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THE MARLBORO MIXER

A FREE newsletter for the town of Marlboro, Vermont.

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**A FREE newsletter
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MARLBORO COMMUNITY POTLUCK SUPPER AND RAFFLE!

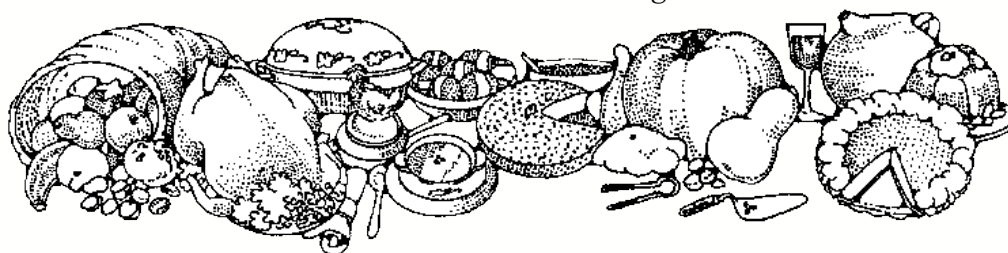
Tuesday, June 24

6:00 PM

Marlboro Meeting House

Everyone is invited.

All dishes, breads, cheeses, and sweets will be gratefully accepted as we share in the fun of the evening.



GREEN UP DAY



Saturday, May 3rd

Please visit the Post Office for your Green Up bags and to highlight your chosen area in town to Green up!!

If your children go to Marlboro School, bags will go home with your children the week of Green Up day.

Also Marlboro Elementary school will be having their own Green Up day on Hogback, May 27th

Come join your community May 3rd to Green Up!

Whetstone Ledges Farm

Opening mid-June for the season

10-5, 7 days/week



Berries, greens, veggies, farm fresh eggs, organic chicken from Bonvue Farm, maple syrup, flowers & more.

This summer we're excited to continue our CSA farm-stand membership. Become a member and receive a 10% discount on Wednesdays, as well as unlimited pick-your-own hours. (Come early, stay late.) For more info check out our farm website www.whetstoneledgesfarm.com or call Gail at 257-7328

Sunday morning "Coffee & Scones" beginning July 13th, 9 AM

HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN?



The deadline to register you dog has passed. Please come to the Town Office as soon as possible to register your canine friend! Give me a call, and if your **animal's** rabies is up to date, you can register the dog through the mail.

Thank you, Forrest

Forrest Holzapfel, Marlboro
Town Clerk
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Marlboro Select Board Report

The Select Board meets at 5:00 PM every second and fourth Thursday at the Town Office, unless otherwise warned.

A search committee was formed to interview and hire an Emergency Management Director (EMD). Andy Reichsman recused himself from the process and applied for the position. The search committee advertised, screened, interviewed candidates and appointed Andy Reichsman to replace Glenn Herrin as EMD.

The Select Board made the following Town Official appointments. Those with (*) are statutory annual appointments to be made at the first meeting after Town Meeting.

*Animal Control Officer, Adam Katrick
Conservation Commission, 4-yr term, Adam Gebb
Development Review Board

Member, 3-year term, Julia von Ranson
Alternate, 1-year term, Gail MacArthur, Patti Smith, Bennett Grout, Steven John
Eg11 Coordinator, Allan McLane, Jr.
Energy Coordinator, Mike Andreotta
Communication Coordinator, Allan McLane, Jr.

*Fence Viewer, Malcolm Moore, Stillman Vonderhorst, Elizabeth Vick
Hogback Preservation Commission, Christine Colella (2017), Michael Purcell (2017), James Tober (2015)

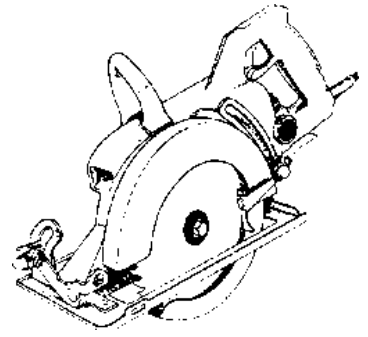
*Inspector of Lumber, Shingles and Wood, Robert Anderson
Planning Commission, 4-year terms, Bennett Grout, Matthew Tell
Senior Solutions Representative, Emily Kunreuther. *There is a vacancy for one more rep.*
*Service Officer, Robin White
*Tree Warden, Pieter van Loon
*Weigher of Coal, Hugh Whitney
Windham Regional Commissioners, Edith Mas, Emily Kunreuther
Windham Solid Waste Management District Representative, Tony Gordon, Stillman Vonderhorst

The Vermont legislature has given select boards the discretion to not fill the office of **Fence Viewer** if they so choose. The board decided that the current appointees would serve out their terms and no further appointments for the office would be made.

