



Windham News & Notes



Jerry and Nancy, Windham will miss your smiles and laughter. Thank you for your contributions to our community. You will be remembered!

FAREWELL, NANCY AND JERRY DYKE

by Ginny and Dave Crittenden

After 15 years in Windham, Nancy and Jerry Dyke are moving back to the mid-west. Their destination is Pella, Iowa, hometown of the oldest of their four children. Already they have bought a house in Pella with two critical features: a wood shop for Jerry and a room for Nancy's piano.

Musicians, activists, and philanthropists, the Dykes filled their days in Windham as contributors rather than observers. Among many activities, Nancy's work included pastoring of the Windham Congregational Church, and Jerry served for several years, not only as a town lister, but also as resident engineer for repair and building projects everywhere in town.

Moving to a mid-western town of around 10,000 people, which boasts "a touch of Holland", might seem a big change, but it seems to us that the Dykes are well equipped for their next step. We wish them the best of luck in their new adventures.

DON'T FORGET! MAY 5TH IS GREEN UP DAY!

For almost 50 years Vermonters have come together to participate in Green Up Day. Students around the state compete in writing contests and poster design. Here you can see the colorful 2018 winning poster designed by 8th grader Uma Chirkova from Newbury, VT.

All Windham residents, young and old, are welcome and encouraged to meet at Town Office on Saturday, May 5th, at 9 AM. We will be serving coffee and lemonade, homemade muffins and donuts, when you come to pick up your Green Up Day bags. There will also be a sign-up sheet available for you to sign-up for your preferred route. This will help us cover more roads and avoid duplicate efforts. Full bags should be left on the roadside for the work crew to pick up the following Monday, May 7.

Please come and participate in this worthwhile state project; keeping our beautiful Town of Windham pristine. Bring the whole family!

Be TICK SMART! Wear light colored clothing, long sleeves and long pants. Use insect repellent, and don't forget to wear your work gloves.

If you are unable to join us on Saturday, May 5th, bags and sign-up sheet will be available at Town Office.

For more information call Mia Clark, Green Up Day coordinator at 380-4419.



Selectboard News

by Maureen Bell

It's just a little more than a month after a wonderful Town Meeting. So many of our friends and neighbors braved the snow and came out to take care of the Town's business. Thanks to everyone who participated! We have a new Selectboard member, Bob Kehoe. He's such a pro; already he's up to speed on so many of our issues and rules & regulations. His insight, I'm sure, will prove invaluable over the coming years, as it has done in the past. We also welcome three new people to elected offices in town: Lister, Russ Cumming; Auditor, Kathy Jungermann; and Delinquent Tax Collector, Erin Kehoe. Best of luck to you all.

The Selectboard has been busy dealing with all sorts of issues, including personnel, energy and rescue squad evaluation committees, and new Zoning Regulations put forth by the Planning Commission. Details on all of those things will follow in the near future.

We want to give a big shout out to Josh Dryden and the entire road crew for keeping the roads in good shape during what has turned out to be a very snowy late Winter and Spring!! Thank you all so much for keeping us safe.

Town Meeting, March 6, 2018

Michael McLaine, Town Moderator, reviewed the rules of order and called the 2018 Windham Town Meeting to order. The first order of business was the election of a Town Moderator. Michael McLaine was reelected as both our Town and School Moderators for the ensuing year. There was some discussion, and comments made concerning the Town Report before it was approved, and there was a recommendation that a committee review the report next year, before it is printed and distributed. The following officers were elected:

Selectman, 3 years, Robert Kehoe
 Lister, 3 years, Russell Cumming
 Auditor, 3 years, Kathleen Jungermann
 Delinquent Tax Collector, 1 year, Erin Kehoe
 Grand Juror, 1 year, James Scott
 Town Agent, 1 year, Michael Simonds
 Windham Center Cemetery Comm., 5 years, Margaret Dwyer
 West Windham Cemetery Comm. 5 years, Diane Newton
 North Windham Cemetery Comm., 5 years, Paul Wyman
 Library Trustee, 5 years, Cynthia Kehoe
 Windham School Director, 3 years, Elizabeth McDonald
 Constable, 2 years, Joseph Lamson

Only two offices were contested, Selectman and Delinquent Tax Collector. Bob Kehoe defeated Hal Wilkins in a close race for Selectman, and Erin Kehoe

Property Tax Grievance Hearings, June 9 and June 12

The Windham Board of Listers will hold Grievance Hearings for the 2018 Grand List of properties in the Town of Windham, VT. If you have a grievance concerning the appraised value of your property, you are entitled to a hearing with the Board of Listers. Hearings will be scheduled on Saturday, June 9, from 9 AM -12:00 noon and Tuesday, June 12, from 9 AM – 3:00 PM. Please call the Town Office to schedule an appointment, 802-874-4211.

"Thank you....."

