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# The Marlboro Mixer

A FREE newsletter for the town of Marlboro, Vermont.

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14th Annual  
January Thaw

## Book Swap Saturday January 17th

at the Town House  
Marlboro Town Center  
9am-Noon

Bring books to  
share but you don't  
have to bring books  
to take books home

Browse & Take home any books you like for free.

Get out of the house, see your neighbors,  
have tea and a baked treat! On us! but donations are  
welcome.

You can leave the remainder of your books or  
pick them up by 12.

sponsored by the Marlboro Alliance  
We will need help cleaning up & with donated baked  
goods. Other questions email sarah  
lavignephotography@yahoo.com or call 257-6918

## Marlboro Historical Society 2015 Calendars are now on sale!!

A great gift for Marlboro lovers  
everywhere. Available at the Marlboro  
Town Office, the Whetstone Inn, and  
Vermont Artisans in Brattleboro, or by  
mail. The 2015 calendar highlights  
many portraits from our extensive  
photography collection and an  
assortment of photographs depicting  
various time periods in Marlboro's  
history, past and present. Calendars are  
\$15 each (or two for \$25 only at the  
Town Office.) The calendar is created  
by photographer and local historian  
Forrest Holzapfel.

Contact Forrest at 258-2568  
or for more  
information

## Town Meeting Day, Tuesday, March 3

9 AM in the Town House

Pot luck lunch in the Meeting House to follow morning session

### Town Meeting Day Election

The polls will be open on Town Meeting Day March 3, 2015 from 10 am until 7 pm for the election of town officials. Please feel free to call or email to get an absentee ballot if you can't make it to the polls. You can request an absentee ballot up until 4 pm on Monday March 2, 2015. Any other questions ? Call Forrest at 254-2181 Mon. Wed. Thur. 9am - 4 pm or [marlborotownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:marlborotownclerk@gmail.com)

### Do you want to run for office ?

January 26 at 5:00 PM is the deadline for filing with the Town Clerk a nominating petition with 8 signatures from town voters to place your name on the ballot for a Town Office. The races this year will be for Select Board, Lister, School Director, Auditor, Constable, Agent & Grand Juror.

### Bring an issue before the voters at Town Meeting?

January 20th is the last day for voters to file a petition with the Town Clerk to have an article appear on the Warning for consideration at Town Meeting. The petition must contain signatures from at least 36 registered voters of Marlboro. Please contact Forrest for the packet of information needed, along with the petition.

## Select Board Report by Marcia Hamilton

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

The select board would like to fill two open positions: Energy Coordinator and Marlboro's Rescue Representative. Mike Andreotta recently resigned from both. Please see the job descriptions elsewhere in this issue. The select board will be making annual appointments right after Town Meeting in March. If you have an interest in any appointed position, please contact the select board for more information.

The board discussed priorities and funding sources of future work on roads and bridges. Among those the Board and David Elliott identified were Bridge 3, South Road near the college president's residence and Bridge 5, Augur Hole Road. A state structures grant may be available for one or both of these. The board will continue to apply for Better Back Roads grants. We have received almost \$18,000 through the Better Back Roads grant program.

The board met with Laura Sibia who briefed the board on the progress of the Southeastern Vermont Economic Development Strategies, (SeVEDS), since the last update. She also discussed progress in implementing the Windham Regions Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. She mentioned plans for mitigating the projected negative economic impacts from the closure of Vermont Yankee in 2014. She said SeVEDS still needs town support and they will be requesting it for a specific Article on the Town Meeting Warning.

In the meeting with Laura Sibia, the Board brought up the lack of access to broadband internet services in Marlboro. Laura was unaware of the limits encountered by folks looking for service. She mentioned that the town of Stamford put together a committee to try to get better town-wide internet service. She will send the contact information for the head of the Stamford group. The board will monitor this issue.

The board set Pre-Town Meeting for Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the Town Office. This affords an opportunity for the public to review the Annual Town Report and ask questions of the select board and school board prior to Town Meeting on March 3, 2015.

The public is always welcome to attend Select Board meetings and we value your input. There is always a ten minute period at the beginning of every meeting for unscheduled open public comment. Contact the board by email at [marlboroselectboard@gmail.com](mailto:marlboroselectboard@gmail.com) or by post at Select Board, PO Box 518, Marlboro, VT 05344.

## Mudfling and Thank You From the Meeting House School!

The Meeting House School wants to thank this generous community for supporting our 2014 Annual Appeal fundraising campaign. At this point we have raised approximately \$1000, for which we are very grateful. As our school is a non-profit and not publicly funded, these donations are essential to our ability to provide a quality and affordable preschool education for children ages 3-5 in Marlboro (and surrounding towns). We couldn't do this without the support of our community, and welcome more donations in the new year.

We also want to give you a heads up that our famous **MUDFLING** event, (Silent auction! Decedent desserts! Live music!) will be on **Saturday, February 28th**. Mark your calendars; we look forward to seeing you there!

