WALLINGFORD NEWS

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TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

Town Clerk & Treasurer's Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday-8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8 a.m. to Noon.
446-2336/townclerk@wallingfordvt.com
The front door has an after-hours mail slot.

RCSD Sheriff Benard visited the Selectboard recently to renew the law enforcement contract. There was a discussion regarding townspeople contacting the sheriff's department as soon as possible when observing suspicious behavior. Sheriff Benard indicated it was **important** to call right away and not wait a day or two. You can call 775-8002 or if it's an emergency, call 911. You can also contact Constable Jerry Tift at 353-2378. Hopefully we will not have a repeat of the vandalism that took place last summer.

The Town Offices will be closed on Friday, July 3rd in observance of Independence Day.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife have issued the 2015 Lottery applications for VT Anterless Deer Muzzleloader Hunting Permits. The application deadline is August 28th. Stop in for an application.

Second Tuesday Open Mic

The next Second Tuesday Open Mic **will be Tuesday, July 14 at the Wallingford Lodge off Waldo Lane.** This will be a one-time only location and all other Second Tuesday Open Mics will be at Town Hall. Sound system available. Contact the Town Administrator at 446-2872 or email townadmin@wallingfordvt.com for more information.

2015 Summer Recreation Program

Wallingford residents Lisa Cotrupi and Jenn Rocque Tifft have been hired as co-directors of Wallingford's Summer Recreation Program.

The program is open to children who have completed **Kindergarten through 6th grade. Scholarships are available.**

The program will run during the following weeks: **June 22-June 26; June 29- July 3; July 27-July 31; August 3-7; August 10-14.** Hours of operation: **Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-5:15 pm** (actual rec. program hours will be 8:45 am to about 4:15 pm).
For pricing or more information, call Town Administrator Sandi Switzer at 446-2872.

Planning Commission Hearing on Revised Zoning - Tuesday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

Don't forget that we have several pieces of medical equipment, such as a walker, wheelchair, crutches, etc., here at the town Office to lend out.

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

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July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 **9:00am** Wallingford Fire Dept. Tag Sale	**29** **7:00am** Rotary **12:00pm** SRS Meal	**30** **8:30am** Bone Bldrs **7:00pm** Wallingford Historical Society--Open House for Wallingford Alumni Discussion	**1** **10:30am** BP & Foot Clinic **7:00pm** MRU Board	**2** **8:30am** Bone Builders **10:30am** Library Storytime **6:30pm** WES School Board **6:30pm** Civil War Program	**3** TOWN OFFICES CLOSED	**4** TRANSFER STATION CLOSED
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MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

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

SELECTBOARD

06/01/15. Present: N. Tift, G. Fredette, R. Regula, M. Tessier, and B. Brooks

Road Commissioner Phil Baker is seeking estimates for a new truck for the road crew. He said the debris removal from the winter storm was proceeding at a steady pace. Mr. Baker will write up a proposal to go out to bid for paving estimates in the village.

Four requests for bids for the replacement of Elfin Lake's septic tank and pipe were made, with reminders, and only one response. The Board awarded the project to Phil Baker at an amount not to exceed $1,975.

Letters to pet owners of unregistered dogs will be mailed with a deadline of June 29. Owners will be fined $25 after that.

The Board signed a Vermont Tax agreement with payment of $238.81 for use of NEMRC's CAMA system for another year.

Jill Stone Teer will be paid $13.26 an hour as data entry administrator.

The board discussed fees for the collection of leaf and yard debris under 1" in diameter at the transfer station beginning July 1 as required by the state's Universal Recycling Law. Pricing and signage was approved.

Approval was given to sell concessions at the ball field to benefit Wallingford Little League.

The Board approved a request for a temporary easement across town land to replace a box culvert in South Wallingford.

A letter under the junk ordinance will be issued to a property owner. Permission for Wendy Savery of the Gilbert Hart Library to use Town Hall on June 21 for a chamber concert and July 2 for a civil war program was approved.

The board approved Wendy Savery's request on behalf of Gilbert Hart Library to use Town Hall as a rain location for a sing along on July 29th.

The Board approved the purchase of an infrared gauge to detect heat inside of vehicles for pet safety reasons for $20.

