

TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

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PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for all content for the February newsletter is due by January 20th. Send articles to townclerk@wallingfordvt.com

The Standard's mission is to provide information on town news and to be proactive for local businesses and events. We hereby reserve the right to refuse articles that express opinions of political nature in order to give our readership a format of information without prejudice.

A full color copy of each monthly newsletter is available to view on our website.

Food Shelf



Thank you to our many town residents who stepped up in a big way and generously donated nonperishable items as well as monetarily. We also thank Karen Smith for taking time to shop for items that are needed and for always keeping the food shelf neat and organized.

THANK YOU KAREN!

We are stocked with nonperishable food, paper goods, cleaning supplies, etc. Any Wallingford resident in need may visit once a month. The food shelf is open on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 9:00 to Noon and is located at the Wallingford Town Hall, 75 School Street. Please call (802) 446-2336 if you have any questions



The Town Hall will be closing at 1:00 on New Year's Eve and closed on January 1st in observance of New Year's Day and on January 19th for Martin Luther King, Jr Day



Important Town Phone Numbers & Contacts





2026 DOG LICENSES AVAILABLE January 1, 2026

Vermont state law requires all dogs, aged 6 months and older, to be registered by

April 1st each year. If you become a dog owner after April 1st, you will need to license your dog within 30 days.

The fee to purchase dog licenses are as follows: \$12.00 for all dogs that have been spayed or neutered; otherwise, the fee is \$16.00

Dog licenses are available at the Town Clerk's Office. A current rabies certificate and payment is required. You may register your dog(s) in person, by mail, online or drop your payment through the front door mail slot at the Town Hall. Please provide the following: A copy of the most current Rabies Certificate and Payment. Online payments can be made at https://www.wallingfordvt.com. Give us a call at (802) 446-2336 or send us an email townclerk@wallingfordvt.com to see if we have an updated rabies certificate on file. We are happy to mail you the 2026 license and tag.

Love your dog? So License your dog. It's the law!



GILBERT HART LIBRARY by Wendy Savery

New Year brings a change in Wednesday hours! Now open 1-7pm on Wednesdays. In the coming month be sure to stop by, see the updated lighting and ceiling in the circulation desk area, browse the stacks for recent titles, and stay tuned for an announcement early in the month about the arrival of copies of the VT Humanities VT Reads title, The Light Pirate by Lily Brooks-Dalton. Told in four parts - power, water, light, and time - The Light Pirate is a meditation on the beauty and violence of an untamable wilderness. It considers the dissolution of the human-made world, and helps us see how human connection, adaptability, and a little bit of magic might guide us to a new future. A community discussion of the title is slated for Wednesday February 4th at 6:00pm in the VT Room. As the month progresses, the GHL will be closed Monday January 19th and any day when schools are closed in the event of inclement weather. Let it Snow!

IMPORTANT TOWN NOTICES

VTrans has drafted a scoping report for Bridge 15 in East Wallingford to determine a course of action. A public hearing will be scheduled to coincide with a Selectboard meeting. The public hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 6:30 pm at the Wallingford Town Hall. The scoping report can be reviewed from a link on the Home page here www.wallingfordvt.com

Vertex-Vermont Towers, LLC, has filed a 60-day advance notice to submit a petition to the Vermont Public Utility Commission for a wireless telecommunications facility at 100 Seward Hill Road, East Wallingford, VT. A public hearing on this project will be held Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 7:30 pm at Town Hall.



January 16th 7pm-9pm
Upstairs of Wallingford Town Hall
\$20 a book (10 games) **Cash Prizes**
Refreshments available
Questions please call Heather at 802-345-3484

Community Health News

Community Health's Sliding Fee Discount

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Regardless of your income or insurance status, Community Health serves all patients within our practices. No one will be denied access to services due to inability to pay.

If payment in full for your Community Health services is not possible, you can apply for the *sliding fee discount program* to see if you qualify. Discounts are based on your family size and income for the sliding fee discount program.

For more information, check our website https://www.chcrr.org/sliding-fee-scale/ Call (802) 342-4224 to schedule time to speak with a Patient Navigator about reviewing the available options and setting up a plan to cover the cost of health care for you and your family.