The Select Board is taking letters of interest/resumes for **Animal Control Officer**. Adam is willing to work alongside and train another person as he eases out of the position. Please look for more details in this issue of the *Mixer*.

The Select Board is looking to appoint a **Rescue Inc.** representative from Marlboro who would attend two or more meetings a year and serve on a Rescue Inc. committee. The board appreciates Allison Turner for her many years of service in the role.

The public is always welcome to attend Select Board meetings and we value your input. There is always a ten minute period for unscheduled open public comment. You may contact the select board by email at marlboroselectboard@gmail.com or by post at Select Board, PO Box 518, Marlboro, VT 05344.



Vermont Works for Women

Vermont Works for Women is coming to Brattleboro in the spring! They will be offering an introductory workshop in the construction trade(s)

Vermont Works for Women helps women and girls recognize their potential and explore, pursue and excel in work that leads to economic independence. They work to educate women and girls about the wide array of nontraditional career opportunities available to them, many of which may have never occurred to them to pursue.

This is very exciting to have VWW start to bring some of their trainings and boot camps to the southern tier of the state. I am working closely with the program coordinator to help have this first training be a success.. **We are looking for donations of tools.** Please consider cleaning out that toolbox or workbench in the garage and donating to this program/event. Donations may be brought to the main office of the Brattleboro Housing Authority or you may me at 246-1542(day) or 254-8057 (evenings) to make arrangements.

Lucy Tell
PH Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator
BHA

Making Forests More Bird-Friendly, Program at Hogback

Saturday, May 3, 2014 - 9:00 AM - Noon

A Vermont Land Trust Program, in conjunction with Audubon Vermont

Not all forests are equally hospitable to birds. A few years ago Audubon Vermont started several related programs with the goal of making our state's forests more bird-friendly. One aspect of the program works with foresters and loggers; another aims to educate landowners.

In this May 3 program, representatives from the Vermont Land Trust and Audubon Vermont will use a walk on Hogback's trails and slopes to introduce participants to the:

- Birder's Dozen and Habitat Assessment Basics - Vermont Forest Bird Initiative
- Foresters for the Birds program
- Silviculture with Birds in Mind guidelines

Landowners will have a chance to discuss their own property with VLT and Audubon representatives and see whether it qualifies for a free bird habitat assessment by an Audubon Vermont naturalist.

Meet at 9:00 at the Grant Road entrance to the Hogback trails. Contact Pieter van Loon, forester for the Vermont Land Trust, to sign up for the free program. 802-246-1502 or pieter@vlt.org. Attendance is limited to 30 so please be sure to sign up early.

You may wish to download a free trail map (either color or b/w) of the Hogback Mountain Conservation Area at www.hogbackvt.org. The map shows the Grant Rd. access point at the bottom of the Conservation Area.

Prescription Drug Elimination

West River Valley Thrives, a community initiative working to reduce the misuse and abuse of drugs and alcohol and promoting healthy lifestyle choices, welcomes its new director, Julia Hampton. Ms. Hampton comes from a strong history of community organizing and youth development as the past Youth Initiative Coordinator for United Way. "I enjoy connecting with people from all sectors of the community and bring people together to solve problems and make positive change. We all play a role in the development of young people in our community whether we are conscious of it or not. It is important to look at what influences the opportunities and choices young people make and how we, as a community, can help shape the most beneficial path."

Ms. Hampton invites community members to clean out medicine cabinets of all unused prescription medications. "There are five permanent drop boxes where people can dispose of prescription drugs around Windham County any time," says Hampton.

Prescription drug misuse has been a hot topic in the media and in our communities lately. What is all the fuss about? Proper disposal of prescription drugs is a safety issue as well as an environmental issue.

