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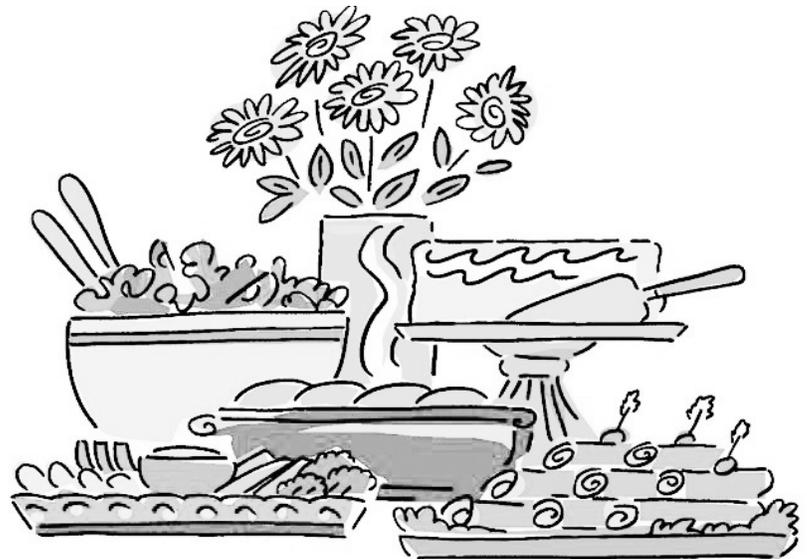
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## The annual Community Potluck Supper and Raffle



**Tuesday, June 28, 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.

## from the Select Board

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

The Select Board welcomes **Julia von Ranson**, newly-elected Select Board Member!

The board reorganized at the March 14 meeting, electing **Tyler Gibbons** as Chair and **Jesse Kreitzer** as Vice Chair.

In response to a non-binding vote at Town Meeting, the select board has sent a letter to Senator Balint, Representative Long and Governor Scott, asking them to support any legislative initiatives to make Town Meeting Day a paid holiday for Vermonters.

In the fall, the select board plans to invite town residents to come together to discuss Town Meeting and its time, place, and date in order to increase accessibility. Possible avenues for this discussion are a forum, survey, or devoting an hour of a specific select board meeting to the topic. Other issues to discuss are accessibility of the Town House, possible live streaming of Town Meeting, and making time earlier in Town Meeting to speak about available positions in town and ways to get involved.

The select board received the final draft of the Hogback Biodiversity Index, completed by Charley Eiseman. This wonderfully informative document will be displayed at the Town Office.

The magnetic signs for the town recycling bins arrived and have been installed on the bins. The select board hopes this improves clarity at the town recycling center!

The select board received information about The Franklin Land Trust bike tour that will come through Marlboro on August 17, 2019. The event is offering \$250-\$500 grants to towns for environmental projects, with a deadline of May 15, 2019. Let the Select Board or the Conservation Commission know if you have project ideas!

The Planning Commission has received a Back Roads grant for \$8500 to explore interest, capability and options for future septic needs in the village district. The Planning Commission has started contacting property owners

in the village district with a survey inquiring about residents' needs. The Planning Commission is engaged with an engineer via the grant to assess options for septic in the village district. The overall goal of this work is to encourage condensed development in the village. A district wastewater committee will be convened.

On March 28, 2019, a joint meeting with the Select Board, Planning Commission, and AT&T took place to discuss the installation of new telecommunications tower and associated facility on Snow Mountain. In 2014, AT&T sought to build a 140' cell tower at this location, but the Marlboro Planning Commission recommended the tower be built at 120' for aesthetic reasons. AT&T agreed, but no tower was built. In March 2019, AT&T requested again to build a 140' foot tower. The Planning Commission reminded AT&T of the recommendation for the tower to be built at 120' and AT&T amended their request, agreeing to a 120' tower. Balloon tests took place on Sunday, April 7 and Thursday, April 11 to give town residents a sense of where the tower will be visible from (flying balloons at both 120' and 140'). The select board approved the Planning Commission's recommendation to build the tower at 120' at their April 11th meeting. Erecting the tower will provide better coverage for first responders on and around Route 9. First Net, a federal program, is a first responders network which would have cell tower signal priority in the event of an emergency in the vicinity of Route 9 with the new tower.