G. Fredette reported on the Scholarship Committee's intent to consider revising the criteria listed on the application.

06/15/15. Present: N. Tift, R. Regula, M. Tessier, and B. Brooks

Road Commissioner Phil Baker said he was interested in paving Nash, River, Mill and Circular. He asked Sandi Switzer to seeking paving bids from Pike, Fuller and Wilk. Mr. Baker discussed various culverts that need to be replaced. M. Tessier suggested the town consider at some point in the future hiring an employee to assist with winter road maintenance and perform other duties such as mowing, lake and ball field maintenance, etc. S. Switzer presented a request to install a Children At Play sign on Depot Street, but N. Tift did not think a sign would help based on the high speed and traffic on that street.

The Selectboard signed a new one-year agreement with RCSD.

There was a discussion on the future of dispatch services.

Marc Pramuk provided photographs of a water line across Otter Creek as he was concerned it was very exposed when water levels were low and could have an impact on those using canoes and kayaks in the waterway. He was referred to contact the Fire District.

The board reviewed Wright Appraisal Company's agreement for assessor services. There was discussion on the data entry position and training, weekly hours for Ms. Garcia, and possibly extending NEMRC's services for another 60 days.

The board approved the purchase of a fence for the Transfer Station from Springfield Fence who bid the lowest.

The board reviewed the town's ordinance regarding a complaint about a horse pasture being less than 150 ft. from a dwelling and well. No town violation was found as the barn is not within 150 ft. The state's email confirming that a horse pasture must be greater than 50 ft. from a well also confirmed no state violation. The board recommended the property owner to conduct a free water test.

FLOYD IMHOF—ELECTRICIAN

Licensed/Insured 802-446-3309

The board approved Andie Bove's request to replace the vandalized tree at the ball field.

The board approved Art Peterson's request to use the ball field for flag football various times Aug.-Oct.

The board signed Resource Management, Inc.'s Sales and Use agreement allowing the Conservation Commission to receive top soil and wildflower seeds at no cost to the town.

The board agreed to reduce the rate from $2.50 to $2 per bag for the disposal of leaves.

Bruce Dobbins was appointed to a vacant three-year seat on the Development Review Board.

VLCT ruled that photos attached to an email are public property and must be made available upon request.

The town's attorney will be asked for advice on the storage of junk vehicles on property on Route 103.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE

05/27/15. Present: S. Sendra, K. Stocker, and G. Wells

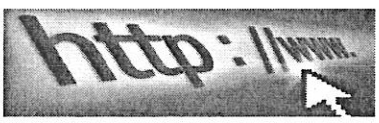
Steve Baker discussed the sugaring season that he had on the property owned by the fire district. He presented a check for $898.69 for the amount of the last two seasons.

The board was given a letter from the Hiring Committee recommending Gary Wells for the Caretaker position, with Dennis Philips as the back up. Gary said that he would accept the position.

Scott recommended getting email addresses from fire district residents so that invoices could be emailed; therefore, cutting down on the cost of postage, paper, and envelopes. Maureen was in favor of this and sends a few by email now. We will ask Sandi to put something on the website about this and also Maureen will send a notice with the next billing.

The next regular meeting for June 10th falls on Mill River's graduation night. The Board agreed to hold one meeting in June.

The Board held executive session to discuss a legal issue by conference call with an attorney.



ATTENTION WALLINGFORD FIRE DISTRICT #1 RESIDENTS: The Prudential Committee wants to let you know that we wish to offer a voluntary service to send you all bills by email.

Not only will this save paper, postage, reduce land fill waste and associated resources, it will also offer increased security as only you will see your bill.

No need to tear your bill into tiny pieces or shred your bill for secure recycling!

Simply send the office an email to wallfired1@vermontel.net and just say you'd like to join!

In addition, the clerk/ treasurer will send out reminders to all participants before the due date to remind anybody who may have forgotten the due date, misplaced their printed bill or deleted the original email.

All you need to do is email or call the office (802-446-2964) and Maureen will send you another email with your bill attached. Again, this is totally a voluntary service.

Planning Commission Hearing on Revised Zoning - Tuesday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall

PLANNING COMMITTEE

05/20/15. Present: A. Tiplady, J. Burkett, N. Astin, J. Biasuzzi, and B. Dobbins

The most current draft of the Zoning Regulations were reviewed, page by page. Final adjustments were made.

06/10/15. Present: A. Tiplady, J. Burkett, N. Astin, J. Biasuzzi, and B. Dobbins

Ann Tiplady formally announced her resignation as P.C. Chair person. B. Dobbins was appointed.

Ann Tiplady relayed information from the June Historic Preservation Seminar. B. Dobbins relayed his information from the June Rutland Regional Planning Commission meeting on transportation improvements and related grant opportunities. He offered to pursue grant applications.

