WALLINGFORD STANDARD

MARCH 2020

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

Town Clerk & Treasurer's Office Hours:
Monday-Thursday-8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday 8:00-11:30 a.m.
802-446-2336
townclerk@wallingfordvt.com
We offer FREE Notary Service.

The front door has an after-hours mail slot.

ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

Thursday, February 27, 7 p.m.
MRUHS library at 2321 Middle Road, N. Clarendon
We have a few annual reports at the Town Office or you can view it at:
http://millriverschools.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/000-2020-Annual-Report-Final.pdf

*ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Monday, March 2, 7 p.m.
Wallingford Elementary School
*Bring your town report to the meeting

VOTING

Polls Open—Tuesday, March 3
10 a.m.—7 p.m.
Wallingford Town Hall

It's Time to Register Your Dog

All dogs, six months of age or older, must be registered annually at the Town Clerk's Office by April 1st. A valid rabies certificate must be submitted. We're happy to issue licenses through the mail. Fees are $10 spayed/neutered; otherwise, it's $14.

Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic

Saturday, March 7th
11:30 a.m.—1:30 pm.
All dogs must be on leashes.
All cats must be in carriers.
Grace Ma-Steenbergen, DVM
$15 per shot
Wallingford Town Hall
75 School Street
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Wallingford dogs can be registered at that time.

VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program

VT Volunteer Services for Animals Humane Society administers the VT Spay Neuter Incentive Program (VSNIP) under the administration of VT Economic Services/ DCF. VSNIP is intended to help with the spay and neuter costs for cats and dogs that are cared for by residents unable to afford the standard cost of these important procedures. Included in this service is a rabies vaccination and one distemper vaccination. In order for full protection of the diseases that this vaccination addresses, a follow up vaccination is needed. The follow up series is not included with the VSNIP voucher.

VSNIP is funded by the added $4 fee to the licensing of dogs. This is the ONLY funding for the program. Funds are limited by how many people license their dogs, which is required by law. Rabies is in VT and it is deadly. Questions – call 802-672-5302.

Wallingford Town Hall Concert Series

Wednesday, March 11th at 7:00 pm

Irish Band - EXTRA STOUT

JUST IN TIME FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY

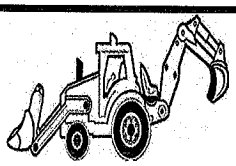
Extra Stout is the Green Mountains of Vermont's favorite traditional Irish band that has been playing together for upwards of twenty years. They bring all of the variety that Irish music has to offer from raucous drinking songs to ballads of home and county; from slow and haunting airs to rocking reels, jigs and polkas. Suggested donations of $10 to $15 per person at the door. MRUHS students will host the bake sale to benefit project graduation.

Cut off date for submissions is the 23 of each month.
Editor: Julie Sharon
Town Clerk & Treasurer
75 School Street Wallingford

Conservation Commission	4th Monday of every month	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Planning Commission	2nd Wednesday of every month	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Prudential Committee	1st & 3rd Wednesday	6:00 p.m. Town Hall
Recreation Committee	2nd Monday of every month	7:00 p.m. Town Hall
Selectboard	1st & 3rd Monday	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Energy Committee	1st Tuesday of every month	6:30 p.m. Town Hall
Mill River Unified S.D. Board	1st Wednesday 3rd Wednesday	7:00 p.m. Mill River Union High School 7:00 p.m. school rotation
Wallingford Rotary	Every Monday except holidays	7:00 a.m. Rotary
Bone Builders	Every Tuesday & Thursday	8:30 a.m. Library
Wallingford Vol Fire Dept. Training	Every Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Wallingford Fire Station
$1.00 Community Breakfast	Last Friday of every month	6:30 a.m. Wallingford Cong. Church
Wallingford Food Shelf	Every Tuesday & Thursday	9 a.m.-Noon Town Hall
EW Vol Fire Dept. Training	First Monday of every month	8:00 p.m. EW Fire Station
Lego Club	Every Saturday	10:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Library Board	2nd Tuesday of every month	7 p.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Friends Meeting	2nd Thursday of every month	9:30 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Foot & BP Clinic	1st Wednesday of every month	10:30 a.m. Wallingford House
Knitting Club	Every Friday	10:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Children's Story Time	Every Monday	11:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Community Acupuncture	4th Tuesday of every month -RSVP	6:00 p.m. The Thrive Center
Seniors Lunch, RSVP required	Every Monday except holidays	12:00 p.m. Wallingford Rotary Club
Yoga-$15 per session	Every Wednesday	9:00 a.m. Gilbert Hart Library
Legion Breakfast Meeting	1st Tuesday	8:00 a.m. Wallingford Cong. Church