The Select Board appointed the following officials:

- Staley McDermet, 4 years to 2023, to the Planning Commission
- Donald Sherefkin, 4 years to 2023, to the Planning Commission
- Bennett Grout, 1 year to 2020 as Development Review Board Alternate
- Matthew Tell, 1 year to 2020 as Development Review Board Alternate
- Mike Purcell, 3 years to 2022 to the Hogback Preservation Commission
- Sarah Grant, 3 years to 2022 to the Hogback Preservation Commission
- Ed Metcalfe, 3 years to 2022 to the Hogback Preservation Commission

- John Nevins, 2 years to 2021 to the Hogback Preservation Commission \* (to complete Malcolm Moore's term)
- Edie Mas, 1 year to 2020 as Windham Regional Commissioner
- Allan McLane, 1 year to 2020, E911 Coordinator
- Allan McLane, 1 year to 2020, Town Communication Coordinator
- Lucy Gratwick, 1 year to 2020, Senior Solutions Representative
- Robert Anderson, 1 year to 2020, Inspector of Lumber, Shingles and Wood
- Steven John, 3 years to 2022, Development Review Board
- Pieter van Loon, 1 year to 2020, Tree Warden
- Hugh Whitney, 1 year to 2019, Weigher of Coal
- Mary Sargent, Zoning Administrator, 3 years to 2022
- Stillman Vonderhorst, 1 year to 2020, WSWMD Representative.
- David Eichelberger, Energy Coordinator
- Brent Seabrook, 3 years to 2022, Development Review Board

Are you looking for ways to get involved and serve the town? There are current vacancies on the Hogback Preservation Commission and Conservation Commission. The Select Board also continues to seek representatives to the Windham Solid Waste Management District, Senior Solutions, and the Windham Regional Commission. DRB Alternates are also needed. Please contact the Select Board or a member of the other boards if you are interested in any of these openings.

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 Lauren MacArthur ([laurenbmac@gmail.com](mailto:laurenbmac@gmail.com)) or 802-264-5306) or a select board member at least 48 hours prior to a select board meeting to be added to the agenda. Visit the Town website: [marlborovt.us](http://marlborovt.us).

## From the Town Clerk

### Unclaimed Funds Held by State of Vermont

Annually at this time of year the State Treasurer sends me a list of people who have unclaimed funds that the State is holding, but your action is needed to receive the funds back.

Navigate here [www.missingmoney.vermont.gov](http://www.missingmoney.vermont.gov) to find your name (or spouse/children) and click "Search for Unclaimed Property" and you can enter your name or just Marlboro, and proceed from there. A form needs to be filled out, which is on the site, to make your claim.

Let me know if I can help you.

Forrest Holzapfel, Marlboro Town Clerk  
802- 254-2181  
[marlborotownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:marlborotownclerk@gmail.com)

### Marlboro Dog Owners

Thank you to all the dog owners who have gotten your licenses so far ! By Vermont law, dogs must be licensed annually between January 1st and April 1st. A current rabies certificate signed by your dog's veterinarian is required in order to be issued a license.

If you have NOT yet licensed your dog for 2019, a small late fee will be now be applied.

Let us help you get it done!

(802) 254-2181 or  
[marlborotownclerk@gmail.com](mailto:marlborotownclerk@gmail.com)



## NEW Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Application and Guidelines.

Please read this form carefully, because it contains several changes from past years: new address, new deadline, and specific information that the committee needs to make its decision. Paper copies are available at Marlboro School, Town Clerk's Office and the Community Center. It's also available for printout online at the Alliance website: <https://sites.google.com/view/marlboroalliance/>. If you have questions, please email me: [mholzapfel1979@gmail.com](mailto:mholzapfel1979@gmail.com). Thank you for your careful attention.