Seventeen percent of Leland and Gray students have reported using prescription drugs not prescribed to them (2013 Youth Risk Behavior Survey). How are these young people getting ahold of these drugs? Most likely from family members medicine cabinets. The 2011-2012 National Survey on Drug Use and Health found that 70 % of those who misuse prescription drugs get them from family or friends. Many drugs are addictive or can have adverse effects for someone not prescribed the drug.

Proper prescription drugs disposal can help prevent pollution of our local water ways. If these drugs are thrown in the trash, dumped down the drain or flushed down the toilet they can contaminate our water. How can you dispose of them properly? Go to one of the local permanent boxes and drop them in. Permanent disposal locations include: Windham County Sheriff's Department (Newfane), Brattleboro, Winhall, Willmington and Bellows Falls Police Departments.

Here is what you can do:

- Avoid being an accidental dealer by locking prescription drugs you are using and by disposing properly of those you are not using.
- Don't share medications prescribed to you.
- Talk to family, friends and children about the dangers of using drugs not prescribed to you

For more information go to www.WindhamRx.org or contact West River Valley Thrives at wrvtdirector@gmail.com or call 802-365-4700.

SELECT BOARD SEEKS ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

Animal Control Officer (ACO) The Select Board is seeking candidates for the town's Animal Control Officer. The ACO is a paid position that is responsible for enforcing the town's Dog and Wolf-Hybrid Ordinance and supporting overall animal welfare. Duties include investigating animal complaints, caring for lost or stray animals, and maintaining animal control equipment and documentation. The new ACO would work alongside the current ACO for a period of time to learn ordinances, protocols, documentation, and how to use the equipment available. No animal control experience is necessary, but people-skills are essential as well as comfort around both domestic and occasionally wild animals. In addition, state and local-sponsored trainings are available.

Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Guidelines

DEADLINE: All applications must be *postmarked or received* by Friday, May 23, 2014.

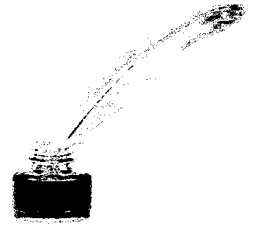
Please send **paper copies** of your information: **do not send emails.**

To: Sylvia Johnson, PO Box 2 Marlboro, VT 05344, 254-2885.

Or hand-deliver by Friday, May 23 to Sylvia at 222 South Road, Marlboro, VT or Michelle Holzapfel at 2802 Route 9, Applewoods Studio, Marlboro, 254-2908.

Award decisions will be announced after our meeting on Tuesday, May 27, 2014.

Late, emailed or Incomplete applications will not be considered.



for Marlboro's K-8 students attending 2014 summer programs.

Awards range from \$50 to \$100, depending on the cost and length of the program.

Eligibility: Student (K-8) must have been a full-time Marlboro, VT resident during the 2013-14 school year.

Please furnish: A brief letter describing the program, its dates and cost. Include the program's name, contact person, address, phone, and a copy of registration or application form.

Scholarships will be paid *directly to the provider.*

Parent/guardian: include *your* phone number or email address so we can inform you of your child's award.

for Marlboro's High School students attending Summer Programs.

For Marlboro's grade 9-12 students attending 2014 summer programs:

Awards will be up to \$200, depending on the cost and length of the program.

Eligibility: Student must have been a full-time Marlboro, VT resident during the 2013-14 school year.

Please furnish: A brief letter, **written by the student**, describing the program, its dates and cost. Include a brief description of your **summer employment and/or volunteer activities**. Include the program's name, contact person, address, phone number and a copy of registration or application form.

-Scholarships will be paid *directly to the provider.*

Please include *your* phone number or email, so we can inform you of your award.

Seniors: You may apply for either this Scholarship or the College Scholarship, but not both.

for Marlboro's graduating High School seniors or college students

pursuing undergraduate education in the 2014-15 academic year. Eligibility: Graduating seniors must be Marlboro, VT residents during the 2013-14 school year. Student must be eligible for and seeking other financial assistance.

