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Stay Home, Stay Safe

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Town Clerk's Office is taking prompt action to mitigate the spread of the virus. As a precaution, the Marlboro Town Office is closed to the public effective immediately and until further notice.

The Town Office staff remain available to assist you as promptly as possible by phone (802) 254-2181 or mail (PO Box E 05344). But email is preferred: marlborotownclerk@gmail.com or marlborotreasurer@gmail.com.

The Marlboro Emergency Assistance Fund

In March, in response to the sudden challenges facing Marlboro residents from COVID-19, the Marlboro Alliance reactivated its Emergency Assistance Fund, making it possible for a household to request up to \$200 for immediate emergency relief. At the same time it posted this information on Front Porch Forum, FaceBook, and other websites, it solicited contributions to this fund. Postcards were mailed to everyone in town so that the information reached all.

The Coronavirus Pandemic is a devastating emergency that is affecting all of us. Townspeople are finding their work cut back or eliminated totally. Self-employed workers have no sick leave to fall back on if they become ill. The income that paid rent and mortgages and bought groceries has been slashed. Getting by week to week shifts suddenly from possible to impossible. We know this is temporary but we have no idea how long "temporary" will be.

Marlboro is always generous, and as of April 14th the fund has received donations of \$6,178. As of this date, it has received ten requests for help and mailed out checks totaling \$ 2,000. In addition, six cords of wood have been donated for those who need heating fuel. Marlboro Alliance will continue to accept donations and requests for emergency assistance as long as there is need. We want to continue to encourage people needing emergency relief during this time to contact the Alliance at marlboroalliance@gmail.com, or send mail to Marlboro Alliance, PO Box 165, Marlboro, VT 05344. And of course donations are always very gratefully accepted, sent to the same address.

If you need financial help caring for your pets, contact the Marlboro Animal Resource Fund (ARF) at acomarlboro@gmail.com.

The Emergency Assistance Fund Committee: Francie Marbury, Peggy Tiffany, Edie Mas, Nora Wilson, Gail MacArthur

from the Select Board

The Select Board meets at 5:00pm every second and fourth Thursday. While these meetings usually take place at the Town Office, Select Board meetings are currently being held online via Zoom during Vermont's declared state of emergency due to COVID-19. Please see posted agendas on the bulletin board outside the Town Office and on the town website for the link and password to these meetings.

Many thanks to those of you who participated in Town Meeting on March 3, 2020. Live-streaming was a success, allowing those at home and in the Community Center to view the meeting, thanks to the efforts of Andy Reichsman, Forrest Holzapfel, and Tyler Gibbons. Minutes from the meeting are posted on the town website, and the live-stream video can be viewed on the Town of Marlboro's Facebook page.

The Select Board welcomes **Aaron Betts**, newly-elected Select Board Member! Aaron and his wife Dawn moved to Marlboro 22 years ago, seeking more peace and solitude, which they have found here. He lives on North Pond Road and works as a carpenter. Aaron ran for a position on the Select Board as a way to give back and contribute to the community that he loves living in.

The board reorganized at the March 12 meeting, electing **Jesse Kreitzer** as Chair and **Julia von Ranson** 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 Senator White, asking them to support any legislative initiatives to make Town Meeting Day a paid holiday for Vermonters.

Life has changed dramatically since Town Meeting Day due to the COVID-19 global pandemic. The Select Board has been reviewing missives from Vermont Emergency Management daily, staying in contact with Emergency Management Director Jay Sparks, and encouraging town residents and workers to follow CDC guidelines. Residents over the age of sixty have received mailings from the Town and from Marlboro Cares outlining suggested precautions and available resources. Municipal committees and commissions are being asked to meet remotely or online. A recent bill in the legislature relaxes the Open Meeting Law

by waiving the physical presence requirements, allowing for remote meetings and requiring at least a telephone number to call in. The posting deadline for minutes has been expanded from five days to ten days. All of this holds true only during the declared state of emergency. Please check the town website for resources and updates regarding the COVID-19 situation.

The Select Board voted to waive dog license late fees for 2020, but encourages residents to obtain a license for their dogs via mail, marlborotownclerk@gmail.com.