With much gratitude,

The Meeting House School Board of Directors

**News From Marlboro Cares by Jennifer Mazur**

*The Board of Directors of Marlboro Cares wishes Happy Holidays to all and a HUGE thank you to all of our volunteers. May everyone have a joyful 2015.*

**Senior Lunches**

There will be no Senior Lunch in January, as Marlboro College is on break. Please join us for the next Senior Lunch, which will be held on Friday, February 6, 2015. Please call 258-3030 to reserve your spot by 9 am on Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. The following lunch will be held March 6th, with reservations needing to be in by Tuesday March 3rd by 9AM.

You are welcome to call now to reserve a place for every month in advance. However, we do ask that if you find you cannot come, please call us again at 258-3030 to let us know as soon as possible. As seating is limited, we do have waitlists, so your call would allow someone else to take 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, an interesting talk or music, and a fun time with your neighbors.

**Computer Classes and Help**

Lisa Hecht has generously offered to provide computer classes or individual help for the elder residents of Marlboro. If there is enough interest, she will hold a class. If you would like to learn how to do email or search the web or are having a problem with your computer, Lisa will volunteer her time to help you. For more information or to request a class or in-home help, please call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030.

**Continued Services**

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

**Town Volunteer Opportunities**

*Please contact the select board if interested.*

**Rescue Inc. Representative, no term limit, but appointment reviewed annually**

Rescue Inc. provides ambulance services for 15 towns, including the eastern two thirds of Marlboro. Each town is allotted a position on Rescue's Board of Trustees. Representatives attend one board meeting on the third Tuesday of each month, and are expected to also serve on a committee that will also meet approximately once per month (times vary). You might wish to apply if you have banking and financial expertise, business expertise, fundraising and public relations experience or simply have the energy and interest to ensure Rescue Inc. continues to be an excellent service for the town of Marlboro.

**Conservation Commission, 4-year term, 9-member board**

Four vacancies, one each expiring in March, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018. All interested candidates welcome to apply.

**Energy Coordinator, 1-year term**

Coordinates existing energy resources in the town and cooperates with regional, state and federal entities responsible for energy matters. Works with select board; has no independent authority to take action on behalf of municipality, but acts as resource for the town. Statutory: 24 VSA § 1131(d)

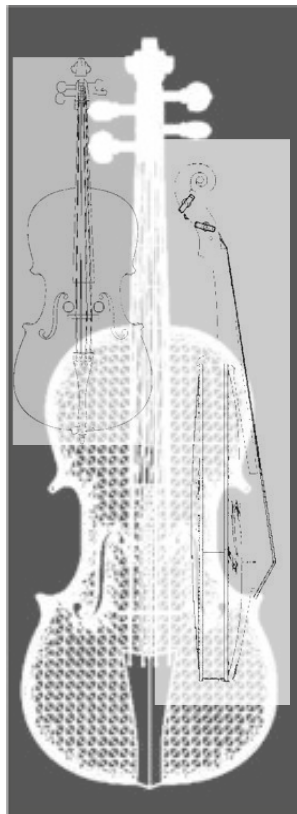
**Planning Commission, 4-year term, 9-member board**

Two vacancies expiring March 2015; related experience desirable but not necessary.

**Senior Solutions Advisory Council, Marlboro Representative, 1-year term, 2 representatives**

One vacancy expires March, 2015. Senior Solutions' Advisory Council shall advise the board on matters relative to representing the interest of elders, especially in their own community. Advisory Council members meet once monthly to learn more about elder issues, challenges that exist for seniors and unmet needs. The role of the Advisory Council member is to be a senior advocate by: learning more about elder issues, reporting back to their community any pressing issues, reviewing and commenting on policies, programs and actions which affect elders. Meetings are held in Bellows Falls on the last Wednesday of each month from 1:15 to 3 pm.

**A Benefit Concert**  
for the Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Fund  
and in Honor of Ellen McCulloch-Lovell



*Johann Sebastian Bach's*

**GOLDBERG  
VARIATIONS**

*BWV 988 arranged for strings  
by Dmitry Sitkovetsky*

**IDA KAVAFIAN**

violin

**STEVE TENENBOM**

viola

**PETER WILEY**

cello

**Sunday 2/22/2015 3 p.m.**

**Ragle Hall. Serkin Center**

**Marlboro College. Marlboro, VT**

*post-concert reception & refreshments*

tickets and more information  
will be available in January 2015

[www.marlboroalliance.com](http://www.marlboroalliance.com)

[www.facebook.com/MarlboroAlliance](https://www.facebook.com/MarlboroAlliance)

[<marlboro@frontporchforum.com>](mailto:marlboro@frontporchforum.com)

## **Emergency Management Report** by Andy Reichsman

Time for an update from Marlboro Emergency Management. By the time you read this, it is likely that the Vermont Yankee reactor will have been permanently shut down. This reduces some of the risks associated with Vermont Yankee, but not all. When the reactor is not running, there is no radioactive iodine produced and therefore, the KI pills used to protect people from this threat are no longer required. Eventually, the spent fuel will be interred in a dry cask storage system; however, for the time being, there are many spent rods in the spent fuel pool. The level of risk will go down considerably when all the fuel is in dry cask storage.

