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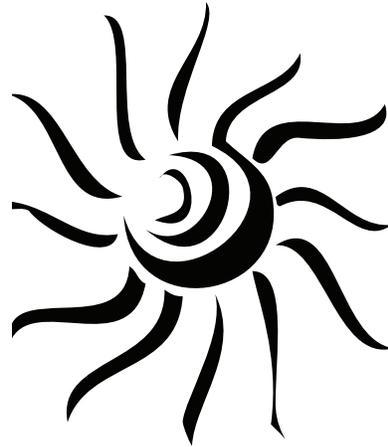
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Marlboro Alliance
SUMMER SALE
Saturday JULY 25
9 am - 3 pm
Marlboro Town Center



CLOTHING | FURNITURE | TOYS | HOUSEWARES
BAKE SALE & CAFE

Silent auction on the best stuff. Bid from 9 am to 2 pm

on Sunday, July 26 11am-2pm

everything is F R E E !

(cash donations are welcome)

SET-UP DAY is Friday, July 24 8 am – 4 pm

Drop off donations of clean, usable items. Volunteers will screen donations.

We need help with set-up & cleanup, baking, sales
contact Pam Burke 275-2809 pam.burke@gmail.com
or signup online at <http://tinyurl.com/malliance>

Select Board Report

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

The Board appointed Phil Howe to a three-year appointment on the Hogback Preservation Commission. If anyone has interest in forming a committee or being involved in further exploring the town's internet needs and what options we may have to improve service, please contact the Select Board at marlboroselectboard@gmail.com and we will help coordinate. A number of townspeople have already been active in pursuing alternative ideas, including Bill Esses, who came to the Select Board and helped initiate the survey.

The Select Board launched the survey in April. Of the 106 people who responded, 37 were satisfied with their internet service, 63 were unsatisfied (11 of those have no service), and 6 people were of mixed feeling.

The vast majority of respondents use FairPoint for their internet. Of respondents who use FairPoint, 31 were satisfied (9 of those included some complaint or condition to their "yes" response), 41 were dissatisfied, and 5 were mixed.

The Town has been awarded two Municipal Highway Structure Grants. One grant will be to repair the wing walls of Bridge 3 on TH 3, South Road. The other grant will be to place a new membrane on Bridge 5 on TH 1, Augur Hole Road. Structure grants cover up to ninety percent of the actual costs of a project. The grant amounts awarded to the Town of Marlboro are \$31,500 and \$14,400 respectively. State funds are required to be matched by at least ten percent of total project cost with municipal funds.

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 or by post at Select Board, PO Box 518, Marlboro, VT 05344. Visit the website: marlborovt.us.



The News from Marlboro School

This is the time of year to send off the 8th graders with our congratulations and best wishes: **Maya Bimmler, Shadda Cliché, Aleah Cyr, Linaea DiMarino, Liam Kennedy, Mason Redfield, Frida Rosner, Aidan Salasin-Deane, Walker Sargent, Adaylia Shiman, Makayla Smith,** and **Mercer Wyse**. Each of these students has brought unique gifts to our school community. We will miss them. Brattleboro Union High School and the Compass School will be lucky when they arrive in August as 9th graders!

We also say good-bye to several staff members.

Gail MacArthur has been driving the school bus for 40 years and has also served as the bus coordinator, making sure that the fleet is in good order and drivers are scheduled for all the trips. Owning our buses and hiring our drivers is essential to the school. Field Research is at the heart of our curriculum and Gail has helped to make it that way

David Holzapfel is retiring after 25 years of teaching and a number of other roles, as well including bus driver and artist in residence. David has been honored in a number of ways this year and the most notable may be receiving a Doctorate of Education – complete with hood! - from Marlboro College at his retirement.

We also wish all the best to **Carol Brooke-deBock** who has worked with Judy and the Primary students for the past four years. Carol has helped us all stay grounded and we will miss her calm presence and always positive attitude.

Earlier this spring we bid good-bye to **Jessie Einermann** who left on maternity leave. She is now the proud mother of Finneas who is on the list for the kindergarten class of 2020.

We also express appreciation to **Ailliea Carle** who joined us for one year in the Kindergarten.

And, finally, a big thank you to the townspeople of Marlboro who support our feisty little school in ways big and small.



thank you from the Select Board

Tropical Storm Irene may not be a distant memory yet, but the scars are starting to heal. In the days since Irene, Marlboro has mourned for 29 deaths and celebrated 15 births and 25 marriages. We have also had one presidential, two gubernatorial, and four select board elections. Through all of this, one thing has remained constant: **Nora Wilson's** tireless work on behalf of the Town to get every penny possible from FEMA to help us pay for the damage done by that little rainstorm. It seemed that every time we were making progress on a project, a staff member at FEMA or the State would change and Nora would have to start all over again explaining the project and the progress made through the reimbursement process.

As some of you heard at Town Meeting this year, the lack of reimbursement was something of a challenge for the town. But, in late May, thanks to Nora's persistence, we finally received the last payment from FEMA. The total reimbursement was \$938,364.57. For all her hard work, for all the headaches and stress, for all her tenacity and good humor, the select board offers its whole hearted and heartfelt thanks to Nora.