Thanks very much to all the Windham residents who supported (and voted for) me in the recent election for Selectboard....
and congratulations to Bob Kehoe.
 Hal Wilkins"

was elected Delinquent Tax Collector when Tom Widger withdrew his nomination.

Town Meeting recessed to move to the Windham School District Meeting. The voters approved the \$750 annual salary for each school director, as well as the Windham Elementary School FY2018-19 budget of \$387,103, with a few dissenting votes.

Town Meeting resumed and Bill Dunkel was given the floor to discuss a proposed solar array development to possibly be located on land given to the town in 1997 behind the Windham Center Cemetery. The developer would own the solar array and would lease the land from the town. If the project is found to be feasible, the town residents will have an opportunity to vote on any proposal made by the developer.

The remaining articles were all accepted by the voters. The General Fund for operation of the Town offices was approved for \$184,994 which was slightly down from 2017. Winter and Summer Road budgets were set at \$398,338 and an additional \$60,000 was appropriated for repaving, and \$15,000 for bridges and large structures. A new appropriation of \$250 was approved for the Londonderry Food Shelf and \$100 for Gerda's Equine Rescue.

Town Meeting was adjourned after 3 PM.

Windham Community Organization Asks for Your Support!

The next issue of the *Windham News & Notes* begins our 16th year of Windham's bi-monthly publication. We have an all-volunteer staff and depend on your annual support to cover the cost of production and mailing. We ask you to contribute whatever you are comfortable with, the usual contribution being \$15. Your support will ensure that you and others receive Windham's own news source for another year. All property owners and subscribers receive our May-June subscription issue free of charge. If you are a non-resident of Windham, a donation is necessary to receive the additional five issues per year.

Windham Community Organization (WCO) is the non-profit organization under which *Windham News & Notes* operates. Your support helps us to fulfill our mission of helping residents of Windham and our surrounding communities with heating fuel, rent, gasoline, car repairs and food assistance during times of financial emergency. Our major sources of funds come from the Chicken BBQ and Raffle in July, the Harvest Supper and Square Dance in November, and our annual *Windham News and Notes* subscription drive in May-June. Your support this past year has enabled us to provide help to Windham families directly, and also through Neighborhood Connections and neighboring food banks. Our budget is very small, so your support goes a long way!

Now is a great time to fill out your subscription form, making sure we have your current correct address, and an email address if you are requesting our expanded electronic version (which comes to you in color as a link to a drop box). Return your subscription request and any donation in the provided envelope. Please note that our issues are not forwarded by the Postal Service because of our non-profit bulk rate postage, so be sure to notify us of any change in your address.

As always, we appreciate your comments, support, and contributions as we publish this coming year's issues of *Windham News & Notes*. We welcome new members to WCO and can always use your help with our events. Please join us at the Meeting House on the last Wednesday of most months at 7 PM. Please call Ellen McDuffie at 874-8183 or Kathy Jungermann at 874-4606 for more information.

Thank you so much for all you do to support our Windham community!

Warning: Zoning Regulations

The Selectboard of the Town of Windham is holding a public hearing to review the **Zoning Regulations** for the Town of Windham on **Monday May 14, 2018 at 6:30 PM** at the Town Office, 5976 Windham Hill Road. A copy of the full text of the Zoning Regulations may be found at the Town Office and on the Town's website: <http://townofwindhamvt.com/>

Purpose: It is the intent of these regulations to implement the Windham Town Plan, provide for orderly community growth, protect agricultural areas, soil, forests, water, natural resources, public health, recreation, historical sites, and to further the purposes

established in the act.

Geographic Area: The entire Town of Windham

Zoning Regulations Section Headings:

- Article I: Authority and Purpose
- Article II: Zoning Districts and District Standards
- Article III: Administration and Enforcement
- Article IV: General Standards
- Article V: Standards for Special Uses
- Article VI: Planned Unit Development
- Article VII: Flood and Fluvial Erosion Hazard Area Regulations

Contact Bill Dunkel for information, 874-4131.



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Many thanks to all who contribute. Send articles of around 300 words to the address on the last page or email to: windhamnews@hotmail.com.

Next deadline: June 15, 2018

Permit Required To Burn

Burning permits are required by law in the state of Vermont.

Burning trash and debris is illegal and releases harmful pollutants. If conditions are safe, a permit can be issued. The only items that can be burned are clean and natural materials (untreated wood, leaves and brush). You may not burn garbage, tires, rubber, plastic, waste oil, asphalt, asbestos, pressure-treated wood or plywood, or furniture. Please call Rick Weitzel, Forest Fire Warden, 874-4104 or Ralph Wyman, Deputy Forest Fire Warden, 875-3373 for a permit for any outside burning.



Wind Storm

Please read the following notice sent to the SB:

7 April 2018

From: Marcia Clinton, Town Health Officer

Imme Maurath, Emergency Manager Director

On the night of April 4, 2018, due to a wind storm, the Town of Windham lost electrical power around 9 PM. The next morning, with power still out, there was no landline phone service [for the northern part of Windham], and therefore no access to the state emergency 911 service, until power was restored [almost 48 hours later].