Marlboro Committee for Universal Broadband (MCUB) sent out a Request for Proposals (RFP) to broadband providers and received three responses, although one was withdrawn. MCUB advised the Select Board to turn down the proposals from Matrix Design Group and Consolidated Communications and focus on efforts in conjunction with the Deerfield Valley Communications Union District (DVCUD). Marlboro joined the DVCUD after a vote of approval at Town Meeting.

The Select Board also appointed **Steven John** as the town's representative to the DVCUD. **Bill Esses** and **Robert Anderson** were appointed as alternates.

The Select Board is pleased to welcome **Leon Knapp** as the town's newest Road Crew member. Leon started work with the Road Crew at the end of March.

It has been a gentler mud season this year, but many roads are bumpy as they dry out. Roads will be graded in the coming months, but the Road Crew encourages you to call the town garage at 257-0252 if there are problem spots on your road, and they will do their best to attend to the issue as soon as possible.

If you are looking for ways to get involved and serve the town, there are a few positions that the Select Board encourages you to consider:

The **Energy Coordinator** position is a great opportunity to develop and implement meaningful energy-related policies and programs in town. If you're interested in pulling together an Energy Committee to tackle projects such as improving energy efficiency in town buildings,

solar energy expansion, more efficient waste management, public transportation improvements, car-charging stations, bike lanes, bike trails, education and outreach about weatherization, mini hydroelectric generation, or whatever visions you might bring, please contact the Select Board. The Select Board thanks former Energy Coordinator David Eichelberger for stepping up and brainstorming many exciting ideas during his year in the position.

There are current vacancies on the **Hogback Preservation Commission** and **Conservation Commission**, as well. The Select **Board also continues to seek representatives to the Windham Solid Waste Management District** and **Senior Solutions**. Development Review Board 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 or by post at Select Board, PO Box 518, Marlboro, VT 05344. Please contact Lauren MacArthur (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.

The Select Board appointed the following officials on March 12, 2020:

- Ashley Bies, 4 years to 2024, Conservation Commission
- Jamie Tanner, 4 years to 2024, Conservation Commission
- Mike Purcell, 4 years to 2024, Conservation Commission
- Eric Slayton, 3 years to 2023 (unexpired term), Conservation Commission
- Matthew Tell, 1 year to 2021, Development Review Board Alternate
- Bennett Grout, 1 year to 2021, Development Review Board Alternate
- Christine Collela, 3 years to 2023, Hogback Preservation Commission
- Tim Segar, 4 years to 2024, Planning Commission
- Patti Smith, 4 years to 2024, Planning Commission
- Eddie Mas, 4 years to 2024, Planning Commission
- Pieter van Loon, 1 year to 2021, Tree Warden
- Hugh Whitney, 1 year to 2021, Weigher of Coal
- Eddie Mas, 1 year to 2021, Windham Regional Commissioner
- William Shakespeare, 1 year to 2021, Windham Regional Commissioner
- Allan McLane, 1 year to 2021, E911 Coordinator
- Allan McLane, 1 year to 2021, Town Communication Coordinator
- Lucy Gratwick, 1 year to 2021, Senior Solutions Representative
- Robert Anderson, 1 year to 2021, Inspector of Lumber, Shingles and Wood
- Stillman Vonderhorst, 1 year to 2021, Representative to Windham Solid Waste Management District

from The Town Clerk

Census 2020 Needs Your Response

Please take 10 minutes to fill out your Census 2020 questionnaire! Our area Census representative stated the following:

“Marlboro is in an area where forms were to be physically dropped at the door, starting March 12. Due to the COVID-19 crisis, this has not happened, so residents should know they should not wait for a form. They can go online to 2020Census.gov, OR they can call in and get a live person toll-free at 844-330-2020. Everyone will have a “short form,” so it takes no more than 10 minutes.”

In my personal experience filling out the form on the website, I found that by putting in my street address WITHOUT the zip code allowed the property to be found by their system. There are so many zip codes within the town boundaries, that I recommend you do the same. Also leave the 12 digit code blank. If internet access is a problem at your location, please utilize the toll free phone number. Our participation in this is very important as accuracy enables us to receive the correct state and federal funds based on population. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have problems or questions.