First-time applicants: send one copy of all the following (paper) documents:

1. **A letter of recommendation** from teacher, counselor, community member or clergy (not relatives).
2. **Evidence that you have been accepted** to (and plan to attend in the 2014-15 academic year) an accredited public or private vocational school or a 2- or 4-year accredited college.
3. **A brief description** of proposed area of study, community service and employment or volunteer work.

Our decisions will be based primarily on community service and secondarily on academic achievement. Awards will be at minimum \$250 but may be more, and will be paid directly to the student.

Repeat applicants take note: If you have previously received an Alliance Scholarship, you may re-apply. **Send (paper) documents that indicate you are enrolled and in good academic standing by the deadline.**

Vermont Performance Lab, Spring 2014

Vermont Performance Lab and Massachusetts International Festival of the Arts (MIFA) will team up to bring French choreographer Thierry Thieû Niang to New England for a workshop and residency. Working with 25 local participants ages 60-100 Niang will stage a powerful re-imagining of Stravinsky's *Rite of Spring*.

VPL and MIFA present:

du Printemps by French choreographer Thierry Thieû Niang

Wednesday May 28 @7PM

@The Serkin Center, Marlboro College, Marlboro, VT

Reservations: Call 802-257-3361 or visit www.vermontperformancelab.org/events

Friday May 30 @7PM

@Gateway City Arts Center, 92-114 Race Street, Holyoke, MA

Reservations: Call 413-540-0200

News from the Marlboro Fair Committee, by Carol Hendrickson

Warm summer days, ripe tomatoes in the garden, and the Marlboro Community Fair might seem a long way off; however, the Fair Committee has started planning for September 13, the date of the 2014 Fair. Our first Fair meeting was March 24 and covered a number of topics that are important for early planning:

First off: the theme! We're collecting ideas for the theme of the 2014 Fair. Gardens? Hay? Tractors? What activities might go along with a particular theme, and who might do the poster? We have a preliminary list and the glimmering of ideas, but we'd love to hear your thoughts.

Likewise, we'd love to hear from people who would like to join the Fair committee. As most of you know, the Fair is an all-volunteer operation and more hands make for lighter work. So, whether you'd like to help throughout the planning season or join us closer to the Fair for the flurry of last-minute activities, set-up, or help on Fair day, again please get in touch. (And don't forget that planting your garden with fair entries in mind is another way to participate. We count on you for all sorts of entries!)

We are also facing the fact that the Fair has lost money each year in recent times. The entrance fee simply doesn't cover our costs. For example, the insurance costs \$285 and the Community Tent alone costs \$345, with the total bill for all the rented tents, chairs, and tables close to \$3,000. We're thinking of soliciting sponsorships for some of the rentals, having paid advertising in the program, or organizing a Silent Auction as part of the Fair. Of course, we'll never say no to outright donations. We'd love to hear your thoughts here too.

And how to contact us with any or all of the above? Go to the Marlboro Community Fair Facebook page or email us at marlborofair@gmail.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MAY

3rd.....Forest Friendly Bird Program @ Hogback, 9-12

3rd.....GREEN UP DAY

8th.....Book Reviews by Marlboro College Community Members, 3 PM, Appletree

8th.....Talk @ Marlboro College: Korean Americans During WWII, 7PM, Appletree

27th....Green Up Day @ Hogback

28th....Vermont Performance Lab @ Marlboro College, 7 PM

JUNE

24th....Community Potluck Supper & Raffle, 6 PM, Marlboro Meeting House

Municipal Meetings:

(unless posted otherwise)

Select Board: 2nd & 4th
Thursdays at 5pm

School Board:
1st Monday at 6pm

Board of Listers:
Wednesdays at 7pm

Planning Commission: 2nd
Tuesday at 5pm

Town Auditors: 3rd Monday
at 3:30pm

Development Review Board:
3rd Tues at 7pm

Fire Company: 2nd & 4th
Wednesday at 7pm

Marlboro Energy
Committee: 3rd Thurs at
7:00pm, MES

Conservation Commission:
1st Monday at 7:00

To the Road Foreman

There is a guy in town who seems to be everywhere.

He's on the air waves

He's on the roads.

He's there when you need him.

His name is David Elliot.

This being my small tribute to David and the road crew
too.

I hope ladies are bringing you homemade cookies.