I [Marcia Clinton] called VTel [Vermont Telephone Company] the next day regarding this problem and was told that since fiber optics were installed, there was a battery back-up for 8 hours for landline phone service. If one wanted longer phone service during an electrical outage, extra batteries could be purchased, although they do not sell them. I was told that this is the technological world we now live in. [Not all Windham customers in the southern section of town serviced by Consolidated Communications lost phone service.]

As the Health Officer, I [Marcia Clinton] find this to be quite distressing that no one in town would have access to 911 in a prolonged power outage. Most of the homes in town are isolated and there are a number of people who live alone. And we all know that cell service only exists in front of the Meeting House [depending on your carrier].

As Emergency Manager Director, I [Imme Maurath] struggled to get a hold of a lot of residents to see what their situation was, and to let them know we had opened the Town Office for warmth and water. Most communication happened by word of mouth.

As the Selectboard has more clout than the Health Officer and Emergency Manager Director, we ask that you follow through with this problem by contacting the Consumer Affairs & Public Information Division, Department of Public Service, 112 State St. Drawer 20, Montpelier, VT 05620-2601. They can also be reached at 1-800-622-4496.

Thank you for considering this request and we look forward to hearing the results of your investigation.

Post Script: As Emergency Manager Director, I [Imme Maurath] would also like to add that the emergency forms that people filled out last year were very helpful. If you have not filled one out, you can still do so by downloading the form at: townofwindhamvt.com or picking one up at the Town Office. Please return completed forms to the Town Clerk. There is a locked mailbox outside the door, if the office is closed.



Ticks - Active May to September

by Marcia Clinton

To avoid direct contact with ticks, stay away from wooded and brushy areas with high grass and leaf litter. Walk in the center of trails. Use repellent that contains 20% or more DEET, or picaridin, on exposed skin. Treat clothing and gear, such as boots, pants, socks and tents with products containing 0.5% permethrin, which remains protective through several washings.

Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors, to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you. Conduct a full-body tick check using a mirror to view all parts of your body. Parents should check their children for ticks under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the belly button, behind the knees, between the legs, around the waist, and especially in their hair. Examine gear and pets also.



Tumble dry clothes in a dryer on high heat for 10 minutes to kill ticks. If clothes require washing, hot water is recommended.

To remove a tick, use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as

possible. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Don't twist or jerk the tick; this can cause the mouthparts to break off and remain in the skin. After removing the tick, thoroughly clean the bite area and your hands with soap and water. Dispose of a live tick by placing it in a sealed bag/container or flushing it down the toilet. Never crush a tick with your fingers. If you develop a rash or fever within several weeks of removing a tick, see your doctor.

New Shingles Vaccine

by Marcia Clinton

A new shingles vaccine, Shingrix, was approved by the Food and Drug Administration last October after studies involving 16,600 people showed it to be far more effective at preventing shingles than the first vaccine developed, Zostavax. Zostavax reduces the risk of shingles by 51% and starts to lose its protection after 3 years. According to the CDC, Shingrix can protect 97% of people in their 50s and 60s and 91% of those in their 70s and 80s.

Shingrix is a two-part shot with a list price of \$280, without insurance. One can get a prescription from your doctor and take it to your local pharmacy, where a staff pharmacist can administer the vaccine. Medicare Part D insurance will cover each shot with a \$40 copay.

HEART in the 'HOOD'

A True Story, One-Man Play
written and performed
by Michael Sommers

Sunday, May 13th at 3 PM at
the Windham Meeting House

Mike Sommers brings his award winning one-man play to Windham for Mother's Day! It's roughly 70 minutes long. Mike plays 17 characters, sings and plays his harmonica (blues and spirituals mostly).



This is an autobiographical, true story about Mike's life in his adopted inner-city neighborhood of Oakland, California - a fairly rough and tumble place that Mike has grown to love!

Meet the ex-con with a heart of gold, the wise old Pastor, Purple Man, the talented panhandler and "Party Jesus of 22nd Street"! *"Sommers takes the audience on a trip that makes you see that world in a whole new light. A beautiful light. This show touches your heart, and makes you think."* King's River Life Magazine - Lorie Ham

Heart in the 'Hood is a companion piece to *Hick in the 'Hood* which Mike performed in Windham about five years ago. Some of you may have also seen Mike's comedy show *Uncle Buzzy's Hometown Theater Show!* in Windham a few years back

Mike is the nephew of Dave and Ginny Crittenden and Mary Crittenden. He appears presently in his third season as a regular on the Netflix series *SENSE8!*

Heart in the 'Hood was awarded "Best in Fringe" at the San Francisco Fringe Festival and recently played in Rome, Italy; Chicago and Los Angeles!

