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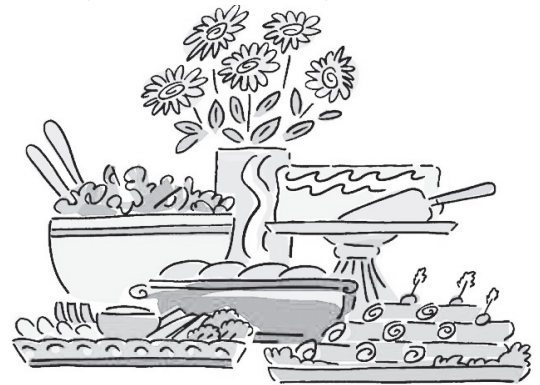
See us at:  
[marlborovt.us](http://marlborovt.us)

## The annual Community Potluck Supper and Raffle

June 28, 6:00 PM  
at Marlboro Meeting House

Please bring food to share that you would love to prepare and eat.  
Beverages will be provided. Wonderful raffle items will be on hand.  
Tickets are available at the door for \$1 or six tickets for \$5.

Suggested donation for the  
potluck supper is \$3 and \$1  
for children ages 5-10. One  
free raffle ticket is included  
for each donation. Proceeds  
benefit Marlboro Meeting  
House building fund.



## Meeting House School Open House

The Meeting House School, located in the center of Marlboro, has open house dates for Monday, May 9th and Wednesday, May 25th. You may come by at any time between 9:00-12:00 on the listed dates to take a look at what the school day is like for the children and how much fun and joy is shared! The Meeting House School is a play-based preschool program serving children from 3-5 years old. If you have questions regarding Meeting House School please call Patti Donnelly, Teacher/Director at 257-0801.



## South Pond 2016

### **Clean-up day is Sunday May 29th, 10am- noon (Rain or shine)**

Attending both the May and September clean-up days entitles you to a “working membership.” (Coffee, juice and donuts will be provided. Please bring baked goods for a potluck breakfast!)

#### **Clean-up day tasks this year include:**

- Cleaning up the road and parking lot
- Splitting and stacking wood from felled trees
- Putting out the docks, taking apart the old dock
- Mowing grass
- Sweeping and cleaning the bathhouses
- Setting up swings and tetherball
- Raking beaches

Please bring boots and gloves. Especially needed are: mowers, battery operated drill and saws, rakes, shovels wheelbarrows, and trucks to haul wood.

Annual Meeting will take place among members present after clean-up.

**Membership Requirements:** All members must be year-round residents of Marlboro. At least one person in the household must be a registered voter in the town of Marlboro

**Family membership:** More than one person in a household using the pond. This includes: adult(s) and child(ren) living together. This can include adult children living at home but does not include those who now live elsewhere. Adult children living elsewhere may be the guest of a member but must be accompanied by the member.

**Individual membership:** A single person using the pond. The individual must be a registered voter in the town

#### **Stickers can be purchased at clean-up day or by mail.**

Be sure to bring your checkbook to cleanup day! Only full price (non-working) memberships will be available after clean-up day. To pay by mail please send full payment to Marlboro Park Association, PO Box 470, Marlboro, VT 05344. Please be sure to include your phone number in your mailing. Your payment must be received no later than July 1, 2016.

#### **Fees are the same as last year:**

\$84 for families, \$48 for working families (adult children must live with you)  
\$48 for individual, \$24 for working individual  
Working members must attend both May and September clean-up days.

## Summer Program: Poetry, Bookmaking and Art Workshop

Once again a summer workshop combining poetry, bookmaking and art, will be held at Ann Gengarely's Poetry Studio. As always, young people will have the opportunity to write and draw in a natural setting with woodlands and beautiful gardens.

Workshops are divided into two groups; a younger group and another one focused on Junior High and High School students. Each student participates in a poetry and bookmaking/art class each day.

Classes are kept small in order to create an individualized and intimate setting where creativity flourishes.

Poetry classes will be taught by Ann Gengarely who has been a poet-in -the-schools for over twenty-five years. Bookmaking and Art Design will be led by Tony Gengarely who teaches Art History at Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts.

#### **One Week Intensive:**

**August 8, 9 11, 12 and / or August 15, 16, 18, 19**

Students will be accepted on a “first-come, first-serve” basis. If interested call Ann at 802-257-8972 or contact us at [agengar@sover.net](mailto:agengar@sover.net) or [a.gengarely@mcla.edu](mailto:a.gengarely@mcla.edu).

We welcome students ranging in age from 7 to 17.