We would also like to thank **Linda Peters** and **David Elliot** for their roles in supporting Nora and the Town through the process. They were there to keep track of money coming in and going out and were instrumental in the Town being able to run, despite being, at times, out hundreds of thousands of dollars. Linda got us great rates on short-term loans and a line of credit with a local bank that was used in dire times to keep the Town afloat.

David worked to keep costs down while continually improving our roads. In the last two years, David and Linda combined forces to acquire two trucks for the highway department that were in excellent shape and cost a fraction of a new truck. They also helped us find a way to pay for the solar panels on the town garage without taking out more loans. Those panels are now cranking out enough energy to pay for all of the electricity used at the town office and garage. We are so fortunate to have such selfless, conscientious, dedicated folks working for our town.

Thank you David and Linda and thank you, thank you, thank you, Nora.

Sincerely, Marlboro Select Board: Andy Reichsman, Tyler Gibbons, Pieter van Loon

Marlboro Artists Participate in Open Studio Tour

The annual Rock River Artists' Open Studio Tour will celebrate its twenty-third weekend on Saturday and Sunday, July 18 and 19, 2015 from 10 AM - 6 PM. Established in the South Newfane and Williamsville area, fourteen professional artists open their studios and gardens.



Matt Tell *Clematis Fluted Platter*

You will be greeted by painters, print-makers, photographers, sculptors, potters, fabric, metal and wood workers including Rob Cartelli, Kim Hartman Colligan, Robert Cramp, Dan DeWalt, Richard Foye, Rich Gillis, Caryn King, Leonard Ragouzeos, **Georgie**, Roger Sandes, Deidre Scherer, **Matt Tell**, Christine Triebert, and Mary Welsh. There is every imaginable medium, and even some that you might never imagine such as Deidre Scherer's "paintings" done completely with fabric and thread.

The Rock River Tour is held during a time of year when flower gardens are at their most profligate and many of the tour homes, such as that of artist couple Roger Sandes and Mary Welsh, have gardens that are works of art themselves.

Start at the South Newfane Schoolhouse for a map and sample display of each artist's work. For more information visit rockriverartists.com or call Mary Welsh and Roger Sandes at 803-348-7865.



Georgie *The Wild Family Farm*

News from Girls on the Run

GOTR, as many of you know, promotes mental and physical well being for girls in 3rd through 5th grades. One of the curriculum requirements of GOTR is to complete a community service project. This year our girls chose the think outside the box and promote a similar running program in Ethiopia called Girls Gotta Run (GGR). The girls shared their powerpoint presentation with family and friends at the Learning Fair. We are very excited to announce that they collectively raised enough funds to sponsor a GGR scholarship recipient for one full year! A beautiful demonstration of community support for young girls worldwide! Our program will be matched with a girl and her family from either the Bekoji or Sodo Ethiopia GGR program sites. Some of the things that our sponsorship provides her with are:

- Full Scholarship to attend secondary school, including healthcare for student and her mom, daily meals, uniform, books, tutoring, access to school clubs and library, showers and space to wash clothes on the weekend.
- Completion of the GGRF/CCL Life Skills
- Curriculum developed to create safe spaces for girls and provide experiential learning modules on family planning, financial literacy, HIV/AIDS awareness, nutrition, healthy relationships, leadership, and creative expression.
- Running clothes, shoes and healthy snacks for the year
- Entrance and transportation to Ethiopian races throughout the year
- Oversight of a coach and running mentor

Throughout the coming year we will have letter correspondence with our sponsored girl as well as academic progress reports. What a unique opportunity for our girls to witness positive progress and growth alongside their own!

For more information on GGR please visit their website: <http://www.girlsgottarun.org/>

The Marlboro Fair Celebrates 33 Years

Psst! Don't tell anyone, but this year's **Marlboro Fair** theme is Off the Record! Save **Saturday, September 12, 2015** to celebrate our community and the 33rd Marlboro Fair. Our unique venue offers fun, food and entertainment for the whole family.

We will again be hosting arts & crafts, a baking contest sponsored by King Arthur Flour, and presenting awards for best agricultural displays. Come stop by the Kids Tent and relax in the Tea Tent as you tap your toes to the sounds of music from the stage.

New this year, "You Be the Judge!" Every individual or family will be given 5 stickers when they enter the Fair. Each family votes for their 5 favorite fruits, veggies or flower displays in the Ag Tent. You can put all 5 stickers on one item, or vote for different items.

Maybe we'll set some new records in the egg toss, nail pounding, tug-o-war or skillet toss! Come test your skills! Have your kids bring their bikes for the 4th annual Bike Rodeo, and spend time learning about local wildlife with Mike Clough from the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum.

For the record, this year we are pleased to announce that we will again be hosting Artisans' Alley. This is a great opportunity to display your goods and for people to buy local. We will be setting aside space for local artisans and merchants to sell their wares. Everything's "fair game", except for prepared foods (We don't want to compete with non-profits in town who sell food.) If you are interested in joining Artisans' Alley please contact us at marlborofair@gmail.com to reserve your 10x10 space on a first come, first served basis. There is no fee, so please consider sharing a percentage of your day's take with the fair to help keep us going. You do need to bring your own tent and table.