MARCH'S SPECIAL GOINGS ON

Town Meeting	Monday	2	7 pm
Presidential Primary/Town Election	Tuesday	3	10:00 am–7:00 pm
Dog & Cat Rabies Clinic	Saturday	7	11:30 am–1:30 pm
Dr. Seuss Museum Trip	Saturday	7	7 am
Extra Stout Concert	Wednesday	11	7 pm
Whist	Friday	13 & 27	1 pm
Wallingford Rotary Roast Pork Dinner	Saturday	14	5-7 pm
Whist	Friday	13 & 27	1 pm
Newsletter Questionnaire Deadline	Wednesday	18	4:30 pm
Library Book Discussion	Monday	30	4 pm



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- **Selectboard**
- **Development Review Board**
- **Conservation Commission**
- **Energy Committee**
- **Planning Commission**
- **Recreation Committee**
- **Board of Civil Authority/Abatement**
- **Prudential Committee**

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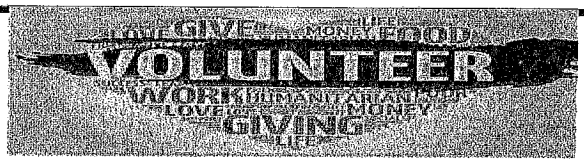
Wallingford Rotary Roast Pork Dinner
Saturday, March 14 ~5-7 pm
Rotary Building, 96 North Main Street

This fundraising dinner will include roast pork with gravy or vegetarian lasagna, mashed potatoes, roasted carrots, green beans, apple sauce, homemade sourdough bread with butter, and homemade desserts. The cost is $12, children 6 -12 $60, children 5 & under are free. Proceeds will be used to support the Women's Empowerment Project in Uganda. We are helping them to purchase a portable oven for bread-making, which will make a huge difference in their ability to support themselves. Come for a delicious dinner and support a very good cause! Please call Nan Dubin at 259-3490 or email nan@vermontel.net for more information.



Please contact Sandi Switzer, Town Administrator, at 446-2872 or email townadmin@wallingfordvt.com if you'd like to learn about the municipal vacancies that need to be filled.

Connect with Your Neighbors by Joining Front Porch Forum ... see what you've been missing. Wallingford's Forum started September 10, 2013. Since then, 615 Members from 1,050 Households have posted 5,136 Postings. It's free. It's local. And it's friendly. Check it out at http://FrontPorchForum.com.

State Highway Access and Work Permit (19 VSA 1111), Section 1111

For projects involving access to a state highway, applicants for municipal site plan approval under Title 24 VSA Section 4416 Statute must include a letter of intent from VTrans that confirms that the Agency has reviewed the proposed site plan and is prepared to issue a State Highway Access and Work Permit. The letter of intent will itemize any conditions that the agency attaches to the permit.

View road maps at: http://vtransmaps.vermont.gov/mapsftp/current.asp

TOWN & SCHOOL WEBSITES: wallingfordvt.com millriverschools.org

GILBERT HART LIBRARY by Wendy Savery

March madness doesn't exactly hit the library, but we do get cabin fever! There are still snowshoes for lending, and the Department of Libraries has donated copies of the book *Between the World and Me* available for a discussion on Monday the 30th at 4 p.m.

After a very successful February painting event, the library intends to offer some ongoing opportunities for budding artists under the guided instruction of Zach of Paints by Bird beginning in April. And our Board is actively seeking a few new members, please email ghlib@comcast.net to express your interest. We're also collecting poems for the poetry tree, they can be originals or favorites you'd like to see on the tree outside when it blossoms this spring. Submissions can be e-mailed or dropped off at the library. See you real soon!