Work continued on the review of proposed Zoning Regulations. Final adjustments to Home Occupation rules, lot dimensions; signage; and definitions were decided upon. B. Dobbins is to prepare & email to the PC, the final version of the rules; in preparation for a Public Hearing for 7:00 pm, Thursday, July 7, 2015.

WALLINGFORD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

05/07/15. Present: K. Fredette, P. Rondinone, J. Rodger, and T. Lidstone

Hayden has continued work on the ductwork. Projects on this year's budget will be funded with the remaining $18,000.

Special events and programs were discussed.

Composting has begun and along with recycling has reduced our trash down to a mere ¼ bag each day.

Nancy Seward is retiring this year. Only a few Para educators will be needed for the 2016 school year.

The technology plan for 2016 was reviewed.

Enrollment is at 142. PreK: 21, Kindergarten: 20, 1st grade: 13, 2nd grade: 24, 3rd grade: 16, 4th grade: 15, 5th grade: 15, 6th grade: 18.

Helen reported that preschool teachers attended an excellent training session. She also advised that the governor's office had contacted her regarding grant monies now available to support our preschool program.

Elementary teacher and special educator bargaining continue, with support staff next in line.

The 15-16 RSSU Board meeting schedule was announced. Dave gave a presentation on his vision for Rutland South. Much discussion ensued.

Janine distributed information from the VSBA about what resources are available for prospective and new board members.

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There was a problem with the water softener ordered and Hayden is seeking an alternative.

No update on selling the Little Red Schoolhouse. Ken plans to contact a realtor who deals with historic properties to see if he would be interested in listing it.

Ken reported a citizen had called him with concerns about tax dollars being spent on children from outside of Wallingford under a preschool/daycare collaborative.

The board went in to executive session to discuss negotiations and the principal's and superintendent's evaluations.

06/04/15. Present: K. Fredette, T. Lidstone, S. Pytlik, J. Rodgers, P. Rondinone

Principal Richards-Peelle presented her vision for next school year.

The Food Service Committee is reviewing the proposals.

Superintendent Younce presented an overview of H.361 to the Board.

The Board approved offering Helen Richards-Peelle a contract for 2015-16 with a salary of $83,430.

Board members discussed an outreach program to recruit and mentor potential board members.

Ken advised that grant monies have become available for supporting the pellet boiler system. Grants will be issued in two rounds in amounts between $5-50,000 ($150,000 total available statewide each round). There is a 70% match required. Board members agreed by consensus to pursue said grants.

The negotiations meeting will be held June 8th.

The Board approved a FY16 tax anticipation note of $480,000 with People's United Bank.

The Board approved the contract for supplying fuel oil in FY16 to Champlain Valley Plumbing and Heating at a fixed price of $2.25 per gallon.

WALLINGFORD RESCUE 50/50 RAFFLE

The Annual Wallingford Rescue 50/50 Raffle will be held on Friday, July 31st at the Wallingford Boys Camp. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. The drawing begins at 7:30 p.m.

For those of you who are not familiar with this event, members of the rescue squad sell 225 tickets for $40 each.

There are 10 cash prizes ranging from $40 to $1,500. Each ticket admits the ticket holder and one guest to a process of elimination drawing. Members of the rescue squad will be your hosts for the evening. There is an array of delicious finger foods for your snacking enjoyment along with beverages and mixers.

Also, during this drawing several door prizes are awarded to ticket holders. These prizes range in value from $10-$300.

If anyone is interested in purchasing a ticket, feel free to call the squad building at 446-3942, leave a message and someone will get back to you or contact anyone on the squad. If anyone would like to donate a door prize, you can also call 446-3942 and Rita will get back to you.

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

04/27/15. Present: M. Pramuk, D. Scranton, C. Macleod, J. & M. McMahon, and R. Nimtz

Green Up day results were reviewed. 181 bags were passed out to 127 volunteers. The count was up about 20%.

Stone Meadow work day was discussed. David Poro showed up with a lawn tractor to help. John McClallen came, but had to leave for a religious commitment. He suggested we might alter our Sunday morning schedule for work days. Marc, Greg, Dave and Ralph installed signs and a bench at the Canoe Launch while Debbie and Carol weeded the rain garden by the beach. Dave mowed the trail and hauled with his tractor. Someone has entered the park through the Phillips property by driving down the steep hill, ripping around and then back up the hill tearing up the sod and creating potential erosion. Surveillance cameras were again suggested. Next work day will be June 7th.