Forrest Holzapfel: marlborotownclerk@gmail.com or (802) 254-2181

Homestead Declaration update for 2020

The Vermont Tax Department has extended the deadline for filing income tax and Homestead Declarations until July 15, 2020. The tax department has updated information here <https://tax.vermont.gov/coronavirus>

If you were a full-time resident of Marlboro for all of 2019, I would still encourage filing as soon as you are able. To file the HS-122 form online go to the website <https://myvtax.vermont.gov/> and click on “Property Owner” then “File a Homestead Declaration.” You will need your prior year tax bill to complete this form. If anyone has questions, or would prefer a paper form HS-122, please contact me.

Forrest Holzapfel: marlborotownclerk@gmail.com or (802) 254-2181

Marlboro Dog Owners, Please License Your Furry Friends

Dear Marlboro dog owners: under normal circumstances, the deadline to register your dog without a penalty would have been April 1st. Under our current reality however, the Select Board and I have determined that for this year only there will be no late fees, BUT to comply with Vermont Law, your dog is still required to be licensed for 2020.

If your dog has an expired rabies certificate, please contact your vet to see what they can do. Most area vets are NOT taking new clients, however if you are an existing client, all vet offices should be able to give rabies shots. (You stay in the car and they bring the dog in). Gateway Vet Clinic on Canal Street in Brattleboro seems to be the only vet taking new clients — but they are booking a week out.

If your dog's rabies certificate is still valid, and you would like to proceed with licensing, please mail a check or pay with a credit card on our website. If you are unsure of your dog's rabies status, I am here to help. Since we are closed to the public, the best way to get in touch with me is via this email marlborotownclerk@gmail.com, or leave a message at the town office (802) 254-2181 Thank you!

Spring Inspection update from the Marlboro Listers

The Marlboro Listers are attempting to continue our work to build our 2020 Grand List. The circumstances are less than ideal. By the Governor's order we will NOT be conducting any interior inspections of property but instead will be relying on contact with property owners by email, phone, and mail. Although the State is allowing the possibility of an extension on our yearly timeline, they are also suggesting we try to adhere to the regular timeline. So if your building is not 100% complete or you have a newly approved zoning permit, we will be in touch... As always, please contact us with any questions: marlborolisters@gmail.com or leave a message at the town office (802) 254-2181.

from Marlboro Cares

Marlboro Cares hopes everyone in town is doing well and is staying healthy by strictly following the shelter-in-place guidelines. Please know that your neighbors care about you and are here to help.

Cancellations

In order to avoid gatherings of more than ten people and to keep social distancing, Marlboro Cares has canceled the Wellness in Marlboro event, as well as all Senior Lunches, until further notice. Also, in order to keep our volunteers safe, we will NOT be offering rides to residents at this time. We look forward to resuming all of our usual activities once the danger of COVID-19 is over.

Grocery and Pharmacy Pick-Up and Delivery

Marlboro Cares volunteers, including some newer, younger volunteers, have kindly offered to pick up and deliver your grocery orders and pharmacy orders. We do not wish to ask any of our volunteers to go into stores. Therefore, all orders for pick up must be called in or done online and must be paid for in advance.

Marlboro Cares, in collaboration with the Marlboro Community Center, will pick up your paid order at either the Brattleboro Food Coop or Market 32. The grocery order will be brought to the Community Center, from where Marlboro Cares volunteers will deliver the food to outside your door. You will be called when the delivery has been made. To obtain this service, you must call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030 to let us know you would like your order picked up. Regular pick-ups from the stores are on Mondays at 11:30am. However, other days are also possible. Once your pick-up has been confirmed with Marlboro Cares, you should put in your order and pay for your groceries on the day an hour before pick-up time.

Marlboro Cares will pick up your medicine at your pharmacy, as long as you have called in the refill, paid for it, and have informed the pharmacy that a Marlboro Cares volunteer will pick it up. Call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030 and please allow 48 hours for delivery.

Pharmacies in Brattleboro have been making efforts to assist their customers and their staffs to be safe during this crisis, including carry out service, mailing, and third person pick up. As things may change, please call your pharmacy to see what accommodations they are making on the day of your pick-up.