Mon, Thurs & Fri: 10 – 5; Wed: 10 – 8; Sat: 9 – 12
Librarian Wendy Savery; Asst. Librarian Susan Gilbert
Telephone: 446-2685 ghlib@comcast.net

HART LINES by Nan Dubin

Thank you to all who attended the Friends of Gilbert Hart Library Dinner and a Movie Night! A delicious dinner, an entertaining movie, and good friends - what could be better? And the Friends can now do even more to help our library!

Whist parties will be held at the Wallingford House at 1:00 PM on March 13 & 27. Please contact Goldie Nemeth for more information: 446-3836.

Don't forget the library's ongoing book sale in the Klock Room, where there are bargains to be had on hard-cover and paperback books in a wide range of genres. Come browse and take home some literary gifts for yourself and others.

Keep a lookout for the Friends upcoming events, like our spring Plant, Book & Bake sale on May 16!The next meeting of the Friends of Gilbert Hart Library will be held on Thursday, March 12 at 9:30 AM in the Klock Room at the library. New members always welcome!

As I approach my 18th year working for the Town of Wallingford and my seventh year as Town Clerk & Treasurer, I am honored to serve you. I would appreciate your vote at the polls on Tuesday, March 3rd. Thank you.

Julie Sharon

Vote

12th Annual Soup Bowls for Hunger
Thursday, March 12—Rutland High School Cafeteria
Two Seatings: 4:45 & 6:15 pm.

$20—tickets must be purchased in advance
Make checks payable to Soup Bowls for Hunger and mail to: Karen Nawn-Fahey, c/o RHS, 22 Stratton Road, Rutland VT 05701
Questions, call Karen at 770-1117

All proceeds benefit the Community Cupboard

Food Cupboard at Wallingford Town Hall
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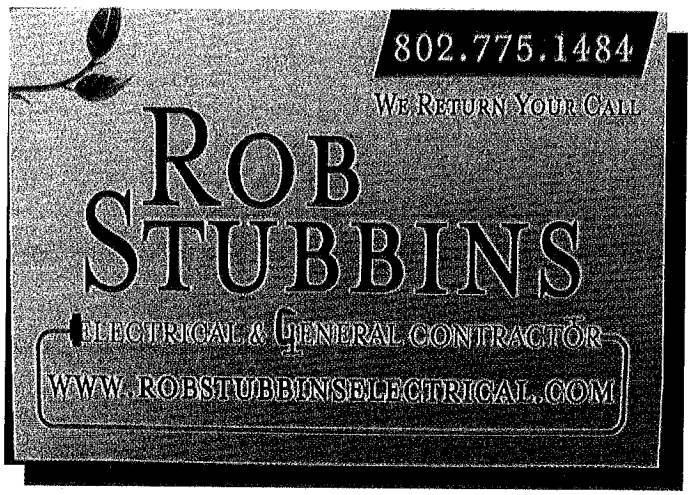
Why is the census important?

The decennial census is the most inclusive civic activity in our country, covering every person in every household. The U.S. Constitution requires an accurate count of the nation's population every 10 years. Moreover, the census is integral to our democracy. The data collected affect our nation's ability to ensure equal representation and equal access to important governmental and private sector resources for all Americans, including across racial and ethnic lines.

Census results are used to allocate seats and draw district lines for the U.S. House of Representatives, state legislatures, and local boards; to target at least $800 billion annually in federal assistance to states, localities, and families; and to guide community decision-making affecting schools, housing, health care services, business investment, and much more. These functions depend on a fair and accurate census.

The 2020 Census is easy. The 6 questions are simple. During the 2020 Census, the Census Bureau will ***never*** ask you for:

Your Social Security number.
Money or donations.
Anything on behalf of a political party.
Your bank or credit card account numbers.



Wallingford Day has been set — it will be the third Saturday in July each year. This year the date is July 18. Mark your calendar.

Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department

Non-emergency phone #446-2295

E. Wallingford Volunteer Fire Department

Non-emergency phone #259-6036

Jr. (13-17 yr. old) & Sr. Firefighters NEEDED
We will train.

Wallingford Seniors

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

Rhonda Renner is the contact for the weekly Lunches held at the Rotary building. She is looking for more seniors to come out and socialize on Mondays.