Donations gratefully accepted.

Shingles is a painful infection of a single sensory nerve on one side of the body that can occur almost anywhere but most commonly involves the torso or face. Initial symptoms of tingling or burning pain, within days, develop into a red bumpy rash and very painful blisters. The blisters heal in a week or two to form crusty scabs that eventually fall off. But for about 15% of people, shingles does not end there. Instead, it leaves them with deep, searing nerve pain - a condition called post herpetic neuralgia (PHN) that can last for months or years, and has no treatment or cure.

Editor's Note: Trust me, you do not want shingles. I had it in the roof of my mouth and across the face. It was terribly painful. I urge you to ask your doctor about this new vaccine. *E. McDuffie*

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SAVE THE DATE!
SATURDAY,
JULY 14 at 5 PM
for the WCO BBQ
and Raffle

by Kathy Jungermann

Happiness is a summer barbecue, and you're invited to Windham's Annual Chicken BBQ hosted by the Windham Community Organization (WCO) on Saturday, July 14. The party starts at 5PM under the tent at the Meeting House. All of your favorites are on the menu: Walter's celebrated BBQ chicken, homemade potato salad, baked beans, and sweet breads. And save room for dessert: strawberry shortcake featuring fresh strawberries and real whipped cream! \$10/adult, \$5/child, \$25/family.

There will also be a raffle of items hand-crafted by Windham's very own talented residents. Please don't be shy! We encourage you to submit an item (or two!) for our raffle. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.

All proceeds benefit the Windham community through WCO. If you would like to volunteer to help with the event (it's fun!) contact Mia Clark at 380-4419 or Kathy Jungermann at 874-4606. If you would like to donate an item to the raffle, please contact Cindy Kehoe at 874-7028.

Come for summer fun and relaxation!

News from the Windham School Board

First of all and most importantly, the Windham School Board would like to thank the voters of Windham for their support of the FY2019 budget – we are extremely appreciative. We also welcome Beth McDonald back onto the School Board and thank Barbara “BJ” Davis for serving with us for a year. Beth’s renewed availability coincided perfectly with BJ’s need to spend more time with her grandchildren.

Beth and I, along with our principal, Mickey Parker-Jennings, and several members of the Local Act 46 Study Committee traveled to the Agency of Education in Barre to present our Alternative Governance Structure proposal. We met with Donna Russo-Savage, Brad James, and Molly Bachman, employees at the Agency, to give our presentation.

Our focus was on Windham’s geographic isolation, the excellent program we offer the students at our school, and our survey results that indicated that an overwhelming majority of respondents value maintaining and controlling our own budget and retaining our local school board.

The Agency will be making their recommendation to the State Board of Education on or before June 1. The State Board will then hold regional meetings around the state before finalizing the state plan in November. We plan to attend one of those meetings to make our case once again, if the Agency of Education’s recommendation is contrary to our requested proposal. We would like to maintain control over the future of our school rather than ceding it to a board on which we have only one representative on that board with ten other members who have little or no connection to our community.

Our meetings continue to be held on the first Monday of the month at 4 PM at the Windham Elementary School. Typically, we do not meet in July and the August meeting, at which we plan the bus route, may be held the second Monday of the month. The public is always welcome and we encourage you to attend.

Carolyn Partridge

Antje Ruppert

Beth McDonald

Notes from Our State Representative

by Carolyn Partridge

By the time this edition of Windham News and Notes is in your hands, the 2018 Legislative session will be close to getting done. There is always a sense of urgency the second year of the biennium [election year] because anything that does not make it through the process this session will die.



One of the more contentious issues that we worked on recently has to do with firearms. We took several commonsense steps to potentially prevent some instances of gun violence, without abridging a law-abiding gun owner's right to own and use a gun. The bill does four things: 1) it raises the age to purchase a gun to 21, unless a hunters' safety course has been taken, one is in the military, or one is in law enforcement; 2) it requires background checks; 3) it bans the sale of bump stocks; 4) and limits the size of the magazine. All four of these provisions were included in S.55.

Another bill, S.221, gives law enforcement the authority to temporarily seize firearms from people who might be a danger to themselves or to others under an extreme risk protection order. This has already been used in the case of the young man who had plans to attack Fair Haven High School. Additionally, H.422, allows for the removal of firearms from a person arrested or cited for domestic assault.

All three of these bills were signed into law by the governor on April 11 before a large crowd of supporters and opponents. I have heard from constituents on both sides of the issue – some are happy that I voted for these measures and some are unhappy. I was gratified that one strong gun rights supporter, after reading an objective analysis of the steps we took, emailed me to say “Logically I can’t really find anything in the new laws which offend me. My final take on the laws you agreed to, is you did a good job.”

I understand that none of these measures guarantees that there won't be gun violence in the future. There are so many firearms in existence that people wanting to do violence may be able to get their hands on weapons; however, if we can stop one tragedy, it will be worth it.