Brown and Roberts and Walker Farm Pick-Ups

Marlboro Cares volunteers will also pick up your orders from Brown and Roberts, if you have called in your order and have paid for it in advance. Walker Farm also has curbside pick up, which our volunteers will pick up for you. For Walker Farm, you will need to go to their website, walkerfarm.com, order online, and pay in advance. Please call Marlboro Cares at 258-3030 to request either of these services.

Other COVID-19 Responses

The Marlboro Alliance Emergency Fund can also be accessed by calling Marlboro Cares at 258-3030. This Fund is to assist residents, who have been hurt financially by the Coronavirus.

The supermarkets in Brattleboro and Wilmington all have established Senior shopping hours in the early morning. The Brattleboro Food Co-op, Hannafords, and Market 32 also have curbside parking for call-in and/or online shoppers. Please check the websites of these stores, as their times and policies change regularly.

Information and Referral Services

For information about anything mentioned above, to request a delivery of any of the above products, 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

from the Town Library

Andra Horton

These are very strange times indeed. As you all know the Marlboro Town Library is closed until things become safe again, and we have no idea when that will be. If you get reminders that your books are overdue, please disregard them. If you feel a desperate urge to clear the library books out of your house, you can call John at the Community Center (257-0801) on days when he is working there and set up a time to drop them off in a plastic bag and he will put them on the return shelf to await check in.

The library board will not be checking books in until the Community Center is open again. In the meantime, we have put out a box of books on the Post Office/Town office porch. Please help yourself using whatever safety protocol that seems best to you: gloves, plastic bag, disinfectant spray... As well, there are the three wee libraries in town that we leave to you to borrow from and restock. And, we have still been buying new books to put on the shelves when we reopen, so there will be plenty of new titles to choose from! Meanwhile, we all hope you are finding lost gems on your own bookshelves and are staying safe and healthy!

from Marlboro School

Wayne Kermenski, Principal

The Marlboro School Community has done a masterful job moving to virtual learning during this pandemic. We identified four components on which to focus our attention during this time that include, in order of importance: (1) health and safety, (2) equity, (3) relationships, and (4) remote learning. I want to thank all the teachers, students and families for their hard work, patience and can-do attitude during this school dismissal. Please visit our new website to learn more about our COVID-19 dismissal program. <https://www.marlboroschool.net/>

Even with the school in dismissal, the Board continues to move forward with the school renovation. We have been given very rough drawings and an estimate. If you are interested in learning more, please attend our Zoom School Board Meetings, which are the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00pm.

Marlboro Alliance Scholarships

Michelle Holzapfel

The Scholarship Committee is deeply grateful for the generous support of 55 donors who have given a total of \$4400 to fund our 2020 scholarships. We thank you for your continued commitment to the education of our town's students. With a supplementary donation from the Alliance General Fund, we have a total of \$5000 to award. Past awards have averaged: K-8 @ \$75, High School \$200, College \$400. If the number of requests increases this year, amounts may be less.

We are all grappling with these difficult times. Summer programs, as well as colleges and technical schools, will be adapting to the pandemic. We will do our best to accommodate the uncertainty and help our town's children and families.

The 2020 Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Guidelines are available for download from the Marlboro Alliance website at: <https://sites.google.com/view/marlboroalliance/> The deadline is Friday, May 22. Funds will be awarded in early June.

Send paper applications to: Marlboro Alliance P.O. Box 165, Marlboro, VT 05344. New this year: you may send applications and digital documents by email to mholzapfel1979@gmail.com.

The Marlboro Alliance is an all-volunteer 501(c)3 charitable corporation.

Windham Lavender Farm's 1st Annual Lavender Celebration

Saturday June 27 1:00 - 4:00 pm (rain date June 28)

Harvest your own bundles
Learn to create long-lasting bouquets
Enjoy lavender-infused snacks and beverages
Purchase lavender products

Directions: 1 mile east of post office
down Ames Hill Rd, turn left on Old Turnpike Rd
and follow the balloons.