Lunches are held weekly at noon. Meals are served at the Wallingford Memorial Rotary building at 96 North Main Street. Reservations are required each week. Suggested donation is $3.50. Contact Rhonda Renner at 802-779-5893 or 446-3069 to reserve your meal each week. She needs to hear from you by Wednesday of the preceding week.

Vermont 2-1-1 Get Connected. Get Answers. United Ways of Vermont

Need help finding help?

Reaching out to Vermont 2-1-1 is your first step.

Are you facing difficult times and don't know where to turn?
Vermont 2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember three-digit phone number that connects you with the services that can help.

Looking for help with everyday needs?
At 2-1-1, you will speak to someone who will provide the human touch, help to problem solve, and link callers throughout Vermont with government programs, community-based organizations, support groups, and other local resources.

WHEN should you contact 2-1-1?
Call 2-1-1: 24 hours/7 days
(Or 1-866-652-4636 toll-free in Vermont, or 1-802-652-4636 from outside Vermont)
OR
Text your zip code to 898211: Monday-Friday: 8am-8pm
Standard message & data rates apply. Text STOP to opt-out. For end user privacy and terms and conditions of texting with 898211, go to: http://www.unitedwaysvt.com/policies/

Also visit: www.vermont211.org

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Selectboard Meeting Highlights

2/03: Road Commissioner Phil Baker said the Homer Stone Road Bridge would be repaired in the spring. Upon review of the bridge inventory, the Selectboard agreed that S. Lanfear should inspect all municipal bridges not inspected by the state and select a grant project by the next meeting. Mr. Baker said he would be willing to let the road crew use a trailer at no charge to transport an excavator if voters approve the purchase at Town Meeting.

The Selectboard approved: 1) Not bidding on any tax sale properties on 2-12; 2) revising disposal fees at the Transfer Station; 3) two sponsorship letters for the Great Elfin 5K Race from race organizer Kelly Dilonno; 4) signing Garaventa Lift's annual maintenance agreement for the elevator; 5) waiving the Building Use Agreement for the upcoming VT Local Roads workshop; 6) new roadside mowing arrangements with David Hosely; 7) Atty. Merriman's letter to Atty. Carrol regarding the boundary line dispute with Tinmouth; 8) deferring the Conservation Commission's report about bike jumps at Stone Meadow until the next meeting; 9) drafting a letter to state reps in opposition of proposed amendments expanding tree warden authority over trees in town's ROWs; 10) designating Phil Baker and Steve Lanfear to act on mutual aid arrangements; and 11) amending zoning permit fees to include added fees for additional DRB hearings and/or publication notices.

J. McClallen provided an overview of the structural enhancements at the Wallingford Block. N. Tift said the Town received the state's final share of the July 2018 storm damage repair costs.

2/11: The Selectboard voted to direct Atty. Merriman to proceed with a revised Arbitration Agreement and ensuing steps.

2/17: Conservation Commission members discussed the latest construction and use of bike trails and jumps at Stone Meadow and the past discussions with Rec Committee and residents. After further discussion, all agreed that the Rec and Conservation members should hold a joint meeting and seek public input.

The Selectboard approved: 1) the 2020 mowing bid from FAS; 2) Friends of Gilbert Hart Library request to use the Town's bulk mail permit for a fundraising letter; 3) raising the municipal newsletter annual rate from $50 to $75 with revenue earmarked to offset newsletter expenses; 4) signing a letter to the Rutland Co. legislative delegation in opposition to H.673, the Tree Warden bill.

Cecile Betit shared concerns about the impact of power outages on telephone services in rural areas and welcomed input as she will attend the PUC meeting on 2/18. Board members reiterated their course of action detailed to the attorney earlier this month.

Property Transfers

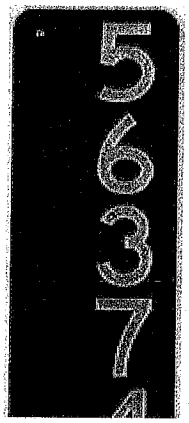
Seller: Fernfield Farms, Buyer: Luke Chapman, 41 Homer Stone Road, Purchase price: $65,000, Assessed value: $72,300.