### NEW! 2019 Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Application

All applications must be postmarked or received by 9 pm, Friday, May 24, 2019.

Please mail or deliver PAPER copies of your information: DO NOT SEND EMAILS.

Late, emailed, digital or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Mail to: Marlboro Alliance Scholarships P.O. Box 165 Marlboro, VT 05344.

Or deliver to Michelle Holzapfel at 2802 Route 9, Marlboro, VT, ph. 254-2908.

Eligibility: Students (K-12) must have been Marlboro, VT residents during the 2018/2019 school year.

Award messages and/or checks will be sent by June 1.

Past Award Amounts Range from: K-8 @ \$75-100, High School \$200-250, College \$400-500.

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#### SCHOLARSHIPS for KINDERGARTEN, ELEMENTARY, JR. HIGH, & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

who are attending Summer Camps and other Summer Educational Programs

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/guardian email/phone (for notification): \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a copy of application or document from the program provider including:

Name, Mailing address, Email or phone, and Dates and Cost of program.

Award will be paid directly to the program provider. BUT, IF YOU INCLUDE a receipt or proof of payment to the program, the award check can be written/sent directly to parent/guardian.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS: Please also furnish a letter--written by you--which briefly describes your summer program, summer employment and/or volunteer activities.

Graduating Seniors: You may apply for either this Scholarship or the College Scholarship, but not both.

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#### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLLEGE OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL STUDENTS

Please include your name, address, phone and/or email.

FIRST-TIME APPLICANTS: Please also send the following PAPER documents:

1. A letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, community member or clergy (not relatives).
2. Evidence that you have been accepted to an accredited 2-4 year public, private college/vocational school; and that you will be enrolled for the 2019-20 academic year.
3. A brief description of your proposed area of study, community service, employment or volunteer work.

Our decisions will be based primarily on community service.

Awards will be paid directly to you. You must be eligible for and seeking other financial assistance.

REPEAT COLLEGE APPLICANTS: If you have previously received a Marlboro Alliance Scholarship, you may re-apply each year. Send or deliver to the above address PAPER (NOT digital) DOCUMENTS to indicate:

1. You are enrolled for the 2019-20 academic year, and 2. You are in good academic standing.

## from the Marlboro Town Library

The Marlboro Town Library is now in its fifth month! We have 115 people signed up for library cards, and that is not including MES students who have their own cards that are also valid at the Town Library. Thanks to our grants and donations, we have a comfy and light filled place where people can sit and read or browse our 2000+ volumes. We also have subscriptions to The Sunday New York Times, The Smithsonian, and the New Yorker. People have been coming in to use the high speed internet and enjoy coffee and treats in the café. We still have some money left to buy books and are interested in knowing what you want to read. Please write down your recommendations on the suggestion sheet posted just outside the library door. We are always checking.

One of the book grants we received from the Paul Post Fund was for \$1000 to buy young adult literature. We have been adding to this section at a steady rate and always welcome new ideas. Meanwhile, we have some pretty good reads on these shelves. We also have been building a graphic novel section. Some of these titles are interfiled in the YA section, or in the Youth section under the author's last name. Otherwise go to the Graphic section, which is straight ahead as you walk in, under the Biographies.

## from the Community Center

The Community Center has had a good winter! More and more of you are using the space, and our calendar of regular events is filling up. During the week, we have yoga and tai ji classes, our Tuesday night movie, knitting and craft socials, and a playgroup. We have Strong Living twice a week and an early morning mediation group. We host the monthly Senior Lunch. We provide space for groups such as the Marlboro Fair Committee, Marlboro Cares, the Village Wastewater Committee and so many others! We showcase the work of local artists! We've had a Saturday morning storytime and an art workshop to celebrate the Month of the Young Child. We've been used for events like birthday parties and the world-famous Marlboro Mudfling! And as well as all of this, the space is open to you five days a week to come and hang out, read the

