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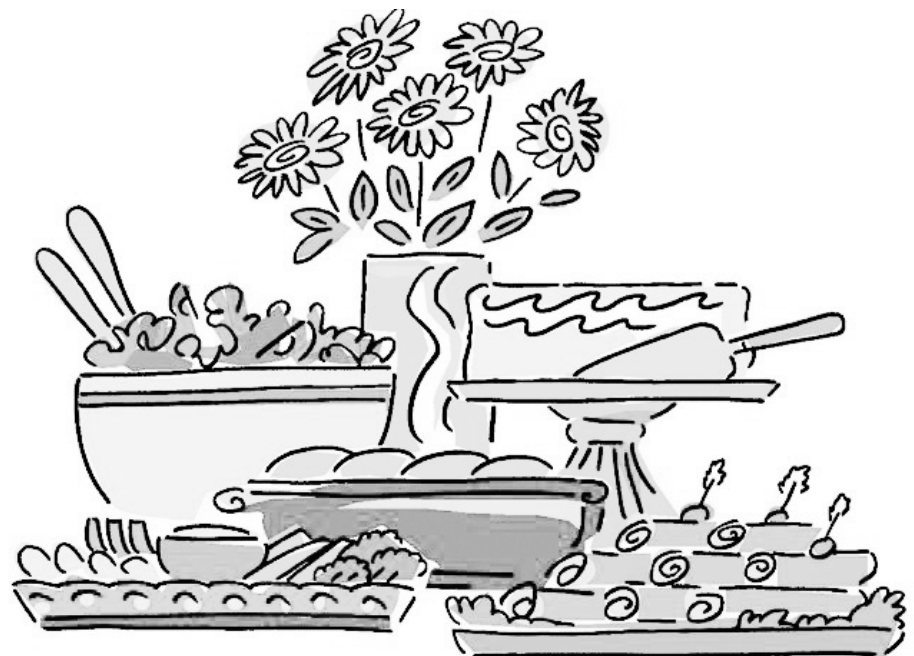
See us at:
marlborovt.us

The annual Community Potluck Supper and Raffle

Tuesday, June 27, 6:00 PM
at Marlboro Meeting House

All dishes, breads, cheeses and sweets will be gratefully accepted as we share in the fun of the evening. 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 for adults and \$1 for ages 5-10. One free raffle ticket is included for each donation.

All proceeds benefit building maintenance expenses



South Pond 2017 Information

Clean-up day is Saturday, May 20th, 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 parking lot
- Splitting and stacking wood from felled trees
- Putting out the docks
- Mowing grass
- Weeding tennis court
- 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 and trash.

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 of Marlboro.

Guest policy

- Members must accompany their guest while at the pond.
- Guest passes will be available to members for their guests.
- All guest vehicles must display a pass

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 June 24, 2017.

Fees are the same as they have been for the past 6 years (they are likely to increase in 2018):

- \$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

Marlboro Park Association
PO Box 470, Marlboro, VT 05344
mpa.southpond@gmail.com



from Marlboro Cares

Senior Lunches

Please join us for the final Senior Lunch of this school year, which will be held on Friday, May 5, 2017. The always popular Singcrony will be entertaining us with song. Please call 258-3030 to reserve your spot by Monday, May 1st.

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, wonderful singing, and a fun time with your neighbors.

Reminder: There are no senior lunches over the summer, as Marlboro College is not in session. Please join us again in September, when the lunches will resume again.

The Dentist and the Fall Guy

Please join us for our Spring lecture, The Dentist and the Fall Guy. Dr. Joe Prignano will talk about Dental Care for Seniors and Bobby Maynard of Deerfield Valley Rescue will teach us how to prevent falling. The lecture is on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at 7 pm in the Jr. High room of the Marlboro Elementary School. It is free and open to the Public. No reservations are necessary, but call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030 for a ride, if needed.

Tick Bite Prevention

It's springtime and a wonderful time to be outdoors. Once again, also time to protect yourself and loved ones from tick bites. Here again is the recipe for a home-made tick spray that really works. A similar product, Green Mountain Tick Repellent, also has most of the same ingredients.

Tick Spray Recipe

Into 8 oz (1 cup) of water, put 10 drops of each of the essential oils:

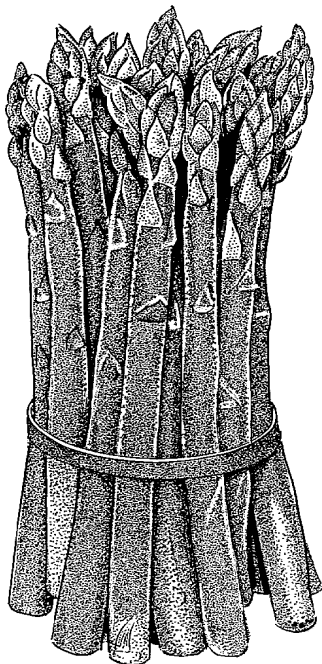
- Cedarwood
- Cirtonella
- Eucalyptus
- Lemongrass
- Sweet Orange
- Rosemary

To Use: Pour into a spray bottle and shake vigorously before each use.