Zoning Permits

Stephen & Gloria Werle, 37 S. Main Street, detached 1-car garage.

Stacy Harshman, 1509 US Route 7S, barn addition for studio and storage.

This is a reminder if you, or another Wallingford resident, needs a transfer station punch card, the Wallingford Community Thrift Shop has generously donated a limited number of $20 cards to anyone in need. Please stop into the Town Clerk's office to pick up one of these cards, or if you know of someone that is in need, please give us a call at 446 -2336, and we would be happy to mail one out.



Enhanced 911: Please remember to have your locatable address visibly displayed with 3-inch reflective numbers so Emergency Services can locate your address from the road. As a reminder, your parcel number is NOT your E911 address. The two numbers are different. If you are building on a new lot or changing the use of a current lot, please notify us. We would be happy to assist you in assigning or updating your locatable address. Call us at 446-2007.

Eric & Dale Davenport, E911 Coordinators

Successful VCRD Recap Potluck

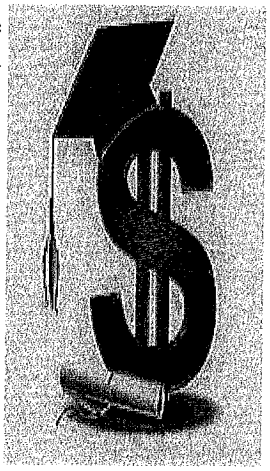
The Chairs of the Wallingford Community Visit Program would like to thank all those who came out for a delicious potluck dinner and the opportunity to discuss the progress made by our three committees. Those committees were formed as the result of Wallingford's collaboration with the Vermont Council on Rural Development, and we wish to thank Paul Costello and Jenna Koloski for all their help and support through the process.

Before dinner we heard from Katherine Maclauchlan, Chair of our Economic Development task force, Jeremy Krohn, Chair of the Recreation task force, and Maria French and Jenn Galusha-Brothers, Co-Chairs of the Events, Communication and Engagement task force. They highlighted the progress made and encouraged residents to come forward with ideas for the future. We also heard information from Carol Macleod regarding the town newsletter.

We are thankful to Wallingford Elementary School for allowing us use of the building, Wallingford Memorial Rotary Club for donating paper goods and utensils, all the fabulous cooks, and to everyone who helped with set-up and clean-up, especially Julie and Larry Sharon. Keep a lookout on Front Porch Forum and the town newsletter for upcoming events, and plan to attend the Second Annual Wallingford Day on July 18!

Nan Dubin

My name is **Rose Regula** and I am running for re-election on the Selectboard for a 2-year term. I would appreciate your vote on March 3rd. Thank you.



Ralph E. Stafford & Irving Smith Scholarships: each awarded one time to a limited number of Wallingford students who are entering their first year of post-high school higher education. Completed applications with required supporting information should be mailed or delivered to the Office of the Superintendent at MRUUSD, 2321 Middle Road, Suite 1, N. Clarendon VT 05759 by April 27th.

Chipman Lodge #52 F&AM Scholarship: awarded for educational endeavors to residents of Wallingford, Tinmouth, Clarendon & Shrewsbury, up to $500. Submit application to Jay White, 514 Clarendon Road, Wallingford VT 05773 by April 24th. MRUHS students must obtain a different application from the School Guidance Office.

Wallingford High School Alumni Association Laura Burnham Scholarship and the WHS Alumni and Rita Wetherby Scholarship: eligibility criteria is on each application. Deadline is generally May 1st, and applications must be mailed to the WHS Alumni Association, PO Box 388, Wallingford VT 05773.

Applications can be picked up at the Wallingford Town Office, 75 School Street, or obtained online at: https://www.wallingfordvt.com/documents/

Congratulations to:

Brandi Munger & Tiler Cormia who welcomed Ensley Michelle on 1/25.

Terry Weeks and Noel Chuderski who wed on 2/20.

Homestead Declaration

Don't forget to file your annual Homestead Declaration Form HS-122 by April 15, regardless if you file for an extension!

Property Tax Adjustment

You may be eligible for a property tax adjustment on your 19/20 property taxes if your property qualifies as a homestead and you meet the eligibility requirements. The Property Tax Adjustment Claim Form HS-122 is due April 15 Late filers are charged a late fee.

