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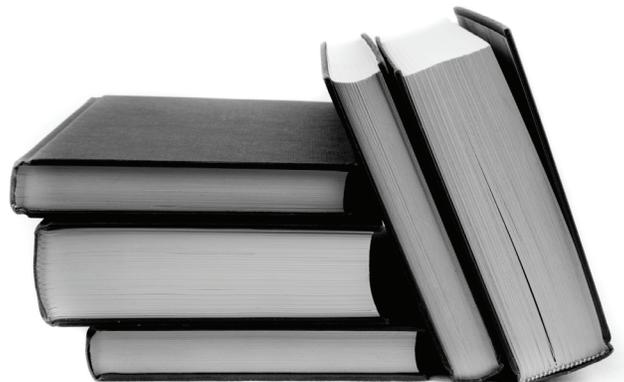
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## 16th Annual January Thaw Book Swap

Saturday January 21st  
@ the Town House  
Marlboro Town Center  
9am-Noon

1. Bring your books in a box. Only high quality books, no mold or rips.
2. Browse and take home any books you like for free! You can take books without bringing any!
3. Enjoy a hot beverage & Baked goods, also free, compliments of the Marlboro Alliance (donations welcome)
4. All books left behind will be recycled.
5. Can you help? Bake something to share? Other questions? Please email sarah at lavignephotography@yahoo.com or call 257-6918

Also bring a canned food item to donate to the food bank, if you can!



## From Marlboro Cares

**The Board of Directors of Marlboro Cares wishes a happy and healthy New Year to everyone in Marlboro and a HUGE thank you to all of our volunteers.**

### Senior Lunches

Reminder: 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 3, 2017**. Members of the Act 46 Committee will speak to us about the Marlboro plan for possible school consolidation with Wardsboro and Dover. There will be an Australian Ballot vote on Marlboro's Act 46 Plan on Town Meeting Day, so it will be good to understand more prior to voting. Please call 258-3030 to reserve your spot by Monday, January 30th.

The remaining lunches for this school year will be held **March 3rd, April 7th and May 5th**. Reservations will need to be called in by the Monday prior to the Lunch.

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.

### Continued Services

For rides, errands, referrals, 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.

*Submitted by Jennifer Mazur*

## From Marlboro School

Marlboro Junior High students are putting finishing touches on and presenting their I projects. "I" stands for independent. The presentations culminate of 6 weeks of hard work which begins with selecting a topic they care about. This sounds easy but it's not. Often students choose topics that are way too broad like Egypt, or way too specific like How to Sharpen Knives, or so esoteric that they can't find good information when they begin their research, like Why Do People Fear Clowns. Once the topic is defined, they begin gathering resources. For 8th graders this means they must find at least one "expert" whom they can interview.

As they dig into the resources they think about the best way to present the information and ideas. Rochelle, our tech integration teacher (and librarian!), supports students in finding the best platform for presenting - maybe a video, a PowerPoint or Prezi, or a live demonstration.

Finally the work is pulled together and presented to teachers and classmates. Often parents attend, too. Each attendee completes a rubric to evaluate the presentation. The rubric is organized around four of our five Realms of Learning: Problem Solving, Communication, Civic and Social Responsibility, and Knowledge. They look for skills such as eye contact, good organization, and knowledge of topic. They're asked if they learned something new and what they liked best. Presenters are given these completed rubrics so that they can learn from the critiques of others.

One of our goals at Marlboro Schools is to create independent, critical thinkers who can speak, read, and write well. Junior High I projects do all of this.

Here are this year's I project topics: **Samantha**: Hollywood in the 1930s; **Sloan**: Latin Dance; **Jeremiah**: the history of swords; **Merou**: time travel in science and fiction; **Nieve**: American Sign Language; **Broden**: fashion and body image; **Zinabu**: history of the Dodgers and Ebbets Field; **Nikita**: drawing horses; Sarah: horse training; Hunter: mountain bike mechanics; **Ben C**: history of early video games; **Forrest**: the physics of baseball pitching; **Lilly**: history of the treatment of women's mental health; **Ben K.**: household AC electrical wiring; **Madison**: writing and illustrating a children's book; **Jordan**: architectural design; **Senait**: Paris; **Hannah**: French baking

## From the Selectboard

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

**Openings for Town Officials:** Energy Coordinator, Rescue Inc. Representative and Town Representative to the Senior Solutions Advisory Board. Descriptions can be found in the Municipal Directory on the Town Website [marlborovt.us](http://marlborovt.us).