The Bee project is projected to be at the end of June. Topsoil and wildflowers will be added. A grand opening for the canoe trail and perhaps the new beach pavilion will be scheduled in June. Perhaps these could be combined with speakers and events. New projects will be the canoe portage at the old bridge site, installing bat houses and redesign of the parking area and new sign. Dog waste bag dispenser was discussed as well as acquiring a trash barrel.

As of July 1, the Town will have to accept yard waste at the Transfer Station.

Discussion on what WCC can do in the preservation or what standards apply in the modification of these ancient corridors (roads and trails).

ENERGY COMMITTEE

Read them online at www.wallingfordvt.com.

VACANCIES

There are a few vacancies the Selectboard would like to fill:

Conservation Commission – one seat – term expires in 2018.
Energy Committee – three seats – one expires in 2016, one expires in 2017, and one expires in 2018.
Recreation Committee – one seat – one-year appointment.
Development Review Board alternate.
Rutland Regional Transportation Council alternate.

WALLINGFORD HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI NEWS

The Wallingford High School Alumni Association has been busy making plans for the 2015 banquet. It will be held on Saturday, July 11th at the Franklin Conference Center.

It's hard to believe but it has been 40 years since the demise of the wooden structure that was known as Wallingford High School. The Wallingford Historical Society has invited alumni to their meeting on June 30th to hold an informational discussion about their days of attending Wallingford High School. This will take place at 7:00 p.m. upstairs in the Town Hall. It will be an impromptu discussion of memorable events that took place in connection with the school. We are hoping to have graduates from the 30's, 40's, 50's 60's and 70's present to share stories from their days at W.H.S.

WALLINGFORD HILL TOP 9 ACRES enjoys 180 degree mountain views from very private home site. Seller financing; sacrificed priced at $65K. NE Land & Trading Co. Ltd. (802) 770-0380 Landtrade@AOL.COM ASK ABOUT OTHER PARCELS AVAILABLE, from 1/2 to 500 acres, starting at $25,000.

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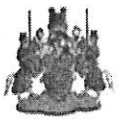
Kayaks , paddleboat and gas grill for rent.

2015 Family Season Passes:
Family passes are $65 for residents and $75 for non-residents. NO refunds.



WALLINGFORD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our July meeting will feature an antique appraisal show. Local appraiser Jim Marquis will host this event on Sunday, July 26th starting at 1:00 p.m. in our museum located on the second floor of Town Hall on Route 140 East (School Street). One item will be $5 and three for $10.

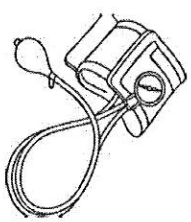
JOYCE BARBIERI, PRESIDENT

WALLINGFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Jr. Firefighters – Age 16-18 – Senior Firefighters – Age 18 - ? *We will train.* Volunteers needed -- Age 13- seniors for work details, etc. Contact John Thomson at 353-0996 for details.
Seniors are certainly welcome to join. Contact Charlie Gauthier at 353-0996.

CONSTABLE JERRY TIFT – ON FACEBOOK AT "WALLINGFORD CONSTABLES OFFICE"

Wallingford's Animal Control Officer is Constable Jerry Tift. You can reach him at 802-353-2378. The ACO handles calls concerning domesticated animals, and farm animals, to include animals running at large, animal cruelty, aggressive dogs, dog bites, etc. Wallingford's Animal Control Ordinance can be viewed at wallingfordvt.com.



WALLINGFORD SENIORS

Foot and blood pressure clinic on the first Wednesdays of each month at 10:30 a.m. at the Wallingford House, 10 North Main Street, Wallingford.

Remember the Seniors' lunch every Monday at Noon at the Rotary. Contact Linda Weightman at 446-2301.

Join Front Porch Forum ... see what you've been missing.

Wallingford's Forum started September 10, 2013. Since then, 341 Members from 880 Households have posted 1,372 Postings. It's free. It's local. And it's friendly.

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OKAY · Natural Wood- timber, logs, boles, trunks, branches, limbs, stumps, untreated lumber · Clean Wood Pallets · Leaves · Brush QUESTIONS? Please call your local fire warden prior to burning for a permit. Feel free to contact the Vermont DEC Air Quality and Climate Division at (802) 828-1288 with any questions or concerns. Recycle, Reuse, Respect

You can file a complaint with the Department of Environmental Conservation, Agency of Natural Resources at (802) 828-1254. You can also call the Air Quality & Climate Division at (888) 828-1288.

