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TOWN CLERK & TREASURER'S OFFICE NEWS

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PLEASE NOTE: The deadline for all content for the September newsletter is due by August 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.



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**~Primary Election~
Tuesday, August 11th**

The polls are open from 10am to 7pm upstairs at The Wallingford Town Hall. Contact the Town Clerk's office if you would like an absentee ballot. All absentee ballots **MUST** be received by 7pm on 8/11/26



P.S. General Election ballots will be mailed out to every voter by the Secretary of State's Office. Please review your voter information on Vermont Voter Portal: <https://vote.vermont.gov>

The Town Clerk's office will be closed on August 11th.



~Green Mountain Neighbors Monthly Update~

Neighbors Helping Neighbors!

Volunteers:

As our membership grows each year, so does our need for more volunteers. You don't even need to leave home!.

In particular, GMN is seeking a volunteer with technical skills to assist with software administration and setup to help manage the organization.

Please email tech@greenmountainneighbors.org with your skills and interests.

If you are interested in becoming a member, a supporting member, or exploring volunteering with GMN, please check out our website at greenmountainneighbors.org. You can also call 802-417-2292 and listen to the prompts. We are a 501-C3 organization run entirely by volunteers. We would love to have you participate in our efforts to help our seniors stay in the homes and towns they love as long as they are able.

Events:

~ Bingo at Wallingford House, 1:30 - 3:30, on the third Monday of each month.

~ Blueberry Picking: Tuesday, July 28, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at Sugar Hill Blueberry Farm. Members of Green Mountain Neighbors will receive a discount!

~ VNA/Hospice of SW Virginia will hold a discussion regarding Advanced Directive on August 12, 1:30 - 3:00 @ Wallingford Gilbert Hall Library.

*"We really appreciate Bingo and the transportation provided by the Green Mountain Neighbors organization!"
- Betty Forrest and Clara Allard*

~Property Transfers~

Seller(s): Karen Lamay;
Buyer(s): Anna McFarren;
2162 US Route 7 South:
Price: \$350,000;
Assessed Value: \$385,400



~Zoning Permits~

Wallingford Elementary School
126 School Street
Proposed Work: Construct a
20'x40' Pavilion with Open Walls



Kurt & Nancy Houghton
East Street;
Proposed Work: Addition of a Sunroom

Adrian Eisler Williams, East Street,
Proposed Work: Subdivision of Property

Trudy Hodgkin, Mill Street,
Proposed Work: Replacement of Existing Shed

Maria French, School Street
Proposed Work: Replacement of Back Deck

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Property tax bills will be mailed out in late August. If you have changed your mailing address, please let us know immediately by calling (802) 446-2336 or email us at townclerk@wallingfordvt.com. Your tax bill will not be forwarded to your new address. Thank you.

August 10th is...



GILBERT HART LIBRARY by Wendy Savery

Take time this month to savor the sunshine and the book path, which has panels featuring pictures from Wallingford's early days along with the children's book *How to Say Hello to a Worm* on display. In the library, we have many current titles to choose from in the stacks, as well as through online resources such as Libby, the Palace Project, Gale Databases, and Bilblio+. All are welcome to visit with Wendy for an introduction to accessing ebooks, audios, and streaming options on Saturday August 8th at 10:00am. Bring your tablet or phone to facilitate getting set up with what your library card has to offer you.

Game-on events continue on the first and third Wednesdays at 4pm downstairs in the Klock room, and the adult book discussion of *The Story of Arthur Truveluv* by Elizabeth Berg will happen Wednesday August 26th at 6pm. We also have copies of *Charity and Sylvia* by Tillie Walden for those who wish to participate in VT READS this year. Expect a community discussion about the graphic novel early in the fall.

Finally, the trustees honored our Friends of the Library and Volunteers with a luncheon this month. To those who could attend and to those who didn't make it, we extend a sincere "Thank You" for all the hours spent helping in the library, curating the book sale, cleaning & reorganizing our spaces, and giving of your time and talents with fundraising to support our happenings.

You are truly appreciated!



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Goodbye July... 
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National Dog Day

Every year on August 26th, **National Dog Day** celebrates the bond between humans and dogs while spotlighting the many dogs still in need of a loving home. It's a day for dog lovers to honor their furry companions, advocate for better treatment of animals, and support rescue and adoption efforts. Whether your

best friend has been with you for years or you're just beginning your journey together, National Dog Day is about recognizing the role dogs play in our lives – and how we can give back.

National Dog Day is a celebration of all dogs – mixed breed and pure. Founded in 2004 by pet advocate Colleen Paige, the day was created not only to honor dogs for their companionship, loyalty, and bravery, but also to raise awareness about the large number of dogs that need to be rescued every year. The day calls attention to dogs in shelters, the importance of adoption, and issues like puppy mills, breed-specific legislation, and animal cruelty. From service dogs and working dogs to family pets and strays, National Dog Day embraces them all.