The board appointed **Malcolm Moore** to an unexpired three-year term (2018) on the Hogback Preservation Commission filling the vacancy left by the resignation of Hal Himmelstein.

The board appointed **Steven John** as a member of the Development Review Board filling the unexpired three-year term (2019) vacated by the resignation of T Wilson. Steven John has been serving on the DRB as an Alternate.

The board appointed **Lucia Kloster** to an unexpired four-year term (2019) on the Conservation Commission vacated by James Irish.

The board adopted a formal purchasing policy required for all Federal and State grants.

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. Please contact Marcia Hamilton, [m8rcia@gmail.com](mailto:m8rcia@gmail.com) or 802 490-0347 to be added to the agenda. Visit the website: [marlborovt.us](http://marlborovt.us).

## Act 46 Elementary Study Committee

Dover, Marlboro and Wardsboro , Vermont

### **Time To Decide – Public Meetings to Inform Voters about Act 46 for Dover, Marlboro and Wardsboro**

Voters from Dover, Marlboro and Wardsboro who are headed to the polls on Town Meeting Day this coming March, 2017, will be handed a ballot to cast their vote for or against adopting the Articles of Agreement for the consolidation of school governance which were prepared by the Act 46 Elementary Committee during a long process which began this past summer. To help voters, residents, and taxpayers of these towns become informed about how adopting the Articles of Agreement, or not approving the plan, might impact the future of education in these towns, the Study Committee has scheduled a series of public discussion sessions during January and February, 2017, as follows:

Jan 12	Thurs	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Marlboro Elementary</b>
Jan 19	Thurs	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Dover Town Hall</b>
Jan 23	Mon	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Wardsboro Town Hall</b>
Feb 2	Thurs	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Wardsboro Town Hall</b>
Feb 13	Mon	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Marlboro Elementary</b>
Feb 27	Mon	6:30pm - 8pm	<b>Dover Town Hall</b>

The Report and Articles of Agreement, which is the document to be discussed at each session, is posted at [wcsu-committee.blogspot.com](http://wcsu-committee.blogspot.com). Anyone can attend any of the six sessions to ask questions, and are not limited to only those meetings held in their town.

If a meeting is canceled, plan to attend a meeting on a different date. Notice of canceled meetings will be on the Committee's blog site or send an email to ask about scheduling to [wcsu.media@windhamcentral.org](mailto:wcsu.media@windhamcentral.org)

There are other ways to comment , ask questions, or request a copy. People may contact any Study Committee member in person, or send an email to [wcsu.media@windhamcentral.org](mailto:wcsu.media@windhamcentral.org)

Watch full-length videos of the meetings on [wcsu-committee.blogspot.com](http://wcsu-committee.blogspot.com). On that site, there are FAQ pages, where voters may also submit their questions.

## Welcome to the New Owners at the Colonel Williams Inn

by Michelle Holzapfel

The Colonel Williams Inn has new owners, the Osborne family. The historic landmark, built circa 1800, will now be open year-round, ready to welcome the community for public gatherings or meetings as well as personal occasions and celebrations.

Previously from Austin, Texas, the Osbornes wanted to relocate to a place with seasons, and a vibrant cultural environment. They fell in love with the Brattleboro area which, to them, felt like the Austin of 20 years ago. Although they had never been to Vermont, when they visited the Inn they were so impressed they made an offer on the spot.

Victoria has worked as a marketing consultant with academic scientists to develop public awareness of energy efficiency and clean energy options. She took part in a very successful program that connects women scientists with middle school girls to encourage them to pursue S.T.E.M. subjects for their studies and future careers.