This summer watch for a variety of activities to take place at the library. We are hoping to have a book-making workshop, a community discussion around the book *Educated* (which we own, and we hope to get a few more copies in for circulation), and perhaps a community potluck dinner where everyone will bring a dish prepared from one cookbook. We will also be changing our summer hours to be open in the mornings and are applying for a summer reading program for kids and teens. Stay tuned. Check in on our progress and happenings through the Marlboro Town Library Facebook page. If you "like" the page, then you will get notifications when something new is added. We also post new events, arrivals, and book reviews on the Marlboro News Weather and Hearsay page, the Front Porch, the Mixer, and on the Community Center page and website ([marlborocommunity.center](http://marlborocommunity.center)).

Thanks for using the Town Library. It is our goal to have something there for everyone. Let us know what we need.

*Andy Horton – Library Board chair*

newspaper, use our internet and eat homemade sweets, soup and bread. We even have a small (but perfectly formed!) library that you can borrow books from!

And now we need you! We want ideas for the sorts of programming that you want to be part of in our town. You could run a bookclub, or a family movie night, or an LGBT group, or whatever you feel that we need. Just get in touch with me at [marlborocommunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:marlborocommunitycenter@gmail.com) with your ideas! You want to rent the space for a private event? Email me! [marlborocommunitycenter@gmail.com](mailto:marlborocommunitycenter@gmail.com)

For more information, visit our website at [marlborocommunity.center](http://marlborocommunity.center)

## from Marlboro Cares

**Senior Lunches** are held the first Friday of each month at noon, open to any resident of Marlboro over the age of 60 still at a cost of only \$3.00. The lunches continue to be a huge success at the new Marlboro Community Center, largely due to Lauren MacArthur's exquisite cooking and the warm and inviting space. As a reminder, some new protocols have been put in place. Reservations are a **MUST** and **MUST** be called in by 9:00am on the Tuesday prior to the lunch. **NO** exceptions will be allowed.

Please call 258-3030 to reserve your seat. When you call, please indicated whether you would like a vegetarian meal, as these will be available only for those who ask. For the next two months, call by 9:00 am Tuesday, April 30th for the May 3rd Lunch and by 9:00 am Tuesday, June 4th for the June 7th Lunch. If you sign up to attend a meal and find you cannot make it, **PLEASE** call to cancel, as soon as possible to let Lauren know how much food to prepare.

Parking continues to be an issue. If possible, please carpool or call Marlboro Cares for a ride. The circle in front of the Church must be kept open to allow for dropoff in front of the door. Parking is available along side of the Church (keeping the side door to the Post Office clear) and across the road. Rides are available by calling 258-3030.

## 2019 Marlboro School Spring Highlights

The School Board has hired building consultant Gordon Bristol. He is local, with years of experience working with school buildings. The board has interviewed two architects, Black River Design and Banwell Architects. Stay tuned for Community Meetings to discuss building proposals.

The end of this year brings two retirement. Tim Hayes has been our Junior High math and science teacher for over 20 years. He brought drama and design tech, where students built rustic furniture, a chicken coop and the pencil hanging on the outside of our school. He was instrumental in creating our Realms of Learning and the 8th grade portfolio graduation requirement. We'll miss his kind, thoughtful approach to working with our students.

Charlene Morse has also made the decision to retire. Her commitment to teaching music has expanded nearly 50 years with most of these years at Marlboro School.

We appreciate a 48 hours notice to find a volunteer driver.

**Springtime and Ticks!** How gorious to finally welcome spring, sunshine, and gardening. Remember, the ticks are also ready to welcome you. It's important to protect ourselves. Here is an easy repellent to make for yourself and loved ones:

### 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 information, rides, errands, or other non-emergency assistance and/or for referrals for assistance and services, please call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030. Someone will return your call within 48 hours.

*Submitted by Jennifer Mazur*

She brought morris dancing, drama, guitar, and bells (to highlight a few) to our community. Her creative and diverse approach to music allowed all students the opportunity to find their inner musician. We wish Charlene the very best.