WARNING!!! It's time to take in your bird seed feeders! The bears are hungry, and they find an easy meal at your birdfeeders. Vermont fines anyone whose birdfeeder causes a bear to be

killed because the bear becomes a danger or a nuisance. **DO NOT FEED THE BEARS!**



...And it's time to hang your hummingbird feeders, out of reach of bears! The hummers will be arriving any day now.

Bring 4 cups of water, with one cup of sugar, to a boil in a very clean pot, cool, and fill your feeder. **Do not add red dye.**

Windham Fire Company



by Marcia Clinton

Fire Calls:

February 18 - Londonderry, Powder Mill Road - mutual aid for chimney fire. 6 responded.

February 25 - Windham Hill Road. - mutual aid to Londonderry Rescue Squad, lift assist. 7 responded.

March 2 - Route 11 - mutual aid to Londonderry Fire Company for traffic control, 3-car accident. 3 responded.

March 16 - Scott Pet Road - mutual aid to Londonderry Rescue Squad, lift assist. 4 responded.

March 18 - Townshend, mutual aid for structure fire. 2 responded.

March 27 - South Londonderry, mutual aid for fire at Jamaica Cottage Shop. 3 responded.

April 10 - Scott Pet Road - mutual aid to Londonderry Rescue Squad, lift assist. 4 responded.

The members of the Windham Fire Co. recently ordered a new fire engine/pumper. It is being built by local dealers and will be delivered in 12 - 18 months. It will be fully paid for upon delivery thanks to funds from the estate of Reggie Fleer.

The members took advantage of the opportunity to buy the parcel of land behind the fire house. The closing was in April for the 2.19 acres, which now gives the Fire Company a total of 3.07 acres of land.

Congratulations to Windham's Leland & Gray Graduates!

Leland & Gray Graduation is Saturday, June 16 at 10 AM. We wish all the best to Jamie Blazej, Joel Emmons, Jake Ires and Patrick McDonald as they mark another milestone on their journey through life.

"Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss, you'll land among the stars." Norman Vincent Peale

Londonderry Lion's Club

The Tri-Mountain Lions Club serves the communities surrounding Stratton, Bromley and Magic Mountains, including Windham. We have a drop box for discarded eye glasses in the Windham Town Office. These are recycled, addressing needs at home and abroad. Please join us in serving our community. We meet on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month at Neighborhood Connections Meeting Place at 7 PM.

Windham Email List

The town continues to assemble an email/contact list of all Windham residents and property owners, that will be used to send important time sensitive and emergency information to those on the list. If you would like to sign up, please contact the office at 874-4211 or send your contact information to Mike McLaine at windham.town@gmail.com. Please put "Email Address" in the subject line. If you have signed up for this email list and are not receiving notices, please contact the office as there may be a mistake in our database.

Buy Local - Eat Fresh

The Farmers' Markets Return



Brattleboro: May 5 through October 27. Saturday 9 AM-2 PM, Route 9 near the covered bridge. Tuesday 4 PM-7 PM starting May 29 through September 25; location TBD. No Dogs Policy. 802-254-8885

Dorset: Open year round. Sunday 10 AM-2 PM at J.K. Adams, 1430 Route 30. Beginning on April 29 through October 27, outside on the green at H.N. Williams store, 2732 Route 30. 201-920-4294

Londonderry: May 22 through August 26. Saturday 9 AM-1 PM. West River Farmers' Market located at the junction of Routes 11 and 100. No Pets Policy. 802-824-6135

Ludlow: May 25 through October 5. Friday 4 PM-7 PM. Front lawn of Okemo Mountain School, 53 Main Street. 802-230-7706

Manchester: May 25 through October 12. Thursday 3 PM-6 PM at Adams Park, Route 7A in Manchester Center; mfmvermont@gmail.com. 505-470-4237

Putney: May 25 through October 7. Sunday 11 AM-2 PM on Carol Brown Way at the Putney Food Co-op. 802-387-4052

Townshend: May 25 through October 5. Friday 4 PM-7 PM at West Townshend Country Store at the junction of Route 30 and Windham Hill Road. Featuring live music and pizza. 631-807-1515

Springfield: June 3 through October 7. Saturday 10 AM-1 PM at the Peoples United Bank at 6 Main Street. 802-885-4096

Additional markets and additional information available at www.nofavt.org or 802-434-4122.

A Busy Spring at Windham Elementary

by Gail Wyman

Our school year is winding down. So much to do. Regular school work, testing, Walking and Running Club, Camp Keewaydin for a week for the fifth graders, sports practice after school, and the kids run, run, run now that all the snow is gone from the field. This year there are no sixth graders, so no graduation. Although, there are four previous students graduating from Leland & Gray this year.

