothes!

Every Thursday Martial Arts at 6:30 p.m.

Hall Rental -- \$150 plus \$50 deposit. Contact Beth Sheehe at 342-6070.



Bingo on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month. Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; games start at 5:45 p.m. Come and support your local grange. Any questions, please call 802-342-6070.

THRIVE CENTER OF THE GREEN MOUNTAINS

Sunday, 9/28 ~ Energy / Reiki Share, 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

For more information, contact Thrive Center of the Green Mountain at 68 South Main Street, Wallingford, VT 05773, 802.446.2499 - www.thriveinvermont.com.

WALLINGFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Jr. Firefighters – Age 13-18 – Senior Firefighters – Age 18 - ? *We will train.* Volunteers needed -- Age 13-seniors for Fundraisers, work details, events! Contact John Thomson at 353-0996 for details.

Seniors are certainly welcome to join and help us with fundraisers also. Contact Charlie Gauthier at 353-0996.

BURIAL LOTS FOR SALE

By Time Sale; Interest Free
GREEN HILL CEMETERY

South Main Street ~ Wallingford, VT
Call Charles Gauthier at 802-353-0996.

Terms: 20% down; balance paid in 10 monthly payments. Deed will be written when last payment is made. If APPLICANT FAILS TO MAKE FINAL PAYMENT AS AGREED, APPLICANT WILL FORFEIT 20% DOWN PAYMENT. ANY ADDITIONAL MONEY PAID WILL BE RETURNED TO APPLICANT.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF WALLINGFORD

The First Congregational Church of Wallingford will host a dedication ceremony of the historically restored steeple on September 14th at 11:00 on "the front porch" of the church.

This follows morning worship at 10:00 in the church sanctuary. Nicholas Strom-Olsen will host the event. Special tribute will be paid to Frederick Thurlow and Donald Shedd for planting the seeds for this project, first begun in 2010 and completed this summer.

We welcome all community members to join us for this time of celebration to mark the successful conclusion of this project.

CONSTABLE NEWS – ON FACEBOOK AT "Wallingford Constables Office." *Jerry Tift, Constable 802-353-2378*

NEWS FROM SOUTH WALLINGFORD UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

South Wallingford Union Congregational Church has started collecting items for Operation Christmas Child. In the past 2 years, we have been blessed to collect items to fill over 80 boxes. In the past, our shoe boxes have gone to children in Madagascar and the war-torn

Ukraine, although OCC delivers boxes all over the world. We are sowing seeds in countries that we would or could never visit, bringing smiles to many children's faces that have never experienced the true joy of Christmas. Each box includes a gospel tract, and they are told about the gift of love that Jesus offers. In September, we will be collecting school supplies, notebooks, drawing paper, pens, and pencils. This year OCC has opened an additional processing center in the Baltimore/Washington area.

Please join us as we continue the exciting new sermon series "Who is this Jesus" based upon the Gospel of John. If you are in need of transportation to/from church, please call us at 446-7888. Sunday service begins at 10 a.m. sharp.

The Ladies Aid meeting will be held at Mom's Restaurant on September 18th at 8 a.m.

*** Wednesday evening beginning September 3rd at 6:45 p.m.*** "The Truth about Creation" - A 12-week, groundbreaking study into the book of Genesis. What if the Bible is right about everything? Call for more info or to register- 446-7888.

RUTLAND REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Registration is required for all events. To register, visit www.RRMC.org or call 802.772.2400.

--RRMC is offering a three-part meditation series entitled, Peace & Calm in Chaos presented by Bonnie Olson, a certified Martha Beck Life Coach. The series will include presentations on how and why meditation works with a focus on practicing the skills of meditation including: grounding and centering exercises, basic and guided meditation and helpful ways to manage your thoughts. All participants will receive a mini-book, "The Work of Byron Katie".

The classes will be held on Thursday October 2, 9, and 16 from 6:00-7:30 pm in the CVPS/Leahy Community Health Education Center at RRMC. Classes are free but limited to 15 participants.

--RRMC is offering a four-part series entitled, Eat Well Feel Great presented by Registered Dietician Kathryn Clark, MS, RD, CD. The series will include a review of what you eat, changes you can make to improve your diet and maintain a healthy weight, shared recipes, food shopping tips and 21 days of flexible meal plans. The

classes will be held on Wednesday, October 1, 8, 15 and 22 from 5:00-6:30 pm at the Holiday Inn, 476 Holiday Drive in Rutland. To obtain the most benefit from the program, it is important to attend all sessions. Classes are free.

--According to the World Health Organization, 360 million people have disabling hearing loss, a condition that is often considered to be an unavoidable side effect of aging. Treatments and options are available. Come to RRMC's free Hearing Health Fair on Tuesday, September 23 from 6:00-7:30 pm at the Holiday Inn on 476 Holiday Drive in Rutland.

Join Mitchell B. Kramer, PhD, Lily V. Hughes, AuD, Kelley L. Holland, AuD from ENT & Audiology at Rutland Regional as they present information on how ears work and the effects of hearing loss. They will explore technologies that help hearing loss, cover costs and related technology in a no-pressure setting.

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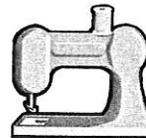
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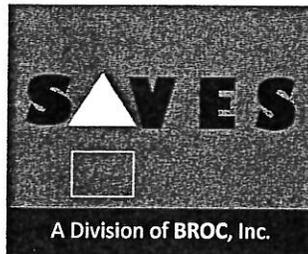
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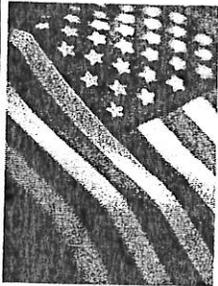
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