Brian is a software developer, and will be at the Inn full-time beginning in February. They were both active in nonprofits in Austin. Their daughter Chelsea is also part of the Inn's team. She has a Master's degree in Classics, and will pursue museum studies next year in Glasgow, Scotland.



The bar at the Inn is now open on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 5-9 pm and offers beer, wine and spirits and a selection of Tex-Mex pub fare: nachos, quesadillas and other light snacks. Grayson Scott is the resident bartender, and will be including locally produced beverages among the bar's offerings. Families are welcome. Children can enjoy the

Living room area, which will be stocked with games. No reservations are required.

In the 19th century, it was occupied by three generations of Williamses. Throughout the 20th century, the Eames and a succession of other owners lived here. Now we welcome the Osbornes, the Inn's 21st century owners.

## Calling All Dogs!

Did you know that by Vermont law, all domestic dogs are required to be licensed annually between January 1st and April 1st? Please license your dog if it is unregistered. For any dog owner who does not know the law or has not gotten around to licensing your canine friends, please do so! We will be sending the renewals to all current license holders just after the new year.

A current rabies certificate, signed by your dog's veterinarian, is required in order to be issued a license. The fee is \$9 for a spayed/neutered animal, while an unfixated dog is \$13. A dog displaying a current Marlboro dog tag is easy to return to its owner should it be found

running free by calling the Town Clerk or Animal Control Officer, and all people approaching a licensed animal knows that it has been vaccinated against rabies and is therefore safe from the disease. Please contact the Town Clerk with any questions, 254-2181 or [marlborotownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:marlborotownclerk@gmail.com)



## News from the Meeting House School

Marlboro's local preschool, established as a non-profit in 1974 (that's 42 years!), is still going strong thanks to the tireless support of parents, board members, and generous townspeople. After much discussion and consideration, the board has decided to remain open as a private school next year (2017-2018). We are grateful that most of our tuition funds will continue to come from the state "collaborative fund" so that the cost to families can remain low. And we will continue to organize fundraising events in order to pay our teachers a living wage and ensure that every child (ages 3 – 5) can attend without financial barriers.

The first half of the school year has gone very well, under the direction of Miss Honeysuckle and Miss Gemma. The children are now very familiar with classroom routines, the teachers and their friends. They are currently working on their numbers, both counting from 1 to 12 and number recognition. This learning is presented to the children in the form of counting games, number puzzles, number

## Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Report

As the Mixer goes to press, the 2016 annual Scholarship appeal has brought in \$2600. Last year we received \$5070, and there is still time to send in your donation.

We want to respond generously to Marlboro families' requests for help to attend summer programs and continuing education.

### **You can send your tax-deductible contribution to:**

Marlboro Alliance Box 165 Marlboro, VT 05344  
memo line: Scholarships.

**Or donate online:** go to [www.marlboroalliance.com](http://www.marlboroalliance.com) and make your donation through PayPal. Then please send a memo to: [marlboroalliance@gmail.com](mailto:marlboroalliance@gmail.com).

And while you're at our website, check out our other programs and events for the entire community. We thank you for your support.

books and number songs. Learning to count can be easy and fun!

The December curriculum includes celebrating several different holidays: Solstice, Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa. The children find delight in all of these celebrations, while gaining appreciation for the traditions held by other children in our multi-cultural society. May this early exposure contribute to a peaceful and tolerant society in the future.

When school resumes in January we will have 15 children enrolled in the Meeting House School program.

**Save the date for our annual Muffling!** This year the Muffling party will take place on Saturday, March 4th (6:30 – 9:30 p.m.) at the Meeting House. Live music, dancing, silent auction, raffle drawing, and decadent desserts!

## Town Meeting on March 7, 2017

Town Meeting will be on Tuesday March 7, 2017. The deadlines are below for adding articles to the warning and for submitting petitions to run for a town office:

**January 19th** will be the last day to file petitions with the Town Clerk signed by at least 5% of the voters for articles to be included on the warning for Town Meeting. (35 signatures minimum, but I recommend 40)

**January 30th at 5 pm** will be the deadline for candidates who wish to run for town offices to submit nominating petitions to the Town Clerk to be voted on by Australian ballot.