Join Our Community Health Family

Are you passionate about health care? Or are you a student seeking a preceptorship, rotation, or clinical experience?

Career opportunities at Community Health include clerical, administrative and clinical roles in primary care, dentistry and behavioral health practices. As an equal opportunity employer, we offer a team-oriented, collaborative work environment for over 400 employees at eight different locations in Rutland and southern Addison counties.

Check our website https://www.chcrr.org/join-our-team and learn about our Clinical Training Opportunities and view current job openings on our Career Portal.

Where to Go for Medical Care

Major winter storms can make transportation more difficult due to icy roads. So, plan ahead. Know the right place to go when illness or injury occurs. Unless you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, contact your primary care provider first.

Resources for Mental Health Crisis

- Rutland Mental Health Crisis Line:
 Call 802-775-1000 or Text 802-214-2553
- Vermont Help Link: https://vthelplink.org/

Learn more about Community Health at https://www.chcrr.org or call us at call at (802)779-9169.

Tips for Staying Healthy in Winter from Community Health

Viruses pass more easily from person to person indoors, and cold, dry air may weaken resistance. Colds, flu and other respiratory illnesses are more common in colder months. Prevention includes proper handwashing and updating your covid and flu vaccinations.

Community Health News Continued

It's a good time to check with your
Community Health primary care
provider about vaccines and which ones
you and your family need to update. Vaccines aren't just
for children. Seniors should ask about shingles, tetanus,
flu, RSV, covid and pneumonia vaccines.

Learn more about vaccines https://www.chcrr.org/service/vaccines/. Talk to your provider for more information, send them a message through the Patient Portal or call (802) 779-9169.





Steve and Lisa Garrow December 4, 2025

Youssef M'rabet & Maureen Taggart December 20, 2025



Hi, this is Sumio Seo of South Wallingford letting you know that the next community song circle will be January 15th (Thursday) from 7-9pm at the Wallingford Town Hall. Come on out and join us with or without an acoustic instrument. If you happen to have a copy of the book 'Rise Up Singing' please bring your copy along with you.

Thanks,

Sumio



~Property Transfers~

Seller(s): Partick & Anita Rice; Buyer(s): Nicholas & Michaela Greene and Joshua Maniery & Carol Greene-

Maniery; Green Hill Lane; Price: \$100,000;

Assessed Value: \$63,600

Seller(s): Samuel & Leslie Bledsoe; Buyer(s): Donald & Carla Gallus; 1156 Bear Mountain Road; Price: \$50,000;

Assessed Value: \$64,000

Seller(s): David & Debra Baasch; Buyer(s): Peter & Donna Grotto; 3261 West Hill Road; Price: \$1,000,000;

Assessed Value: \$759,100

Friends of Angela Hinchey Young Artist Scholarship Benefit

We are happy to announce our postponed event has been rescheduled for Saturday, January 17, 2026. We will be set up in the Klock Room at the Gilbert Hart Library with a variety of new woolen yarns, lovely cashmere scarves, assorted Pendleton shirts, hand knit sweaters, hats and mitts, plus many knitting books and needles. Some of Angela's art will also be on display but not for sale.

Please join us from 9 to 2 and make a donation towards our scholarships for high school age young people looking to pursue the arts. We're designating this benefit in Angela's memory as she was a local artist who taught Art for 30 years in the Rutland City schools and was passionate about encouraging her students' efforts.

Refreshments will be provided and cash or checks will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you kindly for your interest, Kathy and Lois



Snowplowing Reminders

Winter Parking Ban is in effect until March 31st. No parking allowed on Wallingford roads, **this includes Route 7 and School Street**, between the hours of 11pm and 7am.