Contact info: 1-802-828-2505 or tax.vermont.gov

Don't forget to file your 2019 Property Tax Exemption for Disabled Veterans and Their Survivors, if needed, by May 1st.

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Town of Wallingford Newsletter Questionnaire

Do you enjoy receiving the monthly Newsletter? ____Yes ____No

Do you think the information in the newsletter makes you more aware of events and activities taking place in Wallingford? ____Yes ____No

Have you participated in any Town activity that you learned about from reading the Town Newsletter? ____Yes ____No

Have you used or inquired about a service advertised in the newsletter? ____Yes ____No

If an advertising business, have you received inquiries from you advertisement? ____Yes ____No

Do you want to continue to receive the mailed newsletter? ____Yes ____No

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Email:_____

***4 WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED IN A RANDOM DRAWING FROM ALL ENTRIES ON MARCH 19. EACH WINNER WILL RECEIVE A $25 GIFT CERTIFICATE FROM A WALLINGFORD BUSINESS.**

You may drop off your completed questionnaire at Town Hall, Gilbert Hart Library and at the Wallingford Town Meeting on March 2nd or you may mail the completed questionnaire to the Wallingford Town Clerk, 75 School Street, Wallingford, VT 05773. The deadline is March 18, 2020. Newsletter production and mailing costs approximately $4.76 per household annually and is funded by donations, fundraisers by the Communication Committee, and the Town of Wallingford.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER SUGGESTIONS OR COMMENTS YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD, PLEASE USE THE SPACE BELOW OR ON THE BACK OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE. Your Response means a lot. Thank you!

Last summer Wallingford Day returned to our Town and thank you to those individuals, families, and businesses who helped support us in that endeavor! It was a great success by all accounts, despite the heat. From the tag sales in the morning to the fireworks that night, all ages took part in activities, acquired some new possessions, ate delicious food, and enjoyed the entertainment. This summer on Saturday, July 18 we are bringing back the music, local vendors, games, booths sponsored by local organizations and more. We'll end the day again with a barbecue, ice cream, and a spectacular fireworks display.

We were so grateful for the financial support from local community members and businesses last summer that allowed us to cover expenses for music, fireworks, t-shirts, shuttle, portable toilets, and more. This summer we are planning all of that, plus adding a tent so that there will be more shelter from the elements at the recreation area.

Your sponsorship gift this year will help make the day safe and enjoyable for all who attend. Please find a list of our sponsorship levels attached to this letter. Checks should be made out to the Town of Wallingford.

Every sponsor will be recognized in promotional material, the program, and on a sign displayed at the event. We would love to hear from you as soon as possible, ideally by the end of March. If you have any further questions about Wallingford Day 2020, please contact us at wallingfordday@gmail.com or call Maria or Jenn at the numbers listed below.

Best wishes,

Maria French (802-345-5859)
Jenn Galusha-Brothers (802-558-9629)
and the Wallingford Events, Communications, and Engagement task force in cooperation with the Recreation Committee.

Sponsorship Levels for Wallingford Day 2020

White Rocks $1,000+ (special recognition for $3,000+)
Elfin Lake $500-$999
Otter Creek $250-$499
Stone Meadow $100-$249
Roaring Brook <$100

Dear Friends and Neighbors, on behalf of the MRUUSD School Board, the Community Engagement Committee is happy to share the first of our monthly updates that will be provided to the community going forward. Please look for this communication in your town and school newsletter as well as on Front Porch Forum.

This month we received our annual presentation on the communication plans for district updates and news. It was identified that Facebook is the most utilized media, so consider following MRUUSD if you don't already.

The principals reported that the winter sports programs are going well and that they have enjoyed watching students build skills and gain confidence throughout the season.

Thank you to all the staff, parents, and volunteers that make the winter sports program a success!

The calendar for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year will be released this month.

Congratulations to Shrewsbury Mountain School on receiving the 2020 Farm to School Grant and to Kristin Cimonetti for the prestigious honor of being named a 2020 Rowland Fellow!

The budget for the 2020-2021 was approved by the full board, and we welcome community members to join us at the Annual Meeting on February 27, 2020 at 7 p.m. in the MRUHS Library for any discussion.