Junior High students will be in Costa Rica May 2-9. This trip will immerse our students in host family visits, environmental restoration projects and local history.

### Coming Events:

**Spring Music Concert** - Tentatively planned for 5/22 at 6:30, Marlboro School's Outback.

**Spring Art Show** - Marlboro Community Center will be hosting our students art work this spring. Please stop in and enjoy our student's creative work.

Enrollment as of April 1st - 99

## from the Marlboro Park Association

### South Pond Clean Up

**Saturday, May 18th. 10am-noon**

**Rain date May 19th, 10am-noon**

Bring your rakes and tools and your able bodies and let's get this space ready for another wonderful season at the pond!

Please email the Marlboro Parks Association with any questions; [mpa.southpond@gmail.com](mailto:mpa.southpond@gmail.com)

#### Rates for the 2019 season are:

\$120.00 for families

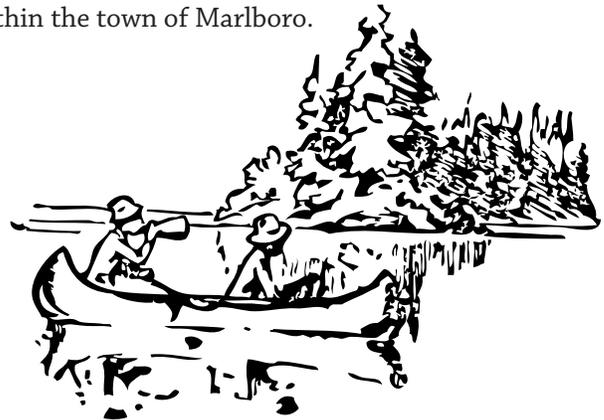
\$60.00 for working families (adult children must live with you)

\$60.00 for individual

\$30.00 for working individual

**Important note:** Working members must attend both May and September clean-up.

Stickers can be purchased at clean-up day (Saturday, May 18th/19th), 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 15th, 2019. If you send a late payment, do not expect to immediately receive a sticker or a guest pass, as processing time is anywhere from 7-15 business days and based upon proper voting registration within the town of Marlboro.



## May 4th is Green Up Day

**Green Up Day**, the first Saturday in May, is a special day in Vermont when thousands of volunteers come out in their communities for a massive spring clean up of litter. It is the largest statewide volunteer event in Vermont with over 22,500 taking part, and the only statewide Green Up Day in the United States.



If you would like to be part of Marlboro's Green-Up event, just sign-up on the bulletin board outside the Marlboro Town Office and specify the location you will be greening up. Trash bags will be available at the Town Office and at Marlboro School.

Then, on May 4th, head to your chosen location and fill those bags with trash. Remember to bring work gloves, sunscreen, bug spray, water, snacks and anything else you might want. Also, long pants and long-sleeved shirts can be helpful in wooded areas.

Full bags of trash can be left at the head of the road at your location and will be picked up by the town road crew at the end of the day.

If you need my signature for Mt. Snow's "Choose sNOw" program, please email me and I will contact you with a meeting date/time in the weeks following the event.

If you have questions or would like more information, feel free to contact me.

Happy Spring!

Sarah Robb Grieco  
[scgrieco@hotmail.com](mailto:scgrieco@hotmail.com)  
802.257.1229

## from the Marlboro Conservation Committee

The Marlboro Conservation Commission (MCC) would like to provide an update of our activities over this past year. We have continued our efforts to record road crossings of wildlife species of concern in our town and will soon create new maps with updated data on crossing locations. In addition, we are thrilled to be part of the newly formed Windham South Eastern Connectivity Collaborative.

Over the past six months the MCC, led by Chair, Ashley Bies, initiated a number of meetings with the conservation commissions of neighboring towns, VT State Biologists and the Windham Regional Commission to discuss ways of combining efforts to conserve habitat connectivity and wildlife movement in our region. These discussions culminated in a grant proposal to the High Meadows Fund's Forest Health & Integrity program.