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



Not to be missed!

Celebrating Jennifer Mazur

May 31

The Second Annual Brattleboro Area Unsung Heroes Awards have been announced, and the awardees are our own Jennifer Mazur and the Root Institute's Shela Linton.

The award ceremony will be held at the River Garden on Main Street in Brattleboro on Wednesday, May 31 from noon to 1:30 (brown bag). All of Marlboro should be present to honor our unsung hero, Jennifer, president of Marlboro Cares, a woman who never stops giving.

Please bring along your favorite Jennifer story. This will be a blast!

News from Marlboro School

The 2016-2017 school year continues to be one of transition. As we work our way through Act 46, the vote on Town Meeting day not to approve a merger with Dover and Wardsboro allows us to look ahead knowing that we will continue to have the Junior High at Marlboro School. The school board still has lots to do. Now starts the hard work of developing an Alternative Structure Proposal that demonstrates our ability to provide a strong education for all of our students and our efforts to continually improve that education.

Of course the other big transition is the hiring of new principal, Wayne Kermenski. We are lucky to have such a strong and compatible leader. Wayne will be spending a few days here this spring and will work with teachers over the summer. This should make for a smooth transition.

Meanwhile the school year finishes up with demonstrations of learning and lots of fun. The Junior High had a great trip to Costa Rica learning about the country and its culture and unique ecosystems, about each other, and about themselves. They are now jumping into drama, final portfolio presentations, and preparations for graduation. Other classes will be on the road with South EL taking a trip up the Connecticut River, North EL visiting farms in the area, and Primary and Kindergarten visiting the Montshire Museum.

We are all looking forward to the Learning Fair on May 4 where each classroom will display student work and engage visitors in learning about this work. This is a great opportunity for parents to visit all the classrooms and for interested townspeople to see what we're up to. Please join us! The Spring Concert and Art Show, on June 6, is the arts version of the Learning Fair and you are welcome to attend. All students will have artwork on display. The concert will include strings players, band, and guitar.

Hogback Day is Marlboro's version of Field Day. The whole school will go to Hogback Mountain on May 31 for a day of outdoor activities led by community volunteers and teachers.

As you can see we will be busy for the next 8 weeks!

12th Annual Marlboro Alliance Scholarship News

The Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Fund supports Marlboro students with financial aid to meet the costs of summer programs and expenses for higher education. In 2016, we awarded a total of \$6350 in response to requests from 16 families/27 individual students. We gave \$100 grants for summer programs to thirteen K-8 students, \$200 grants to five High School students, and \$450 scholarships to nine college students.

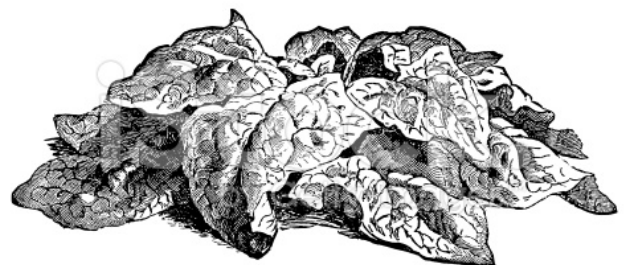
The 2016-17 appeal letter brought in \$4099 from 55 households. We are pleased to announce that this year our community's generous donations will be supplemented by funds from the 21st Century Grants, which also support the L'After Program at MES. Awards to this year's recipients will be given in late May, or early June.

The Marlboro Alliance, is an all-volunteer 501(c)3 charitable corporation. Our non-profit umbrella shelters Marlboro Cares, the Marlboro Fair and the Marlboro Mixer. Our Community Events committee, Family Crisis Fund and Scholarship Fund continue the legacy of our predecessor, the Community Club. The 2016-17 Scholarship Committee: Sylvia Johnson, Gussie Bartlett, Francie Marbury and Michelle Holzapfel.

Full guidelines are also posted on:

- Marlboro Alliance website: www.marlboroalliance.com
- the Marlboro School Website: <http://marlboroschool.net/>
- by email: marlboroalliance@gmail.com

Paper copies are available at Marlboro School and the Town Clerk's office.



2017 Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Guidelines

- All applications must be postmarked or received by Friday, May 26, 2017.
- Please send or deliver paper copies of your information: do not send emails.
- Late, emailed or Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Mail to: Sylvia Johnson, PO Box 2 Marlboro, VT 05344, 254-2885.
- Or hand-deliver by Friday, May 26 to Michelle Holzapfel at 2802 Route 9, Applewoods Studio, Marlboro, VT, telephone 254-2908.

Award decisions will be announced at the end of May 2017.

For Marlboro's K-8 students attending 2017 Summer Programs:

- Awards will be paid directly to the provider.
- Eligibility: Student (K-8) must have been a Marlboro, VT resident during the 2016-17 school year.
- Please furnish: A brief letter describing the program, its dates and cost. Include the program's name, contact person, address, phone and a copy of the program's registration or application form.
- Parent/guardian: include your phone or email so we can inform you of your child's award.