Please contact the Town Clerk with any questions, 254-2181 or [marlborotownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:marlborotownclerk@gmail.com)

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## from the Marlboro Planning Commission

Since 2011 the Marlboro Planning Commission has been working to revise the current zoning (last modified in 2007) to agree more with the current Town Plan, to clear up inconsistencies, and to include new State requirements. It has completed a draft document, and held the first Public Hearing on December 6th. The next Public Hearing has been scheduled for February 14, 2017, from 5 to 7pm at the Elementary School. The link to access all documents is: <http://marlborovt.us/> then scroll down the page.

### Preamble

The Planning Commission has been carefully revising and improving the Town of Marlboro's Zoning Regulations. In preparation for public review of our proposed document we thought it would be useful to discuss the principles that guided us as we made difficult decisions and some of the process that allowed us to reach consensus.

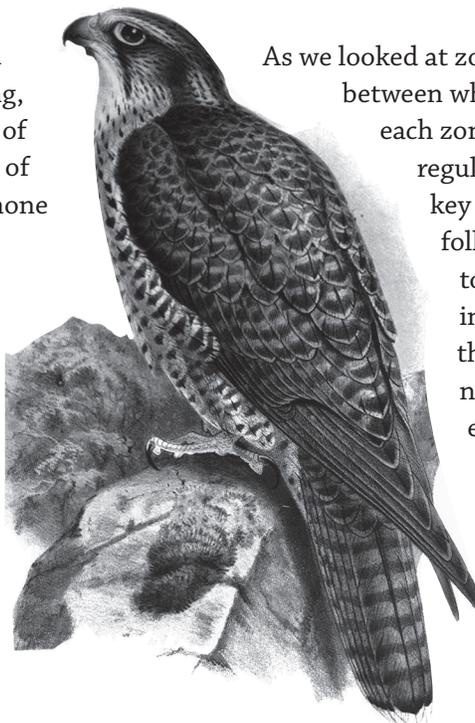
Marlboro Vermont has a wealth of natural and human resources. Our forests, open spaces, waterways, and animal habits are in good balance with our agricultural, forestry, commercial and habitation areas, and we were driven first and foremost by the responsibility to preserve, protect, and promote these characteristics. We were also compelled by the recognition of certain pressing needs in our town: the need of affordable housing, the need of renewable energy, the need of commercial development, and the need of better communication resources (i.e. phone and internet connection).

By clearly defining zones of village, commercial, agricultural, rural residential, college, and conservation activity and by overlaying on those

The following "Preamble" and "Highlights" have been prepared to help understand the changes that collectively affect all landowners in Marlboro. Refer questions to [marlboroplanning@gmail.com](mailto:marlboroplanning@gmail.com) We hope everyone will come to the meeting on February 14th if they have questions, concerns, or wish to support the new zoning.

zones areas of wildlife habitat, waterway protection, wildlife road crossings, and flood protection we believe we have created a reasonable approach to responsible development in our town. We were guided in this mapping by information from the town, particularly "The Town Plan", as well as county and state agencies such as the Windham Regional Commission, the Marlboro Conservation Commission, the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Vermont Natural Resources Council, Vermont Public Service Board, the Vermont League of Cities and Towns, New Hampshire Handbook For Sustainable Development, and the Marlboro Town Visiting Committee.

As we looked at zoning regulation we made distinctions between what was important and different about each zone. The interaction of each zoning regulation with the overlay districts will be key to understanding the document that follows. In all our decisions we have tried to balance the interests of individuals institutions, and businesses, and the unique character of Marlboro, its natural and wildlife resources, and the environment.



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## Highlights of Major Proposed Revisions to the Marlboro Zoning Regulations (11/29/16)

This document highlights the major revisions to the Marlboro Zoning Regulations proposed by the Planning Commission. Please note that only major proposed revisions are listed here. Refer to the pdf documents posted on the Town's web site (on the home page) for all proposed revisions, details on the major revisions listed, and proposed revisions to the zoning map:

### General

A number of generic titles and terms were changed to the specific entity involved

#### **Article I - General Provisions**

No changes.