## from the Select Board

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

The Select Board reorganized at the March 10 meeting and voted Tyler Gibbons, Chair and Pieter van Loon, Vice Chair. Andy Reichsman did not seek reelection and Patti Smith was elected to the Board.

The Board adopted Select Board Rules of Procedure and a Conflict of Interest Policy designated the Brattleboro Reformer as the Official Newspaper for Publication of Notices designated the Town Website marlborovt.us as the Official Town Website authorized Select Board members to individually approve and sign Pay Orders when the biweekly pay date falls during the first and third Thursdays of the month, and the Select Board meetings fall on the second and fourth Thursdays.

Town Official appointments were made, as shown on the table on the next page.

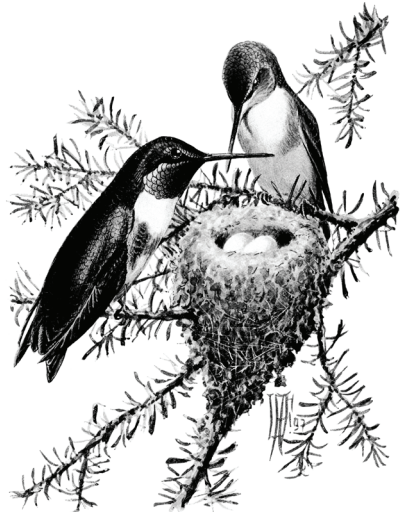
All of these people donate a tremendous amount of time and effort for the benefit of the town and the select board would like to thank them for their generosity. Three of the vacancies to be filled are: Energy Coordinator, Rescue Inc. Representative and Senior Solutions Advisory Board Representative. Descriptions can be found under the Municipal Directory on the Town Website marlborovt.us. If you would like to help out the town and serve in one of these positions, please contact a select board member or send an email to marlbrowselectboard@gmail.com.

The Board had discussions with Adam Gebb, Chair of the Conservation Commission, about invasive species and a proposed plant removal project. Adam recommends a small patch be tested first. He would recommend the proposal be redone and incorporate recommendations made by the Conservation Commission. The new proposal will be submitted to the select Board before any action is taken.

The Board continued to have discussions about connectivity and invited interested people to a select board meeting to facilitate the forming of the committee. The committee will periodically update the select board on activities.

The Board accepted the bid of Springfield Paving to pave South Road this summer. A State grant will pay for 80% of the cost.

Discussions have occurred again about working with the State to reduce the speed limit near Marlboro School. Discussions involved the select board, school officials, State officials and concerned citizens.



## Ode to my House

By Avah Gibbons  
primary room

I love my house.  
It's a special house.  
When I walk in the door,  
I feel joyful  
like a peaceful walk at dawn.

I love my house,  
how I have lived in it since I was  
a little baby.  
I hope the broken keyboard  
will fill my house with music.

I love my house.

written at The Poetry Studio in January

Position	Incumbent	Available	Term
Animal Control Officer/Pound Keeper	Michael Young	Michael Young	1 year to 2017
Conservation Commission	Vacancy	Tom Groves	4 years to 2020
Conservation Commission	Vacancy	Ashley Bies	4 years to 2020
Dev. Review Board Member	T. Hunter Wilson	T. Hunter Wilson	3 years to 2019
Dev.. Review Board Member	Brent Seabrook	Brent Seabrook	3 years to 2019
Dev Review Board Alternate	Steven John	Steven John	1 year to 2017
Dev Review Board Alternate	Patti Smith	Matt Tell	1 year to 2017
Dev Review Board Alternate	Bennett Grout	Bennett Grout	1 year to 2017
E911 Coordinator	Allan McLane	Allan McLane	1 year to 2017
Town Communication Coordinator	Allan McLane	Allan McLane	1 year to 2017
Hogback Preservation Commission	Edward C. Metcalfe, Jr	Edward C. Metcalfe, Jr.	3 years to 2019
Hogback Preservation Commission	Lauren Biegel MacArthur	Lauren Biegel MacArthur	3 years to 2019
Inspector of Lumber, Shingles, Wood	Robert Anderson	Robert Anderson	1 year to 2017
Planning Commission	Edith Mas	Edith Mas	4 years to 2020
Planning Commission	Patti Smith	Patti Smith	4 years to 2020
Planning Commission	2 Vacancies	After Zoning Process	3 years to 2019
Senior Solutions Rep	Lucy Gratwick	Lucy Gratwick	1 year to 2017
Service Officer	Robin White	Robin White	1 yr 4/15-4/14
Tree Warden	Pieter van Loon	Pieter van Loon	1 year to 2017
Weigher of Coal	Hugh Whitney	Hugh Whitney	1 year to 2017
Windham Regional Commissioner	Katherine Buttolph	Katherine Buttolph	1 year to 2017
Windham Regional Commissioner	Edith Mas	Edith Mas	1 year to 2017
Windham Solid Waste Mgt	Anthony Gordon	Anthony Gordon	1 year to 2017
Windham Solid Waste Mgt	Stillman Vonderhorst	Stillman Vonderhorst	1 year to 2017
Zoning Administrator	Mary Sargent	Mary Sargent	3 years to 2019
Board of Auditors	Vacancy	Gail MacArthur	Unexp. 3-yr to 2018