The Vermont Department of Taxes has notified the Town that our Education Tax Rates will be:

Homestead: \$1.0572 (\$1.6996 last year)

Non-Homestead: \$1.1555 (\$1.8328 last year)

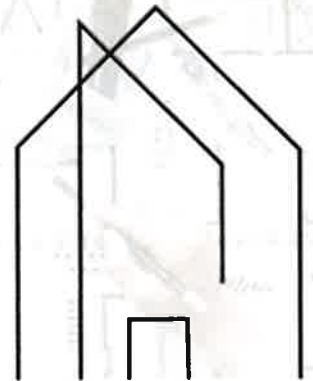
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NOTICE OF WALLINGFORD SELECT BOARD PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED TOWN PLAN

Place: Wallingford Town Hall

Date: August 17, 2026 Time: 6:00 pm

1) The purpose of the hearing is to adopt the Town of Wallingford Town Plan in accordance with 24 V.S.A. Chapter 117.

2) The geographic area affected are all areas in the Town of Wallingford

3) Town of Wallingford Town Plan – Table of Contents:

Community Profile

Outreach

Economic Development

Cultural Resources

Land Use

Recreation

Natural Resources

Flood Resiliency

Community Facilities

Transportation

Housing

Energy

Maps

4) The full text of the proposed Town Plan can be reviewed at the Town of Wallingford Town Office.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Seeking public comments on
the draft natural hazard risk
assessment section of the
Wallingford Local
Hazard Mitigation Plan!

View the draft plan at Town Hall or online at:
tinyurl.com/wallingford-lhmp26

SILENT Auction

Auction Success:

Thank You!

To Our Auction Donors and Bidders!

Thank you so much to everyone who donated items for our recent auction. It was truly heartwarming to receive so many wonderful contributions from individual donors. The unique and fun items from the Jane Quigley Estate were a major highlight and brought in many competitive bids. We also want to share a special thank you with all of our bidders. Because of your generosity, we raised a spectacular total of \$2,500! As this is our only fundraising event to support the newsletter, we are incredibly grateful for your outstanding support.

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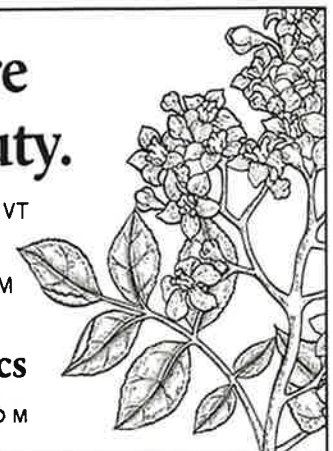
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Help us fund a 3-D replica of the Boy with the Leaking Boot

When vandals damaged our historic Boy with the Leaking Boot statue, our whole community felt the loss. He is more than just a piece of metal ~ he is our mascot and a piece of our collective childhood. Thanks to an incredible 179-hour restoration effort, the original statue is whole again. But to keep him safe from future damage and the harsh elements, town officials have moved him indoors. The original



126-year-old statue is resting safely inside the Town Clerk's office. We need to bring the magic back to his historic fountain spot! We have commissioned a durable 3-D replica statue to take over outdoor duties at the four corners. We cannot do this without your generosity. Please consider making donation today. Checks can be mailed or dropped off to the Town of Wallingford (75 School St.) with

"Boy with the Boot" in the memo line.

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Apply Now for Community Health's Medical Assistant Training Program

Beginning in September, Community Health welcomes a new group of trainees interested in a full-time career in healthcare. Applications are being accepted now for the 25-week Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) training program. Selected applicants will be hired as full-time Community Health employees with benefits and competitive wages while completing the training.



The program is open to individuals with a high school diploma or GED and a passion for helping others. No previous experience is required. Successful graduates who complete the training and pass the exam will receive Certified Clinical Medical Assistant accreditation.

If you have questions about the MA Training program, contact Karinda Olseon at koleson@chcrr.org or call (802) 855-2086.

Learn more about the Community Health Career Program at CHCRR.org.

New Alzheimer's Support Group in Castleton

In response to our successful Alzheimer's Support Group in Rutland, Community Health had added a second support group meeting in Castleton every other month on the 3rd Tuesday at Community Health Castleton, 275 Route 30 North, Bomoseen, Vermont.

The August 18th meeting begins at 4pm and caregivers and family members are invited to share feelings, thoughts and experiences.

The support group meeting in Rutland, a valuable resource for caregivers, meets monthly on the 2nd Tuesday at 4pm at Community Health North Main, 231 North Main Street, Rutland.

Have questions? Contact Kelsey Bathalon at kbathalon@chcrr.org or 802-779-2255

Spread the word so more caregivers can find the support they need.

Community Health Tip: ~Vaccine Check~

It's a good time to check with your Community Health primary care provider or pediatrician 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, covid and pneumonia vaccines.

For more information, ask your primary care provider or call the Patient Access at (802) 779-916

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