As a result the Windham Regional Commission (WRC) was just awarded \$35,000 to coordinate the activities of this collaborative between the WRC, MCC, and the conservation commissions of Newfane, Dover, Guilford, Halifax and Wardsboro. Additional support for this collaboration includes the Vermont Land Trust, Windham County Forester, Vermont Fish and Wildlife, VT Coverts, Windham County Natural Resources Conservation District, and the Bonnyvale Environmental Education Center. With these combined efforts we aim to promote habitat linkages, reduce forest fragmentation and support conservation planning in southeastern Vermont. There are still two vacancies on the commission, if you are interested in joining us for this exciting work send an email to [marlborovtcc@gmail.com](mailto:marlborovtcc@gmail.com).

**Another World:  
Poetry and Art by Young People  
By Ann and Tony Gengareilly  
(Forthcoming from Green Writers Press)**

In Another World young people, ages 7-16, in original and extraordinary ways, show us, through poetry and the art that accompanies it, a range of insight, wisdom and unfettered emotional expression that is truly amazing

According to prizewinning poet/professor, Bruce Smith: These poems. . . are cracks in the construction, cures for the hurt, color for the bleakness, and challenges to the system. These poems of love and rage are counterforces to unfeeling and silence. They are maps to be consulted when navigating the world.

Chard DeNiord, Vermont Poet Laureate, writes the introduction to this very special edition of an aesthetically crafted and compelling anthology of poetry.

## Talk About Our Democracy Community Meeting

**Mondays, May 27 & June 24, 6:30-8:30 pm  
Marlboro Community Center  
at the Marlboro Meeting House  
524 South Rd, Marlboro Vt**

Maybe it is time to talk about our democracy at a public meeting and get some practice for the days ahead. If you think so, please attend. Coffee, tea, juice, cookies and talk. To help out or for info: [woodybernhard48@gmail.com](mailto:woodybernhard48@gmail.com) 802 464 3154.

**We celebrate democracy / civil rights for all**  
positive nonviolent public action for democracy and equal civil rights for all people

# About Town: Community Profiles



The Marlboro Summer Sale is run by **Russell Horton** and **Joe Mazur**. They have minor, indirect backgrounds in dealing with resold treasures. Joe's mother was an antiques dealer who ran several antiques shops on the upper west side of Manhattan, and Russell, after years of working at the Brattleboro Swap Shop, is an expert on junk. Russell and Joe have lived in Marlboro for a combined total of 77 years.



Russ Horton (top)  
and Joe Mazur

Profits from The Summer Sale supports: The Marlboro Alliance, The Marlboro Fair, Marlboro Cares, The Mixer, The Fire Company, the Meetinghouse Church, and Deerfield Valley Food and Fuel Banks. It's a sale that takes place the last weekend of July. Last year we fell far short in the number of volunteers needed. This year we are hoping to encourage more people to sign up to help with shifts in Treasures, and Clothing.

Are there any high school students from Marlboro who would like to get community service hours for volunteering to help with the Summer Sale? Any suggestions are very welcome. Contact Russell at [mrmbira@gmail.com](mailto:mrmbira@gmail.com) or Joe at [joe5738@gmail.com](mailto:joe5738@gmail.com)



## Polli Jo Moryl

Lived in Marlboro since 2011

I've lived in Marlboro for 8 years now. We moved from Wellfleet, Mass. trading the ocean for the mountains.

Like many people who live here, I wear many hats to make a living. These include: working as an international event coordinator, renting our home through Air B and B and working at various odd jobs.

I happily serve on the Marlboro Alliance Board as the Treasurer. I help with the summer sale / bake sale, town lunch, January book swap and am working with the Higley Hill neighborhood group welcoming asylum seekers.

I have enjoyed being involved with the community. It is a value of mine and the way I was raised. It's been an exciting time to be on the Alliance Board — the community center, the library and various community grants we have sponsored.

I would like to invite others in town to consider joining in — serve on the Alliance, the library, the community center... help with the summer sale... write in for a small grant... we need people from all over town, all ages and from all backgrounds. Come join in the fun; we welcome you!