We love to celebrate the artisans in our community. If you would like to share your craft with a live demonstration, please contact us by August 1st. We will provide a space for you. Please let us know if you need tent space.

We don't want to be a broken record but, the Fair fare is still only \$5 with a family rate of \$20. Seniors and babes in arms are also free - but that's off the record.

Even though this year's fair is Off the Record, please share the date and bring a new friend to join in on the fun. What happens' at the Fair, stays at the Fair!

The Marlboro Fair committee includes Fred Bisbee, Peggy Tiffany, Jodi Clark, Jenn Karstad, Carol Hendrickson, Arlene Hanson (emeritus), Andrea Matthews, Brian McNeice, Jeff and Michelle Bower, Amanda and Eric Matt. We have room for many more in the group. Please contact us at marlborofair@gmail.com if you are willing to be on the committee, help us with setup or the day of the Fair.

From the School Board

Marlboro Elementary School and H.361, Vermont's 2015 Education Consolidation Bill

In May of 2015, the Vermont legislature passed H. 361, an education governance reform bill that sets out a process by which all Vermont public schools are required to transition over the next four years to new governance structures. The bill does not require individual school mergers or the closure of schools, but calls on the state's 277 school districts to merge into larger education districts.

Schools are being required to adopt one of two governance structures. The preferred structure is a preK-12 district with at least 900 students. These districts would have a unified regional school board that can operate schools or tuition students to other districts. The second model is a supervisory union with 1,100 students which can retain local school boards if the member districts "consider themselves to be collectively responsible" for the education of all resident students in the supervisory union. At first the transition is voluntary and is encouraged by a system of tax incentives, but in 2019 after the four-year process, the State Board of Education is authorized to require transitions that it deems necessary.

The Marlboro School Board has begun discussions in our Windham Central Supervisory Union and we will also talk with members of the Windham Southeast Supervisory Union to find out how they are approaching the transition. This process will move quickly because supervisory unions that vote to adopt a new governance structure by July 2016, and become operational by July 2017, will receive financial incentives. As this process moves forward, the school board will work actively to keep the community informed and to gather local input as we work to adopt these mandated changes.

All school board and supervisory union meetings are open to the public and we encourage all townspeople to participate. The next Marlboro School Board meeting is Tuesday, July 7th at 7pm. We will also join with other school boards in our supervisory union for a meeting with our elected representatives on July 21st at 7pm at the Jamaica Elementary School and we will hold an informational community meeting this fall.

Marlboro Historical Society

2015 Summer Program
Open Saturdays from 2pm until 5pm
July 11th through August 29th

July 5

sunday 2 - 4

Ice Cream Social

Hosted by Donald Sherefkin 254-9736
At Newton House

July 11

saturday 9am

Historic House Tour*

*Limited to 20 persons. Phone to reserve a spot.
Presented by Forrest Holzapfel 258-2568
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

July 16

thursday 7pm

**Annual Meeting:
South Pond History**

Presented by Forrest Holzapfel & Malcolm Moore
Town House at 7:00 pm

July 18

saturday 9am

Camp Kenmore Tour

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

Aug 1

saturday 9am

Buffum Road Walk

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

Aug 8

saturday 9am

Cemetery Walk

Led by Marcia Hamilton 464-5470
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

Aug 15

saturday 9am

Camp Neringa

Hosted by Gussie Bartlett 254-2172
Meet at Newton House at 9:00

The school board will be using the Front Porch Forum and the Marlboro School website to share meeting dates as well as information about the specifics of the bill and the decision making process. Our entire meeting schedule is warned at the Town Office and at the Marlboro Elementary School, and we will also provide written materials at these locations. If you would like more information, please feel free to contact your local school board members.

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Douglas Korb: dkorb@windhamcentralboard.org

Celena Romo: cromo@windhamcentralboard.org

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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

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

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

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

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

Yoga & Yoga Dance 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. gregsblues18@yahoo.com

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

Theo's Handyman Services (802) 254-4738

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

Alcan power equip: lawn equipment, chainsaws, generators-sales & service 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, 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 orRob@RamblingBrookFarmVermont.com

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

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

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



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Next Deadline
August 15 for
the Sept / Oct Mixer

July + August Calendar

Tuesday, July 7, 7pm

Marlboro School Board meeting

Tuesday, July 14, 5pm

Select Board meeting

Friday + Saturday, July 18 +19, 10am – 6pm

Rock River Artists Tour

begins at the South Newfane Schoolhouse

Friday, July 24, 8am – 4pm

Set up for the Summer Sale, Marlboro Town Center

Saturday, July 25, 9am – 3pm

Marlboro Alliance Summer Sale, Marlboro Town Center

Tuesday, July 28, 5pm

Select Board meeting

Tuesday, August 11, 5pm

Select Board meeting

Tuesday, August 25, 5pm

Select Board meeting

Check out the Historical Society Calendar on page 6.



coming in September...

VPL's **Progressive Performance Festival** Sep 4–6

Marlboro Fair Sep 12