The district is exploring the option of a summer daycare for the pre-K kids that are now enrolled in our elementary schools. We are welcoming public comment at the meeting on March 4, 2020 at 7 p.m. at the MRUHS Library from community members interested in participating in the conversation.

Stay warm out there!

What is Unclaimed Property?

The Unclaimed Property Division of the Vermont State Treasurer Office reunites Vermont residents with their lost or abandoned money or assets. Unclaimed property includes items such as forgotten bank accounts, uncashed pay checks, and unclaimed security deposits. It's most often in the form of money, but it can also be stocks, mutual funds, and the contents of safe deposit boxes.

Visit the Vermont State Treasurer Office's website at https://www.vermonttreasurer.gov/content/unclaimed-property and click on Search for Unclaimed Property. Enter your last name, your town or both into the search boxes. Also check by your first name as some entries are reversed. You can also call 1-800-642-3191. Free notary service at the Wallingford Town Clerk's office too.

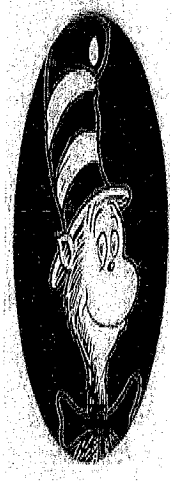
Conservation Commission and Recreation Committee members will be meeting this spring to discuss and propose plans for bike trails at Stone Meadow with input from citizens. Agendas will be posted on the municipal website. Those plans will eventually need Selectboard approval. No construction or work on bike trails shall be undertaken at Stone Meadow without Selectboard approval.

Correction to Energy Committee's Report in the annual Town Report. The tax assessment for the Otter Creek Solar project listed in the Energy Committees annual report is incorrect. According to John Tiffany, tax assessor, this project has not been assessed to date so the revenue stream from this project is currently unknown. Sorry for the confusion.
Ken Welch, Energy Committee Chair

Green Mountain Passports

The Green Mountain Passport Program was started in 1973 by enactment of the Vermont General Assembly. To be eligible for a passport, you must be: a resident of Vermont and 62 years old or older, or a Veteran of the uniformed services – provide form DD214 or see indication on driver's license (after 7/1/13). The card covers day use to Vermont state parks and admission to Vermont Historic sites**. Apply for a passport at the Town Clerk's office for $2.00. Questions, call 1-802-241-2401.

Dr. Seuss Birthday Trip. Ever wonder what it would be like to walk into a Dr. Seuss book? Well then, travel to the Dr. Seuss museum on Dr. Seuss' birthday this year!



On Saturday, March 7, the Communication/Events Task Force is organizing a trip to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday at his birthplace in Springfield, MA. Upon arrival, folks will visit not only the Dr. Seuss museum, but four other museums as well for just one price (springfieldmuseums.org).

Want to go? Contact Jenn or Michael by February 22nd by emailing either j.galusha@live.com or kmluzader@vermontel.net to get on the email chain. Be willing to leave Wallingford at 7:00 AM on Saturday, March 7. Be prepared to pay admission (adults $25, kids $13). Be willing to carpool if needed.

Food banned from solid waste stream starting July 1.

Wallingford Economic Development Committee Update

Hello! Thanks to Jane Duda, we're making some progress on finding baseline data to measure economic growth. Realistically, due to personal obligations, our next meeting will be in April or May - email me at katherinelr@vermontel.net or join us on Facebook (Wallingford VT B Collaborative) to stay in the loop!

Katherine MacLauchlan

SAVE THE DATE!

2nd Annual Great Elfin Lake 5K
Sunday, May 24th, 9 a.m.

We are excited to be organizing the 2nd annual Great Elfin Lake 5K Run/Walk in Wallingford. Last year, the first 5K was a great success with over 120 participants! The event will be held Sunday, May 24. The race will begin at 9 a.m. at the Wallingford Recreational Fields on Meadow Street. This year, we will be adding a 1-mile fun run for children ages 10 and under that will begin at 8 a.m.

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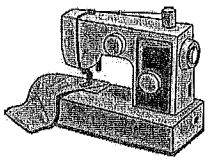

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