For Marlboro's High School students attending 2017 Summer Programs:

- Awards will be paid directly to the provider.
- Eligibility: Student must have been a Marlboro, VT resident during the 2016-17 school year.
- Please furnish: A brief letter, written by the student, describing the program, its dates and cost and a brief description of your summer employment and/or volunteer activities. Include the program's name, contact person, address, phone number and a copy of registration or application form.
- Please include your phone number or email, so we can inform you of your award.
- Graduating Seniors: You may apply for either this Scholarship or the College Scholarship, but not both.

For Marlboro's Students attending accredited Colleges or Vocational Schools:

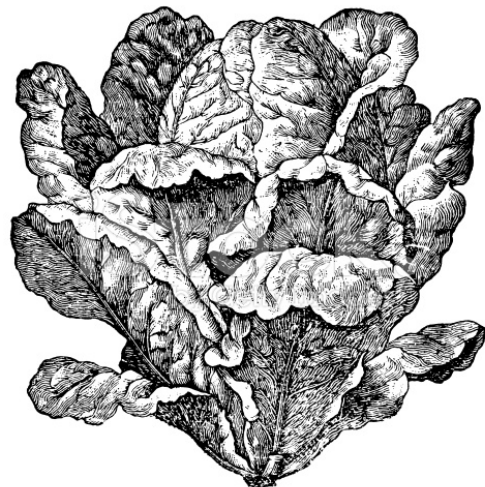
- Awards will be paid directly to the student enrolled as an undergraduate for 2017-18 academic year.
- Eligibility: Graduating senior must have been a Marlboro, VT resident during the 2016-17 school year.
- Student must be eligible for and seeking other financial assistance.

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

1. A letter of recommendation from teacher, counselor, community member or clergy (not relatives).
2. Evidence that you have been accepted to an accredit2-4 year public or private college or vocational school; and that you will be enrolled for the 2017-18 academic year,
3. A brief description of proposed area of study, community service, employment or volunteer work.

Our decisions will be based primarily on community service, secondarily on academic achievement.

Repeat applicants take note: If you have previously received an Alliance Scholarship, you may re-apply by sending (PAPER) documents which indicate you are enrolled for the 2017-18 academic year and are in good academic standing. Must be received by the deadline above. Please include your full address/phone!



Ageing in Place

There are a number of us in Marlboro considering how to manage our daily lives as we get older. Many of us, whether by desire or necessity, hope to “age in place”, in other words, remain in our own homes for as long as possible.

An increasing number of services are available to make staying in our homes longer a real possibility. Over the next few issues of the Mixer I would like to describe some of these services and invite you to think about what others could be most helpful to you now or in the future.

A good place to start is the **211 phone system**. 211 is a local call offering a free, confidential service 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The phones are staffed by specialists who are experienced in responding to a wide range of questions and situations including health insurance; wellness programs; senior, transportation, military, family and community networks; housing and heating problems; alcohol, drug abuse issues and much, much more. Through their extensive database, they can connect you with a wide range of services and programs available in our area. If they don't know the answer to your question, they know who will be able to help you. Give them a call!

For additional information about the 211 service you can also check out their website at vermont211.org.

Next time we'll look some of the services offered by Senior Solutions, formerly known as the Council on Ageing. In the meantime if you have questions or ideas concerning ageing in place, please feel free to call or email me.

Lucy Gratwick
Marlboro Representative to Senior Solutions
Telephone: 257-0181
email: Gratwick@gmail.com

Contribute to Marlboro Children's Community

L'After, the after school program at Marlboro Elementary, is an eclectic offering of enrichment classes that aim to provide kids with fun, well-being, and personal development opportunities. Currently, there are Forest Guardians, Girls on the Run, a mechanical tinkering group, an international film festival, a documentary film production crew, and chefs warming up for Iron Chef ambitions. Past offerings have included slack-line, Jedi training, yearbook design, Dungeons and Dragons, upcycled sewing, ultimate frisbee, gardening, puppetry, kids on bikes, tracking, strategic board games, coding, and a variety of movement and arts classes. If you have a passion and would enjoy sharing it with kids, consider contributing to the L'After program at Marlboro Elementary (grades K-8). There's a modest stipend as thanks, as well as priceless contributions in mentorship, expanded horizons, and the creation of childhood memories. It's a once a week, 2 hour time commitment, for a series of 6 - 7 weeks.

Contact Deborah Ayer, L'After Coordinator at Marlboro Elementary School, at (802) 254-2668, or l'after@marlboroschool.net.

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

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 802-451-6898, 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

Roselily Farm Shop: USDA certified Grass Fed beef, pork, chicken, honey, maple syrup, craft pottery, compost makers, more, locally produced. 257-9442 RoseLilyFarm.com

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

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

Whetstone Ledges Farm, 257-7328 Maple 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

Laughing Dogs Dog Hiking Service. Pick up + deliver. Home visits, feeding, walking. 464-5979. debbydorsett@gmail.com

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

Professional Property Maintenance:

Jon May 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. gregsb Blues18@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

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

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Next Deadline
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the July / August Mixer

May / June Calendar

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