## Lucy Gratwick

Town Hill Road

Lived in Marlboro since 1972

I've been a full time Marlboro resident, living on Town Hill Rd. since

1972. My then husband John and I founded and ran the L.J. Serkin company (now Vermont Artisan Designs) and I also had a wholesale / retail handweaving business. After selling the store in the early 80's, I continued the weaving business at home.

Over the years I've been involved with various community activities and boards including the Planning Commission, Select Board, Board of Civil Authority, Marlboro Alliance, MES, the new Community Center and an ongoing involvement with the Marlboro Music School and Festival.

Community involvement in a small rural town is rewarding, satisfying and necessary. If we don't to step up who will? And if the various positions don't get filled, what happens to our town? The work and the commitment do take time, but are essential to maintaining the vitality of our community.

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## Hogback Happenings

### **Spring Trail Cleanup - South Side**

*Sunday, May 12, 9:00 - noonish*

Take a hike with a purpose. We'll walk the entire trail system on the south side of Route 9, cleaning up as we go. We'll have a chainsaw or two to deal with the big stuff, but mostly we'll just be tossing aside fallen branches, picking up any trash dropped over the winter, and dealing with minor drainage issues. If you have a favorite tool, bring it, or select one from our stash. We'll also have some work gloves in case you don't have your own. The entire trail system on the south side is about 2.5 miles, and we hope to cover it all, either all together or broken down into smaller groups. Expect some muddy spots. We'll try to tread lightly as we ready the trails for the summer season.

Meet in the field behind the white distillery building on the south side of Route 9, just west of the gift shop. Questions? Email us at [hmca@hogbackvt.org](mailto:hmca@hogbackvt.org).

### **Spring Migration Bird Walk at Hogback**

*Sunday, May 19, 7:30 am - midmorning*

Join naturalist Cherrie Corey for a morning walk to meet the arriving songbird wave and other harbingers of spring. Attune your ears and eyes to the plumage and song of each species and learn to notice where they prefer to perch and sing in the landscape. Woodland wildflowers will be in their glory and vernal pools will be teaming with life. Our route will take us through several distinct and varied habitats, each with its own signature community of songbirds and plant life: up the Tower Trail to Mt. Olga's summit, then down the Bishop Trail to Grant Rd., returning up along the VAST trail to the Route 9 parking area. This is about a two mile loop, with 500 feet of elevation change, but we'll be moving at a leisurely pace with plenty of stops, so it should take two or more hours. Meet in the field behind the white distillery building on the south side of Route 9, west of the gift shop.

**Cherrie Corey** recently returned to Marlboro from Concord, MA where she's been a naturalist, photographer, and conservation steward. She was director of the Harvard Museum of Cultural and Natural History, the New England Wild Flower Society's education director, and served as principal naturalist for Great Meadows NWR for years. She currently serves on the steering committee of the Green River Watershed Alliance and is an active member of the Southeast Vermont Audubon Society.

### **Spring Trail Cleanup - North Side**

*Saturday, May 25, 9:00 - noonish*

Spring trail cleanup continues, this time on the trails on the north side of Route 9. We've got about three miles of trails to cover. We'll be trimming back side branches that are growing into the trail as well as clearing out fallen limbs and blowdowns from winter storms. Bring your own favorite tool or borrow one of ours. Meet in the big parking lot on the north side of Route 9 just west of the gift shop. Questions? Email us at [hmca@hogbackvt.org](mailto:hmca@hogbackvt.org).