#### **Article II - Administration & Enforcement**

Section 202:.....Exemptions added for certain minor construction. "Substantial improvement" defined.

Section 203:.....Deadlines added and detailed for Development Review Board action on Conditional Use Permits.

Section 204:.....Deadlines added and detailed for Development Review Board action on site plans.

Section 205:.....Violations and enforcement as stated in state legislation detailed.

#### **Article III - Establishment of Zoning Districts and Zoning Map**

Section 301:.....Village District added; several districts re-named. Wildlife Road Crossing and Wildlife Habitat Overlay Districts added.

Sections 305 to 311: These Sections cover the Zoning Districts. The Description and Purpose paragraph of some of the districts have been modified, and all districts include changes to Permitted Uses, Conditional Uses, and Area, Dimensional and Coverage Requirements.

Section 311:.....Use Table added showing the Permitted and Conditional Uses allowed in each district.

Section 320:.....Zoning Map revised and is now one map with three overlay maps.

Section 331:.....Overlay Districts described.

Sections 340-346: ....New Wildlife Road Crossing Overlay District added.

Sections 350-356: ....New Wildlife Habitat Overlay District added.

Section 360 & 361: ..Two lakes over 10 acres added to the Shoreland Overlay District.

Section 362:.....Setbacks from high water mark changed.

Section 371:.....Applicability of Surface Water Buffers divided into three categories with different setbacks. A number of exemptions added.

Section 372:.....Vegetation to remain within buffer redefined. DRB review of clearing of vegetation eliminated.

Sections 380-390: ....Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Regulations & Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area Overlay District added. This Section follows Regional Planning Commission suggestions and adds Fluvial Erosion areas.

#### **Article IV - General Regulations**

Section 403:.....Certain day care centers excepted from portions of zoning regulations per state law.

Section 405:.....Criteria for removal of soil, sand, or gravel for commercial purposes changed.

Section 410:.....Calculation of minimum lot size and setbacks with private road rights-of-way changed.

- Section 412:.....Principal building on lot and minimum setbacks required.
- Section 413:.....Standard added to alteration of existing nonconforming use. Limitation on abandonment of nonconforming use or structure.
- Section 415:.....Driveway setback from road intersections exemption for one and two-family residences eliminated.
- Section 420:..... Erosion and sediment control language clarified.
- Section 430:..... Motor vehicle service station added.
- Section 440:..... “Camps” renamed “Primitive Camps”. Limitation on use changed to conform with state law.
- Section 442:..... This Section 442 “Park Standards for Camping Trailers and Tent Sites” was eliminated as it duplicated Section 441 - “Campgrounds”.
- Section 450:..... Home Enterprises required to be in an owner-occupied dwelling.
- Section 455:..... Section 455 on signs re-written and is now Sections 452 to 456.
- Section 458:..... Section providing for visibility at intersections added.
- Section 459:..... Regulations on and exemptions of fences defined.
- Section 465:..... “Surface Water Protection Standards” name changed to “Surface Water Buffer Overlay Regulations” and moved to Section 370.
- Section 470:..... Name of Section changed from “Permitted Use Regulations for Small Wind Energy Systems” to “Renewable Energy Systems”, and the Section now includes definitions, classifications, and standards for small wind energy systems, photovoltaic systems, and micro hydro projects.

**Article V - Planned Unit Development**

- Section 505:..... Required site plan review procedures no longer waived.
- Section 506:..... Density limited to logical buildable lots. Site plan by Registered Engineer required.
- Section 507:..... Affordable housing units must remain affordable in perpetuity.
- Section 510:..... Method of determining permitted number of units defined. Table of required acreage expanded and clarified.