It is unlawful to plow snow across a town highway or street in a way that leaves snow in the roadway. Violation of this law may result in a \$100 fine plus the actual cost of repairing any damage resulting from such obstruction of the roadway. (Title 19V.S.A. 1105)

It is unlawful to cause water or ice to run onto a town highway or street in such a way that causes damage to the highway or street, obstructs traffic or creates unsafe conditions. (Title 19 V.S.A. 1111)

The Town of Wallingford is not responsible for vegetation, structures, fences or mailboxes within town highway rights-of-way damaged during snowplowing. (Title 19 V.S.A. 904, 1111)

Please call the Town Garage at (802) 446-2472
For any and all road concerns

Issues with sidewalks? Contact Marianne McClure at (802) 446-2964



Monroe Gabriel Kelley Berman
Born on December 8, 2025
To: Meighan Kelley & Matthew Berman

Mylo James Corlew Born on December 11, 2025 To: Ariel & Deward Corlew







Keeping families close

Save Your Can Tabs to Help Families at the Ronald McDonald House!

Did you know that the little tab on top of your beverage can help families with sick children? It's true! Mrs. Coffey's 4th grade class at Wallingford Elementary is collecting aluminum can tabs to support the Ronald McDonald House, a special place where families can stay close to their children while they're in the hospital.

What Is the Ronald McDonald House?

The Ronald McDonald House is like a "home away from home." It gives families a comfortable place to stay, eat, and rest when their child is getting medical care. This helps families stay together during tough times — and that means a lot!

How Can a Tiny Tab Help?

Each little can tab is made of pure aluminum, which can be recycled for money. When we collect a bunch of tabs, the Ronald McDonald House turns them in for cash. That money helps pay for food, supplies, and other things families need during their stay.

How You Can Help

- 1. Save Your Tabs: Pull off the little tab from your drink can before recycling it.
- 2. Bring them to School or to the Town Hall: We'll have a collection box where you can drop them off.

Why We're Doing This

This is a fun, easy way to make a big difference! Every tab helps a family stay near their child when it matters most. Together, we can show kindness, teamwork, and community spirit — all while helping others.

So Remember: Don't toss that tab - Save it for the Ronald McDonald House!

GREEN MOUNTAIN ~NEIGHBORS~

Mount Holly - Shrewsbury - Wallingford

Our aim is to provide our members (primarily aged 60+) with a range of volunteer-delivered supports and activities that will help them remain independent in their homes and communities

Highlights from 2025...

- Our volunteers drove members to many appointments in the community.
- Our members and volunteers joined us for lively monthly luncheons at local restaurants including The Roots, Carolines, Sugar & Spice and more.
- We held fun-filled monthly Bingo sessions at The Wallingford House.
- Weekly Chair-Based Yoga sessions began at the Mount Holly Community Center.
- An expert from AARP spoke to us at The Gilbert Hart Library about internet safety in this age of computer fraud.
- We provided opportunities for group hikes in our beautiful Green Mountains for our members and volunteers.

We have big plans for 2026! Thanks to all our Members and Volunteers for making Green Mountain Neighbors a thriving resource for our communities.

Ouestions?

Want to become a Member or Volunteer? Visit: https://greenmountain.helpfulvillage.com/



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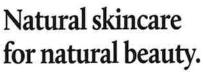
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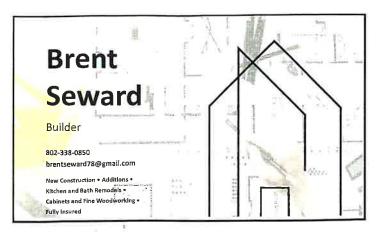
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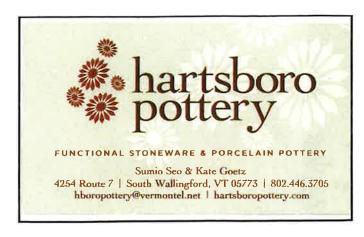


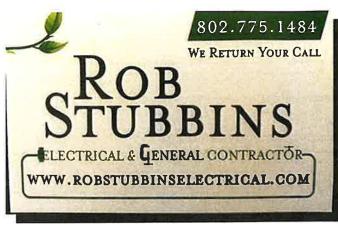
















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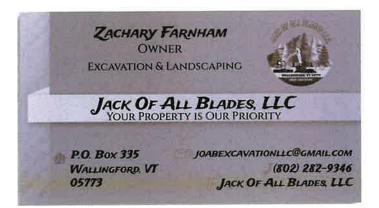
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