BREATHE BIG — A special yoga event fundraiser. Join us as we aim to help those with Cystic Fibrosis breathe easier by raising funds for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in the search for a cure. Where: Kula Cooperative at 17 Center Street in Rutland When: June 13, July 11 & Aug 8 8:00 - 10:00 A.M. Donation is $20/class or $50/series Call 802.558.7665 or email breathebigcf@gmail.com.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Seller: Estate of Donnie Stork; Buyer (via foreclosure): Wells Fargo; 202 Earl Wade Road; assessed value: $121,500.

Seller: TD Bank; Buyer: Alden Lemay; 5 North Main Street; assessed value $394,300; purchase price $190,000.

Seller: Darren Bidgood; Buyer (via foreclosure): Ocwen Loan Servicing, 398 South Main Street; assessed value: $149,300.

ZONING PERMITS

Bruce Eells, 1221 Route 7 South, new barn.

Carlton Machia, 155 Prospect Street, new shed.

Laurie Gawet, 81 Shedd Place, construct fence.

Bradley Frohloff, 279 Centerville Road, dog kennel.

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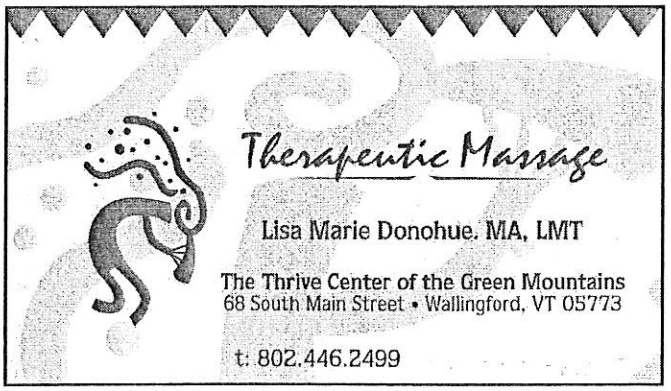
Wallingford's Summer Recreation Program features 5 weeks of fun filled activities for youngsters who have completed Kindergarten through the sixth grade.

Call Sandi at 802-446-2872 for details!



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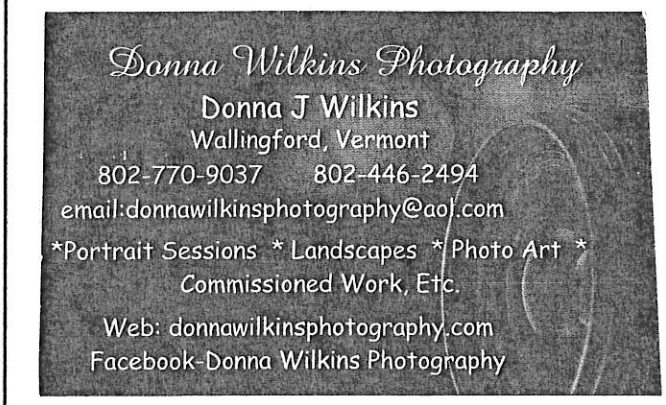

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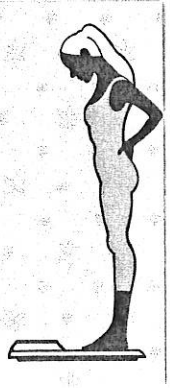

2015 End of Session Legislative Report

The 2015 Legislative Session wrapped up around 11:30 PM, Saturday, May 16th. It was perhaps more difficult than usual, given a close governor's election, a state revenue shortfall, a projected budget deficit, and a recent alleged sexual assault charge against a State Senator.

Despite this, legislation was enacted that resulted in a balanced state budget, new VT water quality standards, education reform (for better or worse), improved safety for abused and neglected children, and revised VT goals for conservation and renewable energy. Left for another year were more controversial issues like legalization of marijuana and significant healthcare reform.

A projected $113 million budget deficit was closed by raising $31.8 million in new revenue, making budget reductions of $56 million, and use of $25 million in onetime resources.

A new $8 million water quality bill was enacted to protect and improve the Lake Champlain and Connecticut River Basins. This hopefully will avert unwanted federal intervention around this issue.

Education reform, ever difficult and controversial, and intended to achieve efficiencies, equality and savings, passed both the Senate and the House. This initiative, may or may not, pan out as intended. In mandating school districts with a minimum of 900 students, it definitely impacts local elementary school governance in our district, and pressures consolidation of small schools like Tinmouth. I saw this as a loss of "local control", and opposed it.