Walking and Running Club started April 26. For five weeks, kids and chaperones will walk for an hour once a week. On the 13th of June is their Walkathon (which is almost all running) starting from the school, going out past Burbee Pond and back. The Walkathon is four miles for those who want to do the whole course, and the average time for the four miles (running) is 86 to 98 minutes. Well done, kiddos.

Spring has been dreary with all the snow. A bright spot in April was the birth of lambs at Meadows Bee Farm. There were two sets of twins and seven other lambs born. The students are very

quiet and responsible when it is their turn to touch and handle the babies.

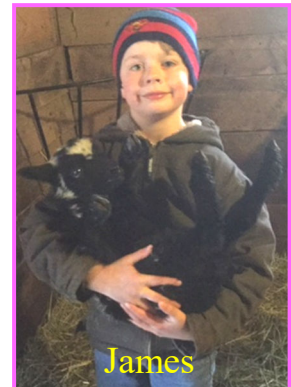
This is a paragraph from our March 9 newsletter: "Well, this has been a different kind of week. No scheduled school on Monday and Tuesday. Then a half a day on Wednesday due to snow, and a snow day on Thursday. It has been like a continuation of vacation week. Needless to say this added on more days to the end of the year. We are [finally] getting out June 19th."

Mr. PJ's class will be performing at the Weston Playhouse on June 2nd. This is an annual performance the students undertake, with two hours per week of practicing in the classroom for the month of May, with an artist in residence who has performed on Broadway. They write their play, choreograph the dance steps, they design and build the props, and practice, practice, practice; eventually bringing together a harmonious performance. The biggest factor of this four weeks are the wide smiles as they work together every week.

The switch from winter clothes to spring ones has been a wonderful transition time. Everyone is moving faster, more cheerful, in a better frame of mind.



WES students participated in the National School Walkout on March 14 at 10 AM to honor to lives of the 17 people killed at Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, FL and to press for stricter gun control laws.



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Saying Good-Bye to Glenn Boynton

from nephew Charles Rockwell

Longtime Windham resident, Glenn W. Boynton, 83, passed away quietly on February 28, 2018, in Porter Hospital, Middlebury, VT, after a recent illness. He and Rose had moved to The Residence at Otter Creek in Middlebury, last August.

Glenn was born on June 23, 1934 in Jay, NY. He attended Lake Placid High School before graduating from Northwood School in 1952, and achieved his BA with Honors in 1956 from Wesleyan University. On June 11, 1955, he married Rose Wilkins. After graduating from Wesleyan, they settled in Lewisboro, NY where he embarked on a career in the petroleum industry with Esso. Glenn then went on to a second career in academia, where he served as Vice President of Bard College, then as Associate Dean of the Harvard University Divinity School, on to the Development Office at Belmont Hill School, and as the Development Director of the Groton School.

Glenn was a lifelong lover of winter sports and played hockey and skied for many years. He played goalie on the first Wesleyan University hockey team, mentored Wesleyan hockey players and was an avid supporter of the team for his entire life.

While living in the Boston area, the Boynton family enjoyed skiing in Vermont and renovating their 200 year old farmhouse on Windham Hill Road as the family winter retreat. In 1994, after Glenn retired, he and Rose moved to Windham full-time. He balanced his winter skiing at Stratton Mountain with a love of spending his summer days working in his Windham woods.

Glenn had a great sense of humor and love of humanity, and with that, made and kept many friends everywhere he went. His wit and wisdom made him a joy to be around. He enjoyed discussing people's interests, and they enjoyed the benefit of his good counsel.

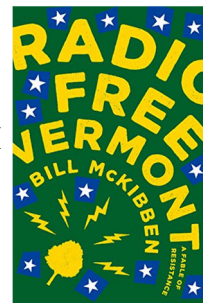
Glenn and Rose's son John and his wife Cathy Stover, and son Nathan reside in Windham. Son Peter Boynton and his wife Kelly Fontana own a home here, but are currently living in Rockport, MA.

A memorial service will be held at the Zion Episcopal Church in Manchester, VT. Announcement to follow.

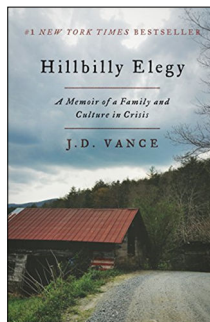
Revised Schedule for Windham Library Book Club Selections

Wednesday, June 6, 2018 – 3:30 PM

In *Radio Free Vermont*, Bill McKibben entertains and expands upon an idea that's become more popular than ever--seceding from the United States. Along with Vern Barclay and Perry Alterson, McKibben imagines an eccentric group of activists who carry out their own version of guerilla warfare, which includes dismissing local middle school children early in honor of 'Ethan Allen Day' and hijacking a Coors Light truck and replacing the stock with local brew. Witty, biting, and terrifyingly timely, *Radio Free Vermont* is Bill McKibben's fictional response to the burgeoning resistance movement



Wednesday, July 11, 2018 - 3:30 PM



From a former marine and Yale Law School graduate, a powerful account of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town that offers a broader, probing look at the struggles of America's white working class.