## from Marlboro Cares

### Senior Lunches

Please join us for the final Senior Lunch of the Academic year. The lunch will be held on Friday, May 6, 2016. Please call 258-3030 by Monday, May 2nd to reserve your place.

Senior Lunches are held at 11:30 a.m. in the Coffee Shop at Marlboro College, still for a charge of only \$3.00. Any resident of Marlboro over the age of 60 is cordially invited to attend and enjoy a delicious meal and a fun time with your neighbors.

### Tick Spray Recipe

Below is an all natural and very effective recipe for a spray that keeps ticks, mosquitoes and black flies from liking you. It comes from a gardener in Westport, MA., one of the epicenters of deer ticks. She's been using it for 3 years, without finding a single tick on her (compared to 18/day previously). I used it happily all last year and never saw a tick.

### Tick Spray

Into 8 oz of water put 10 drops each of the following essential oils:

Cedarwood  
Citronella  
Eucalyptus  
Lemongrass  
Sweet Orange  
Rosemary



Pour into a spray bottle  
To use: Shake vigorously  
and often.

### Continued Services

For rides, errands, or other non-emergency assistance and/or for referrals for assistance and services, please call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030. Someone will return your call within 24 hours.

## Marlboro Historical Society

# 2016

### Summer Program

Open Saturdays from 2pm until 5pm  
July 9th through August 20th

## July 3

sunday 2 - 4

### Ice Cream Social

Hosted by Donald Sherefkin 254-9736  
At Newton House

## July 14

thursday 7 pm

### Annual Meeting

Presented by Forrest Holzapfel 258-2568  
Town House at 7:00 pm

## July 16

saturday 9am

### Hillside Millsite

Led by Forrest Holzapfel 258-2568  
Meet at Newton House at 9:00 am

## July 30

saturday 9am

### Whitaker Farm Road Walk

Led by Malcolm Moore 254-5664  
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

## Aug 6

saturday 9am

### Adams Crossroad

Led by Marcia Hamilton 490-0347  
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

## Aug 13

saturday 9am

### Old Turnpike Walk

Led by Liz Vick 254-7060  
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

## Aug 20

saturday 9am

### Genealogy Basics

Hosted by Dan Dennis 257-1431  
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

### VPL OPEN LAB

presented in association with  
Marlboro College

sponsored by Ryall Porter  
Sheridan Architects

Saturday, May 28 @ 1-4pm  
Marlboro College  
Marlboro, VT

Join us for an afternoon of  
open rehearsals + talks with  
three VPL Lab Artists and  
their collaborators

Free | Come early and bring a picnic!



more info:  
[www.vermontperformancelab.org](http://www.vermontperformancelab.org)  
802-257-3361





## from Marlboro School

Springtime at Marlboro School! Here's a snapshot

The mottled leaves of the trout lily are poking through the leaf duff in the woods where **the Kindergartners** spend their afternoons. The students pay attention to every change as they dig into the dirt, move logs, and sweep the dirt clean of leaves.

At All School Sing **the Primary** presented what they've been observing learning about solids and liquids. They performed experiments, collected data, and drew conclusions about what was happening.

**The 3rd-4th grade** is readying the garden for planting. They've started plants under the grow lights and are observing how different fertilizers support their growth. The vegetables they set out in the garden will mature over the summer and feed us next fall.

In **the 5th-6th grade** independent study projects about astronomy are taking the students into the depths of outer space.

**The Junior High** is preparing for their field research trip to Washington, D.C. While there they will tour the Capitol (thank you, Senator Leahy!), work in the food warehouse for citywide soup kitchens, visit the Holocaust Museum and many of the Smithsonian museums, and take in a show at the Kennedy Center. As part of their study of government they've chosen a topic to learn about in depth and then find a way to lobby and express their views. This year's topic is the rights of transgender people.

On May 4th **the entire school** will participate in National Walk/Bike to School Day – with a twist! We will use this event to call attention to the traffic safety concerns on Route 9 at the school entrance and exit. Look for us at 11:30 as we walk along Route 9 to South Road and on to the Post Office! We'll be accompanied by a sheriff's vehicle for safety – and we invite you to join us.