### **Bishop Farm Historical Site Improvement**

*Saturday, June 8, 9:00 - noonish*

Just off the Grant Road entrance to the Conservation Area is the magnificent cellar hole that marks the location of the former Bishop family farm. Nearby, hidden under over a century of fallen leaves and dropped branches are the remains of barns, sheds, paddocks, and other constructions that made up the rest of the homestead. We are gradually uncovering these stone works to make them more visible. We are NOT digging for artifacts! Join us for a morning's work on the site. Bring loppers or your other favorite tool for working in the woods. Note that if you want to use a chain saw at an HMCA workday, you must have a full set of safety equipment, including chaps, helmet, eye, face and hearing protection. If you don't have a set, we have some spares to loan out. Meet at the Grant Road entrance to the Conservation Area. Directions: From Route 9, take Butterfield Road south about a mile to the second right, onto Grant Road. Go about 8/10 of a mile to the Conservation Area trailhead. For a map, go to our web page, [hogbackvt.org](http://hogbackvt.org), click the button at the top of the page for Maps. Questions? Contact [hmca@hogbackvt.org](mailto:hmca@hogbackvt.org).

### **Ski Area Relic Exploration**

*Sat, June 22, 1:30-3:30*

The Hogback Ski Area closed in 1986, but there is still a lot of equipment on the mountain. We'll ramble around the former ski area, discovering some of these bits and pieces and figuring out what they were used for, getting a nice overview of the evolution of the ski industry and lift equipment as we go. Finding some items will require bushwhacking, but those who want a more mellow meander can stick to the trail and we'll reconnect. Expect a slow pace with some noticeable elevation gain. It was a ski area after all! Meet in the field behind the white distillery building.

**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

**Eric Dennis Traditional Blacksmithing and Ironwork** 802-579-7863  
edennis@marlboro.edu

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

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

**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

### Food and Beverages

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

**Pork, seasonal produce, firewood**, 258-0409,  
Rob@RamblingBrookFarmVermon.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

**Shakespeare's Folly Side Farm** 258-2517 free-range, pasture raised eggs sold every Saturday morning at the Marlboro Post Office at 10:00am

**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

**The Colonel Williams Inn: Events and Event Planning** 257-1093 www.thecolonelwilliamsinn.com on Facebook at www.facebook.com/colonelwilliams/

**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

**Racine House Cleaning & Caretaking**: Madonna & Jane Racine, 20+ years of experience. Call 802.257.4467.

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

**Ride to the Airport** Kyle Oliver, 802-380-8777, Bradley Airport \$120, Logan Airport \$220, NYC/NJ \$320 and Montreal \$400, other destinations possible.

**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 + 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

**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, mrmбира@gmail.com 802-254-2651

### Professional Services

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

**Mudpie Mountain Playschool/Erika Korb** Nature based registered home childcare. 251-0772 or erikakorb@gmail.com

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

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

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

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

**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 Svs, sherefkin@gmail.com

### Organizations

**We Celebrate Democracy/Civil Rights For All** 802 464 3154. Positive nonviolent public action for democracy and civil rights for all people

MARLBORO MIXER  
The Marlboro Alliance  
PO Box 165  
Marlboro, Vermont 05344

Next Deadline  
June 15 for  
the July / August Mixer

## May / June Events

*Friday, May 3, noon*

**Senior Lunch** at the Marlboro Community Center

*Sunday, May 5*

**Green Up Day**

*Sunday, May 12, 9am—noon*

**Spring Trail Cleanup: South Side** at Hogback

*Saturday, May 18, 10am—noon*

**South Pond Clean Up Day**

*Sunday, May 19, 7:30am – mid-morning*

**Spring Migration Bird Walk** at Hogback

*Sunday, May 25, 9am—noon*

**Spring Trail Cleanup:North Side** at Hogback

*Monday, May 26, 6:30-8:30pm*

**Community Meeting: Talk About Our Democracy**  
at the Marlboro Community Center

*Friday, June 7, noon*

**Senior Lunch** at the Marlboro Community Center

*Saturday, June 8, 9am—noon*

**Bishop Farm Historical Site Improvement**, Grant Road

*Saturday, June 22, 1:30–3:30pm*

**Ski Area Relic Exploration** at Hogback

*Monday, June 24,, 6:30-8:30pm*

**Community Meeting:  
Talk About Our Democracy**  
at the Marlboro  
Community Center

*Tuesday, June 28*

**Community Pot Luck**  
at the Meeting House