Hillbilly Elegy is a passionate and personal analysis of a culture in crisis—that of white working-class Americans. The decline of this group, a demographic of our country that has been slowly disintegrating over forty years, has been reported on with growing frequency and alarm, but has never before been written about as searingly from the inside. J. D. Vance tells the true story of what a social, regional, and class decline feels like when you were born with it hung around your neck.

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A Mother's Day Weekend, family-friendly fundraiser for Grace Cottage Hospital. All runners will be timed; however participants are welcome to run, walk, roll or stroll. Patrolled course is paved and relatively flat. Prizes, raffles, a free fun-run for kids 6 and under. Free event tees for first 100 who register. Rain or shine. Fees: Online thru May 10: Adults \$12. Kids \$8. Event day: Adults \$20. Kids \$10. For information call 802-365-9109 or email: www.gracecottage.org/events.

Grace Cottage Offers New Technique for Soft Tissue Repair

Three of Grace Cottage Family Health & Hospital's rehabilitation therapists are now certified to offer Graston® Technique to their patients. These include Rebecca Griswold, PTA; Margaret van den Bergh, PT; and Melissa Walker, DPT.

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For more information, call 365-3637

Vermont's 'Wild for Pollinators'

by Maureen Bell

I joined this organization last spring. It is a collaboration of a few Vermont gardening groups. Their aim is to help pollinators by spreading awareness of their benefits and creating more pollinator habitat across the state.

Even without the joining the organization, you can help the pollinators by doing the following:

- Leave an area wild, unmowed or create a container garden or an entire landscape with plants selected to benefit pollinators. It should be 5' x 15' or larger.

- Do not apply any pesticides, fungicides or herbicides to the site.

It's that easy. But if you'd like more information about the group, please check them out at: wildforpollinators.org.

From the 'Wild for Pollinators' website:

"More than a third of the world's food crops rely on pollination by insects and other animals. Across the country and in our own backyards, native bee populations are dropping. More than one-quarter of the bumblebee species in the Northeast are threatened or have disappeared. What if half - or even all - of Vermont schools, churches, government organizations and businesses left a portion of their property grow wild and remain un-mowed, or planted a garden bed with pollinator-friendly plants? It would help create a connecting corridor of plants to provide sustenance, shelter and breeding areas for the wild and native bees and other pollinators that are in trouble." This organization urges individuals and organizations across Vermont to join in the effort to encourage the creation of more pollinator and beneficial insect habit.



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from 12 PM to 4 PM

This change is for Sundays only. The hours for Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday are 9 AM to 4 PM. Closed on Wednesdays and holidays.

Contact Esther Fishman at 824-3356 or email londonrecycle@vermontel.net for more information.

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WHAT TO BRING:

- Any substance with a label that says:
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 - *Warning *Danger *Caution
 - BOTH LATEX and OIL BASED PAINT**
- For information call 824-3306.

OFFICIAL TOWN WEBSITE

Be sure to use the Official Windham Town Website: **TOWNOFWINDHAMVT.COM** for warnings, meeting schedules and minutes, events, town information. Your input is important. Please contact the webmaster, Vance Bell, with ideas or corrections: webmaster@townofwindhamvt.com.

TOWN CONTACTS

TOWN WEBSITE: TOWNOFWINDHAMVT.COM

Town Clerk: Michael McLaine, phone: 874-4211; email: windham.town@gmail.com

Town Treasurer: Peter Chamberlain, phone: 874-4211; email: windham.towntreasurer@gmail.com

Town Road Crew: Josh Dryden, phone: 874-7025 at the Town Garage

Lister and Zoning: Alison Cummings, 874-7223; cobbbrookfarm@gmail.com; Russ Cumming, 874-7011

E911 Coordinator and Lister: Meredith Tips-McLaine, 875-1550; meredithtipsmcaine@gmail.com

Select Board: Maureen Bell, chair, phone: 875-1024; email: mbellselectboard@gmail.com

School Board: Antje Ruppert, phone: 874-4759; email: antje@sover.net

Windham Community Organization: Ellen McDuffie, phone: 874-8183; email: eflockwood@aol.com

Windham Fire Warden: Rick Weitzel, phone: 874-4104; Ralph Wyman, phone: 875-3373

Health Officer: Marcia Clinton, phone: 875-3531; email: mclinton@vermontel.net

Planning and Energy Commission: Bill Dunkel, phone: 874-4131; email: bdunkel1455@gmail.com (lower case L, then number 1455)



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REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETINGS



Energy Committee:
3rd Thursday at 4:30 PM
at Town Office, May 17 &
June 21.

Windham Community Organization:

Last Wednesday of the month
at 7 PM at the Meeting House,
May 30 & June 27. Call Ellen
McDuffie at 874-8183 for
information.