Marlboro Alliance Scholarship Application

NEW: Applications may be emailed, postmarked or delivered by 6 pm, Friday, May 22.
Late or Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Mail to: Marlboro Alliance, PO Box 165 Marlboro, VT 05344.

Or email to: mholzapfel1979@gmail.com

Or drop off @ Applewoods Studio, 2802 Route 9, Marlboro, VT. ph. 254-2908.

Students (K-12) must have been Marlboro, VT residents during the 2019-2020 school year.

Summer Programs for Elementary or High School Students:

Student's name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ School: _____

Student's mailing address: _____

Student/parent email and/or phone: _____

(K-12) Parent or guardian's name: _____

Phone: _____ email: _____ mail address: _____

Name of summer program provider: _____

Address: _____ email or phone: _____

Dates and cost of program: _____

High School Students: In addition to the above, please furnish a brief letter--written by you. Describe your summer program, summer employment and/or volunteer activities.

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

IF YOU SEND a receipt or proof of pre-payment for the program, the award check can be made out to parent or guardian. Otherwise, awards will be paid directly to provider.

College or Vocational School Students:

Awards will be paid directly to you, when you are enrolled as an undergraduate for the 2020-21 academic year. You must be eligible for and seeking other financial assistance.

First-time applicants: Please send copies, pdfs or scans of the following 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 2020-21 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.

Repeat College applicants: If you have previously received a Marlboro Alliance Scholarship, you may re-apply each year. Email, mail or deliver copies of documents that indicate:

1. You are enrolled for the 2020-21 academic year, and 2. You are in good academic standing.

Award messages or checks will be sent in early June.

FREE FOOD

Anyone in Marlboro is eligible to receive free food from the following food banks. Both are following strict protocols for providing food in a safe way during the Covid-19 crisis.

Deerfield Valley Food Pantry

Curbside Distribution
Distributed Twice A Month

BOX INCLUDES*

non perishable food,
eggs, cheese, bread,
apples and oranges

**Amount of Food Based on Family Size*

MAY DISTRIBUTION

Thursday | 5/14 | 1-3pm

Saturday | 5/16 | 9-11am

In an emergency call to schedule a time other than the regular distribution dates.

CALL TO ORDER: 464-0148

7 Church St, Wilmington
www.deerfieldvalleyfoodpantry.org

FoodWorks

Includes Delivery
Distributed As-Needed

BOX INCLUDES

staples such as canned goods,
pasta, tuna and cereal,
produce, baked goods, frozen meat,
pet food, household items
one roll of TP per box upon request

When you place your order you will be asked for your name, phone number, address, and any special needs.

Contact Christine by phone or email
with any questions
ccolascione@groundworksvt.org

CALL TO ORDER: 490-2412

141 Canal St, Brattleboro
www.groundworksvt.org

Both of these organizations rely on financial contributions. If you are able to make a donation please do so on their websites.

from the Marlboro Committee for Universal Broadband (MCUB)

As the Coronavirus and fears of the pandemic have changed our lives in ways we never could have imagined just a few months ago, one thing has become abundantly clear. We all need dependable high-speed access to the internet.

What was once a convenience for rural Vermont communities has quickly become a necessity as we learn, communicate, conduct business, and “meet up” online. As most of us are lacking sufficient bandwidth to do this easily, and without technical hiccups, the work of the MCUB has become even more urgent.

Our last MCUB meeting on April 1st, 2020, was conducted online using Zoom video-conferencing. Despite some frame freezes and audio delays, we were able to meet effectively to continue our review of two proposals to provide fiber and high-speed internet service to all Marlboro residents. Consolidated Communications Inc. who serves most of Marlboro with DSL service as well as analog telephone, submitted one proposal. Matrix Design Group submitted an alternate proposal. Matrix built the fiber network for ECfiber — a CUD serving 26 towns in East Central VT. Although we want to get this level of service to all of Marlboro as soon as we can, MCUB recommended that the Selectboard reject both proposals. We decided that it makes more sense to pursue our goal through the Deerfield Valley Communications Union District (DVCUD), of which Marlboro is a founding member. Other member towns include Halifax, Readsboro, Stratton, Wardsboro, Whitingham and Wilmington.