**Article VI - Telecommunications Facilities**

- Section 610:..... Legality sentences added.
- Section 620:..... Conditional Use Permit requirements and exemptions added.
- Section 625:..... Need for Conditional Use Permit for Small Scale Facilities clarified.
- Section 630:..... Determination of adjoining property owners added. In subsection 4.m., legalese added to sharing of towers.
- Section 635:..... Definition of type of location map required added.
- Section 637:..... Requirement added that an independent consultant may be retained by DRB (paid for by applicant) to aid DRB’s review.
- Section 650:..... Distance from tower to tree line limiting height of tower reduced. Requirement added regarding impact on wildlife habitat.
- Section 652:..... Requirement for balloon test added.
- Section 675:..... Requirements added that unapproved towers or facilities be removed, and that unused facilities be removed.
- Section 697:..... “Adequate Coverage” more precisely defined. Definitions of “Electromagnetically Able”, “Erlang”, “Erlang B Calculations”, “Grade of Service”, “Radio Frequency Exposure”, “Wireless Telecommunication Service”, “Wireless Telecommunication Facility”, and “Wireless Telecommunication Service Provider”, added.

### Article VII - Definitions

Numerous new definitions added. New definitions are not listed here; please see the proposed revisions.

The following definitions modified (those with only minor modifications are not listed):

Affordable Housing Development; Agriculture and Forestry; Appropriate Municipal Panel; Building; Building Floor Area; Building Coverage; Camp, Primitive; Common Land; Community Building; Development; Dormitory/Hostel; Dwelling Unit; Dwelling Unit, Accessory; Family Child Care Home or Child Care Facility; Home Enterprise; Non-conforming Building or Structure; Non-conforming Use; Parking Space; Planned Unit Development (PUD); Restaurant, Cafe; Retail Store; Road or Street or Highway; Shorelands; Signs; Structure; Yard; Zoning Administrator.

### Article VIII - Zoning Map

The Zoning Map revised and separated into four maps:

Zoning Map - 1 of 4, Zoning Districts

Zoning Map - 2 of 4, Wildlife Overlays

Zoning Map - 3 of 4, Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area Overlays

Zoning Map - 4 of 4, Shoreland and Surface Water Buffer Overlays

## Town House Initiative

You may have all noticed the attractive and safer new steps in front of the Town House. This winter, a wrought iron railing will be added, and a refurbished lawn area and plantings in the stonewall bed will follow in the spring. We encourage green thumbs to come forward with ideas for design and volunteer work for the plantings.

Inside the building, a new electric service panel and additional outlets have been installed, thus simplifying and expanding functionality.

During the course of this project, a number of deficiencies in the building have come to light. To remedy these issues, the committee is preparing a request for funding by separate warning article at the March

Town Meeting. The aim is to repair and restore the building in time to celebrate its 2022 bicentennial anniversary.

We ask Marlboro voters to support putting this request before the town for its consideration-keep on the lookout for the petition.

And we thank the Marlboro Alliance for its financial support of the steps and electrical work.



*The "self-appointed" Town House Initiative Committee:  
Lucy Gratwick  
Staley McDermet  
Bob and Nancy Anderson  
David and Michelle Holzapfel*

## Start the year at Hogback

**Dec. 31, 3:30-5:00 pm. New Year's Eve Sunset Snowshoe Hike on Hogback** - meet in the parking lot. We'll snowshoe up to the fire tower, where the intrepid among us will climb the stairs to watch the final sunset of the year. Wending our way back down in the deepening twilight, we'll be back at the cars in plenty of time to make it to more traditional New Year's Eve parties.

**Jan. 1, 10:00- noon. First Day Hike** - meet at the 100-mile view overlook. Start the year off right with a walk in the woods on snowshoes, led by Mike Clough of the Southern Vermont Natural History Museum. Mike knows where to find lots of interesting things in the conservation area: bear trees, porcupine highways, hidden cellar holes . . . join him!

## Protecting South Pond

The Ames Hill Marlboro Community Center at South Pond, in partnership with The Vermont Land Trust, is fundraising for the purchase and conservation of 207 acres. It is land that is adjacent to what is known as the Marlboro Park Association beach and is also the last piece of land surrounding South Pond that has yet to be permanently conserved for present and future generations.