Town Clerk: 874-4211

Monday: Noon - 8:00 PM
Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 10:00 AM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM - :00 PM
Closed all Thursdays, Fridays,
and Federal Holidays. Open 4th
Saturdays, May 26 & June 23.

Planning and Zoning:

Second Wednesday of the
month at 6:30 PM at the
Town Office; May 9 & June
13. Open meetings. Agenda
posted. Call Bill Dunkel at
874-4131 for information.

Windham Congregational Church (UCC):

Sundays: Worship Services
at 9:30 AM at the Meeting
House through May 13. No
summer services. Call Dave
Crittenden at 874-4049.

Select Board:

1st & 3rd Mondays,
May 7 & 21, June 4 & 18 at
6:30 PM at the Town
Office; Open meetings.
Agenda posted. Check web-
site: townofwindhamvt.com

Library:

Every Wednesday, 3-5 PM
at the Meeting House.
Book Group at 3:30 PM,
1st Wednesdays, May 2 &
June 6 at the Meeting
House.

Valley Bible Church:

Sundays: Sunday School,
9:55 AM; Morning Worship,
11 AM; Potluck, 12:10 PM;
Sun. Afternoon Service,
1:10 PM; Tuesdays, Bible
Study/ Prayer, 7 PM.

School Board:

1st Mondays,
May 7 & June 4 at 4 PM at
the Elementary School.
Call Antje Rupert at
874-4759 to confirm.

Volunteer Fire Company:

First Thursday of the
month, May 3 & June 7 at
6 PM at the Firehouse.
Heavy refreshments/dinner
served.

Listers: Every Tuesday
9 AM- Noon at the Town
Office.

WRMU Union School District:
Third Mondays, May 21 &
June 18 at 7 PM at Leland &
Gray.

SAVE THESE DATES!

May 5 - Green-Up Day
May 14 - Public Hearing on Zoning Regulations, Town Office, 6:30 PM
May 19 - Electronics Collection, Flood Brook School, 9 AM-1 PM
June 2 - Hazardous Waste Collection, Flood Brook, 9 AM-1 PM
June 16 - Leland & Gray Graduation, Townshend, 10 AM
July 14 - WCO Chicken Barbecue, Meeting House, 5 PM



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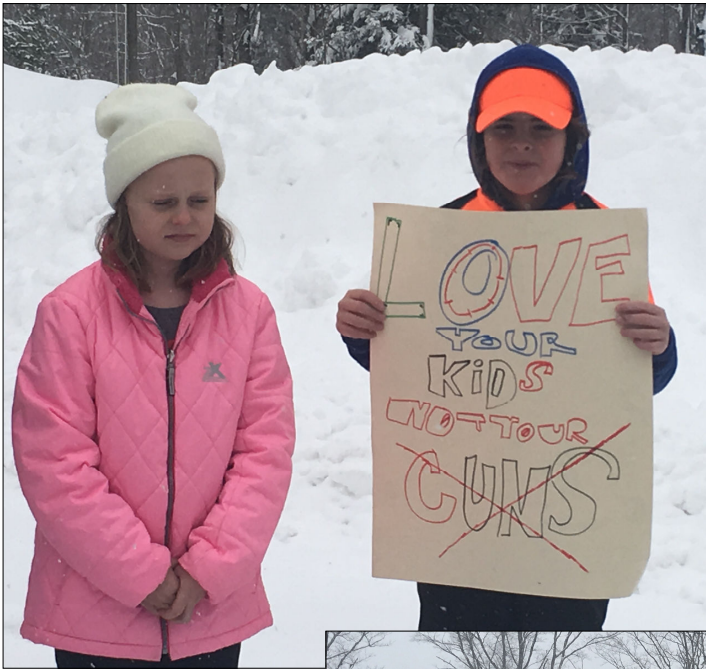
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*WES students participated in the
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****Both latex and oil based paints will be accepted at the collection**

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Electronics check the web site for dates of electronics collection

Empty Aerosol cans can be recycle with scrap metal at the Transfer Station

Rechargeable and Primary Batteries (AA, AAA, C, D etc) Bring to Londonderry Hardware, Sigda's Hardware, Londonderry Town Office, Londonderry Transfer Station Recycle Center

Automotive Batteries can be exchanged at or given to local garages and auto parts stores

Used Clean Motor Oil Can be brought to West River Auto or Hunter Excavating

Fluorescent Light Tubes/Bulbs can be taken to Londonderry Hardware Store or Sigda's Servistar

Ammunition & Explosives contact your local police department

Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Propane Tanks can be exchanged or refilled at propane distributors or Londonderry Hardware

Medical sharps (needles) place in rigid, puncture-resistant container such as a detergent bottle with cap sealed with duct tape. Label container "Not For Recycling, Sharps". Dispose of in trash.

Asbestos in any form. You will need to contact an asbestos abatement company.

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