This decision was informed by the following:

- Federal and State funding for improving broadband connectivity will be available to CUDs (not individual towns).
- Strength and bargaining power of a much larger group of potential subscribers re: competitive bids and contracts.
- Goodwill and community collaboration achieved by working together with our neighbors.
- Combining the resources of research and expertise of all towns who are actively pursuing this goal.

The DVCUD meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 4:00 -5:00 pm. Our MCUB Chair, Steven John, is also Marlboro’s Representative on the Governing Board of the DVCUD and was elected DVCUD Vice-Chair. Marlboro’s Alternate Reps. are Bob Anderson and Bill Esses. We are very excited to work on this project, as is everyone involved. DVCUD meetings are open to the public and Tuesday, May 12 at 5:00 will be the DVCUD’s first Annual Meeting. All are welcome to attend via a remote link to be provided on the Marlboro Town website and on the soon-to-be published DVCUD site. We strongly encourage everyone to learn more and lend your expertise to this collaborative effort. The DVCUD is currently looking for a treasurer, so if you have financial management experience (or know someone who does), please contact Steven John – sbjohn@sover.net.

We’ll continue to keep the Marlboro community informed of the work of the DVCUD as it progresses. The MCUB is working on several levels at this time, with a focus on assisting those in our community that are especially challenged in this area. Perhaps we can provide some options for individuals to explore now. Stay tuned and stay in touch (remotely).

Steven John, Jacob Smith, Ty Gibbons, Bill Esses, Bob Anderson, Annie Bartlett, Mark Francillon, Joe Prignano, Malcolm Moore, Jean Boardman, Andrea Burke



The Marlboro Masked Movers exercising outdoors under the guidance of Anne Bartlett. We try to meet twice a week, weather permitting. If you’d like to join us, contact abartlettvt@gmail.com

Paws for Thought

ARF-ARF-ARF!!!

Animal Resource Fund

This year the town approved the creation of ARF – Animal Resource Fund – in lieu of this Animal Control Officer’s stipend. The fund currently has about \$500. People who need financial help for their domestic pets can apply to ARF by writing acomarlboro@gmail.com or calling Peggy at 348-7479.

Types of funds people can receive if funds are available:

- Help with cost of dog licensing in Marlboro
- Pay half the cost of vaccines (\$10/shot) and clinic exams (\$15) at WCHS
- Assist with cost of Spay/Neuter (up to \$20/animal at WCHS (when clinics reopen)
- Assist with cost of flea/tick medications up to \$20/ family

To qualify for ARF, we ask that families be part of Windham County Humane Society’s Pet Care Assistance Program (PCA). If you are not part of that program, you can apply online at <https://windhamcountyhumane.org/pet-care-assistance-form>. If you do not have access to the internet or a computer, call Peggy at 348-7479 and she will help you fill out the form. When you become part of PCA, you can receive food for your pet once a month. With the COVID pandemic, they only ask that you call ahead and talk to a staff member who will leave food for your pets in the front entry way.

When you request funds, Peggy will write a check from ARF, under the umbrella of the Marlboro Alliance, to the

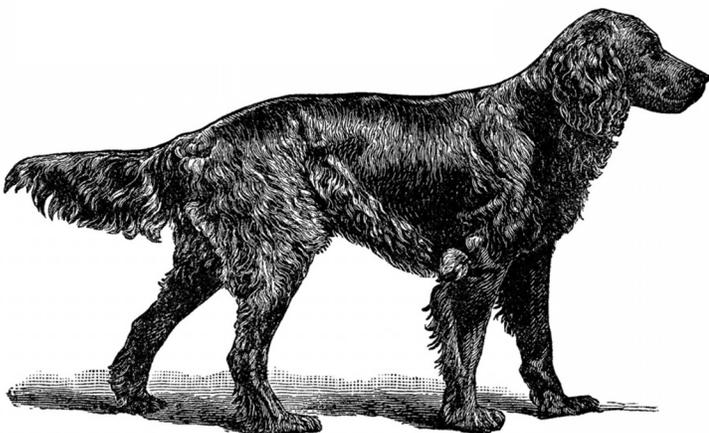
organization that will receive the money. For example, if you need help with dog licensing, the check will be sent to Marlboro Town Office. If you use a vet, a check will be written to the vet’s office, or if you pay out of pocket, you can mail a receipt with your name and address to:

Marlboro Alliance
c/o ARF
Box 165
Marlboro, VT 05344

Pet food is also available at the Deerfield Valley Food Bank and the Brattleboro Food Bank. If you are having difficulty getting pet food, please let Peggy know and she will find a way to help your pets get fed. You should not have to choose between feeding yourself or your animals. Also, remember, if you are in need, the Marlboro Alliance Emergency Assistance Fund can give \$200 per household for those in need. Donations for the Emergency Fund or for ARF are greatly appreciated. You can send to Marlboro Alliance at Box 165 or go online to the Marlboro Alliance website and pay with PayPal. Please note on your check or memo where you would like your funds to go.

Thank you everyone for your support! Stay safe! And don’t forget it is tick season!

Peggy Tiffany
Animal Control Officer, Marlboro
802-348-7479 (Home Phone)
802-579-7109 (Text)
acomarlboro@gmail.com



What is Democracy?

**Last Monday of the month
May 25 & June 29, 6:30-8:30pm
online, get on the list**

Talk About Our Democracy
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

woodybernhard48@gmail.com
802 464 3154.

from the Marlboro Community Center

Due to the current directive on social distancing from the state the Community Center will remain closed to regular activities at least through May 15th. However, our coordinator, John Marinelli, continues to provide some services. "Open Hours" when John is at the center are T-W-Th. 12-3; Sat. 10-12. He has set up a curbside protocol for people to purchase meat and eggs from Bonvue Farms, and MCC's food-to-go items, by donation. Typical fare includes vegetarian soups, chicken soups, cheese scones, either fresh or ready to bake at home, and Lauren's weekly entrees available fresh on Tuesday afternoons or from the freezer the rest of the week. If you would like us to consider adding some early evening hours please let us know.

As we are all missing each other's company we are also experimenting with a Saturday Morning Zoom Coffee Hour from 9-10. Invitations to this, and possibly other zoom events, will be sent to everyone on our email list. If you are not already receiving our email blasts please contact John at marlborocommunitycenter@gmail.com. For more information visit our website at marlborocommunity.center

The Community Center is now donating all proceeds from the items we are selling at this time to the Marlboro Alliance Emergency Assistance Fund currently responding to families finding themselves in particular need due to Covid-19. We encourage you to continue to use the center in this way and know that ALL your donations will go to aid families in town who are in need. Also consider making a contribution to the MARLBORO ALLIANCE PO Box 165, MARLBORO, VT 05344 to further support this fund.

If you or anyone you know is in need due to the current situation requests for aid up to \$200 can be sent by email to marlboroalliance@gmail.com or by calling Marlboro Cares at 258-3030.

We are sending out to everyone our sincerest hope that you are staying safe, healthy, and secure.

Marlboro Town Services Want to list your business or skills here? Email 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 Portraiture & 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

Apple Tree Builders, LLC
Jason MacArthur and Crew (802) 254-5306, appletreeconstructs@gmail.com

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@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

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 Equipment lawn equipment, chain-saws, 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/

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

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Thorin MacArthur mini-excavator and tractor services, tree work. thorinmacarthur@gmail.com

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

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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

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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

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Next Deadline
June 15 for
the July / August Mixer

May / June Events

Tuesday, May 12, 5:00pm

DVCUB First Annual Meeting online (see p.10)

Thursday, May 21, 6:00pm

Marlboro School Board Meeting online (see p.6)

Monday, May 25, 6:30–8:30pm

Community Meeting: What Is Democracy?
online (see p.10)

Tuesday, May 26, 4:00 - 5:00pm

MCUB Meeting online (see p.9)

Saturday, June 27, 1:00-4:00pm (rain date: June 28)

Lavender Celebration Windham Lavender Farm

Monday, June 29, 6:30–8:30pm

Community Meeting: What Is Democracy?
online (see p.10)

Tuesday, June 23, 4:00 - 5:00pm

MCUB Meeting online (see p.10)



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