The Red Cross and Marlboro College are in the process of signing a contract, establishing the Marlboro College Dining Hall as the official site for a Red Cross Shelter in town. To staff the shelter, twelve Marlboro residents have completed training as Red Cross certified shelter volunteers. Please note that during Irene, no Marlboro residents requested shelter, meaning everyone found alternative housing through family, friends and neighbors. However, in the event that shelter is needed in the future, we will have the ability to establish a shelter in town.

The Marlboro Town website includes Emergency Management information. At [marlborovt.us](http://marlborovt.us), under the pull down menu for "Boards & Minutes," you can select "Emergency Management." On that page is contact information for members of the Marlboro EM team and other information. Also note: during weather or other emergency situations, the Marlboro home page may provide alerts at the top of the page. You can tell if there is an alert by a red band at the top of the home page. Clicking on the "X" opens the alert.

**Municipal Meetings:**

(unless posted otherwise)

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**JANUARY**

17.....Book Swap! 9-12 (p1)

**FEBRUARY**

6.....Senior Lunch, 11:30 am, (p5)

6..... Artists' Reception and Talk, Marlboro College, 4 to 6PM (details below).

22.....Marlboro Alliance Benefit Concert @ Marlboro College, 3PM, (p4)

24.....Pre Town Meeting, Town Office, 6 PM (p6)

28.....Marlboro Mudfling, Meeting House School

**MARCH**

3.....Town Meeting, 9AM

6.....Senior Lunch, 11:30 am (p5)

Select Board: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at 5pm

School Board: 1<sup>st</sup> Monday at 6pm

Board of Listers: Wednesdays at 7pm

Planning Commission: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 5pm

Town Auditors: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at 3:30pm

Development Review Board: 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues at 7pm

Fire Company: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 7pm

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

Conservation Commission: 1st Monday at 7:00

**LOCAL WOODWORKERS TO EXHIBIT AT THE DRURY GALLERY AT MARLBORO COLLEGE**

**JANUARY 20 TO FEBRUARY 13, 2015**

“True to Form,” the work of Michelle Chasse-Holzapfel '73' and David Holzapfel '72, from Applewoods' Studio in Marlboro.

**Artists' Reception: Tuesday, February 6, 2015 from 4 to 6.**

In honor of Ellen McCulloch-Lovell and her dedication to craft, Michelle will present to the Rice-Aaron Library a limited-edition volume of “Turning to Art in Wood: Celebrating 25 years of the Wood Turning Center”.

**Followed at 7 pm by: “Nature, Nurture, Culture, Chance,” which was postponed from December.**

Michelle will present a retrospective look at her 40 years carving wood. At the Whittemore Theater.

Free and open to the public. Gallery hours: Sunday-Friday from 12-5. closed Saturdays.

Work available courtesy of the Mitchell-Giddings Gallery, Brattleboro, VT.

For updates contact:

Marlboro College [info@marlboro.edu](mailto:info@marlboro.edu)

# **Marlboro Town Services** Want to list your business or skills here? Call or email

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

Malcolm Moore, 254-5664, [surveygmls@gmail.com](mailto:surveygmls@gmail.com)  
Green Mountain Land Surveying

Boat building, repair, maintenance & woodwork  
for the home. [jmark@sover.net](mailto: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](mailto:sherefkin@gmail.com)

Yoga & YogaDance 254-7724 <[kel@sover.net](mailto: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. [gregsblues18@yahoo.com](mailto:gregsblues18@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](mailto: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

Brent Seabrook - Carpentry: Design, Build,  
Restore, 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](mailto:whetstoneciderworks@gmail.com), 254-5306

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[katarlowmorgan@gmail.com](mailto:katarlowmorgan@gmail.com)  
Editorial Skills, Stretch Coach/Prevention

Gary MacArthur, 257-7026, Solar PV & hot  
water systems, [gwmaca@gmail.com](mailto:gwmaca@gmail.com)

Refilling Your Well Counseling, Robin White  
802-254-2246 [www.refillingyourwell.com](http://www.refillingyourwell.com)

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

Malcolm Wright, The Turnpike Road Pottery.  
[theturnpikeroad.com](http://theturnpikeroad.com), 254-2168

Sunrise House Painting and Landscaping. 257-  
7184 [SunrisePaintersVT.com](http://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](http://lavignephotography.blogspot.com)

Pork, seasonal produce, firewood, 258-0409 or  
[Rob@RamblingBrookFarmVermont.com](mailto: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](mailto:rebeccawhitney8@yahoo.com).

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

Another Pair of Hands - Handyman /  
Property maintenance services, labor pool.  
Contact Tim Whitney, 464-3216(h) or 380-  
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**NEXT DEADLINE: February 15<sup>th</sup> for the March/April Mixer**

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