As always, I invite you to stop by for a visit. All School Sing is on Wednesday mornings at 8:30 and we'd love to have you join us.

## MES Receives CLiF Grant

Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) Awards  
Marlboro Elementary School \$25,000 Grant for  
Literacy Programs, Support, and New Books!!

Next school year is going to be a very exciting year here in Marlboro -- every month there will be book related events like book give-aways, author visits, library programs, food (!) and more...In addition, we will be providing open library hours during the summer. Watch for more information in the upcoming Friday Notes!

This grant is \$25,000 in literacy programs, events, support, professional development, and new books to each school over the course of one school year. Four New Hampshire and five Vermont elementary schools received the grant for the 2016- 2017 school year.

The grant provides new books for towns, schools, and classroom libraries; workshops by professional authors, storytellers, and illustrators; field trips, minigrants for teachers' classroom projects; parent literacy seminars; and new books for students to choose and keep for their home libraries!

If you would like to volunteer to help with the summer library or events throughout the coming year, please contact Jess Weitz 258-2568 or [jessweitz72@gmail.com](mailto:jessweitz72@gmail.com)

*CLiF is a nonprofit organization founded in 1998. Its mission is to nurture a love of reading and writing among rural children in New Hampshire and Vermont. CLiF does not receive any federal or state funds for its programs. It relies solely on the generosity of individuals, local companies, social organizations and foundations.*



**Marlboro Town Services** Want to list your business or skills here? Eemail meg@megmccarthy.com

### Artisans

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

**Lucy Gratwick Fine Handweaving** 257-0181 Functional hand-woven apparel

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

**Lavigne Photography**: 257.6918 lavignephotography.blogspot.com

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

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

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

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

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

**Jess Weitz**, Photography/Web Design jessweitz.com, jessweitz72@gmail.com

### Carpentry, Furniture, House Painting, Landscaping

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

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

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

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

**Brent Seabrook**: Carpentry: Design, Build, Restore, Refinish. 464-5169

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

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

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

### Food and Beverages

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

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

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

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

### General Services

**Alcan power equip**: lawn equipment, chainsaws, generators-sales & service 348-7898

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

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

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

**Jerry Lundsted**, 254-6512. Earthwork, excavating

**Jon May: Full Throttle Lawn Care**,landscaping, excavator work + more. 829-0487 or 464-8216

**Racine House Cleaning & Caretaking**: Madonna & Jane Racine, 20+ years of experience. To make an appointment, call 802.257.4467.

**Tim Racine** Logging & Excavating: For a free estimate, call 802.257.4467.

**Rob Shapiro**, chipping services 254-2570

**Theo's Handyman Services** (802) 254-4738

**Tim Whitney**, 464-3216, DBA as Another Pair of Hands, property maintenance, handyman, laborer

### Health and Wellness

**Lady Moon Healing Hands**; Megan MacArthur Littlehales; Reiki for all beings, Massage for dogs; 254-6955 mml.wellness@gmail.com

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

**Yoga & Yoga Dance** 254-7724 kel@sover.net Kripalu Instructors Casey Deane & Kelly Salasin

### Heating, Firewood

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

**Kevin Hamilton**, 257-5666 Softwood shavings; maple syrup; cordwood

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

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

### Music & Music Repairs

**Greg Burnell** 257-0796 Guitar Lessons. All ages all styles. gregsbues18@yahoo.com

**Russell Horton** Drum lessons- private & groups, Drum-set and/or Hand Drums, Drum sales and repair, mrmmbira@gmail.com 802-254-2651

### Professional Services

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

**Joslyn Haineswood/Owl's Nest** Registered home preschool / childcare. After school & vacation care 258-7837 or Owlsnestpreschol@gmail.com

**Russell Horton**: audio & small appliance repair, computer repairs & upgrades, software & operating tutoring, the.computa.buddha@gmail.com 254-2651

**Malcolm Moore**, 254-5015, surveygmls@gmail.com Green Mountain Land Surveying

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

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

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

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Next Deadline  
June. 15 for  
the July / August Mixer

## May and June Calendar

*Friday, May 6, 11:30am*

**Senior Lunch**

at the Coffee Shop,  
Marlboro College

*Monday, May 9, 9am-noon*

**Meetinghouse School Open House**

*Wednesday, May 25, 9am-noon*

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*Sunday, May 29, 10am-noon*

**South Pod Clean-Up Day**

*Saturday, June 28, 6pm*

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