~ Anonymous

Marlboro Town Services Want to list your business or skills here? Call or email The Mixer.

Amy Taliaferro 802-999-6590, Massage,
Craniosacral Therapy

Lance C. Shader, 464-5676, Attorney at Law

Malcolm Moore, 254-5664,
surveygmls@gmail.com
Green Mountain Land Surveying

Boat building, repair, maintenance & woodwork
for the home. jmark@sover.net, 254-6955

Mountain Meadow Farm: 348-7344
Organic Beef; Composted manure

Kevin Hamilton: 257-5666
Softwood shavings; maple syrup; cordwood

Russell Horton 254-2651, Drum repair and
lessons

Applewoods Studio and Gallery, 254-2908
Turned vessels and wood furniture

Wylie Carlisle 579-8311
Landscaping and lawn services

Rob Shapiro, chipping services 254-2570

Absolute Computer Solutions, 413-388-8041 (in
Marlboro)

Jerry Lundsted 254-6512. Earthwork, excavating

Whetstone Ledges Farm 257-7328
Maple syrup, seasonal produce, berries

Green Power, 2063 Route 9, Small engine sales
and repair

John May: lawn care, landscaping, excavator
work and more. 579-8890

Lucy Gratwick Fine Hand-weaving 257-0181
Functional hand-woven apparel

Donald Sherefkin, AIA 254-9736. Architectural
Services, sherefkin@gmail.com

Yoga & YogaDance 254-7724 <kel@sover.net>
Kripalu Instructors Casey Deane & Kelly Salasin.

Nat Waring Woodworking 257-4100, custom
furniture, built-in cabinets, corian countertops

Brian McNeice—Bonvue Farm. Pastured poultry &
100% grass-fed beef. 258-2296

Greg Burnell 257-0796 Guitar Lessons. All ages all
styles. gregsbluesi8@yahoo.com

Walt's Chain Saw Carvings, Walter F. Ridel, 1947
Auger Hole Rd. 348-7162

Theo's Handyman Services (802) 254-4738

Custom hardwood frames & more, Bob Kreitzer
464-5992 whoframedbob@myfairpoint.net

Alcan power equip---lawn equipment,
chainsaws,generators-sales &service [348-7898](tel:348-7898)

Dave Matt: firewood, hay, maple syrup 464-9788

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Refinish. 464-5169

A&J Heating LLC, Aaron Diamondstone 254-2246.
solar hot water and all heating systems

Green Mtn. Floral Arts; weddings & special events.
Carie Kowalski, 380-2832

David Johnson, lawn mowing & odd jobs. 464-5891

Skunk's Tree Service 802.598.4434.

The Poetry Studio- 257-8972
Poetry classes for young people and adults

Whetstone CiderWorks, Artisan Hard Cider
whetstoneciderworks@gmail.com, 254-5306

Kate Tarlow Morgan 257 0855 or
katetarlowmorgan@gmail.com
Editorial Skills, Stretch Coach/Prevention

Gary MacArthur, 257-7026, Solar PV & hot
water systems, gwmaca@gmail.com

Refilling Your Well Counseling, Robin White
802-254-2246 www.refillingyourwell.com

Jorge Romo, Renovation, New Construction,
Painting, Roofing, Drywall, Tile 251-0214

Malcolm Wright, The Turnpike Road
Pottery. theturnpikeroad.com, 254-2168

Sunrise House Painting and Landscaping.
257-7184 SunrisePaintersVT.com

Allen Warner - 464-2099 Painting, Small
Carpentry, Pressure Washing, Lawn
Mowing & small snow removal

Ames Hill Storage, LLC Heated winter
storage. 802-254-2501

Lavigne Photography: 257.6918
lavignephotography.blogspot.com

Pork, seasonal produce, firewood, 258-0409
or Rob@RamblingBrookFarmVermont.com

Adirondack Chairs, Picnic Tables, Trellises,
etc., made to order. Fred Bisbee, 464-0297

Photography, Pet Portaiture & Animal REIKI
860-716-1049, rebeccawhitney8@yahoo.com.

Meg McCarthy Design 275-7212, graphic
design, web design in Wordpress and Joomla

NEXT DEADLINE: June 15th for the July/August Mixer

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