Increase in child abuse and neglect surfaced in our county and statewide this past year. Legislative improvements were made for collaboration between children within custody of the Dept. of Children & Families, their families, and the court system. Mandatory child abuse reporting strengthened and clarified, and penalties for abusers increased.

A comprehensive renewable energy bill, facilitating both conservation within VT homes and alternative energy generation is designed to save Vermonters $275 million over 15 years, exert downward pressure on electrical rates, and protect our future environment. While solar siting was partially addressed, wind generation setback criteria were ignored.

This is a small sample emerging from the 2015 legislative process. To further discuss any of these or other issues, feel free to contact me anytime at 438-5385, or by email at dpotter@leg.state.vt.us.

As always, thanks for the continued opportunity to serve. Best, Rep. Dave Potter

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GILBERT HART LIBRARY NEWS

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Fun in, on, and around the stacks this month! The Wallingford Rec Camp kids are making the library their home base and have been enjoying some great summer reads. We've got books around the "Every Hero has a Story" theme, new Dorothy Canfield Fisher Award nominees, lots of newer donated DVDs, and more. On Friday July 24 at Clarendon Elementary School at 10am, kids of all ages are invited to a library sponsored program by Summer Encore: "Who will Save your Town?" ~come and find out! Then on Saturday, August 1, here at the library, another special program at 11 a.m. by PuppeTree. "Swimmy & Swimmer." Bring a friend and enjoy these special events.

July 2 at the Wallingford Town Hall, community members are invited to a community reading of Frederick Douglass' speech. Don't even know what that means? Join us at 6:30 p.m. to discover more and enjoy some delicious treats provided by the Friends of the Library.

As always, the best way to learn more about what is going on is to stop on by. Take a peek around, sign up for a card, look in the sale books downstairs for a book to keep and treasure. The possibilities are endless!

HART LINES

The benefit concert held at the Town Hall June 21st was such a treat, I wonder why we can't do more of them! The space is not dolled up in fancy drapery but it is wonderful space with good acoustics the way it is (drapery would only absorb the sound). We do have talent in town or close by – it's something to think about doing, anyway.

Coming up soon, again at the Town Hall, is a celebration of the sesquicentennial of the Civil War. Starting at 6:30 p.m. there will be a speech originally done by Frederick Douglas, followed by refreshments by the Friends and then a movie about the Civil War. This event is free. This is all on July 2nd, so it somewhat coincides with the July 4th celebration of Independence Day. We do need to remind ourselves of our history sometimes, in order not to repeat it.

In July, the Friends are sponsoring a Sing-a-long behind the Library on Wednesday, July 29th at 6:30 p.m. We will have refreshments to follow, after we have sung all the old and new favorites. We hope you all will support this new effort to have fun together at no expense. There will be instrumental accompaniment, so the support will make for a good sound and a happy event. Mark your calendars now!

Maybe by the next newsletter I can tell you of an open house at the Library to show off the reconfiguration of space now taking place. Also coming up is a tea which has a bonus, an effort by Marlene Dawson to help the Library. You'll have to come and see!

Meanwhile, there are many, many books for sale in the Klock Room at ridiculously low prices. You can stock up for the whole year for only a small sum of money. And the Library itself is always acquiring new books, the latest, to borrow and read and return. We have a wonderful resource right here in town. Happy reading!

Library Hours

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REGULAR MEETINGS

Selectboard Town Hall – 1st & 3rd Monday – 6:30 pm	**Wallingford School Board** School – 1st & 3rd Thursday – 6:30 pm
Planning Commission Town Hall – 2nd Monday – 7:00 pm	**Conservation Commission** Town Hall – 4th Monday – 6:30 pm
Energy Committee Town Hall – 1st Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.	**Recreation Committee** - on call
Prudential Committee Fire District Office– 2nd & 4th Wednesday – 6:00 pm	**Wallingford Historical Society** – Town Hall - Last Tues. of the month (May-Oct.) 7:00 pm

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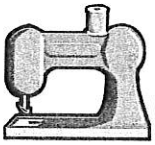

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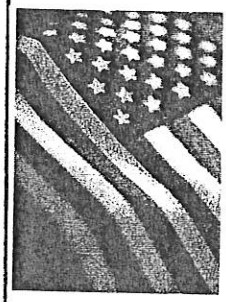

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