The AHMCC Directors initially set out to purchase 151 acres. However the land owner has offered to donate an additional 56 acres to the project, bringing the total acreage up to 207. Catharine Hamilton, AHMCC President, and I have been working diligently to raise the \$170,000 needed to complete this project. This amount includes both the price of the land as well as the cost of the conservation easement. Once purchased, we will conserve this land with the Vermont Land Trust, as we have our current land holdings. This land is the final piece in our conservation puzzle.

The land lies to the north of South Pond and includes much of South Pond's watershed. It's woodlands and wetlands support wildlife and bio-diversity. Conserving it will ensure that ALL of the land within sight of the water around South Pond will be protected from future development and scenic views to the north permanently preserved. It will allow for an expansion of trail systems

for hiking, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. Anyone can launch a boat at the public boat access and use the forest land for the recreational purposes. Kayaking, sailing, fishing, hiking, skiing are accessible at South Pond.

### **Please join us and be part of preserving and protecting South Pond and its surrounding area.**

We are hoping for your help. We have currently raised \$100,000. All donations are sent to the Vermont Land Trust and are tax deductible. We can easily provide anyone interested with a contribution form.

I am available to discuss this project and answer any questions you may have. I can email additional information, the project budget, and contribution forms.

For more information, contact:

- **Leland Smith**, AHMCC, (802) 380-6384 or [halifax.leland@gmail.com](mailto:halifax.leland@gmail.com)
- **Joan Weir**, Vermont Land Trust, (802) 246-1501 or [jweir@vlt.org](mailto:jweir@vlt.org)

Together we can conserve South Pond for generations to come. Please join me.

Thank you,  
Leland Smith, AHMCC Director and Land Acquisition Team Chair

### Marlboro Play Group

Fridays 9am-11am

at the Marlboro Meetinghouse

(534 South Road, in the center of Marlboro, next to the post office)

This is a wonderful chance for parents and caregivers to connect while our children play in a fun, safe, child-centered environment.

There is no fee.  
Drop-ins are always welcome.

For more information, contact Jesse Einermann at [jesse.einermann@gmail.com](mailto:jesse.einermann@gmail.com)

### **The Marlboro Alliance announces the availability of small grants**

that support, nurture and enrich the Marlboro community. If you are interested in getting an application, please contact: [pjmoryl2@gmail.com](mailto:pjmoryl2@gmail.com) or [marlboroalliance@gmail.com](mailto:marlboroalliance@gmail.com).

**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@whetstoneboats.com, 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

### **Food and Beverages**

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

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

**The Colonel Williams Inn** 254-1093  
www.thecolonelwilliamsinn.com on Facebook at ...https://www.facebook.com/colonelwilliams/

**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

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

**Jerry Lundsted**, 802-464-3982.Earthwork, excavating

**Professional Property Maintenance: Jon May** 802-380-2023.Excavation, Drainage, Driveways, Tree Removal/ Pruning, Landscaping, Stonewalls, Field & Lawn Maintenance

**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

**Susan Kunhardt, Birth Doula** supporting your birth with respect and joy susank.doula@gmail.com vermontdoula.wordpress.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, mrmbrira@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

**Maple Hill Horseshoeing** Blacksmithing + farrier service for equines including horses, donkeys, mules, drafts. 802-579-8212 or 802-254-6512.

**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, Att at Law

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

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Next Deadline  
Feb 15 for  
the March / April Mixer

## January / February Calendar

*Saturday, December 31, 3:30 to 5pm*

**New Year's Even Sunset Snowshoe Hike** Meet at the parking lot

*Sunday, January 1, 10am to noon*

**First Day Hike at Hogback** Meet at the 100-mile view overlook

*Thursday, January 12, 6:30 to 8pm*

**WCSU Act 46 Informational Meeting** at Marlboro Elementary School

*Saturday, January 21, 10 till noon*

**16th Annual January Book Swap** at the Marlboro Town House.

*Friday, February 3, 11:30am*

**Senior Lunch** at the Coffee Shop, Marlboro College

*Thursday, February 13, 6:30 to 8pm*

**WCSU Act 46 Informational Meeting** at Marlboro Elementary School

